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# Special Weather Statement - Ice

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Special Weather Statement - Ice

**Stoddard County, Missouri -** The National Weather Service in Paducah, Kentucky has issued a Special Weather Statement for Stoddard County

... TRAVEL PROBLEMS LIKELY OVER MUCH OF THE AREA TONIGHT...

GUSTY NORTHWEST WINDS WILL BRING MUCH COLDER AIR ACROSS THE REGION TONIGHT. AS TEMPERATURES FALL BELOW FREEZING FROM NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST LATE THIS AFTERNOON AND THIS EVENING... BLACK ICE WILL FORM WHERE MOISTURE REMAINS ON AREA ROADS. TEMPERATURES BY DAYBREAK SATURDAY WILL GENERALLY RANGE FROM 10 TO 20 DEGREES... WHICH MAY MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO TREAT THE ROADS. IN ADDITION... SOME AT LEAST PATCHY LIGHT FREEZING DRIZZLE IS EXPECTED THROUGH THE EARLY EVENING... WHICH COULD LEAD TO SOME MINOR ICING OF ELEVATED SURFACES. MOTORISTS TONIGHT AND EARLY SATURDAY ARE ENCOURAGED TO EXERCISE EXTREME CAUTION. ANY ROAD SURFACE THAT APPEARS TO BE WET WILL LIKELY BE SLICK AND HAZARDOUS.

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## Winter Weather Advisory Issued for Stoddard County

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Winter Weather Advisory Issued for Stoddard County

Submitted by Dee Loflin, SMT Manager/Editor

**Stoddard County, Missouri -** The National Weather Service in Paducah, Kentucky has issued a Winter Weather Advisory for Stoddard County

... WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY IN EFFECT FROM 6 PM THIS EVENING TO 6 AM CST SATURDAY...

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN PADUCAH HAS ISSUED A WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY FOR SNOW... WHICH IS IN EFFECT FROM 6 PM THIS EVENING TO 6 AM CST SATURDAY. THIS ADVISORY INCLUDES LOCATIONS ALONG AND SOUTH OF A LINE FROM POPLAR BLUFF MISSOURI... TO PADUCAH KENTUCKY... TO OWENSBORO KENTUCKY.

- \* ACCUMULATIONS... FROM ONE TO TWO INCHES OF DRY POWDERY SNOW IS EXPECTED.
- \* TIMING... MOST OF THE SNOW WILL FALL BETWEEN 6 PM AND MIDNIGHT IN THE SOUTHEAST MISSOURI COUNTIES... BETWEEN 9 PM AND 3 AM IN FAR WEST KENTUCKY AND THE SOUTHERN TIP OF ILLINOIS... AND BETWEEN MIDNIGHT AND 6 AM IN THE PENNYRILE REGION OF WESTERN KENTUCKY.
- \* MAIN IMPACT... ROADS WILL BECOME SNOW COVERED AND SLIPPERY.
- \* OTHER IMPACTS... COLD TEMPERATURES AROUND 20 DEGREES TONIGHT WILL REDUCE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SOME MELTING AGENTS SUCH AS ROCK SALT.

PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS...

A WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY FOR SNOW MEANS THAT PERIODS OF SNOW WILL CAUSE TRAVEL DIFFICULTIES. BE PREPARED FOR SNOW COVERED ROADS AND LIMITED VISIBILITIES... AND USE CAUTION WHILE DRIVING.

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#### **More Information**

.A DISTURBANCE IN THE UPPER LEVELS OF THE ATMOSPHERE WILL MOVE EAST ACROSS THE LOWER MISSISSIPPI VALLEY TONIGHT... BRINGING SNOW AS FAR NORTH AS THE LOWER OHIO VALLEY AND SOUTHEAST MISSOURI.

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#### Winter Weather Statement Issued for Stoddard County

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**Stoddard County, Missouri -** The National Weather Service in Paducah, Kentucky has issued a Winter Weather Statement for Stoddard County.

.. HAZARDOUS TRAVEL CONDITIONS EXPECTED THROUGH THE MORNING... IN THE WAKE OF THE STORM SYSTEM THAT BROUGHT A MIX OF FREEZING RAIN... SLEET... AND SNOW TO THE REGION ON TUESDAY... AREA ROADWAYS RANGE FROM SNOW AND ICE COVERED IN NORTHERN PORTIONS OF THE QUAD STATE REGION TO WET IN SOUTHERN SECTIONS.

