



WEATHER ADVISORY – No. 1

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For Immediate Release

The National Weather Service (NWS) issued an update to a briefing email sent yesterday to local emergency management officials concerning severe weather potential late this evening through Wednesday morning.

A strong cold front is still expected to move through the area tonight with a squall line including embedded strong to severe thunderstorms along/ahead of the frontal boundary. The Storm Prediction Center is indicating a **SLIGHT RISK of severe weather across all of Southeast Louisiana** and Southern Mississippi as the squall line moves through the area. The threat of severe weather will be highest across northern portions of the area...generally along and north of a line roughly extending from Baton Rouge to Franklinton. **The primary threat from any severe thunderstorms will be damaging straight-line wind, though isolated tornadoes and large hail will also be possible.**

COKOEM will continue to monitor weather reports throughout the day. We will reevaluate and update City officials later this afternoon following a briefing with NWS and JP DEM.