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Likelihood

High Medium Low Minimal Minor Significant Severe **Impact**



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IMPACT BASED WARNING issue :06:59 on Wed 14 Dec 2022

Very

LEVEL 6 for Severe Thunderstorms

WARNING valid Fri 16 Dec 00:00 Until Sat 17 Dec 00:00

Affected DM / LM / Metro area

Bergrivier, Bitou, Breede Valley, Cape Agulhas, Cederberg, Drakenstein, George, Hessequa, Kannaland, Knysna, Laingsburg, Langeberg, Mossel Bay, Oudtshoorn, Overstrand, Prince Albert, Saldanha Bay, Stellenbosch, Swartland, Swellendam, Theewaterskloof, Witzenberg

Short Message

Orange level 6 warning for Severe Thunderstorms resulting in flooding and large amounts of small hail are expected over the western and central parts of the Western Cape on Friday, but central and southern parts on Saturday (16-17/12/2022).

Discussion

Scattered to widespread thundershowers are expected over the Namakwa, Northern Cape and Western Cape on Friday and Saturday. These storms will dominate over the western parts by h Friday late morning moving eastwards to the central and eastern parts during the afternoon and evening. The storms is expected over the Overberg and Winelands on Saturday morning spreading eastwards during the day. Heavy downpours (20-30 mm/h), strong and gusty winds (50-60 km/h, gusting 70-80 km/h), excessive lightning and large amounts of small hail (1-2 cm in

Impacts

Flash flooding of roads and susceptible settlements as well as danger to life in crossing of fast flowing streams. Large amounts of small hail/large hail can cause damage to vehicles and difficult driving conditions, especially where heavy downpours are present. These conditions can lead to major travel disruptions and can be aggravated with possible falling trees blocking major roads. Loss of agricultural productions are also likely together with disruption to essential

Instruction

If possible stay indoors away from metal objects. Do not seek shelter under trees or tall objects. Do not go fishing or play golf as both the golf clubs and fishing rods are a good conductor of electricity. Be aware that any combination of hail, strong winds and/or heavy downpours can accompany the storms.

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