## WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

February 4, 2021

## Severe Weather – Spring 2021 Outlook

- Storm chasers may have their hands full during the upcoming severe weather season in the central U.S., but it may take some time for the storms to get going.
- Cold air from the north clashing with warm, moisture-rich air from the Gulf of Mexico is the primary driver of severe weather during spring.
- It could take a while for these ingredients for severe thunderstorms to come together in 2021, limiting the number of severe weather events in March. However, this is expected to change as the calendar flips to April.
- "We think that April, for the third year in a row, could be a very active month," AccuWeather Lead Long-Range Meteorologist Paul Pastelok said.
- St. Louis; Little Rock, Arkansas; Jackson and Tupelo, Mississippi; Nashville and Memphis, Tennessee; Lexington and Paducah, Kentucky; and even Indianapolis are all in the area where AccuWeather is projecting the highest risk of severe thunderstorms from March through May.
- These areas of dryness will inhibit some of the thunderstorm development and are one reason AccuWeather is predicting the focus of tornado activity to occur over an area farther east than the traditional Tornado Alley.
- The overall weather pattern this spring in the central U.S. has some similarities to that of 2011, which was an extremely active year for severe weather.
- More than 800 tornadoes were reported in April of 2011, a record for the most tornadoes in a single month.



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Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request 2/4/2021						
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		

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WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters						
Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline		
4559 LA	Hurricane	21 Parishes	156	11/27/2020		

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