

WEATHER ALERT

*** POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT FLOODING ***
THREAT TIME: THURSDAY 1:00 PM - 9:00 PM
REMAINING FLOODING ISSUES GRADUALLY IMPROVE OVERNIGHT

We're currently monitoring a significant flood threat that will impact the state, and that may include parts of our area as well. The afternoon/early evening time period is the most concerning. Initially, showers & storms will be isolated to scattered before becoming most widespread 4 - 8 PM. While there is a low risk for severe thunderstorms, heavy, torrential repeated downpours are the biggest threat. These rains will result in some spots (not everyone) seeing 3 - 6" in the span of just a few hours. In these localized areas, poor drainage and road flooding is a given, and impacts can be worse than normal with some full road closures possible. Thankfully, the worst of the rain winds down this evening with rain later tonight much lighter and likely not problematic.

SEVERE WEATHER		
Threat	Coverage	Description
Damaging Winds	Isolated	While the greatest risk is to our south, storms, especially between 2 and 5 PM may be capable of 45 - 60 mph wind gusts and a few downed trees/powerlines
Hail	Isolated	The first storms of the day can locally produce quarter-sized hail.
Tornadoes	Isolated	Low chance for a tornado during the mid or late afternoon. Risk stays mostly south.
C-G Lightning	Scattered	Lightning likely (probably not an excessive amount), may be most widespread 2 - 6 PM.
FLOODING PROBLEMS		
Road / Poor Drainage	Coverage	Description
Road / Poor Drainage	Numerous	Torrential downpours will lead to areas of poor drainage flooding, with locally significant issues (full road closures) in spots that see 1.5"+ in an hour
Stream / Creek	Scattered	In the localized areas that see 2.50"+ of total rain, it will result in streams and creeks exceeding their banks.
Major River	Minimal	While bigger rivers will see rises, recent dry weather should keep them from flooding.

FORECAST	
Thursday	Becoming mostly cloudy. An isolated shower or storm possible at any time, but they become more pronounced 1 - 3 PM, and most widespread after 4 PM. 0.50 - 1.00" of Rain (Locally 3 - 6" in a few hard hit spots) Areas of flooding in slow moving downpours, locally can be significant. High 85 - 90 (Peak Heat Index: Mid-upper 90s) Winds become NE 7 - 15 mph, PM gusts 20
Thu Night	The heaviest of the rain diminishes near sunset, but periods of showers remain, though become much lighter and more intermittent overnight. 0.25 - 0.50" of Rain (Additional, locally higher early on) Low 63 - 67 NE winds 8 - 18 mph, gusts 25
Friday	Leftover spotty showers or sprinkles quickly exit 8 - 11 AM, then clouds give way to limited breaks of sun. Less humid. 55% chance for a Trace - 0.05" of Rain High only 71 - 75 NE to N winds 10 - 18 mph, AM 25 gusts
Fri Night	Becoming mainly clear, other than a few patches of overnight fog. Low 57 - 62
Saturday	Lots of sun with low humidity. High 78 - 82

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