# <u>Southern Illinois Tornados</u> <u>March 23, 2012</u>

Two tornados touched down on March 23, 2012 in southern Illinois. The damage survey results and storm reports are listed here.

# ...DAMAGE SURVEY RESULTS FOR JACKSON COUNTY ILLINOIS...

THE FOLLOWING IS THE PRELIMINARY DAMAGE ASSESSMENT FOR JACKSON COUNTY ILLINOIS.

- \* EVENT TYPE......EF1 TORNADO
- \* EVENT DATE......FRIDAY MARCH 23 2012
- \* EVENT TIME......BEGAN AT APPROXIMATELY 1224 PM CDT
- \* EVENT LOCATION.....THE TORNADO BEGAN 3.5 NORTHWEST OF DESOTO ALONG TRUAX TRAER ROAD AND TRAVELED NORTHEAST TO 3.5 MILES SOUTHEAST OF DUOUOIN NEAR THE JACKSON...PERRY AND FRANKLIN COUNTY LINES.
- \* PEAK WIND......90 MPH
- \* AVG. PATH WIDTH....125 YARDS

\* PATH LENGTH......7.5 MILES (THERE ARE SOME INDICATIONS THAT THE TORNADO WAS PERIODICALLY SKIPPING ALONG THE PATH)

\* INJURIES.....NONE

\* FATALITIES.....NONE

\* DAMAGE DETAIL.....DOZENS OF TREES UPROOTED AND SNAPPED...MOST OF THE TREES WERE SMALL TO MEDIUM SIZED. ONE BARN DESTROYED. SEVERAL SHEDS AND CARPORTS DAMAGED. A FEW HOMES WITH MINOR DAMAGE TO SIDING. FLAG POLE BLOWN DOWN. THERE WERE NUMEROUS EYE WITNESSES AND NWS TRAINED SPOTTERS WHO SAW THIS TORNADO AND TOOK PICTURES AND/OR VIDEO.



## ...DAMAGE SURVEY RESULTS FOR OPDYKE ILLINOIS...

THE FOLLOWING IS THE PRELIMINARY DAMAGE ASSESSMENT FOR OPDYKE ILLINOIS. (JEFFERSON COUNTY ILLINOIS)

\* EVENT TYPE......EF2 TORNADO

\* EVENT DATE......FRIDAY MARCH 23 2012

\* EVENT TIME......BEGAN AT APPROXIMATELY 126 PM CDT

\* EVENT LOCATION.....THE TORNADO BEGAN 5.5 MILES SOUTHEAST OF MOUNT VERNON OR JUST NORTHWEST OF OPDYKE. THE TORNADO LIFTED ABOUT 5 MILES EAST OF MOUNT VERNON JUST SOUTHEAST OF LIBERTY AND NORTH LIGHTHOUSE ROAD.

\* PEAK WIND......130 MPH

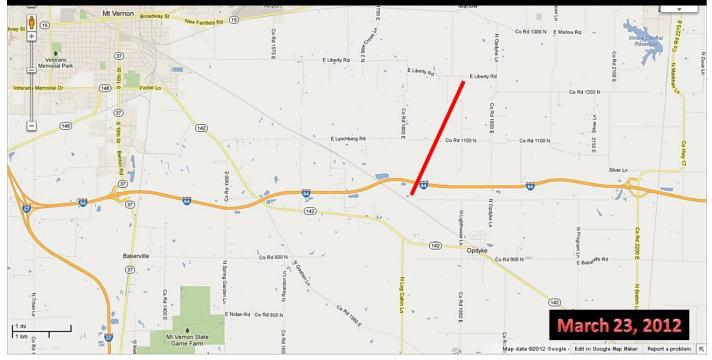
- \* AVG. PATH WIDTH....100 YARDS
- \* PATH LENGTH.....2.5 MILES

\* INJURIES......2

\* FATALITIES......1 FEMALE

\* DAMAGE DETAIL......A TIED DOWN DOUBLE WIDE MOBILE HOME WAS LIFTED AND TOSSED 100 FEET ACROSS THE ROAD AND WAS DESTROYED. THE UNDERCARRIAGE OF THE MOBILE HOME WAS CARRIED A COUPLE HUNDRED YARDS. ONE HOME HAD WINDOWS BLOWN OUT ON THE SECOND STORY AND SOME SIDING DAMAGE. ONE BARN WAS HEAVILY DAMAGED. A FEW TREE TOPS WERE SNAPPED OR UPROOTED. 2 BARNS WERE DAMAGED NEAR THE END OF THE TRACK.