AS TEMPERATURES FALL INTO THE 20S THIS MORNING... BLACK ICE MAY FORM ON THE ROADWAYS THAT ARE WET... ESPECIALLY ON BRIDGES AND OVERPASSES. IN ADDITION... INTERMITTENT LIGHT SNOW SHOWERS ARE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE MORNING. THESE MAY BE INTENSE ENOUGH AT TIMES TO REDUCE VISIBILITY AND MAKE CONDITIONS SLIPPERY EVEN ON THOROUGHFARES THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN CLEARED.

IN LOCATIONS THAT RECEIVED FREEZING RAIN... SIGNIFICANT ICING OF TREES AND POWER LINES HAS ALREADY RESULTED IN NUMEROUS... BUT RELATIVELY CONCENTRATED... POWER OUTAGES. AS NORTHWEST WINDS INCREASE TO 10 TO 15 MPH EARLY THIS MORNING... IT MAY RESULT IN AN INCREASED CHANCE OF MORE SIGNIFICANT POWER OUTAGES.

IF YOU ARE IN AN AREA THAT RECEIVED SIGNIFICANT ICING... KEEP AN EXTRA VIGILANCE AS TO WHAT IS ABOVE YOU IN CASE TREE BRANCHES AND LIMBS BREAK. ALSO IF YOU MUST TRAVEL THIS MORNING... GIVE YOURSELF EXTRA TIME TO REACH YOUR DESTINATION. BE ESPECIALLY CAREFUL WHEN CROSSING BRIDGES... OVERPASSES... AND AT INTERSECTIONS.



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### Winter Storm Warning Issued for Stoddard County

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Winter Storm Warning Issued for Stoddard County

Submitted by Dee Loflin, SMT Manager/Editor

**Stoddard County, Missouri -** The National Weather Service in Paducah, Kentucky has issued a Winter Storm Warning for Stoddard County, Missouri.

... WINTER STORM WARNING IN EFFECT FROM 9 AM THIS MORNING TO 6 AM CST WEDNESDAY...

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN PADUCAH HAS ISSUED A WINTER STORM WARNING... WHICH IS IN EFFECT FROM 9 AM THIS MORNING TO 6 AM CST WEDNESDAY. THE WINTER STORM WATCH IS NO LONGER IN EFFECT.

\* TIMING... MIXED WINTRY PRECIPITATION WILL SPREAD ACROSS SOUTHEAST MISSOURI LATE THIS MORNING AND CONTINUE THROUGH THIS EVENING.

\* ACCUMULATIONS... MODERATE TO HEAVY SNOW IS POSSIBLE FROM THE OZARK FOOTHILLS REGION... NORTHEAST TOWARD PERRYVILLE AND JACKSON. AMOUNTS OF 3 TO 5 INCHES ARE EXPECTED. THE SNOW WILL BE MIXED SLEET ALONG AND SOUTH OF A LINE FROM POPLAR BLUFF TO CAPE GIRARDEAU... WHERE 1 TO 3 INCHES OF SNOW AND SLEET ARE FORECAST. ACROSS EXTREME SOUTHEAST MISSOURI... INCLUDING NEW MADRID AND CHARLESTON... A MIX OF SLEET AND FREEZING RAIN WILL OCCUR. IN THIS AREA... UP TO ONE QUARTER INCH OF ICE IS POSSIBLE ALONG WITH SOME SLEET ACCUMULATION.

\* IMPACTS... SIGNIFICANT TRAVEL IMPACTS ARE PROBABLE. WHERE ICING OCCURS... IT COULD HAVE AN IMPACT ON TREES AND POWER LINES.

PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS...

A WINTER STORM WARNING MEANS SIGNIFICANT AMOUNTS OF SNOW... SLEET... AND ICE ARE EXPECTED OR OCCURRING... WHICH WILL MAKE TRAVEL VERY HAZARDOUS.

#### **More Information**

... SIGNIFICANT WINTER STORM WILL IMPACT THE REGION THROUGH TONIGHT...

.A STRONG STORM SYSTEM OVER THE SOUTHERN ROCKIES WILL MOVE RAPIDLY NORTHEAST TOWARD THE REGION TODAY. AS THIS SYSTEM APPROACHES... A MIX OF WINTRY PRECIPITATION WILL SPREAD NORTHEAST ACROSS THE AREA TODAY AND LAST INTO TONIGHT.

