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FLOODING HAZARD REPORT

Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management

Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies

05/04/2022 – 1415 hours

Watches/Warnings: *Flood Watch* in effect until May 5th, 1300 hours

Hazard	5/4	5/5
Excessive Rainfall	ELEVATED	ELEVATED
Lightning	LIMITED	ELEVATED
Severe Thunderstorm	LIMITED	LIMITED
Hail	NONE	LIMITED
Tornado	NONE	LIMITED

Discussion:

Showers/thunderstorms will expand over the Missouri Ozarks today and tonight. A couple of storms could become organized with a limited risk for hail up to the size of quarters and wind gusts up to 60 mph.

Rainfall rates are likely to increase this evening into tonight, bringing a flash flood risk to the region. Any locations that receive training or repeated thunderstorms could receive significant flash flooding. Numerous county roads and state highways could become flooded through late tonight

Widespread flooding of roads and low lying areas could be ongoing heading into Thursday morning.

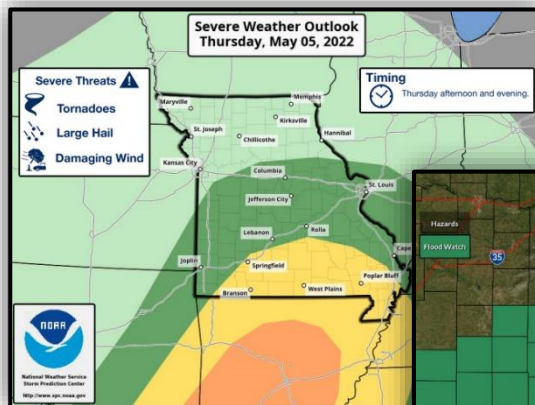
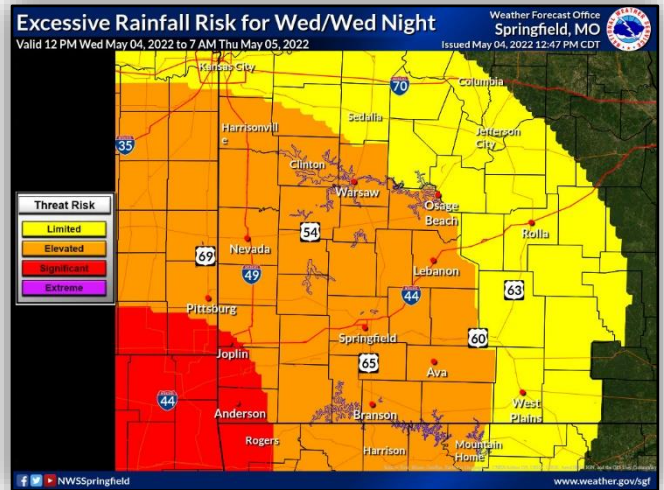
By mid-day Thursday, the risk for severe thunderstorms will increase as a cold front approaches from the west. All modes of severe weather will be possible, including tornadoes, large hail, and damaging wind gusts.

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:

- Springfield-Greene County EOC is currently at:
 - OpCon **Level 4: Monitoring**
- OEM will continue to monitor this developing weather situation.
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- MoDOT: Traveler Information map: <https://traveler.modot.org/map/index.html>
- Ozarks Traffic: <http://www.ozarkstraffic.com>



3 SIMPLE STEPS FOR FLASH FLOOD SAFETY

During a flood, water levels and the rate the water is flowing can quickly change. Remain aware and monitor local radio and television.



weather.gov/flood

- 1 GET TO HIGHER GROUND**
Get out of the areas subject to Flooding
- 2 DO NOT DRIVE INTO WATER**
Do NOT drive or walk into flooded areas. It only takes 6" of water to knock you off your feet.
- 3 STAY INFORMED**
Monitor local radar, television, weather radio, internet or social media for updates.