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ALERT SEVERE WEATHER

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SEVERE WEATHER HAZARD REPORT

Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management

Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies

04/25/2017 – 2:00 p.m.

Hazards:

Hail	<i>Elevated</i>
Thunderstorm Wind Gusts	<i>Elevated</i>
Lightning	<i>Elevated</i>
Flooding	<i>Limited</i>
Non-Thunderstorm Winds	<i>Limited</i>

Discussion:

Wind gusts of 30 to 40 mph can be expected across much of the area this afternoon.

Thunderstorms are expected to develop this evening, eventually forming into a broken line of storms which will track into the area **reaching the U.S. 65 corridor by midnight.**

Strong to severe storms, with **hail to the size of half dollars and wind gusts up to 60 mph** are possible.

Frequent lightning and locally heavy rainfall can also be expected with these storms. There will be a limited risk for flooding over locations that receive multiple rounds of thunderstorms overnight.

Extended Forecast:

Confidence continues to grow for an excessive rain event beginning on Friday. With soils nearly saturated, storm total rainfall from Tuesday night through Sunday could range from 4-6 inches.

Additionally, there will be at least a limited risk for strong to severe thunderstorms from Friday into Saturday across southern Missouri.

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. *"Turn around...don't drown!"*
- Have a severe weather shelter plan! Don't wait until severe weather is imminent to figure out where to 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!"*

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
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