**WEATHER**

**Heat wave ends, Emily" tracks west**

By Michael Morgan

A heat wave is defined as three or more consecutive days of 90°F (32°C) or higher maximum temperatures. If our high temperature reached or exceeded that criterion - the second heat wave in Boston this year. This heat wave will be short lived however as tonight front will cross the area this afternoon or early evening, ushering in somewhat cooler, but noticeably drier air. Ahead of the front a few showers and thunderstorms will develop this afternoon, particularly over northwestern parts of New England. Once the front is southeast of us, a weak high pressure will build over the area. More heat and humidity are in store for the first part of next week. Until then, sunny, pleasant weather will be the rule.

“Emily” is continuing on its slow westward track. The system weakened slightly today however the favorable conditions for its development were still in place. A cold front moving in from the west, as well as thedevelopment of the polar vortex, will keep the conditions favorable for additional strengthening. The tropical storm is anticipated to intensify further over the next several days.

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