

Concerning...Severe Thunderstorm Watch 302...

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The severe weather threat for Severe Thunderstorm Watch 302 continues.

SUMMARY...The threat for large hail and severe wind gusts will continue as thunderstorms spread slowly eastward this evening. Some of the large hail may be 2+ inches in diameter.

DISCUSSION...Multiple supercells have formed over the past few hours in a low-level upslope flow regime across parts of far southeastern NM and west TX. The northern extent of the appreciable severe risk will be sharply limited by a cold front. Large hail should remain the primary threat with these supercells in the short term, as steep mid-level lapse rates noted on the 19Z sounding from MAF and 1500-2500 J/kg of MLCAPE support robust updrafts. Even though low-level flow remains weak at the moment, around 30-40 kt of deep-layer shear is expected to remain favorable for continued convective organization as these supercells move slowly eastward across parts of west TX this evening. Given the degree of buoyancy available and organized structures currently shown on radar, some of these supercells should be capable of producing very large hail of 2 to 3 inches in diameter. Some clustering/congealing of the ongoing activity may occur this evening as a southeasterly low-level jet modestly strengthens. If small clusters develop, then severe wind gusts would become increasingly probable, especially with a very well mixed boundary layer and large surface temperature/dewpoint spreads.

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