

T-storm rolling into South Shore

Those are no ordinary dark clouds rolling into the South Shore.

The National Weather Service in Reno had issued a severe thunderstorm threat for northeastern Amador, east central El Dorado and west central Alpine counties for Tuesday afternoon. Quarter-size hail and damaging winds in excess of 60 mph were associated with the storm in the Highway 88 area.

At 3:55pm the Doppler radar showed the storm in that area had subsided.

However, the NWS says, "Very heavy rainfall with occasional lightning is still expected with this storm. Ponding of low lying areas is possible."

Lightning can strike out to 15 miles from the parent thunderstorm. If you can hear thunder, you are close enough to be struck by lightning, according the Weather Service.

It's recommended to be off any body of water and to seek shelter – including a vehicle – until the storm passes.

A 30 percent chance of heavy rain is in the forecast Wednesday for the Lake Tahoe Basin, including Truckee.

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