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TORNADO WATCH UNTIL 5 P.M. FLASH FLOOD WATCH REMAINS IN EFFECT

Kenner, LA – The National Weather Service has issued a tornado watch for Kenner and much of southeast Louisiana until 5 p.m. while a Flash Flood Watch remains in effect until Thursday evening.

A low pressure system to the north is slowly moving south and will interact with moisture from the Gulf of Mexico to produce the potential for rounds of very heavy rainfall today, later tonight and again on Thursday, forecasters said.

“Rainfall totals through Thursday afternoon are expected to range from two to five inches with locally higher amounts possible,” according to the National Weather Service. “Additional rainfall is expected Friday and Saturday.”

The unstable weather system was responsible for heavy winds and rain that downed some power lines in St. John the Baptist Parish and St. James Parish earlier Wednesday. Approximately 1,200 customers in St. John were without power as of 7:20 a.m., mostly in Garyville, officials said.

A tornado watch means conditions could develop that would be favorable for the development of tornadoes. Kenner’s Office of Emergency Management will monitor the weather, and additional information will be released as necessary.

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