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# Missourians Advised to Stay Home During Tuesday's Storm

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Missourians Advised to Stay Home During Tuesday's Storm

Submitted by Dee Loflin, SMT Manager/Editor

**Missouri -** Another major winter storm is making its way into Missouri, bringing heavy snowfall and strong winds across much of the state on Tuesday, Feb. 4.

Due to expected hazardous conditions, the Missouri Department of Transportation has issued a "no travel advisory" for the duration of the event.

This storm will enter Missouri during the overnight hours tonight and will continue all day Tuesday, Feb. 4. It will impact travel across the entire state, with the biggest impact to the northern half of the state, which could see 6 to 10 inches of snow.

"For your safety and the safety of our crews, we're asking that once this storm hits your region of the state, you avoid travel unless it is a dire emergency," said Elizabeth Wright, MoDOT state maintenance engineer. "Snow is predicted to be heavy throughout the day and strong winds will blow the snow around, creating a whiteout effect that makes travel extremely hazardous." This storm is forecast to shape up much like the heavy snow Missouri faced nearly a year ago. Many employers sent their workers home early that day, once they realized how heavy the snow was falling. That crush of traffic, particularly in Missouri's metro areas, clogged highways, interstates, and interchanges. It also brought MoDOT's snow-

fighting efforts to a standstill. "Blowing snow and high winds make it very difficult for MoDOT crews to clear roads," said Wright.

"If there are no other vehicles on the roadways, we have a much better chance of making progress so traffic can get moving again.

"Should you attempt to travel during this storm, bring your mobile phone and winter survival supplies. If you do become stranded, stay with your vehicle and call 911. Be aware that emergency responders may have difficulty reaching you. Stay informed about Missouri road conditions by using MoDOT's Traveler Information Map, available online at <a href="https://www.modot.org">www.modot.org</a>, or through MoDOT's smartphone app, available for iPhone and Android phones. The map offers current views of road conditions for Missouri interstates and highways. You can zoom in to a particular location, check live weather radar, and view images from MoDOT's traffic cameras and message boards. MoDOT also provides road condition information through our Customer Service Center. Dial 888-ASK-MODOT (888-275-6636) to speak with a customer service representative 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

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**Stoddard County, Missouri -** The National Weather Service in Paducah, Kentucky has issued a Winter Storm Watch for Stoddard County, Missouri.

... WINTER STORM WATCH IN EFFECT FROM TUESDAY MORNING THROUGH TUESDAY EVENING...

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN PADUCAH HAS ISSUED A WINTER STORM WATCH... WHICH IS IN EFFECT FROM TUESDAY MORNING THROUGH TUESDAY EVENING.

- \* TIMING... FROM LATE MORNING TUESDAY THROUGH TUESDAY EVENING.
- \* ACCUMULATIONS... MODERATE TO HEAVY SNOW POSSIBLE FROM THE OZARK FOOTHILLS REGION... NORTHEAST TOWARD PERRYVILLE. AMOUNTS UP TO FOUR INCHES CANNOT BE RULED OUT WITH ISOLATED HIGHER AMOUNTS POSSIBLE. OVER THE REST OF SOUTHEAST MISSOURI... PRECIPITATION SHOULD TRANSITION TO MORE SLEET AND FREEZING RAIN WITH MODERATE ACCUMULATIONS OF SLEET AND ICE POSSIBLE ESPECIALLY TOWARD HIGHWAY 60... TO THE ARKANSAS STATE LINE.
- \* IMPACTS... SIGNIFICANT TRAVEL IMPACTS PROBABLE. ICE ACCUMULATIONS COULD HAVE AN IMPACT ON TREES AND POWER LINES.

PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS...

A WINTER STORM WATCH MEANS THERE IS A POTENTIAL FOR SIGNIFICANT SNOW... SLEET... OR ICE ACCUMULATIONS THAT WOULD GREATLY IMPACT TRAVEL. STAY TUNED FOR LATER STATEMENTS. THIS WATCH WILL BE UPGRADED TO A WARNING IF WINTER STORM

#### CONDITIONS BECOME MORE CERTAIN.

#### **More Information**

... SIGNIFICANT WINTER STORM LOOKING MORE AND MORE LIKELY MIDDAY TUESDAY THROUGH EARLY TUESDAY NIGHT...

