

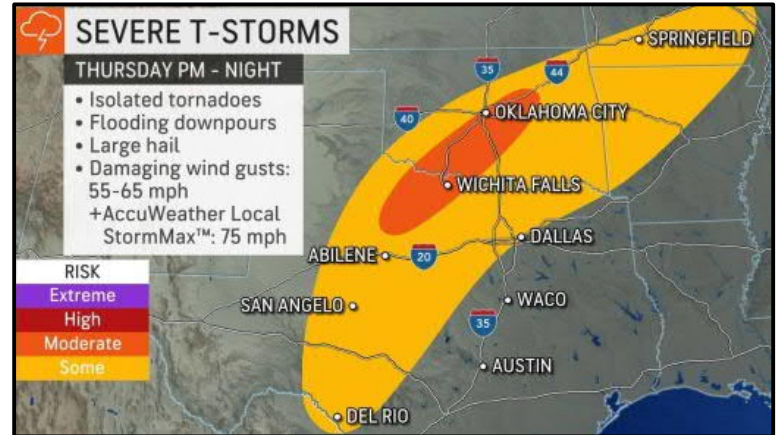
# DAILY DART

WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

March 23, 2023

## Severe Weather Outlook

- AccuWeather meteorologists continue to warn of a heightened risk of flooding rain and severe thunderstorms during the latter part of the week from the southern Plains to the Ohio Valley.
- The same storm responsible for the latest dose of heavy precipitation and damaging winds to California into Wednesday is on track to spread eastward across the nation's midsection during Thursday and Friday.
- An extensive area of soaking rain is expected to set up from Texas to Ohio during the two-day span, heightening the risk of travel disruptions and flash flooding.
- "In this zone, more than 4 inches of rain is possible, bringing threats such as stream flooding and rises in water levels. Low-lying roadways may also see ponding, leading to slower travel," AccuWeather Senior Meteorologist Courtney Travis said.
- The area from northwestern Arkansas to southwestern Ohio stands the highest risk of approaching the AccuWeather Local StormMax™ of 8 inches.
- AccuWeather experts say warm, moist air from the Gulf of Mexico will funnel into the region, helping to fuel the downpours and ignite severe thunderstorms in some locations.
- The first round of severe thunderstorms will erupt late Thursday across the southern Plains.
- The greatest risk of a few tornadoes is from near Wichita Falls, Texas, to Oklahoma City and Tulsa, Oklahoma.
- The Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, where severe thunderstorms with damaging hail and ominous clouds moved in late last week, will again face a threat of severe weather late this week. Oklahoma City and Austin, Texas, are other metro areas that could face adverse weather conditions later Thursday.
- AccuWeather meteorologists say severe weather dangers will continue right into the end of the week, encompassing a broad area of the Southeast.



## Heavy Rain, Flooding & Tornado Activity

### California

- At least five people were killed when a bomb cyclone slammed into California on Tuesday, bringing tornadoes, destructive wind gusts, heavy rain, flash flooding, and mountain snow.
- The National Weather Service confirmed two tornadoes in Southern California on Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Survey crews confirmed that an EF-0 tornado damaged several mobile homes in Carpenteria in Santa Barbara County on Tuesday. Winds blew up to 75 mph in this twister.

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- On Wednesday, an EF-1 tornado struck Montebello, California, southeast of downtown Los Angeles around 11 a.m.
- The city says that 17 buildings were damaged and 11 of them red tagged.
- This was the first March tornado for Los Angeles since 1992.
- Heavy rain that fell on already-saturated soil caused numerous reports of flash flooding and landslides. At the same time, strong winds brought down trees across the region, knocking out power to more than 250,000 utility customers, according to PowerOutage.US. The majority of those outages were in the San Francisco Bay Area.
- Strong winds gusting as high as 77 mph in San Francisco were reported, and the strong winds blew over vehicles on the Bay Bridge on Tuesday. Oakland, right across the bay from San Francisco, reported a peak wind gust of 74 mph.
- While the heavy rain fell in the lower elevations, heavy snow was reported in the higher elevations in the Los Angeles area, as well as in the Sierra Nevada, which has already seen more than 50 feet of snow this season.
- The state gets a chance to dry out through the rest of the work week. Unfortunately, temperatures will stay cool through the weekend and winds will pick up again heading into the weekend. The NWS in San Francisco even warns of patchy frost over the weekend.
- The FOX Forecast Center is tracking a strong upper-level low that could bring more heavy rain and strong winds to Northern California Monday and Tuesday. Southern California could feel the storm Tuesday and Wednesday.

## Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Start-End
		Requested	Completed	
KY	Severe Storms & Tornadoes March 3-5	5	4	3/20-TBD

## Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request

State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied/Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes
WV	Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides (Appeal)	1/27/2023	Pending	2 Counties

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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
4671 PR	Hurricane Fiona	78 Municipalities	181	11/21/2022
4673 FL	Hurricane Ian	26 Counties	172	1/12/2023

## WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES ACTIVITY

