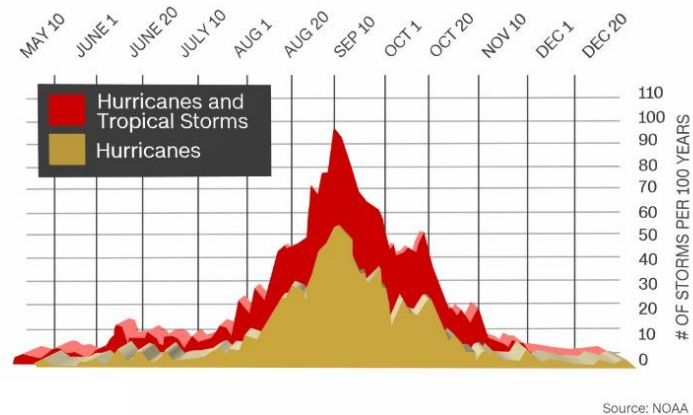


Hurricane Preparedness 2021

Kings County, NS – With the start of hurricane season on June 1st, Kings County promotes Hurricane Awareness in support of building a 'Safe and Resilient' Kings County.

The 2021 Atlantic Hurricane season outlook is for an 'Above Average' season with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) predicting 13-20 named storms. Of those named storms six to ten are expected to be hurricanes, and three to five could be major hurricanes (Category 3 and above).



Source: NOAA

Each year, we witness the devastating impacts that hurricanes can cause. Hurricanes are not just a threat to coastal communities. High winds, heavy rainfall, and flooding can be felt hundreds of miles inland, potentially causing loss of life and catastrophic damage to property. It is not just major Hurricanes (Category 3 or higher) that we need to worry about, but **all hurricanes and post-tropical storms have the potential to cause significant damage** as with Post-Tropical Storm Dorian in September 2019.

Kings County's Regional Emergency Management Organization (REMO) is committed to ensuring the safety of Kings County citizens and we're calling on you to prepare with us. Knowing your risk, getting prepared, and staying informed are just a few of the steps that you can take to get ready for hurricane season (June 1 – November 30, 2021). Subscribe for **Kings County Emergency Email Notifications** by sending an email to: REMO_KingsCounty@countyofkings.ca, Subject: Emergency Email Notifications.

Additional Hurricane information is available from Canada's Department of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness at: www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/hzd/hrcns-en.aspx, or follow **@REMO_KingsCty** on Twitter or **REMO_KingsCounty** on Facebook.

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