

Winter Storm Warning Cancelled; Advisory Issued

(MSC News)--The Winter Weather Warning issued for much of the loca area has now been downgraded.

The National Weather has instead issued a Winter Weather Advisory, making the change despite an earlier extension of the warning.

...WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY IN EFFECT UNTIL 6 AM CST SATURDAY...

...WINTER STORM WARNING IS CANCELLED...

...THE ADVISORY INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING

COUNTIES...MARSHALL-NEMAHA-BROWN-RILEY-POTTAWATOMIE-JACKSON-DICKINSON-GEARY-MORRIS-WABAUNSEE-LYON-

INCLUDING THE CITIES OF...MARYSVILLE...SENECA...HIAWATHA...MANHATTAN...WAMEGO...HOLTON...ABILENE...JUNCTION CITY...COUNCIL GROVE...ALMA...EMPORIA

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN TOPEKA HAS ISSUED A WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY FOR A WINTRY MIX...WHICH IS IN EFFECT UNTIL 6 AM CST SATURDAY. THE WINTER STORM WARNING HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

* TIMING...PERIODS OF SNOW, SLEET, AND FREEZING DRIZZLE WILL MOVE ACROSS THE AREA THIS MORNING...LIKELY DECREASING BY THIS AFTERNOON.

* SNOW AND SLEET ACCUMULATIONS...1 TO 3 INCHES OF SNOW ARE EXPECTED...WITH MINOR SLEET ACCUMULATIONS POSSIBLE.

* OTHER IMPACTS...ACCUMULATION OF SLEET, SNOW, AND FREEZING DRIZZLE WILL CAUSE HAZARDOUS TRAVEL CONDITIONS.

PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS...

A WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY MEANS THAT PERIODS OF SNOW...SLEET...OR FREEZING RAIN WILL CAUSE TRAVEL DIFFICULTIES. BE PREPARED FOR SLIPPERY ROADS AND LIMITED VISIBILITIES...AND USE CAUTION WHILE DRIVING.

...FREEZING RAIN ADVISORY NOW IN EFFECT UNTIL 6 AM CST SATURDAY...

ATCHISON KS-MIAMI-DONIPHAN-LEAVENWORTH-WYANDOTTE-JOHNSON KS-ANDREW-DE KALB-BUCHANAN-CLINTON-PLATTE-CLAY-JACKSON-

INCLUDING THE CITIES OF...ATCHISON...PAOLA...TROY...LEAVENWORTH...KANSAS CITY KS...OVERLAND PARK...OLATHE...SAVANNAH...CAMERON..

ST. JOSEPH...PLATTSBURG...PARKVILLE...PLATTE CITY...WESTON...LIBERTY...EXCELSIOR SPRINGS...KANSAS CITY...INDEPENDENCE

* TIMING...INTERMITTENT LIGHT FREEZING RAIN IS EXPECTED EARLY THIS MORNING. THE FREEZING RAIN IS EXPECTED TO PICK UP IN INTENSITY BY MID TO LATE MORNING...AND THEN TAPER OFF LATE THIS EVENING. SOME SLEET COULD MIX IN OFF AND ON THROUGH THE DAY.

* ICE ACCUMULATIONS WILL RANGE FROM A FEW HUNDREDTHS OF AN INCH IN WESTERN MISSOURI...TO GREATER THAN A TENTH OF AN INCH IN EAST CENTRAL KANSAS THROUGH LATE THIS EVENING.

* MAIN IMPACT...ICE ACCUMULATION IS POSSIBLE ON ELEVATED SURFACES LIKE BRIDGES...POWER LINES...AND TREES. WEAK TREE BRANCHES COULD BREAK UNDER THE WEIGHT OF THE ICE ACCRETION...AND ANY UNTREATED SIDEWALKS AND ROAD SURFACES WILL BECOME QUITE SLICK.

PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS...

A FREEZING RAIN ADVISORY MEANS THAT PERIODS OF FREEZING RAIN OR FREEZING DRIZZLE WILL CAUSE TRAVEL DIFFICULTIES. BE PREPARED FOR SLIPPERY ROADS. SLOW DOWN AND USE CAUTION WHILE DRIVING.