

Breaking: Ice Storm Warning Issued Locally  
**(MSC News)--An ice storm is expected this weekend.**

**That word comes from the National Weather Service, which issues an ice storm warning for the local area.**

**Going into effect Friday, the warning is expected to remain in place through Sunday night.**

**Included in the warning are the Kansas counties of Atchison, Brown, Doniphan, Leavenworth, Jackson, Jefferson, Marshall, Nemaha, and Pottawatomie.**

**In Missouri, local counties included are Platte and Buchanan.**

**The local Nebraska counties of Nemaha, Pawnee, and Richardson, are placed under a Winter Storm Watch from Saturday evening through late Monday night.**

**The National Weather Service says periods of significant icing is likely across the area this weekend, starting Friday afternoon and continuing through Sunday evening.**

**The most significant icing is expected Saturday night into Sunday morning. Precipitation will gradually change over to rain from south to north Sunday afternoon and evening.**

**Major impacts to travel are likely as ice accumulates on area roadways.**

**Ice accumulation on trees and powerlines may result in scattered power outages. Westar energy is working to prepare for that possibility.**

**According to a statement released by the state's largest electricity provider, Westar crews are ready to make the needed repairs, but neighboring utilities are asked to be ready to help if needed.**

**Westar encourages customers to download a free mobile app that provides access to outage reporting, and allows enrollment to receive text updates that provide notification of [power outages](#).**

**The MyWestar app is available in both the Android and Apple app stores.**