

# National Weather Service Melbourne Decision Support Weather Briefing for Emergency Management Officials

# Windy Wednesday with Risk of Severe Thunderstorms *Issued: 10 AM Tue Apr 2, 2024*

## **Key Messages:**

- Risk of severe thunderstorms has increased slightly for Wednesday ahead of a strong cold front.
- The primary threat will be damaging wind gusts of 60 to 70 mph.
- Windy conditions will exist before the storms arrive. Non-thunderstorm winds 20-30 mph will
  gust around 40 mph from the Southwest. A Wind Advisory will likely be needed for much of
  east central Florida on Wednesday.

#### **Impacts:**

- Thunderstorm wind gusts over 50 mph
  - → 15% chance of locally damaging winds of 60-70 mph
- Hail up to 1" in diameter (Quarter-sized)
- Frequent cloud-to-ground lightning
- Heavy rainfall (Locally up to 2 inches possible Lake county and I-4 corridor)
  - See graphic below
- A tornado cannot be ruled out. The best chance will be in the Slight Risk area.

### **Timing for Severe Threat:**

11AM - 3PM Lake, Volusia, Seminole, Orange, north Osceola, north Brevard counties 3 PM - 6 PM south Brevard, south Osceola, Indian River, Saint Lucie and Okeechobee counties ➤ See graphic below

Next briefing will be issued by 9 am Wednesday.

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