Typhoon Matmo Weakening Near China/Vietnam Border

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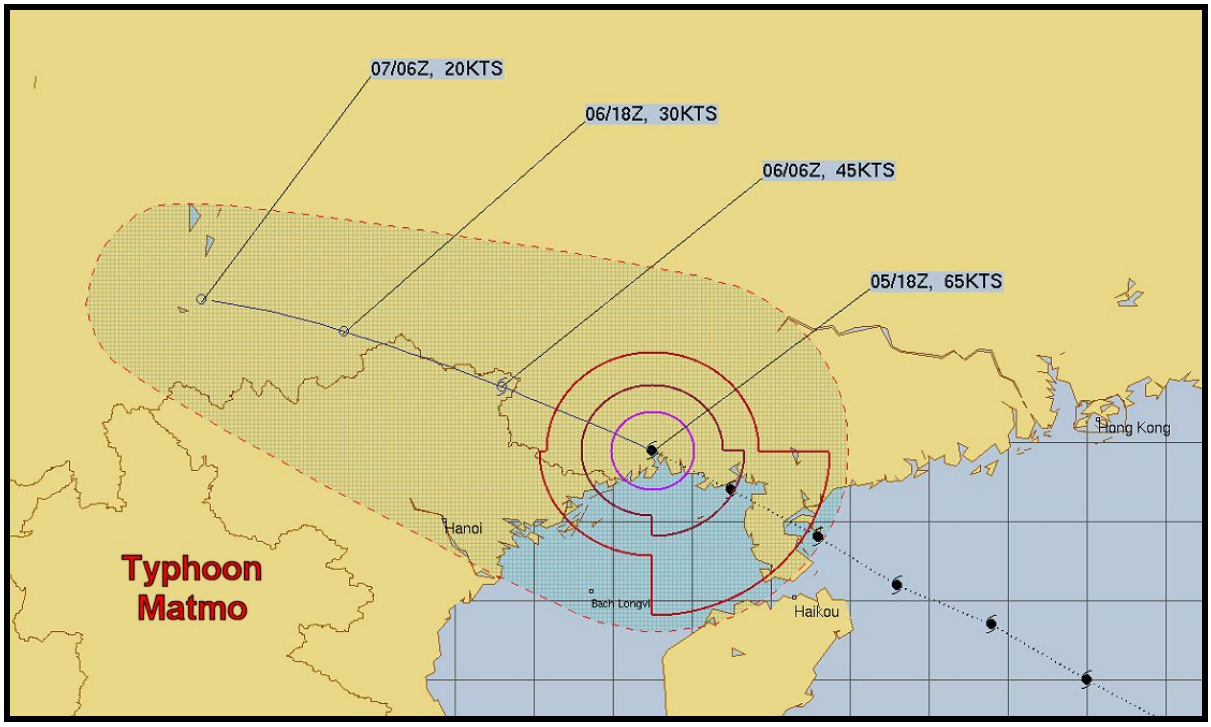
Kansas City, October 6 (World Weather Inc.) – ***Typhoon Matmo moved inland across the Leizhou Peninsula in southwestern Guangdong during the weekend producing wind speeds in excess of 100 mph and torrential rain. The storm has since drifted to the China/Vietnam border where it is expected to be for much of the day today. The system will be downgraded to tropical storm status soon and it will move into Yunnan, China Tuesday as a depression before becoming a remnant low pressure center.*** The storm has likely produced some damaging wind and flooding rain from southwestern Guangdong to southern Guangxi. Flooding rain is also suspected in northern Vietnam where some of that will continue throughout the day today.

At 0400 UTC today, Tropical Cyclone Matmo was located near the northernmost tip of Vietnam near the Guangxi, China border. The position was nearly 125 miles northeast of Hanoi, Vietnam moving west northwesterly. Rain from the storm was still occurring from far southwestern Guangdong into Yunnan China reaching as far to the north as Guizhou, China and as far south as the Vinh area of Vietnam. Official rain amounts have not been reported yet; although they are expected to range from 3.00 to more than 10.00 inches.



Flood and wind damage have occurred form southwestern Guangdong, China to southern Guangxi, China and flooding is suspected in much of northern Vietnam as well. Additional rain totals today and Tuesday will vary from 2.00 to 7.00 inches with the greater amounts in northern Vietnam and southwestern China.

Damage assessments from the wind, rain and flooding will begin Tuesday. The region has been impacted by three other tropical cyclones this year keeping the ground

saturated and vulnerable to landslides. Some structural damage is also expected along with infrastructure issues.

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