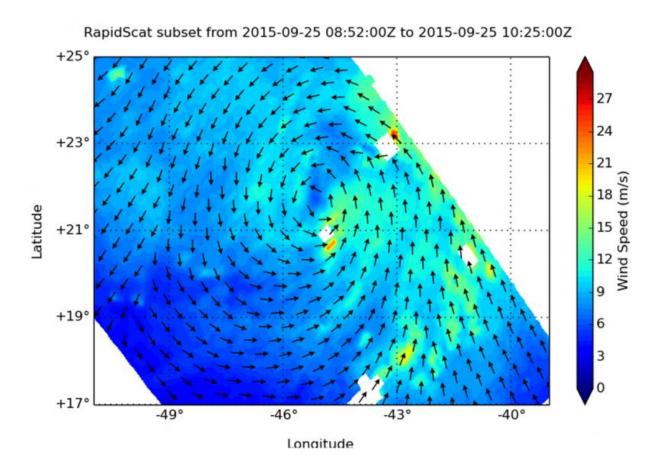


NASA's RapidScat sees the end of Tropical Storm Ida

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The RapidScat instrument saw former Tropical Storm Ida's waning winds when the International Space Station passed over the remnant low pressure area on September 25, 2015.

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Ida hung on for two more days after RapidScat passed overhead, and became post-tropical.

On Sunday, September 27, the National Hurricane Center stated that Ida had become a remnant low pressure area. At 5 p.m. EDT (2100 UTC), the center of Post-Tropical Cyclone Ida was located near latitude 24.5 North, longitude 48.7 West. That's about 1020 miles (1,645 km) east-northeast of the Northern Leeward Islands. The post-tropical cyclone was moving toward the west near 5 mph (7 kph). At that time, maximum sustained winds were near 30 mph (45 kph).

By Monday, September 28, 2015, the remnant low opened up into a trough (elongated area of low pressure).

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