



# Perspectives on Disaster Responses



Monitoring, Early Warning,  
Situational Awareness



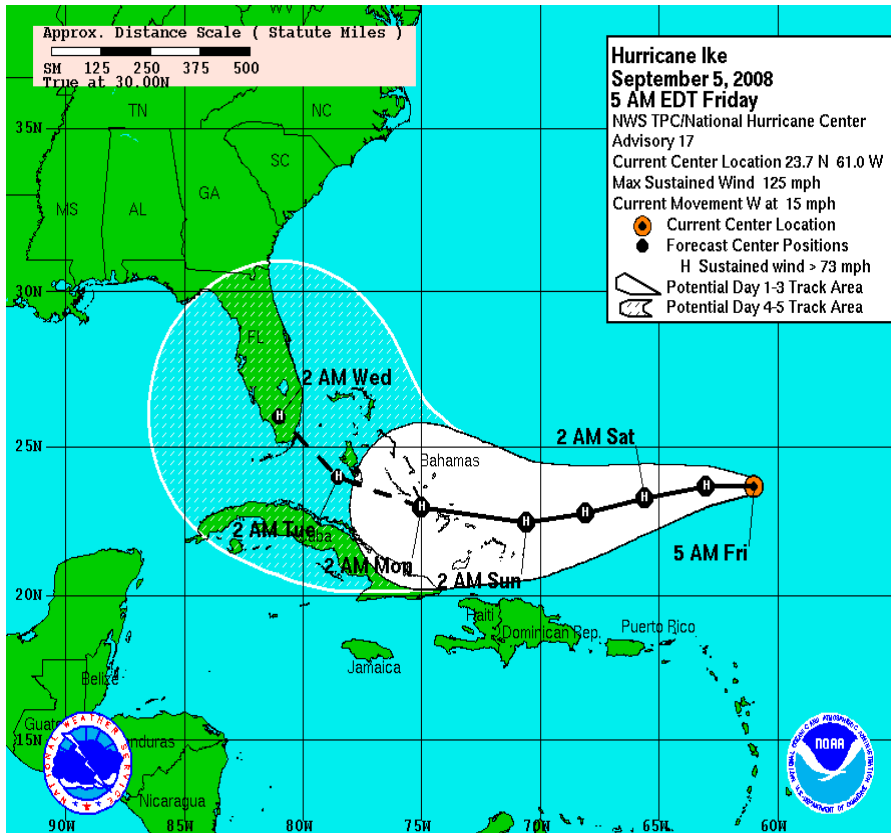
# Monitoring information

**Information does not travel in a linear manner**

**Rather, information flow is like a river**



# Early Warning



- Weather system reporting is a key example of early warning
- The earlier the warning the more likely inaccuracies may exist



# Situational Awareness

- **Gain knowledge and optimize unrelated information**
- **Facilitate the sharing of information in real time**
- **Develop proactive problem solutions**



- **Interoperable communications**
  - Command & Control vs. Coordination
  - Standard terminology for command and operations
- **No room for misunderstanding in emergencies**
- **Planning and Exercising critical to success**