

Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies

02/28/2017 - 4:00 p.m.

Current Warnings and Watches:

A Tornado watch in effect until 9:00 pm

Hazards:

Lightning Significant Tornado **Elevated** Hail Significant **Thunderstorm Wind Damage Elevated Fire Weather** Significant

Discussion:

There is an elevated to significant severe weather risk this late afternoon and into tonight. Any severe storms that develop

could produce large hail up to the size of tennis balls, damaging wind gusts up to 70 mph and tornadoes. There is potential for fast a strong long track tornado mainly along interstate 44.

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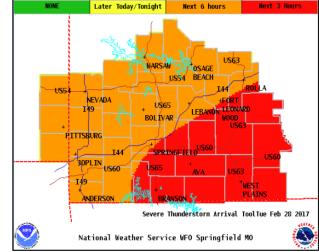
The coverage and intensity of storms will increase this evening into the overnight hours. The greatest risk for severe storms will occur from 9 pm to 5 am. There is the potential for fast moving night time tornadoes.

An elevated fire weather risk will impact the outlook area at times from Wednesday through Saturday.

Citizen Action Statement:

Citizens should consider the following guidance:

- Citizens with outdoor recreational plans along area rivers and streams should be alert for the potential for lightning strikes and rapidly rising water levels.
- Have a severe weather shelter plan! Don't wait until severe weather is imminent to figure out where to



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- 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 in doors."

Emergency Management Issues:

- All interested parties should continue to monitor the situation for continuing forecast changes.
- The OEM will be monitoring "WxNet" (B-15) on Greene County 800 TRS.
- Follow OEM: Twitter @gcoem or Facebook/SpringfieldGreeneOEM.
- Regional WebEOC Incident Created: (2017-02-27 Regional Severe Weather)