...A VIGOROUS FAST MOVING STORM SYSTEM JUST EAST OF BAJA CALIFORNIA WILL RACE TOWARD THE AREA TONIGHT. PRECIPITATION WILL SPREAD RAPIDLY FROM SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST ACROSS THE AREA THROUGH THE DAY TUESDAY. THERE IS A POTENTIAL FOR SIGNIFICANT SNOW... SLEET AND FREEZING RAIN NEAR AND NORTH OF THE OHIO RIVER MIDDAY TUESDAY THROUGH TUESDAY EVENING. THE BEST CHANCE OF SNOW WILL BE FROM AROUND MOUNT VERNON ILLINOIS SOUTHWEST TO NEAR GREENVILLE MISSOURI. THERE SHOULD BE A TRANSITION TO MORE SLEET AND FREEZING RAIN FARTHER SOUTH TOWARD THE OHIO RIVER. SIGNIFICANT TRAVEL IMPACTS WILL BE A CONCERN... AS WILL THE CONCERN FOR ICE ON TREES AND POWER LINES. THERE IS STILL SOME UNCERTAINTY WITH RESPECT TO THE TEMPERATURE FORECAST... AND HOW MUCH SNOW WILL FALL VS. FREEZING RAIN OR SLEET. THAT IS THE REASON FOR A WATCH AT THIS TIME. DETERMINING THE RAIN VS. FREEZING RAIN LINE WILL BE TOUGH AS WELL INTO WEST KENTUCKY... ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE RECENT SNOWFALL AND ITS EFFECT ON TEMPERATURES.

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**Stoddard County, Missouri -** The National Weather Service in Paducah, Kentucky has issued a Special Weather Statement for Stoddard County.

... MIXED WINTRY PRECIPITATION EXPECTED TUESDAY AND TUESDAY NIGHT...

A STORM SYSTEM CURRENTLY COMING ONSHORE IN THE SOUTHWESTERN UNITED STATES WILL RAPIDLY MOVE NORTHEAST TOWARDS THE QUAD STATE REGION OVER THE NEXT 24 TO 36 HOURS. AS IT APPROACHES... A MIX OF WINTRY PRECIPITATION IS FORECAST TO SPREAD ACROSS THE AREA ON TUESDAY. THE WINTRY MIX WILL BE AT ITS MOST INTENSE TUESDAY AFTERNOON AND EVENING... PRIOR TO TAPERING OFF TUESDAY NIGHT.

AT THIS TIME... THE POTENTIAL EXISTS FOR MODERATE SNOW AND SLEET ACCUMULATIONS OVER NORTHERN PORTIONS OF SOUTHEAST MISSOURI... SOUTHERN ILLINOIS... AND SOUTHWEST INDIANA. FURTHER SOUTH... MORE IN THE WAY OF SLEET AND FREEZING RAIN IS FORECAST ALONG A CORRIDOR FROM ROUGHLY BLOOMFIELD MISSOURI TO VIENNA ILLINOIS TO EVANSVILLE INDIANA. ACROSS MUCH OF WESTERN KENTUCKY SOUTH OF A MAYFIELD TO MADISONVILLE LINE... MAINLY RAIN IS FORECAST THROUGH THE EVENT.

DESPITE THE WARMING TREND IN THE FORECAST MODELS OVER THE LAST SEVERAL DAYS... NEW DATA AVAILABLE OVERNIGHT IS NOW BEGINNING TO LEAN IN A COLDER DIRECTION. COMPLICATING MATTERS IS THE FACT THAT THE STORM RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TUESDAY EVENT WILL NOT ENTER A MORE DENSE OBSERVATION NETWORK UNTIL LATER TODAY AND TONIGHT. A SHIFT IN THE STORM TRACK NORTH OR SOUTH COULD RESULT IN SIGNIFICANT MODIFICATIONS TO THIS FORECAST AS THE EVENT DRAWS CLOSER.

TRAVEL WILL LIKELY BE IMPACTED ACROSS A PART OF THE QUAD STATE REGION ON TUESDAY. CONTINUE TO MONITOR FORECASTS AND STATEMENTS FOR THE LATEST ON THIS UPCOMING WINTER STORM.

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