

## Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - August 2020

Location	Date/Time	Deaths & Injuries	Property & Crop Dmg	Event Type and Details
<b>ARKANSAS, Central and North Central</b>				
<b>JOHNSON COUNTY --- 0.6 E HUNT [35.53, -93.66]</b>				
	08/07/20 10:16 CST		0	Heavy Rain
	08/07/20 10:16 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
The rain measured 1.75 inches at Hunt.				
<b>JOHNSON COUNTY --- 0.6 E HUNT [35.53, -93.66]</b>				
	08/07/20 11:46 CST		0	Heavy Rain
	08/07/20 11:46 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
The rain measured 3.75 inches at Hunt.				
It all began on August 6th/7th. A nearly stationary front was draped from Oklahoma into Texas, with showers and thunderstorms developing along and north of the front.				
Downpours moved into areas west of Little Rock (Pulaski County) during the evening of the 6th, and continued into the wee hours of the 7th. Later in the morning, another round of storms affected the west with more rain.				
While there was no severe weather or flash flooding reported, some locations got two to four inches of rain. Forty eight hour precipitation totals through 700 am CDT on the 8th included three to four inches at Hunt (Johnson County), 2.78 inches at Parks (Scott County), 2.70 inches at Waldron (Scott County), 2.35 inches at Booneville (Logan County), and 2.34 inches at Subiaco (Logan County).				
<b>NEWTON COUNTY --- 0.9 NW JASPER [36.01, -93.19], 0.7 NNW JASPER [36.01, -93.18], 0.3 NW JASPER [36.00, -93.18], 0.7 WNW JASPER [36.00, -93.19]</b>				
	08/11/20 13:04 CST		10K	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/11/20 16:04 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
The first floor of Valley View Apartments on Mountain Street in Jasper was reported as flooded. Heavy rain continued to fall.				
<b>SALINE COUNTY --- BENTON [34.57, -92.58]</b>				
	08/11/20 15:16 CST		10K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 61 kt)
	08/11/20 18:16 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
A power pole was blown over onto parked cars on Military Road in Benton.				
<b>SALINE COUNTY --- 1.8 WSW BENTON SALINE CO ARP [34.56, -92.63]</b>				
	08/11/20 15:27 CST		0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 61 kt)
	08/11/20 15:27 CST		0	Source: Amateur Radio
A large tree was blown down on Peeler Bend Rd., blocking the roadway. Several power lines were down also.				
<b>FAULKNER COUNTY --- 0.6 E VILONIA [35.08, -92.21]</b>				
	08/11/20 15:40 CST		0	Heavy Rain
	08/11/20 15:40 CST		0	Source: Social Media
This was measured in about an hour and a half.				
<b>OUACHITA COUNTY --- 1.3 WSW CAMDEN [33.57, -92.85], 0.8 SSW CAMDEN [33.57, -92.83], 0.3 NNW CAMDEN [33.58, -92.83], 1.2 W CAMDEN [33.58, -92.85]</b>				
	08/12/20 07:30 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/12/20 10:30 CST		0	Source: Social Media
A video on social media shows water from heavy rain flowing across front yards in Camden.				
<b>POLK COUNTY --- 0.6 W MENA [34.58, -94.24], 2.3 W MENA [34.58, -94.27], 2.4 WSW MENA [34.57, -94.27], 2.4 E MENA [34.57, -94.19], 2.5 ENE MENA [34.60, -94.19]</b>				
	08/12/20 08:22 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/12/20 11:22 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

