

NEWS RELEASE: May 8, 2009

### **Greene County storm damage summary**

The Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management reports the following damage summary for this morning's storm event in Greene County, including Springfield and other municipalities:

#### **Property Damage**

	Destroyed	Major Damage	Minor Damage
Single family homes	3	27	271
Businesses	1	7	22
Schools	0	4	9
Govt. buildings	1	0	1

Schools sustaining major damage include Fair Grove, Strafford, Bois D'Arc Elementary and Walnut Grove. Ebenezer Fire Station #3 and was destroyed, and equipment within it heavily damaged.

#### **Injuries**

A total of four injuries were reported, none requiring hospitalization. No fatalities have been reported in Greene County.

#### **Roads**

Greene County Highway Department crews have worked all day to clear trees and debris from county roadways, but some roads remain closed, including:

- Farm Road 231, south of Farm Road 44
- Farm Road 168, east of State Highway J
- Farm Road 229, east of State Highway 125
- Farm Road 173, north of Shelby Road.
- Farm Road 215, between State Highway A and Farm Road 48

Debris and other hazards may remain in other roadways, and motorists are urged to drive with extreme caution this evening and tomorrow. Highway Department crews will continue to work until dark tonight and resume clearing roads at 7 a.m.

#### **Disaster hotline**

The Springfield-Greene County Disaster Hotline will be closed over the weekend, but will be staffed again next week during normal businesses hours to accept damage reports. Property owners with moderate to severe damage are encouraged to report it at 417-829-6200.

For more information, call Ryan Nicholls, Director of Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management, at 417-869-6040, or Jenny Fillmer Edwards, Greene County Public Information Officer, at 417-379-5713.

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