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PRESS RELEASE

SECOND TORNADO IN NH IN 2022 SERVES AS REMINDER TO BE PREPARED

CONCORD, N.H. – The National Weather Service (NWS) confirmed that a tornado touched down on Monday, July 18, 2022, in Chesterfield, New Hampshire.

NWS issued a <u>preliminary report</u> Thursday confirming an EF-1 tornado, which occurred during a Tornado Warning on Monday.

The National Weather Service defines an EF-1 tornado as wind gusts between 86 and 110 MPH.

This is the second tornado confirmed in New Hampshire for 2022, reinforcing the importance of being prepared for all types of severe weather.

In May, an EF-1 tornado touched down in Charlestown, New Hampshire.

The Department of Safety's Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) provides many preparedness resources for New Hampshire's residents and visitors.

"Know what to do to keep you and your family safe," said HSEM Director Jennifer Harper. "Have a plan ahead of time, make an emergency kit and sign up for NH Alerts to stay. Know the difference between a watch and a warning. A watch means severe weather is possible and you should be prepared. A warning means severe weather is happening now or is imminent. Take action now."

Learn more about staying informed, having a plan and making a kit online at ReadyNH.gov.

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