

We once again find ourselves at the start of the Atlantic Hurricane season. Last year, Americans spanning the eastern seaboard experienced the impacts of Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee. Many communities in the northeast are still working to recover from those storms.

While the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is predicting a "near normal" hurricane season this year, with a 70 percent chance of nine to 15 named storms, we have already seen two named storms before the season has even started.

As Chairman of the Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications, Gus continues to stress that the time to prepare for hurricanes, or any natural disasters, is now.

Watch Gus address the House of Representatives regarding the upcoming Hurricane season: