Weekend Weather Alert

Friday, January 10, 2020

Citizens of Caddo Parish and the surrounding areas need to be aware of a severe weather event expected to impact the area Friday evening and overnight into Saturday. Those living in the area are asked to be vigilant about staying updated and prepared as this weather system moves through the area said, Caddo Sheriff Steve Prator, Director of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.

Caddo-Shreveport officials have been briefing on an incoming weather system expected to affect Northwest Louisiana Friday evening and overnight into Saturday. Officials say this storm has the potential for severe thunderstorms, high winds capable of causing damage to trees, homes, and businesses, quarter to half-dollar sized hail, and possible tornadoes. Sheriff Prator urges residents to take this storm seriously and ensure they are prepared and stay updated as this system approaches.

Those living in the area should be aware the NOAA Weather Radio Shreveport transmitter is experiencing problems and will not be functional for this storm. Citizens have alternative ways to get weather warning information (TV, AM/FM radio, Internet, and Mobile Phone Weather Applications).

The Weather services tornado and flash flood warnings will still go to mobile phones through wireless emergency alerts provided they haven't turned off the Government Alert option in their settings.

Citizens can sign up for local emergency messaging by registering at the following link: https://member.everbridge.net/index/371776664109115#/login or, citizens can download the Everbridge application to their mobile device and search for Caddo Parish. Then register for alerts via the application.