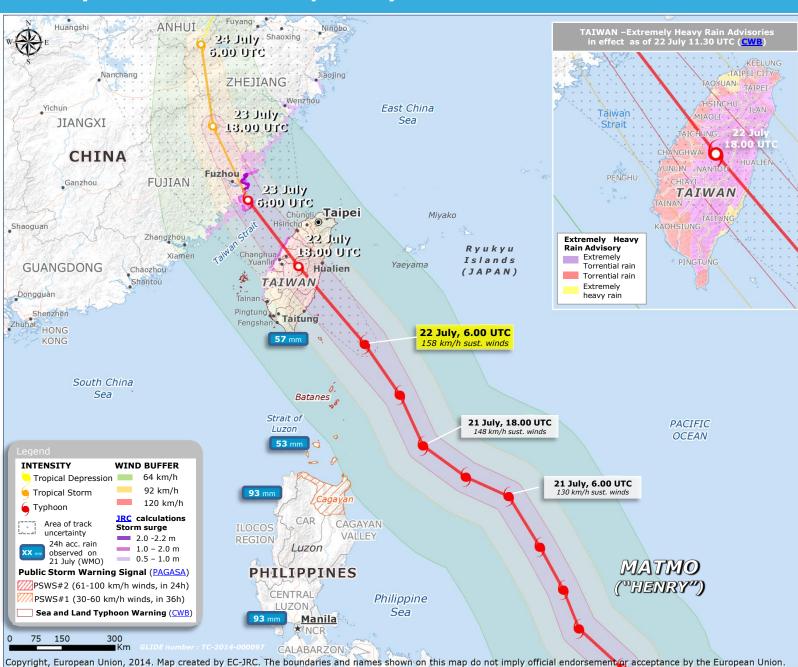
22 July 2014: China - Tropical cyclone MATMO





SITUATION

- On 22 July, 6.00 UTC, Typhoon MATMO had max. sust. winds of 158 km/h and its centre was located over the Philippine Sea, approx. 150 km north-east of Itbayat island (Batanes, Philippines) and 180 km south-east of Taitung (Taiwan).
- In the next 24 h it is forecast to continue moving north-west, making landfall in the area between Taitung and Hualien (eastern Taiwan) on 22 July afternoon (UTC), then cross Taiwan, slightly weakening, and reach the coast of the Chinese province of Fujian, near Fuzhou, in the morning of 23 July (UTC).
- During its passage heavy rains and strong winds may affect Batanes Islands (Philippines), most of Taiwan, as well as Fujian and Zhejiang Provinces (China). JRC calculations indicate a possible storm surge of the order of 2 m in the coastal areas near Fuzhou (Fujian province, China) on 23 July morning (UTC).
- In the Philippines, MATMO (locally known as HENRY) will enhance the Southwest Monsoon, bringing moderate to heavy rain over parts of Luzon. **Public Storm Warning Signal (PSWS) #2** and **#1** are in effect, as of 22 July morning (see map).
- In Taiwan, Sea and Land Typhoon Warnings, as well as "Extremely Torrential Rain" and "Torrential Rain" advisories, are in effect for most of Taiwan. An Orange Warning for Typhoon is in effect for parts of eastern mainland China (as of 22 July morning, UTC).

Sources: <u>GDACS</u>, <u>JTWC</u>, <u>JMA</u>, <u>PAGASA</u>, <u>NDRRMC</u>, CWB, CMA, Media

