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Public Information Statement
National Weather Service Columbia
714 PM EDT Fri May 5 2017

...MULTIPLE TORNADOES CONFIRMED ON MAY 04 2017...

...TORNADO CONFIRMED NEAR HOLLY HILL IN ORANGEBURG COUNTY SOUTH
CAROLINA...

Location...Holly Hill in Orangeburg County South Carolina
Date...May 04, 2017
Estimated Time...901 PM
Maximum EF-Scale Rating...EF1
Estimated Maximum Wind Speed...103 MPH
Maximum Path Width...150 Path
Length...3.1 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 in Columbia has confirmed a tornado
near Holly Hill in Orangeburg County South Carolina on May
04 2017.

A tornado touched down on White Sands Road about 3 miles SSW of
Holly Hill, South Carolina in Orangeburg County. The tornado
traveled NE snapping hardwood and pine trees. Two trees fell on a
mobile home located on Cocoa Circle about 2 miles SSW of Holly
Hill. The two people in the mobile home at the time, a mother and
her daughter, sought shelter in a room located near the end of
the mobile home and were not injured. The local fire department
rescued the two residents that evening. In the same area a tree
fell onto three vehicles located on Caufield Court. Damage
patterns showed a cross wind component typical of tornadic
storms. The tornado continued NE into the town limits of Holly
Hill where it ripped the metal roof off of a section of a strip
mall at the intersection of Old State Road and Pine Street. The
tornado then lifted at approximately 906 PM. Damage surveyed was
consistent with EF-1 damage with wind speeds no greater than 103
MPH.

This information can also be found on our website at
weather.gov/CAE.

For reference: the Enhanced Fujita Scale classifies tornadoes
into the following categories:

EF0...Wind speeds 65 to 85 mph
EF1...Wind speeds 86 to 110 mph
EF2...Wind speeds 111 to 135 mph
EF3...Wind speeds 136 to 165 mph
EF4...Wind speeds 166 to 200 mph
EF5...Wind speeds greater than 200 mph

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...TORNADO CONFIRMED NEAR PATRICK IN CHESTERFIELD COUNTY SOUTH CAROLINA...

Location...Patrick in Chesterfield County, South Carolina

Date...May 4 2017

Estimated Time...1027 pm EDT

Maximum EF-Scale Rating...EF-0

Estimated Maximum Wind Speed...85 mph

Maximum Path Width...75 yards

Path Length...0.20 miles

* Fatalities...0

* Injuries...0

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...Summary...

The National Weather Service in Wilmington NC conducted the storm survey for the National Weather Service in Columbia and has confirmed a tornado 4 miles SE of Patrick in Chesterfield County South Carolina on May 4 2017.

The EF-0 tornado touched down near L E Byrd Road and uprooted a few trees and snapped large limbs. A few farm buildings were destroyed. A couple of single wide mobile homes experienced roof and skirting damage. The tornado was on the ground for approximately 0.20 miles and had a width of 75 yards.

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