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Water was over portions of Highway 88 and 375.				
<b>POLK COUNTY --- 0.6 W MENA [34.58, -94.24], 2.1 E MENA [34.58, -94.19], 1.9 NE MENA MUNI ARPT [34.57, -94.19], 1.0 SW MENA [34.57, -94.24]</b>				
	08/12/20 09:27 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/12/20 12:27 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
There was a water rescue near Polk Rd. 54, ditches were flooded, and water was flowing over roads.				
<b>LOGAN COUNTY --- 0.9 SE BOONEVILLE [35.12, -93.92]</b>				
	08/14/20 03:30 CST		0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 52 kt)
	08/14/20 03:30 CST		0	Source: Amateur Radio
A few trees were blown down near Hwy. 23, south of Booneville.				
<b>SCOTT COUNTY --- 3.0 NNE CARDIFF [34.96, -93.91]</b>				
	08/14/20 03:40 CST		0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 52 kt)
	08/14/20 03:40 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
Trees were blown down along Highway 80 East.				
<b>MONTGOMERY COUNTY --- 1.8 WNW WASHITA [34.66, -93.56]</b>				
	08/14/20 04:20 CST		0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 52 kt)
	08/14/20 04:20 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
Trees were down along Highway 88.				
<b>GARLAND COUNTY --- 0.7 S HOT SPGS [34.49, -93.05]</b>				
	08/14/20 05:00 CST		0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 52 kt)
	08/14/20 05:00 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
Trees were down at Malvern Rd. and Shawnee St.				
<b>GARLAND COUNTY --- 0.7 S HOT SPGS [34.49, -93.05], 0.7 NW HOT SPGS [34.51, -93.06], 1.0 NE GARDNER [34.49, -93.07], 1.4 E GARDNER [34.48, -93.06]</b>				
	08/14/20 05:17 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/14/20 08:17 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
Roads were flooded and blocked off at Central Ave. and Franklin St.				
<p>The heat was tempered on the 11th as storms returned to the region. The fireworks began in northwest sections of the state, and gradually spread to the south and east. By 200 pm CST, temperatures had cooled into the upper 60s to mid 70s in the north/west. It was only 69 degrees at Harrison (Boone County). At Jasper (Newton County), 4.70 inches of rain flooded an apartment building.</p> <p>Later that night/early on the 12th, it got serious. A large cluster of thunderstorms blew up in west central and southwest sections of the state, and turned into a bonafide gullywasher. There was over ten inches of precipitation in places.</p> <p>By the time the event was over, Mena (Polk County) had 11.47 inches of rain, a record for August one day rainfall. Much of this happened from 1200 am CST to 1200 pm CST on the 12th. Interestingly, a little more than a year ago (July 15-16, 2019), a state record for twenty four hour rainfall (16.17 inches) was set at Dierks (Howard County) due to the remnants of Tropical Storm Barry.</p> <p>Amounts exceeded seven inches at Big Fork (Polk County), and were between four and five inches at Camden (Ouachita County) and Fordyce (Dallas County).</p> <p>Flooding was extensive at Mena (Polk County), with numerous roads under water. This included portions of Highways 88 and 375. Water got into some homes and businesses, and several high water rescues were necessary.</p> <p>It was a repeat performance early on the 14th. The west got hit again. There were two to three inch totals at Booneville (Logan County), Parks (Scott County), Waldron (Scott County), and Blakely Mountain Dam (Garland County). Trees were uprooted just south of Booneville (Logan County), six miles west of Union Hill (Scott County) along Highway 80, and a few miles southwest of Story (Montgomery County). Central Avenue flooded in Hot Springs (Garland County), and trees were toppled in town.</p>				
<b>PIKE COUNTY --- 0.9 SW LANGLEY [34.31, -93.84], 0.7 WSW LANGLEY [34.31, -93.84], 1.3 WSW LANGLEY [34.31, -93.85], 1.4 WSW LANGLEY [34.31, -93.85]</b>				

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	08/26/20 07:30 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/26/20 10:30 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement

The sheriff office reported portions of Highway 84 West near Langley was flooded.

(AR-Z007) SHARP, (AR-Z017) LAWRENCE, (AR-Z025) JACKSON, (AR-Z033) WHITE, (AR-Z034) WOODRUFF, (AR-Z044) PULASKI, (AR-Z045) LONOKE, (AR-Z053) CLARK, (AR-Z054) HOT SPRING, (AR-Z055) GRANT, (AR-Z057) ARKANSAS, (AR-Z062) DALLAS, (AR-Z063) CLEVELAND, (AR-Z064) LINCOLN, (AR-Z065) DESHA, (AR-Z066) OUACHITA, (AR-Z067) CALHOUN, (AR-Z068) BRADLEY, (AR-Z069) DREW

	08/26/20 23:00 CST		0.15M	Tropical Storm
	08/27/20 19:45 CST		0	

**BRADLEY COUNTY --- 1.0 NNW CLOQUET [33.63, -92.09], 1.3 ENE HARMONY [33.64, -92.01], 3.2 NE CARMEL [33.58, -92.02], 1.7 NW WARREN MUNI ARPT [33.58, -92.10]**

	08/27/20 12:30 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/27/20 15:30 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement

Flash flooding was reported.

