# **Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies** 03/02/2023 – 1430 hours

## Watches/Warnings:

Flood Watch in effect from tonight into midday tomorrow.

<u>Hazard</u>	03/02	03/03
Excessive Rainfall	ELEVATED	
Hail		NONE
Lightning		
Severe Thunderstorm		NONE
Thunderstorm Wind		

#### Discussion:

A strong storm system will move into the area tonight and will bring widspread heavy rain into the area. The heaviest rain will be along and southeast of the I-44 corridor where 2-3 inches of rain are expected, with localized higher amounts possible. This will likely lead to flooding over the area and a flood watch is in effect from this evening into midday Friday. A small percentage of the stronger storms today into tonight may approach severe limits with hail to the size of quarters and wind gusts up to 60 mph, but the majority of the storms will remain below severe limits and the main instability will be south and southeast of the area. Wind gusts over 30 mph will be possible over the area tonight.

## **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.
- Follow OEM: <u>Twitter @gcoem</u> and Facebook/SpringfieldGreeneOEM
- MoDOT: Traveler Information map: http://maps.modot.mo.gov/timi/
- Ozarks Traffic: http://www.ozarkstraffic.com/





