



# HAZARD REPORT

## SEVERE WEATHER

### SPRINGFIELD-GREENE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

#### Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies

04/18/2024 | 1400

Hazard Event #: 24-019

#### Watches / Warnings / Advisories:

Severe Thunderstorm Watch through 8pm

HAZARD	Apr-18
Severe Thunderstorm	Slight
Tornado	Marginal
Thunderstorm Wind	Slight
Hail	Slight
Lightning	Enhanced

#### DISCUSSION

A Severe Thunderstorm Watch is in effect for much of the area through 8 PM tonight. This includes the potential for large hail, damaging wind gusts, and an isolated tornado. Strong to severe thunderstorms are expected to develop ahead of a cold front from this morning into the early evening. Hail to the size of golf balls, damaging wind gusts up to 60 mph and isolated tornadoes will be possible. The risk of severe storms will mainly be east of a Joplin to Nevada line, with the better chances of severe storms further east in central and south-central Missouri this afternoon. Remain Weather Aware!

#### CITIZEN ACTION STATEMENT

- Have a severe weather shelter plan. Review your emergency kit and identify the 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 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: **OpCon Level 4: Monitoring**

\*\*\* OEM will continue to monitor this developing weather situation. \*\*\*

#### ONLINE



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MoDOT Traveler Info Map



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