**CALHOUN COUNTY --- 1.6 NNW HAMPTON [33.55, -92.48], 1.6 SSW TINSMAN [33.61, -92.36], 0.6 NNE UNCO [33.49, -92.41], 3.5 SW HAMPTON [33.50, -92.52]**

	08/27/20 12:30 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/27/20 15:30 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement

A road or two had water over them. There was a road washed out.

**LONOKE COUNTY --- 3.2 NW JABB [34.60, -91.96], 1.8 W WATERPROOF [34.92, -91.81], 7.7 E WATERPROOF [34.94, -91.65], 3.4 ENE SEATON DUMP [34.62, -91.67]**

	08/27/20 14:44 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/27/20 17:44 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement

Highway 13 north of Carlisle was flooded. Also Highway 89 by Gentry was flooded, along with Central High Rd.

**SALINE COUNTY --- 0.4 N BENTON [34.58, -92.58], 0.7 E BENTON [34.57, -92.57], 1.3 SSW BENTON [34.55, -92.59], 0.9 SW BENTON SALINE CO ARP [34.56, -92.61]**

	08/27/20 15:50 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/27/20 15:50 CST		0	Source: Broadcast Media

A video showed water flowing over roads in Benton on social media, relayed by broadcast media.

**PULASKI COUNTY --- 1.6 NW VALENTINE [34.83, -92.19], 1.3 NW VALENTINE [34.83, -92.19], 1.1 WNW VALENTINE [34.83, -92.19], 1.5 WNW VALENTINE [34.83, -92.19]**

	08/27/20 16:00 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/27/20 16:00 CST		0	Source: NWS Employee

The intersection of Brockington and Kiehl was flooded and impassable to traffic.

**PULASKI COUNTY --- 1.1 NNE FORT ROOTS [34.78, -92.28], 1.0 WNW NORTH LITTLE ROCK [34.78, -92.27], 1.1 WSW NORTH LITTLE ROCK [34.77, -92.27], 0.5 SE FORT ROOTS [34.76, -92.29]**

	08/27/20 17:00 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/27/20 17:00 CST		0	Source: Social Media

Several streets and intersections in North Little Rock were flooded and impassable. Several pictures and reports were acquired via social media. The time was estimated based on the time of tweet and radar data.

**WOODRUFF COUNTY --- 3.1 ESE GOODRICH [35.31, -91.18], 1.9 ESE GOODRICH [35.32, -91.20]**

	08/27/20 17:45 CST		20K	Tornado (EF0, L: 1.26 mi , W: 50 yd)
	08/27/20 17:48 CST		5K	Source: NWS Storm Survey

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A storm survey crew from the NWS Office in Little Rock found tornado damage consistent with an EF0 rating.

This tornado formed just northeast of the intersection of highways 37 and 269 north of McCrory, where a covered parking area roof was blown west. At that same residence, a large tree fell southwest onto the home. This tornado continued northwest over cropland, pushing over a power pole off County Road 338, then proceeded to cross State Highway 17 blowing down more trees and tree limbs. This tornado lifted shortly afterwards to the northwest.

**LAWRENCE COUNTY --- 0.4 NNW WALNUT RIDGE [36.08, -90.96], 0.6 NE WALNUT RIDGE [36.08, -90.95], 0.3 ESE WALNUT RIDGE [36.07, -90.95], 0.2 W WALNUT RIDGE [36.07, -90.96]**

08/27/20 20:45 CST	0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
08/27/20 23:45 CST	0	Source: Emergency Manager

Northwest 4th and Main Street were closed due to high water in Walnut Ridge.

