

WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

April 16, 2021

Severe Storms Outlook Gulf Coast

- Gov. John Bel Edwards issued a state of emergency Thursday due to the ongoing severe weather impacting Louisiana this week.
- According to the National Weather Service, there is the potential for flash flooding through Friday across much of south Louisiana. Wind gusts in excess of 60 mph are possible along with the potential for large hail.



- Much of the state has already dealt with dangerous weather lines for the past several days.
- The storms are expected to continue to fire along a stalled front near the upper Gulf Coast, according to AccuWeather Senior Storm Warning Meteorologist Eddie Walker.
- A general 3-6 inches of rain is forecast from the upper Texas coast, eastward through Louisiana, the southern parts of Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia, and northern Florida. An AccuWeather Local StormMax™ of 12 inches is forecast where the downpours persist and repeat.
- A number of locations in the southeastern U.S. have received two to four times their normal rainfall since the middle of March. More than 19 inches of rain has fallen on New Orleans since March 13, compared to a normal rainfall of 4.88 inches in that time period.

Declaration Request Alabama

- The National Weather Service confirmed 11 tornadoes in Alabama from the March 25th outbreak.
- Seven of those were rated at least EF-2, which qualifies them as being "strong."
- The massive Sawyerville-Centreville-Columbiana EF-3 tornado was not only very strong with maximum winds of 150 mph, but it was on the ground for over 80 miles during a 98-minute span and was upwards of 2,300 yards wide. It impacted 5 different counties (Hale, Perry, Bibb, Chilton, and Shelby).
- On April 15th, Governor Ivey requested a major disaster declaration for the severe storms, straight-line winds and tornadoes that tore through the state on March 25th & 26th.
- She is requesting individual assistance for 8 counties: Bibb, Calhoun, Clay, Hale, Jefferson, Perry, Randolph & Shelby.





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Disaster Update

4586 Texas

- Governor Greg Abbott announced on Thursday, April 15, FEMA has extended the deadline to apply for winter storm assistance by a month.
- The new deadline for individual assistance is May 20, 2021.
- FEMA has already approved more than \$141 million in aid to individuals affected by the February Texas winter storms.

Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request							
State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied /Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes			
KY	Severe Flooding Feb 26 & continuing	4/6/2021	Pending	9 Counties			
AL	Severe Storm, Straight-line Winds & Tornadoes March 25-26	4/15/2021	Pending	8 Counties			

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments							
State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Start-End			
		Requested	Completed	Start-Eriu			
WV	Flooding Event Feb 27-March 4	4	0	4/14-TBD			
TN	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Wind, Flash Flooding & River Flooding March 27-28	2	0	4/12-TBD			

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters							
Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline			
4586 TX	Severe Ice Storm	126 Counties	53	5/20/2021			



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