

DAILY DART

WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

December 29, 2020

Severe Weather Outlook

- In the days leading up to the Christmas holiday, severe storms tore through portions of the Gulf Coast.
- Now, in the final days of 2020, residents may experience a sense of déjà vu as another threat for severe weather looms.
- An atmospheric setup similar to the pattern that triggered the severe weather outbreak before Christmas will build into the region leading up to New Year's Eve.
- The same storm system set to bring heavy snow and ice to the center of the country will work to produce a threat for gusty thunderstorms for the western Gulf Coast on Wednesday.
- On Wednesday, a cold front is forecast to push southward across the Plains and approach the western Gulf Coast. Thunderstorms capable of producing locally damaging winds and heavy rain are expected bubble to life across eastern Texas by the early afternoon hours. These storms are then projected to track eastward and begin to impact portions of western Louisiana during Wednesday night.
- Although a few thunderstorms may become feisty on Wednesday, the greatest risk for widespread severe thunderstorms to develop will come on the final day of 2020.
- On Thursday, strong-to-severe thunderstorms will develop across portions of the Gulf Coast, with a bull's-eye over Louisiana and Mississippi.
- The most prevalent threats with these severe thunderstorms will be damaging wind gusts with an AccuWeather Local StormMax™ of 70 mph and heavy downpours. Due to an abundance of warm, moist air flowing inland from the Gulf of Mexico and feeding these storms, flash flooding is likely to occur, especially in urban areas.
- In addition to damaging wind gusts and flooding rainfall, another potent threat may spring to life across the Gulf Coast.
- "Waterspouts and isolated tornadoes will be possible, especially near the coast," AccuWeather Meteorologist Adam Sadvary cautioned.
- As the overall storm system continues to strengthen and push northeastward for the first day of 2021, the threat for potentially damaging storms will shift north and eastward.
- By Friday, residents from Georgia to the Carolinas may need to be alert for strong thunderstorms, while residents of the Northeast may have to brace for another round of rain, but also some ice.



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Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request 12/29/2020

State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied /Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes
WA	Wildfires & Straight-Line Winds Sept 6 & continuing	9/16/2020	Pending	1 County
LA	Hurricane Zeta October 26-29	11/24/2020	Pending	6 Parishes
MS	Hurricane Zeta October 28-29	11/24/2020	Pending	6 Counties
CO	Wildfires September 6-November 5	12/21/2020	Pending	3 Counties

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters

Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline
4558 CA	Wildfires	15 Counties	123	12/11/2020
4559 LA	Hurricane	21 Parishes	119	11/27/2020
4562 OR	Wildfires	8 Counties	103	11/30/2020

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