**RANDOLPH COUNTY --- 1.6 SSW BIGGERS [36.31, -90.81], 1.9 W INGRAM [36.42, -91.01]**

08/27/20 21:07 CST	0.20M	Tornado (EF2, L: 14.02 mi , W: 100 yd)
08/27/20 21:23 CST	0	Source: NWS Storm Survey

A storm survey crew from the NWS Office in Little Rock found tornado consistent with an EF2 rating. A house sustained major roof damage on Highway 328 west of Maynard, with most of the walls still standing. An agricultural shop was destroyed 2 miles south of Biggers.

The tornado started just southeast of US67/62 southwest of Biggers, destroying a metal farm building and snapping trees along Lutrell Cemetery Road. The tornado continued northwest blowing in some garage doors on some large metal buildings, along with snapping limbs off of multiple trees along Gas Plant and Biggers-Reyno roads. The tornado continued northwest for several miles, causing mainly damage to trees, from broken limbs, to uprooting or snapping those tree trunks. The worst damage was observed at a site built home off of State Hwy 328 and Jerrett Loop Road southwest of Maynard, where large sections of the roof were torn off allowing a couple walls to fall inward. At the same residence, a large metal outbuilding or barn was destroyed. Many mature trees were snapped or uprooted around this location. The tornado finally lifted further northwest along State Hwy 251 south of Palestine Road.

**LAWRENCE COUNTY --- 1.4 WSW RAVENDEN [36.22, -91.27], 1.0 SW RAVENDEN [36.22, -91.26], 1.3 SW RAVENDEN [36.22, -91.27], 1.6 WSW RAVENDEN [36.22, -91.28]**

08/27/20 22:00 CST	0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
08/28/20 01:00 CST	0	Source: Social Media

County Rd. 106 had a portion of it washed out by flooding. A picture and report were received from social media.

**POLK COUNTY --- 1.7 W INK [34.58, -94.15], 2.8 NNE INK [34.61, -94.09], 3.1 E BOARD CAMP [34.52, -94.05], 0.5 WSW NUNLEY [34.53, -94.18]**

08/27/20 22:00 CST	0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
08/28/20 02:00 CST	0	Source: Emergency Manager

Several county roads were flooded across eastern Polk County.

**Tropical Storm Laura moved ashore from the Gulf of Mexico near Cameron, LA, around 1200 AM CST on August 27, 2020 with 150 mph sustained winds! This part of the state had never experienced such a powerful (Category 4) hurricane. Measured gusts exceeded 130 mph in Lake Charles, LA. Not only was there widespread structural damage, a television tower was destroyed and the WSR-88D (Doppler Weather Radar) at the local National Weather Service (NWS) office was obliterated. Staff at the office was evacuated prior to the arrival of Laura, with backup provided by NWS Brownsville, TX.**

Laura remained a hurricane well inland as the system ventured to the north at around 15 mph. A swath of heavy rain (two to more than five inches) spread into southern, central, and northeast Arkansas in the twenty four hour period ending at 700 am CDT on the 28th. Fordyce (Dallas County) received 5.25 inches of precipitation, with 4.48 inches at Cabot (Lonoke County), 4.39 inches at Marche (Pulaski County), 4.37 inches at North Little Rock (Pulaski County), 4.17 inches at Keo (Lonoke County), 3.85 inches at Calamine (Sharp County), 3.60 inches at Stuttgart (Arkansas County), 3.55 inches at Batesville (Independence County) and El Dorado (Union County), 3.53 inches at

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Sheridan (Grant County), and 3.50 inches at Alicia (Lawrence County).

The atmosphere was loaded with moisture, and this created high rainfall rates. Water came down faster than it could be carried away, and roads flooded at Benton (Saline County), North Little Rock and Sherwood (both in Pulaski County), Walnut Ridge and near Ravenden (both in Lawrence County), and a few miles east of Mena (Polk County).

**WOODRUFF COUNTY --- 0.8 WSW RIVERSIDE [35.28, -91.24], 0.2 S RIVERSIDE [35.28, -91.23], 0.6 N PATTERSON [35.26, -91.23], 0.8 NNE CAVELL [35.26, -91.25]**

	08/28/20 19:20 CST	0	Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/31/20 23:59 CST	0	Source: River/Stream Gage

Heavy rain caused flooding on the Cache River at Patterson at the end of August.

