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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE ALBANY NY
330 PM EDT TUE AUG 4 2015

...MICROBURST/STRAIGHT LINE WIND DAMAGE/CONFIRMED IN FORT PLAIN
IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY NEW YORK...

LOCATION...FORT PLAIN IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY NEW YORK
DATE...AUGUST 3 2015
ESTIMATED TIME...733 PM EDT
ESTIMATED MAXIMUM WIND SPEED...90-100 MPH
MAXIMUM PATH WIDTH...1.5 MILES
PATH LENGTH...1.5 MILES
* FATALITIES...0
* INJURIES...0

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

...SUMMARY...

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE STORM SURVEY TEAM IN ALBANY NY HAS
CONFIRMED A MICROBURST /STRAIGHT LINE WIND DAMAGE/ IN FORT PLAIN
IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY NEW YORK ON AUGUST 3 2015.

DAMAGE FROM THE MICROBURST WAS PRIMARILY SNAPPED AND DOWNED TREES.
A SNAPPED WOODEN UTILITY POLE WAS OBSERVED...AS WELL AS A
PARTIALLY TOPPLED CHIMNEY. A FEW OF THE TREES FELL ON STRUCTURES.
MOST OF THE DAMAGE OCCURRED IN THE VILLAGE OF FORT PLAIN.

THIS INFORMATION CAN ALSO BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE AT
WEATHER.GOV/ALY.

FOR REFERENCE...

A MICROBURST IS A CONVECTIVE DOWNDRAFT WITH AN AFFECTED OUTFLOW
AREA OF LESS THAN 2 1/2 MILES WIDE AND PEAK WINDS LASTING LESS
THAN 5 MINUTES. MICROBURSTS MAY INDUCE DANGEROUS HORIZONTAL/VERTICAL
WIND SHEARS...WHICH CAN ADVERSELY AFFECT AIRCRAFT PERFORMANCE AND
CAUSE PROPERTY DAMAGE. STRAIGHT-LINE WINDS ARE GENERALLY ANY WIND
THAT IS NOT ASSOCIATED WITH ROTATION...USED MAINLY TO
DIFFERENTIATE THEM FROM TORNADIC WINDS.

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