

# Winter Storm Hazard Report

### Springfield-Creene County Office of Emergency Management

#### **Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies**

02/01/2022 - 1000 Hours

#### Watches and Warnings

Winter Storm Warning in effect from Midnight tonight until Midnight Thursday Night.

Hazards	<u>02/01</u>	<u>02/02</u>	<u>02/03</u>
Excessive Cold	NONE		ELEVATED
Ice Accumulation		SIGNIFICANT	NONE
Snow/Sleet			ELEVATED
Wind	LIMITED	LIMITED	LIMITED

#### **Discussion**

An impactful winter storm with significant snow, sleet, and ice accumulation is likely from late Tuesday night through Thursday evening for all of the Ozarks Region. The combination of gusty winds and cold temperatures will produce dangerous Wind Chills Wednesday through Friday night. Ice accumulation amounts of a thin glaze to a quarter inch are possible and will have the highest affected area along Interstate 44. Widespread snow and sleet accumulations are likely. Highest snowfall accumulations are north of Interstate 44 while highest sleet totals will be nearest the Interstate 44 corridor. Winds may gust between 20-30 mph on Wednesday and between 25-35 mph on Thursday.

#### Travel Issues

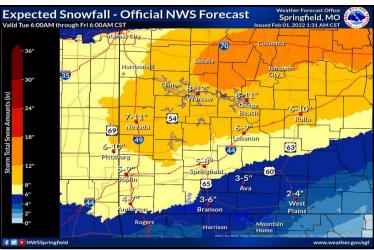
- Major travel disruptions are likely across the entire region and power outages will be possible where ice accumulation is heavier.
- Gusty winds will lead to dangerously low wind chill values
- Slick spots will be possible mainly on elevated surfaces
- Slow down and use caution while traveling. *Call for Road Conditions: 1-888-275-6636*
- Total snow accumulation expected: > 5"

#### Preparedness Considerations

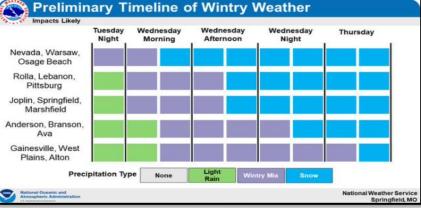
Consider a winter storm kit for your car. Winterize your vehicle. Pay close attention to upcoming weather information. Watch for social media posts from OEM and affiliated partners.

#### **Emergency Management Issues**

- Springfield-Greene County EOC is currently at OpCon Level 3: Monitoring
- OEM will continue to monitor this developing weather situation. Partners should continue to monitor as well.
- Follow OEM: Twitter @gcoem and Facebook/SpringfieldGreeneOEM
- MoDOT: Traveler Information map: <a href="http://maps.modot.mo.gov/timi/">http://maps.modot.mo.gov/timi/</a>
- Ozarks Traffic: <a href="http://www.ozarkstraffic.com/">http://www.ozarkstraffic.com/</a>







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