

SEVERE WEATHER

stay aware, be prepared...

Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management

Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies 8/19/2018 – 9:00 a.m.

Watches/Warnings:

No watches or warnings at this time.

| Hazards: | |
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| Lightning | Elevated |
| Tornadoes | Limited |
| Hail | Limited |
| Wind Gusts | Limited |
| Flash Flooding | Limited |

Discussion:

Strong to severe thunderstorms are expected to track across the area this afternoon and evening. Locally heavy rain and damaging winds and hail up to quarters in size are the primary hazards expected. An isolated tornado will also be possible.

The combination of instability and wind-shear this afternoon and evening will likely be enough for isolated strong to severe storms to develop with damaging winds and hail up to quarters in size to occur.

Locations west of a line from Fort Scott,KS to Springfield and Theodosia will see the best chances for severe weather.

Extended Forecast:

The slow movement of the system will allow showers and thunderstorms to continue across the area overnight into Monday morning as well.

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.
- Be able to receive 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
- Follow OEM: Twitter @gcoem or Facebook/SpringfieldGreeneOEM



