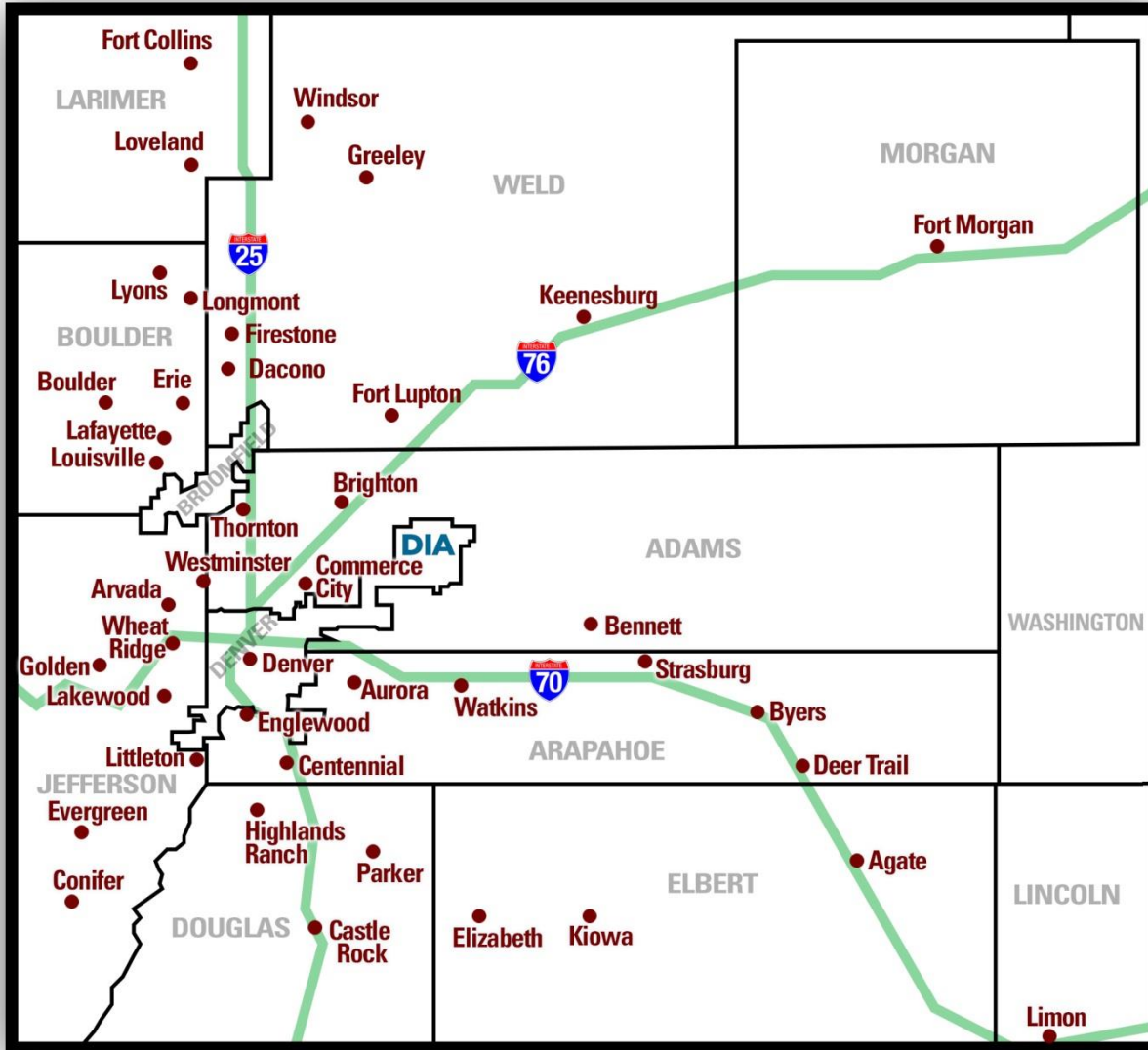




Severe Weather Guide

BE STORM READY • KNOW YOUR COUNTY



TORNADO SAFETY

Get in a basement or storm cellar.

If these aren't available, get on the lowest floor of your home, school or office and into an interior room without windows, such as a closet or bathroom.

Get down low to the floor and under a sturdy piece of furniture if available.

Always protect your head.

TORNADO FACTS

Tornadoes can hit big cities.

Tornadoes do not always travel from the southwest in a straight line, they can sometimes change direction or their path of travel.

Tornadoes can occur in the mountains or around hilly terrain.

Rivers do not protect cities or towns from tornadoes.

You cannot always outrun a tornado in a car, sometimes they can travel very fast.

Tornadoes don't always happen during the day; sometimes they form at night.

Do not open all the windows in your home if a tornado is approaching. At one time it was thought this helped prevent damage, but researchers say it wastes valuable time to seek shelter.

- Severe Weather season in Colorado runs from April through August, but severe storms have happened in other months.
- Have a safety plan for home, school and work for all types of severe weather and know if you live in an area prone to flooding.