

SEVERE WEATHER

stay aware, be prepared...

Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management-

Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies

3/16/2021 - 1545 hours

Watches & Warnings

No current watches or warnings

Hazards	<u>3/16</u>	<u>3/17</u>
Tornado	NONE	ELEVATED
Thunderstorm wind		ELEVATED
Severe Thunderstorms		ELEVATED
Hail	LIMITED	ELEVATED

Discussion:

Strong to severe thunderstorms are possible late tonight into Wednesday morning across southeast Kansas and southwest Missouri. Primary risks include lightning, golf ball size hail, and isolated wind gusts up to 60 mph. Heavy rainfall may occur.

Additional strong to severe thunderstorms are possible Wednesday afternoon and evening. Large hail, damaging wind gusts, and tornadoes are possible. The greatest potential for severe storms is southeast of Springfield.

Citizen Action Statement:

- Have a severe weather shelter plan! Review emergency kit and identify closest safe 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!"
- 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!"*

Emergency Management Issues:

- OEM is monitoring "WxNet" (B-15) on Greene County 800 TRS
- Springfield-Greene County EOC is currently at:
- **OpCon Level 3: Partial Activation (Virtual/Physical)**
- All interested parties should continue to monitor the situation for forecast changes.
- Follow OEM: Twitter @gcoem or Facebook/SpringfieldGreeneOEM