# **OPDYKE IL (Jefferson County IL) EF2**



### PRELIMINARY LOCAL STORM REPORT...SUMMARY NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE PADUCAH KY 346 PM CDT FRI MAR 23 2012

..TIME... ...EVENT... ...CITY LOCATION... ...LAT.LON... ..DATE... ...MAG.... ..COUNTY LOCATION..ST.. ...SOURCE.... ..REMARKS..

0800 AM HAIL 16 SE DEXTER 36.63N 89.76W 03/23/2012 E0.25 INCH STODDARD MO TRAINED SPOTTER 0919 AM HAIL SCOTT CITY 37.22N 89.53W 03/23/2012 M0.25 INCH SCOTT MO FIRE DEPT/RESCUE 0932 AM HAIL WAPPAPELLO 36.94N 90.27W 03/23/2012 E0.75 INCH WAYNE MO TRAINED SPOTTER 0935 AM HAIL FISK 36.78N 90.21W 03/23/2012 M0.25 INCH STODDARD MO TRAINED SPOTTER 1056 AM HAIL JACKSON 37.38N 89.65W 03/23/2012 E0.25 INCH CAPE GIRARDEAU MO TRAINED SPOTTER 1100 AM HAIL 1 S DELTA 37.18N 89.74W 03/23/2012 M0.75 INCH CAPE GIRARDEAU MO EMERGENCY MNGR 1105 AM HAIL 3 W JACKSON 37.38N 89.71W

03/23/2012 M0.75 INCH CAPE GIRARDEAU MO TRAINED SPOTTER

1107 AMHAILJACKSON37.38N 89.65W03/23/2012M1.75 INCHCAPE GIRARDEAUMOTRAINED SPOTTER

SPOTTER ALSO REPORTED 50 MPH.

1111 AMHAILJACKSON37.38N 89.65W03/23/2012M2.50 INCHCAPE GIRARDEAUMOEMERGENCY MNGR

1126 AMHAILMETROPOLIS37.15N 88.71W03/23/2012M0.75 INCHMASSACILLAW ENFORCEMENT

1133 AMTORNADO1 W NEELYS LANDING37.50N 89.52W03/23/2012CAPE GIRARDEAUMOFIRE DEPT/RESCUE

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS POSSIBLE BRIEF TORNADO TOUCHDOWN

1136 AMFUNNEL CLOUDE FRUITLAND37.45N 89.64W03/23/2012CAPE GIRARDEAUMOPUBLIC

#### PUBLIC REPORTS POSSIBLE FUNNEL NEAR P AND G PLANT ON 177 EAST OF FRUITLAND.

1142 AM<br/>03/23/2012HAIL<br/>MO.75 INCH1 E SIMPSON<br/>JOHNSON37.47N 88.74W<br/>IL<br/>TRAINED SPOTTER1208 PM<br/>03/23/2012HAIL<br/>MO.75 INCHCARRIER MILLS<br/>SALINE37.69N 88.63W<br/>IL<br/>TRAINED SPOTTER1214 PM<br/>03/23/2012FUNNEL CLOUD<br/>JACKSON5 N DE SOTO<br/>IL<br/>AMATEUR RADIO37.89N 89.23W<br/>SALINE1219 PM<br/>03/23/2012HAIL<br/>M1.00 INCHREIDLAND<br/>MCCRACKEN37.01N 88.53W<br/>KY TRAINED SPOTTER

