

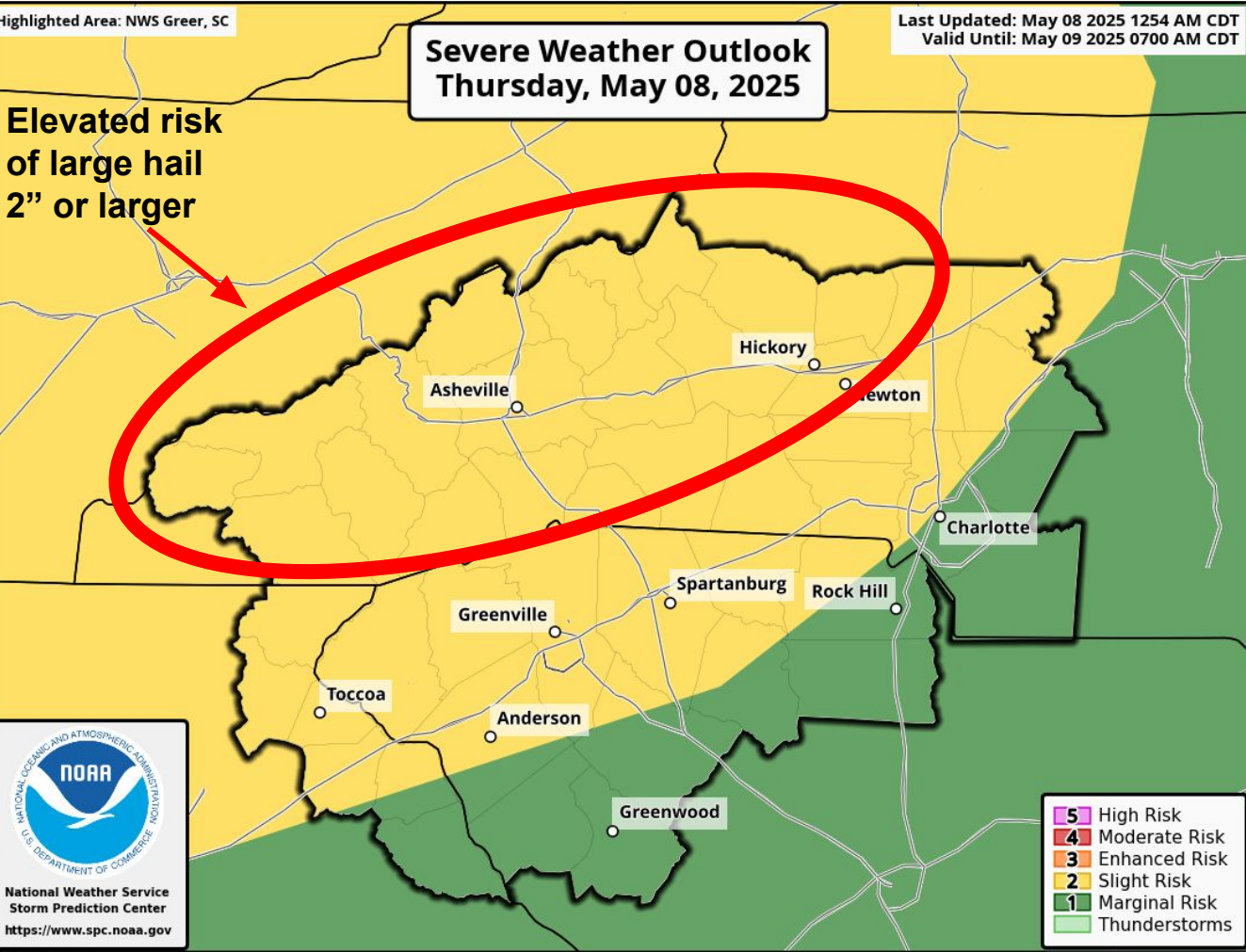
Severe Weather Possible This Afternoon Into Tonight

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Across the western Carolinas and northeast Georgia

OVERVIEW

▪ Scattered thunderstorms are expected to develop by late this afternoon. Some of these storms will become strong to severe and produce unusually large hail and damaging winds.



TIMING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Scattered thunderstorms are expected to develop by mid to late afternoon, primarily over western NC. As the evening wears on, more storms will likely develop over the SC Upstate and northeast GA.▪ The greatest overall coverage of showers and storms is expected from this evening into late tonight, with risk tapering off around midnight.
HAZARDS & IMPACTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Large hail and damaging straight-line winds appear to be the biggest risks. Greater coverage of strong and severe storms is anticipated within the area shaded yellow on the map.▪ Unusually large hail of 2" diameter or greater is possible within the area circled in red, across the Appalachians and NC Foothills.▪ It looks increasingly likely that an organized line of storms will move across the area from west to east from late this evening until shortly after midnight. This line could produce more widespread swaths of damaging wind.
NWS ALERTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ None presently.
FORECAST CHALLENGES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Due to the late-evening and overnight timing of the storm system, it's difficult to predict how long the severe risk will persist. In particular, the organized line of storms mentioned above could be hindered by a nighttime arrival.
POST-EVENT OUTLOOK	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The weather will remain unsettled thru the end of the week and into the weekend. Additional showers and thunderstorms are expected Friday, and although the severe risk looks lower, it cannot be ruled out.▪ Continuing rainfall is expected Saturday night through Monday, though with lower thunder chances.
NEXT BRIEFING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ As Needed.