

December 15, 2021

### Severe Weather Outlook

- An unusual threat of severe storms for mid-December will hit the upper Midwest late Wednesday, including one state where a tornado has never been confirmed in the final month of the year.
- Intensifying low pressure will track from out of the Plains to the Great Lakes into early Thursday.
- That low itself will generate a widespread risk of damaging winds across a large part of the central U.S.
- Areas from northern Missouri and far
  eastern Nebraska into much of Iowa, southern Minnesota and western Wisconsin have the
  greatest chance to see severe thunderstorms late Wednesday afternoon into the evening hours.
- Damaging wind gusts to 80 mph and a few tornadoes are possible in these areas, especially in areas shaded darker red and purple.
- Omaha, Des Moines, Minneapolis, Rochester, Minnesota, and La Crosse, Wisconsin are some of the cities that could see severe storms.

## Tornado Activity Kentucky

- The official death toll did not rise overnight and remains at 74 confirmed fatalities.
- There currently are 122 Kentuckians unaccounted for, as local, state and federal crews continue rescue and recovery efforts.
- Seven shelters with 330 occupants and 7k currently without power.
- FEMA's Disaster Survivor Assistance Teams are on the ground in Mayfield and are helping families apply for federal disaster assistance.
- To date, more than 1,800 families have already applied for assistance.

### <u>Arkansas</u>

- Federal Emergency Management Agency will begin assessing tornado damage in parts of Arkansas on Wednesday, but it likely will be weeks, if not months, until it is clear whether the state will get federal disaster relief.
- The overall cost of damage remained unclear Tuesday, according to Gov. Asa Hutchinson.
- Tornadoes on Friday night killed two people and damaged 307 structures in the state, Hutchinson said Tuesday. Of those 307 buildings, 61 were completely destroyed, while others suffered a varying degree of damage.
- More than 12,000 customers were without power at one point. That number was down to around 1,200 on Tuesday afternoon.



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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments						
State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Stort End		
		Requested	Completed	Start-End		
WA	Flooding Nov 2-19	3	0	12/1-TBD		
AR	Severe Storms & Tornadoes Dec 10	5	0	12/15-TBD		

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters							
Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline			
4607 MI	Severe Storms & Flooding	4 Counties	148	11/12/2021			
4611 LA	Hurricane	25 Parishes	106	11/29/2021			
4614 NJ	Hurricane	12 Counties	99	1/05/2022			
4615 NY	Hurricane	10 Counties	99	1/04/2022			
4618 PA	Hurricane	8 Counties	94	12/10/2021			
4626 MS	Hurricane	8 Counties	50	12/22/2021			

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