**WOODRUFF COUNTY --- 3.4 NW AUGUSTA [35.31, -91.42], 2.0 NNE AUGUSTA [35.31, -91.36], 0.5 W NEW AUGUSTA [35.27, -91.36], 2.9 W RUFFWOOD [35.27, -91.42]**

	08/29/20 00:39 CST	0	Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/31/20 23:59 CST	0	Source: River/Stream Gage

Heavy rain caused flooding on the White River at Augusta at the end of August.

Remnants of Hurricane Laura brought heavy rain to much of Arkansas. Heavy rain caused flooding on the White and Cache Rivers.

**VAN BUREN COUNTY --- 1.3 ENE DAMASCUS [35.39, -92.40]**

	08/29/20 12:40 CST	0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 52 kt)
	08/29/20 12:40 CST	0	Source: COOP Observer

The wind speed was estimated by the COOP observer.

**LAWRENCE COUNTY --- 0.7 N LYNN [36.01, -91.25]**

	08/29/20 13:40 CST	0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 52 kt)
	08/29/20 13:40 CST	0	Source: Emergency Manager

Multiple trees were downed in the Lynn area.

**LAWRENCE COUNTY --- 1.8 WSW LYNN [35.99, -91.28]**

	08/29/20 13:40 CST	0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 52 kt)
	08/29/20 13:40 CST	0	Source: Emergency Manager

Several trees were blown down along Highway 25.

**LAWRENCE COUNTY --- 1.4 S DRIFTWOOD [35.96, -91.25]**

	08/29/20 13:53 CST	0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 52 kt)
	08/29/20 13:53 CST	0	Source: Emergency Manager

Some trees were down.

**LAWRENCE COUNTY --- 0.7 S ALICIA [35.89, -91.08]**

	08/29/20 14:05 CST	0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 61 kt)
	08/29/20 14:05 CST	0	Source: Social Media

Several trees and power lines were blown down. The wind was reported to have gusted up to 70 mph.

**PULASKI COUNTY --- 1.4 S FORT ROOTS [34.75, -92.29]**

	08/29/20 14:57 CST	50K	Lightning
	08/29/20 14:57 CST	0	Source: Law Enforcement

Lightning struck the roof of a building on a school campus in Little Rock. The fire that resulted caused additional damage to the roof structure.

**SCOTT COUNTY --- 0.7 S BOOTHE [35.04, -94.12]**

	08/29/20 17:14 CST	0	Hail (1.75 in)
	08/29/20 17:14 CST	0	Source: Law Enforcement

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Golf ball sized hail was reported at the intersection of Highways 23 and 71.				
<b>SCOTT COUNTY --- 0.7 N ELM PARK [35.03, -94.12], 2.5 ESE BOOTHE [35.04, -94.08], 2.3 E ELM PARK [35.03, -94.08], 0.4 NNW ELM PARK [35.03, -94.12]</b>				
	08/29/20 18:30 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/29/20 21:30 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
Scott County Sheriff office reported high water over Highway 23.				
<b>SCOTT COUNTY --- 1.3 ENE HON [34.94, -94.16]</b>				
	08/29/20 19:21 CST		0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 61 kt)
	08/29/20 19:21 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
The Scott County Sheriff's office reported trees down on Hwy. 28 blocking the road.				
<b>POLK COUNTY --- 0.6 W MENA [34.58, -94.24]</b>				
	08/29/20 19:50 CST		0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 61 kt)
	08/29/20 19:50 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
Several trees were downed by thunderstorm winds in and around Mena.				
<b>POLK COUNTY --- 0.6 W MENA [34.58, -94.24]</b>				
	08/29/20 19:52 CST		0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 52 kt)
	08/29/20 19:52 CST		0	Source: Social Media
A tree fell on power lines in Mena and started a fire on Petros Avenue near the Mena High School.				
<b>MONTGOMERY COUNTY --- MT IDA [34.55, -93.63], 0.7 SE MAULDIN [34.57, -93.66], 0.5 NW SWEETHOME [34.58, -93.59], 0.9 S SWEETHOME [34.57, -93.58]</b>				
	08/29/20 20:45 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/29/20 23:45 CST		0	Source: COOP Observer
The COOP observer in Mount Ida reported multiple roads were flooded including Highway 270 and Highway 27 north at Woods Creek.				
<b>POLK COUNTY --- 0.6 W MENA [34.58, -94.24], 1.9 SW ACORN [34.61, -94.25], 3.5 E ACORN [34.62, -94.16], 1.2 NNE NUNLEY [34.55, -94.16]</b>				
	08/29/20 21:00 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/29/20 23:50 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
Several roads were under water and impassable in and around Mena. The local airport reported 2.74 inches of rain measured between 8 pm CST and 9 pm CST.				
<b>POLK COUNTY --- 1.5 SSE BOARD CAMP [34.51, -94.09], 3.0 E BOARD CAMP [34.53, -94.05], 2.8 WNW BIG FORK [34.49, -94.02], 3.3 ENE SHADY [34.47, -94.07]</b>				
	08/29/20 21:25 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/30/20 00:25 CST		0	Source: Social Media
A web report was received via social media about ATV riders stranded by high water at Wolfpen Gap Campground.				
<b>SCOTT COUNTY --- 0.6 W WALDRON [34.90, -94.09], 0.5 NNE WALDRON [34.91, -94.08], 1.2 ESE WALDRON [34.89, -94.06], 1.1 SW WALDRON [34.89, -94.09]</b>				
	08/31/20 07:51 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/31/20 10:51 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
Many roads were underwater in Waldron and in the county.				
<b>SCOTT COUNTY --- Y CITY [34.73, -94.08]</b>				
	08/31/20 07:51 CST		0	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 52 kt)
	08/31/20 07:51 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
A tree was down at Hwy. 270 and 71 at Y City and on Hwy. 28 West near Cauthron.				

