

Severe Weather Hazard Report

SEVERE WEATHERS stay aware, be prepared...

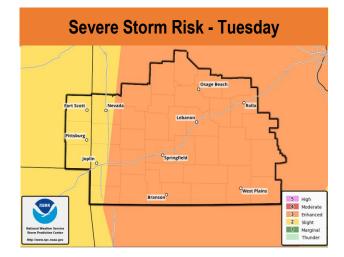
Springfield-Greene County
Office of Emergency Management

Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies 05/21/2019 – 1145

Watches/Warnings:

Tornado Watch in effect from May 21, 11:35 AM until May 21, 7:00 PM. Flash Flood Watch until May 21, 7:00 PM. Flood Warning until May 21, 2:15 PM.

Hazards:	<u>5/21</u>
Severe Storms	Elevated
Lightning	Significant
Flooding	Elevated
Tornado	Elevated
Hail	Elevated
Wind Gusts	Elevated
Non T-Storm Wind	Elevated

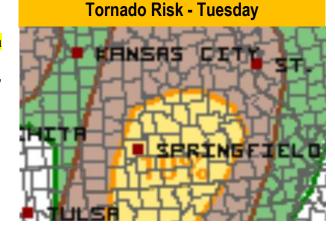


Discussion:

A Tornado Watch has been issued as a line of storms moving into the area will likely intensify this afternoon, posing a risk of locally damaging wind gusts and a few tornadoes. Golf ball sized hail, damaging winds up to 70 mph, and tornadoes are possible again today as a cold front moves through the region. Moderate to heavy rainfall will lead to additional flash flooding tonight, especially in already saturated areas, with 1 to 3 inches possible. Spotter activation may be needed in the next 6 hours. Confidence Level: Moderate to high confidence in severe weather and flooding potential.

Citizen Action Statement:

- Have a severe weather shelter plan! Review emergency kit and identify closest safe shelter.
- Have a way of receiving severe weather warnings (NOAA Weather Radio, social media, news media, etc.)
- Take shelter when lightning is in the area! "When thunder roars...go indoors!"
- Citizens with outdoor recreational plans along area rivers and streams should be alert for the potential for lightning strikes and rapidly rising water levels. "Turn around...don't drown!"



Emergency Management Issues:

- Springfield-Greene County EOC is currently at OpCon Level 3: Monitoring
- OEM is monitoring "WxNet" (B-15) on Greene County 800 TRS
- All interested parties should continue to monitor the situation for forecast changes.
- Follow OEM: Twitter @gcoem or Facebook/SpringfieldGreeneOEM

