



Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies
02/16/2021 – 2100

Community Lifeline Status



- KEY:**
- Lifeline services are stabilized, re-established, or not impacted
 - Lifeline services are disrupted, but solution in progress with estimated time to stabilization identified
 - Lifeline services are disrupted and no solution is identified
 - Extent of disruption and impacts to Lifelines services is unknown

Watches and Warnings

A **Winter Weather Advisory** is in effect until 6pm 02/17.
A **Peak Usage Critical** is in effect until further notice for Springfield City Utilities Customers.

Hazards

Excessive Cold
Snow/Sleet

02/16-02/17

LIMITED

ELEVATED

Discussion

Plan on slippery road conditions. The hazardous conditions could impact the morning or evening commute. The cold wind chills as low as 20 below zero could result in hypothermia if precautions are not taken.

Snow will start moving into southwest Missouri and southeast Kansas late this evening and spread northeast across the area overnight. Highest amounts of 3 to 4 inches will generally be south of the U.S. 60 corridor while 2 to 3 inches are expected north of U.S. 60.

Travel Issues

- Timing: Midnight through tomorrow late morning.
- Areas Impacted: Roadways across Greene County are covered with blowing snow reducing visibility.
- Total Accumulation: 2 to 3 inches across the area with locally higher accumulation amounts possible.

Utility Issues

Extreme weather conditions are placing a high demand on natural gas supplies affecting the region. This will have an impact on natural gas, propane and electric supplies across the region. Natural Gas wells are freezing in the southwest and limiting supply, causing suppliers to increase prices on the remaining supplies of natural gas. This is an unprecedented event that is affecting natural gas and propane user across the Midwest. Conservation of natural gas and propane is extremely important to the degree possible. In addition, electric production has been affected by both increased use and the critical demand on gas availability. Limit electrical usage to the degree possible. *Visit the City Utilities link below to learn more about utilities conservation.*

SNOW EXPECTED TONIGHT INTO WEDNESDAY



KEY MESSAGE

Snow will overspread the region tonight into Wednesday. Expect widespread accumulations, with the highest accumulations across the Missouri/Arkansas border. A **Winter Weather Advisory** goes into effect tonight for the entire region.



EXPECTED IMPACTS



Slower traffic



Accumulating snowfall



Slick walkways



BE PREPARED FOR

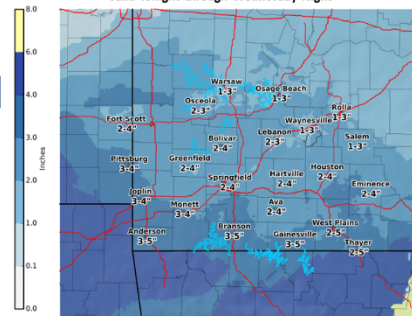
Slower than normal traffic and increased commute times with snow-covered roadways. Lingering cold temperatures.



ACTIONS

Continue to monitor the forecast for changes and updates.

Expected Snowfall Accumulations
Valid Tonight through Wednesday Night



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TIMELINE OF SNOWFALL TONIGHT THROUGH WEDNESDAY

	Tonight			Wednesday					
	6 pm	9 pm	12 am	3 am	6 am	9 am	12 pm	3 pm	6 pm
Pittsburg, Joplin, Lamar	NONE	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH
Fort Scott, Nevada, Osceola	NONE	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH
Springfield, Bolivar, Marshfield	NONE	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH
Branson, Ava, Hartville	NONE	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH
Versailles, Osage Beach, Lebanon	NONE	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH
Rolla, West Plains, Salem	NONE	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH

*These times are subject to change based on radar trends as event unfolds.

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Preparedness Considerations

Consider a winter storm kit for your car. Winterize your vehicle. Pay close attention to upcoming weather information. Watch for social media posts from OEM and affiliated partners. **Slow down and use caution while traveling.** Conserve natural gas, propane and electricity to the extent possible. **Regardless of who your utility provider is, prepare for possible utility interruptions.** Check on your elderly neighbors and bring pets indoors. **STAY SAFE AND REMAIN WEATHER AWARE!**

Emergency Management Issues

- Springfield-Greene County EOC is currently at OpCon **Level 3: Monitoring** for this event
- Regional WebEOC event has been created: **2021-02-12 Regional Winter Weather**
- OEM will continue to monitor this developing weather situation. Partners should continue to monitor as well.
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- **City Utilities:** <https://www.cityutilities.net/2021/02/13/20210213-peakalert/>