1223 PMFUNNEL CLOUDDE SOTO37.82N 89.23W03/23/2012JACKSONILTRAINED SPOTTER

#### SPOTTER REPORTS ROTATING WALL CLOUD NEAR DE SOTO

1224 PMHAILNORRIS CITY37.98N 88.33W03/23/2012M0.75 INCHWHITEILTRAINED SPOTTER

1226 PMHAIL2 NW HARRISBURG37.76N 88.58W03/23/2012E1.75 INCHSALINEILEMERGENCY MNGR

1230 PMTORNADODOWELL37.94N 89.24W03/23/2012JACKSONILEMERGENCY MNGR

BRIEF TOUCHDOWN JUST OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS OF DOWELL. IT TOUCHED DOWN AND THEN WENT BACK UP INTO THE CLOUDS. 1230 PM TORNADO ELKVILLE 37.91N 89.24W 03/23/2012 JACKSON IL PUBLIC

PUBLIC REPORT RELAYED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OF A TORNADO NEAR TRUAX AND TRAYER ROAD.

1232 PMTORNADO3 NW CARBONDALE37.76N 89.26W03/23/2012JACKSONILTRAINED SPOTTER

JUST NORTH OF SIU CARBONDALE AIRPORT. BRIEF TOUCHDOWN AND IT WENT BACK UP.

1242 PMTORNADO2 E DU QUOIN38.00N 89.20W03/23/2012PERRYILTRAINED SPOTTER

#### BRIEF ROPE TORNADO TOUCHDOWN AND GOLF BALL SIZE HAIL

| 1246 PM HAIL          | DU QUOIN    | 38.00N 89.24W                       |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| 03/23/2012 E1.50 INCH | PERRY       | IL LAW ENFORCEMENT                  |
| 1247 PM HAIL          | DU QUOIN    | 38.00N 89.24W                       |
| 03/23/2012 E1.75 INCH | PERRY       | IL EMERGENCY MNGR                   |
| 0126 PM TORNADO       | OPDYKE      | 38.26N 88.79W                       |
| 03/23/2012 JE         | EFFERSON IL | TRAINED SPOTTER                     |
| 0131 PM HAIL          | CARMI       | 38.09N 88.17W                       |
| 03/23/2012 M1.00 INCH | I WHITE     | IL TRAINED SPOTTER                  |
| 0135 PM HAIL          | CARMI       | 38.09N 88.17W                       |
| 03/23/2012 E1.25 INCH | WHITE       | IL TRAINED SPOTTER                  |
|                       |             | 38.12N 89.01W<br>IL TRAINED SPOTTER |
| 0143 PM HAIL          | STURGIS     | 37.55N 87.99W                       |
| 03/23/2012 E0.75 INCH | UNION       | KY TRAINED SPOTTER                  |
| 0212 PM HAIL          | BELLMONT    | 38.38N 87.91W                       |
| 03/23/2012 E1.00 INCH | WABASH      | IL TRAINED SPOTTER                  |
|                       |             | 38.38N 87.91W<br>IL TRAINED SPOTTER |

#### SPOTTER HAD TO PULL OVER DUE TO LARGE HAIL ON ROUTE 15.

| 0220 PM    | HAIL       | BELLMONT    | 38.38N 87.91W          |
|------------|------------|-------------|------------------------|
| 03/23/2012 | E1.75 INCH | WABASH      | IL TRAINED SPOTTER     |
| 0236 PM    |            | EVANSVILLE  | 37.98N 87.54W          |
| 03/23/2012 |            | I VANDERBUI | RGH IN TRAINED SPOTTER |

#### NEAR THE LLOYD HIGHWAY

0243 PMHAILEVANSVILLE37.98N 87.54W03/23/2012E0.88 INCHVANDERBURGHINTRAINED SPOTTER0245 PMHAILDAYLIGHT38.09N 87.49W03/23/2012M0.88 INCHVANDERBURGHINTRAINED SPOTTER0248 PMFUNNEL CLOUDJOHNSONVILLE38.52N 88.54W

0248 PMFUNNEL CLOUDJOHNSONVILLE38.52N03/23/2012WAYNEILTRAINED SPOTTER

ALSO NICKEL HAIL REPORTED