

## Flood Watch Posted through Thursday

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FLOOD WATCH  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE GREENVILLE-SPARTANBURG SC  
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...HEAVY RAINFALL TODAY AND TONIGHT...

.SOUTHERLY FLOW AHEAD OF AN APPROACHING COLD FRONT WILL TRANSPORT MOISTURE ACROSS THE WESTERN CAROLINAS AND NORTHEAST GEORGIA TODAY AND TONIGHT. MUCH OF THE REGION IS EXPECTED TO RECEIVE 2 TO 4 INCHES OF RAIN. PARTS OF THE BLUE RIDGE AND ADJACENT FOOTHILL LOCATIONS MAY SEE UP TO 5 INCHES OF RAIN. WITH THE GROUND STILL MOIST FROM RECENT RAINFALL...EXCESSIVE RUNOFF IS LIKELY. THE RAIN IS EXPECTED TO TAPER OFF THURSDAY MORNING.

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THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN GREENVILLE-SPARTANBURG HAS EXPANDED THE FLOOD WATCH TO INCLUDE PORTIONS OF NORTH CAROLINA AND UPSTATE SOUTH CAROLINA...INCLUDING ROWAN COUNTY.

\* FROM 7 AM EST THIS MORNING THROUGH THURSDAY AFTERNOON

\* HEAVY RAINFALL WILL QUICKLY SATURATE ALREADY MOIST SOIL...CAUSING SIGNIFICANT RUNOFF INTO STREAMS AND CREEKS.

\* STREAMS AND CREEKS ACROSS THE WESTERN PIEDMONT WILL BE THE FIRST TO FLOOD. AFTER PROLONGED RAINFALL...MAIN STEM RIVERS WILL BE PRONE TO FLOODING AS WELL.

PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS...

A FLOOD WATCH MEANS THERE IS A POTENTIAL FOR FLOODING BASED ON CURRENT FORECASTS.

YOU SHOULD MONITOR LATER FORECASTS AND BE ALERT FOR POSSIBLE FLOOD WARNINGS. THOSE LIVING IN AREAS PRONE TO FLOODING SHOULD BE PREPARED TO TAKE ACTION SHOULD FLOODING DEVELOP.