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## TOP PRIORITY FOR IMMEDIATE BROADCAST

### SEVERE WEATHER WARNING

#### for DAMAGING WINDS and HEAVY RAINFALL

**For people in the Central, Mallee, South West, Northern Country, North Central, North East and Wimmera Forecast Districts.**

Issued at 10:59 am Wednesday, 28 September 2016.

#### WEATHER SITUATION:

A complex, developing low pressure system approaching from the west with an associated trough is expected to reach northwest Victoria late on Wednesday.

DAMAGING WINDS, averaging 50 to 60 km/h with peak gusts of around 100 km/h are expected to develop across western districts late Wednesday with gusts reaching 110 km/h in elevated areas and with thunderstorms. These winds are expected to extend eastwards to central and eastern districts early Thursday morning.

HEAVY RAIN which may lead to FLASH FLOODING is likely to develop across the Mallee and Wimmera districts Wednesday night, extending to the Southwest and central districts overnight, and the North East district during Thursday morning. Rainfall totals of 10-25 mm are likely across most districts with isolated totals of 50 mm possible. In the North East district totals of 20-50 mm are expected with isolated totals of up to 80 mm. This rain is also likely to fall within a 6-9 hour period. Thunderstorms may also result in locally higher falls.

Wind and rainfall are expected to ease from the west later in the morning.

Locations which may be affected include Mildura, Horsham, Warrnambool, Bendigo, Shepparton, Seymour, Maryborough, Ballarat, Geelong, Melbourne, Wodonga and Wangaratta.

The State Emergency Service advises that people should:

- \* Move vehicles under cover or away from trees;
- \* Secure or put away loose items around your house, yard and balcony;
- \* Keep clear of fallen power lines;
- \* Don't walk, ride or drive through flood water;
- \* Keep clear of creeks and storm drains;
- \* Be aware that in fire affected areas, rainfall run-off into waterways may contain debris such as ash, soil, trees and rocks;
- \* Be alert that in areas recently affected by fires, heavy rainfall increases the potential for landslides and debris across roads;

The next warning is due to be issued by 5:00 pm.

Warnings are also available through TV and Radio broadcasts, the Bureau's website at [www.bom.gov.au](http://www.bom.gov.au) or call 1300 659 217. The Bureau and State Emergency Service would appreciate warnings being broadcast regularly.

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