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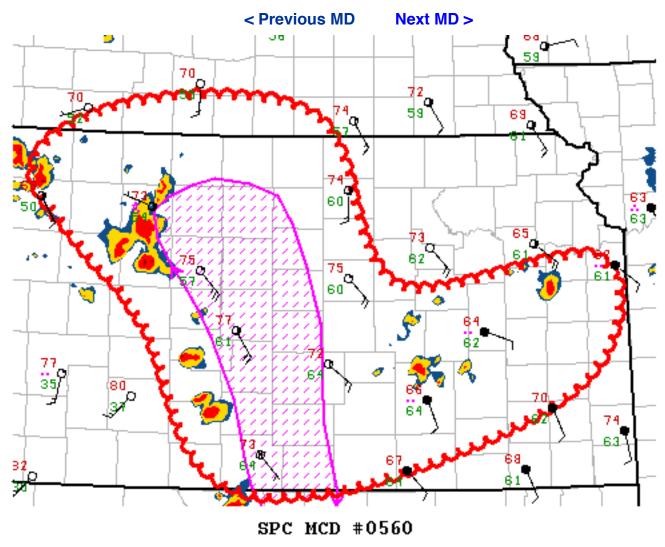
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MESOSCALE DISCUSSION 0560 NWS STORM PREDICTION CENTER NORMAN OK 0633 PM CDT SUN MAY 08 2016

AREAS AFFECTED...PORTIONS OF KS AND FAR SOUTHERN NEB

CONCERNING...TORNADO WATCH 150...

VALID 082333Z - 090100Z

THE SEVERE WEATHER THREAT FOR TORNADO WATCH 150 CONTINUES.

SUMMARY...LARGE HAIL/TORNADO POTENTIAL SHOULD CONTINUE TO INCREASE THROUGH EARLY EVENING /THROUGH 01-02Z/ ACROSS MUCH OF CENTRAL KS AS STORMS GENERALLY MOVE NORTHEASTWARD. TORNADO WATCH 150 CONTINUES UNTIL 03Z/10 PM CDT. PORTIONS OF EAST-CENTRAL KS WILL CONTINUE TO BE MONITORED FOR A SPATIAL WATCH EXTENSION OR NEW WATCH...FOR MAINLY AN ISOLATED SEVERE HAIL RISK.

DISCUSSION...LATEST MESOANALYSIS FEATURES A SURFACE LOW ACROSS SOUTHWEST KS WITH A NORTHEASTWARD-EXTENDING WARM FRONT ACROSS



WEST-CENTRAL KS INTO FAR SOUTHERN NEB ... WITH A SOUTHWARD-EXTENDING DRYLINE SLOWLY ADVANCING EAST-NORTHEAST TOWARD SOUTH-CENTRAL KS /WEST OF THE GREAT BEND-PRATT-MEDICINE LODGE AREAS AS OF 23Z/. A ZONE OF CLOUDY/RAIN-COOLED AIR IS ALSO A FACTOR ALONG AND EAST OF I-35/I-135 AND THE KS TURNPIKE VICINITY.

WIDELY SCATTERED STRONG/SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS WILL CONTINUE TO DEVELOP IN VICINITY OF THE DRYLINE ACROSS SOUTH-CENTRAL KS...WITH LOWER/SOME MIDDLE 60S F SURFACE DEWPOINTS RESIDE...WHILE A MORE COMPLEX/LESS DISCRETE SUPERCELLULAR MODE SHOULD CONTINUE TO EVOLVE ACROSS WEST-CENTRAL/NORTH-CENTRAL KS IN VICINITY OF THE WARM FRONT. COINCIDENT WITH MODEST PRESSURE FALLS...SURFACE WINDS CONTINUE TO BACK SOUTHEASTERLY ACROSS THE MAJORITY OF CENTRAL KS. WHILE CURVING LOW-LEVEL HODOGRAPHS ARE OBSERVED IN REGIONAL WSR-88D VWP DATA FROM WICHITA/DODGE CITY/VANCE AIR FORCE BASE...LOWER-TROPOSPHERIC WIND SPEEDS ARE NOT CURRENTLY OVERLY STRONG AS OF 23Z...ALTHOUGH NONETHELESS SUPPORTIVE OF A TORNADO RISK. THAT SAID...LOW-LEVEL WINDS ARE EXPECTED TO STRENGTHEN PARTICULARLY AFTER 00Z...WHICH COULD ACCOUNT FOR AN INCREASING TORNADO RISK / PERHAPS EVEN A STRONG TORNADO OR TWO/ ESPECIALLY ACROSS PARTS OF WEST-CENTRAL INTO NORTH-CENTRAL KS AND POSSIBLY SOUTH-CENTRAL KS.

FARTHER EAST...ISOLATED STRONG-TO-SEVERE/GENERALLY ELEVATED THUNDERSTORMS MAY PERSIST/SPREAD EAST-NORTHEAST ACROSS EAST-CENTRAL KS THROUGH EARLY EVENING. DAMAGING WIND/TORNADO POTENTIAL SHOULD REMAIN LIMITED BY THE COOL NATURE OF THE BOUNDARY LAYER...BUT ISOLATED SEVERE HAIL WILL BE POSSIBLE. CONVECTIVE TRENDS WILL CONTINUE TO BE MONITORED ACROSS EASTERN KS.

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