

...NWS DAMAGE SURVEYS FOR NOVEMBER 17TH, 2014 STORMS THAT AFFECTED BUTLER AND CRENSHAW COUNTIES...

.BUTLER COUNTY TORNADO...

RATING: EF-1
ESTIMATED PEAK WIND: 95 MPH
PATH LENGTH /STATUTE/: 6 MILES
PATH WIDTH /MAXIMUM/: 150 YARDS
FATALITIES: 0
INJURIES: 0

START DATE: NOV 17 2014
START TIME: 359 AM CST
START LOCATION: 2 SSW GEORGIANA / BUTLER / AL
START LAT/LON: 31.6093 / -86.7471

END DATE: NOV 17 2014
END TIME: 405 AM CST
END LOCATION: 5 ENE GEORGIANA / BUTLER / AL
END_LAT/LON: 31.6554 / -86.6629

SURVEY SUMMARY: THE TORNADO FIRST TOUCHED DOWN NEAR NORRELL AVE AND TRACKED NORTHEAST ACROSS PALMER AND VENEER AVENUES. IT WAS AT THESE LOCATIONS WHERE THE TORNADO REACHED ITS PEAK INTENSITY. SIGNIFICANT TREE DAMAGE WAS OBSERVED AND MANY POWER LINES WERE DOWNED. A FEW SHEDS AND OUTBUILDINGS WERE DESTROYED WITH MINOR SHINGLE DAMAGE NOTED TO A COUPLE OF HOMES. THE TORNADO TRACKED NORTHEAST ACROSS HIGHWAY 31 AND 106...PRODUCING SPORADIC TREE DAMAGE. THE TORNADO LIFTED NEAR BUSHY CREEK DRIVE AND MCCALL RD. PRIOR TO LIFTING...THE TORNADO PRODUCED MINOR DAMAGE TO A COUPLE OF MOBILE HOMES...AND TWO CARS WERE HEAVILY DAMAGED BY DOWNED TREES.

.CRENSHAW COUNTY TORNADO...

RATING: EF-1
ESTIMATED PEAK WIND: 95 MPH
PATH LENGTH /STATUTE/: 16 MILES
PATH WIDTH /MAXIMUM/: 150 YARDS
FATALITIES: 0
INJURIES: 0

START DATE: NOV 17 2014
START TIME: 425 AM CST
START LOCATION: 8.5 W RUTLEDGE / CRENSHAW / AL
START LAT/LON: 31.7369 / -86.4303

END DATE: NOV 17 2014
END TIME: 445 AM CST
END LOCATION: 1 ESE PETREY / CRENSHAW / AL
END_LAT/LON: 31.8436 / -86.1844

SURVEY SUMMARY: THE TORNADO FIRST TOUCHED DOWN ON COOK STAND ROAD JUST EAST OF THE BUTLER COUNTY LINE. SEVERAL HOMES EXPERIENCED SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE DUE TO DOWNED TREES. A DOUBLE WIDE MANUFACTURED HOME WAS ALSO SHIFTED OFF OF ITS BLOCKS. THE TORNADO TRACKED EAST NORTHEAST ACROSS HIGHWAY 10 WHERE IT PRODUCED MINOR SHINGLE DAMAGE AND BROKEN WINDOWS TO A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE. THE TORNADO CONTINUED NORTHEAST PRODUCING SPORADIC TREE DAMAGE. A CHICKEN HOUSE WAS DESTROYED ON QUAIL TOWER ROAD. THE TORNADO INTENSIFIED AGAIN AS IT CROSSED EAST OF HIGHWAY 331. NUMEROUS CHICKEN HOUSES WERE DESTROYED ON COUNTY ROAD 50 AND CROSS ROAD. THE TORNADO CONTINUED NORTHEAST...PRODUCING ADDITIONAL SPORADIC TREE DAMAGE UNTIL IT

REACHED THE PIKE COUNTY LINE JUST SOUTH AND EAST OF PETREY. THE
TORNADO CONTINUED INTO PIKE COUNTY AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR
PIKE COUNTY HAS BEEN ISSUED BY THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN
BIRMINGHAM.

EF SCALE: THE ENHANCED FUJITA SCALE CLASSIFIES TORNADOES INTO THE
FOLLOWING CATEGORIES.

EF0...WEAK.....65 TO 85 MPH
EF1...WEAK.....86 TO 110 MPH
EF2...STRONG....111 TO 135 MPH
EF3...STRONG....136 TO 165 MPH
EF4...VIOLENT...166 TO 200 MPH
EF5...VIOLENT...>200 MPH

NOTE:

THE INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS PRELIMINARY AND SUBJECT TO
CHANGE PENDING FINAL REVIEW OF THE EVENT AND PUBLICATION IN
NWS STORM DATA.