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When the sun rose Wednesday morning, many in Southeast found homes and belongs strewn across the countryside from an early-morning tornado that cut a path through northern Stoddard County, leaving at least one person dead.

The severe weather set off storm alarms in many areas of the county. The storm left a path of damage from Puxico northeast to Leora. Approximately 13-15 homes were damaged as well as the Rafter K Rodeo Co. near Leora.

Mark Champlin of County Road 267 near Puxico died of injuries sustained after his mobile home was destroyed around 4 a.m. Wednesday.

Reports from the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency for Stoddard County and surrounding counties include:

#### **Stoddard County**

- 10 to 15 homes with minor damage
- 1 fatality

#### **Bollinger County**

- 8 homes with minor damage
- No injuries or deaths reported

#### **Cape Girardeau County**

- 492 homes with minor damage
- 12 homes with major damage
- 1 injury
- 1100 without power
- Oak Ridge School Complex closed due to minor damage

### Scott County

- Some reports of barns destroyed
- No injuries or deaths

*ShowMe Times* reader Tom Love caught some of the devastation from the storm and sent his photographs to the *ShowMe Times*. Thanks, Tom!

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