

# SEVERE WEATHER stay aware, be prepared... Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management

# **Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies**

05/27/2017 – 5:30 p.m.

#### Watches/Warnings:

Tornado Watch in effect until 7 p.m. tonight Flash Flood Watch in effect until 7 a.m. Sunday

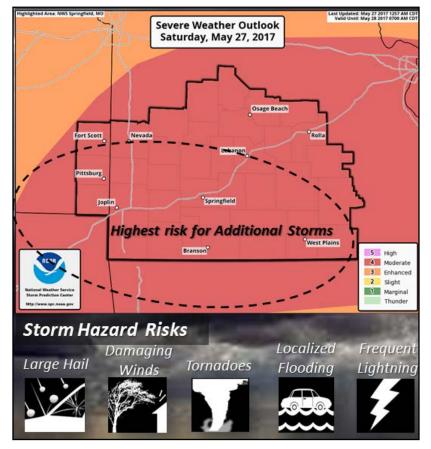
#### Hazards:

Flooding Tornado Hail Damaging Winds Lightning Elevated Elevated Significant Significant Significant

#### Discussion:

Strong to severe storms will continue to impact Greene County late this afternoon into tonight as very strong instability and wind shear remain in place ahead of a surface boundary. The potential exists for supercell thunderstorms as storms initially begin to develop. Hail up to the size of baseballs, damaging winds, and tornadoes will all be possible with these storms.

Along with the risk for severe thunderstorms, frequent lightning and locally heavy rainfall can be expected. Localized flooding of low water crossings will be possible where the heavier rainfall occurs. A Flash Flood Watch is in effect through 7 AM Sunday. Localized rainfall amounts of up to 4 inches will be possible if training storms develop.



## Forecast Summary:

- All modes of severe weather are possible with these storms.
- Depending on wind orientation, several tornadoes are possible with this event.

## **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.)
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- 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
- Follow OEM: Twitter @gcoem or Facebook/SpringfieldGreeneOEM
- Regional WebEOC Incident Created (2017-05-26 Regional Severe Weather)