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<b>MONTGOMERY COUNTY --- 0.7 S STORY [34.69, -93.52], 1.4 WNW LIBERTY [34.69, -93.45], 1.2 WNW FANNIE [34.71, -93.45], 0.3 ENE STORY [34.70, -93.52]</b>				
	08/31/20 08:27 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/31/20 11:27 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement

Water was over the road on Hwy. 298 at Story and several locations on Hwy. 270.

<b>GARLAND COUNTY --- 0.7 S HOT SPGS [34.49, -93.05], 1.8 ESE GARDNER [34.47, -93.05], 1.4 NNW (HOT)HOT SPGS ARPT [34.49, -93.11], 1.5 N GARDNER [34.50, -93.08]</b>				
	08/31/20 08:30 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	08/31/20 11:30 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement

Several streets in Hot Springs were flooded including Central Ave., Grand Ave., Malvern Ave., and near the airport.

The heat/humidity energized the environment on the 29th, and this happened as a cold front slowly approached from Missouri. Ahead of the front, strong to severe thunderstorms popped up in northern Arkansas in the afternoon. There was an estimated 60 mph wind gust just northeast of Damascus (Van Buren County) and a 70 mph gust at Alicia (Lawrence County). Trees were blown down at the latter location, and also at Lynn (Lawrence County). As storms dropped to the south toward Little Rock (Pulaski County), a building on a school campus was struck by lightning in Pulaski Heights (Pulaski County). This started a fire that damaged the roof.

Later in the evening, the focus shifted to the west. A storm near Boothe (Scott County) cranked out golf ball size hail at the intersection of Highways 23 and 71. Trees were pushed onto Highway 28 just east of Hon (Scott County) and Mena (Polk County).

Two to more than four inches of rain fell in west central Arkansas. Since this part of the state had already been pounded with deluge after deluge in August, the soil was saturated and could not hold much liquid. A flash flood event unfolded in a hurry, and it was serious. Water was over Highway 23 at Elm Park (Scott County). Several roads were under water and impassible at Mena (Polk County). At the airport just southeast of town, 2.74 inches of rain fell in an hour. People on all-terrain vehicles were stranded by high water at Wolfpen Gap Campground just west of Big Fork (Polk County). Sections of Highways 270 and 27 were flooded near Mount Ida (Montgomery County).

Early on the 31st, the sky opened again in the west. Many roads were inundated with water at Waldron (Scott County). Flooding was also experienced on Highway 298 near Story (Montgomery County), and along several thoroughfares in Hot Springs (Garland County).