



# MISSISSIPPI EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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### **Damage Reported From Severe Weather**

**Pearl** – The Mississippi Emergency Management Agency has received damage reports from counties that experienced severe weather today. The National Weather Service in Jackson reports these were severe thunderstorms with strong straight line winds that likely caused the damage during the late afternoon and early evening hours. MEMA has Area Coordinators on the scene and they are assisting counties with damage assessments.

The following counties are reporting damage:

#### **Scott County:**

- Roof damage to Lake Elementary School affecting six classrooms.
- Damage to Lake High School field house and light towers at baseball field.
- Trees and power lines down in the Lake area.
- Reports of flash flooding in the city of Forest on South Main St., South Davis St., and the intersection of U.S. Highway 80 and Mississippi 35.
- County Emergency Management Director Alvin Seaney reports no major damage to homes.

#### **Sharkey County:**

- Reports of damage to homes, power lines and trees down in the city of Rolling Fork.

Severe weather is still affecting the southern half of Mississippi and MEMA wants to remind residents to take weather warnings seriously. Damage can be caused by severe thunderstorms, not just tornadoes, as these storms have shown.

MEMA will provide more information as it becomes available. For more information please contact MEMA External Affairs at 866-920-6362 Also, visit us online at [www.msema.org](http://www.msema.org) and follow us on Facebook and Twitter using MSEMA.

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