



Heavy Snow Tuesday afternoon and Evening

December 8, 2025
4:35 AM CST

Travel impacts from snow-covered roads

Key Messages

- An intense band of snow will move across central and eastern Minnesota and western Wisconsin Tuesday afternoon and evening.
 - A very tight snowfall gradient is expected in the area of the rain/snow line.
 - Small changes in the forecast low track will result in large fluctuations in the snowfall forecast near the rain/snow line.
- Strong west-northwest winds will develop Tuesday evening across west-central and south-central Minnesota.
 - Wind gusts to 50 mph are possible.
 - The strongest winds remain west of where the heaviest snow falls.

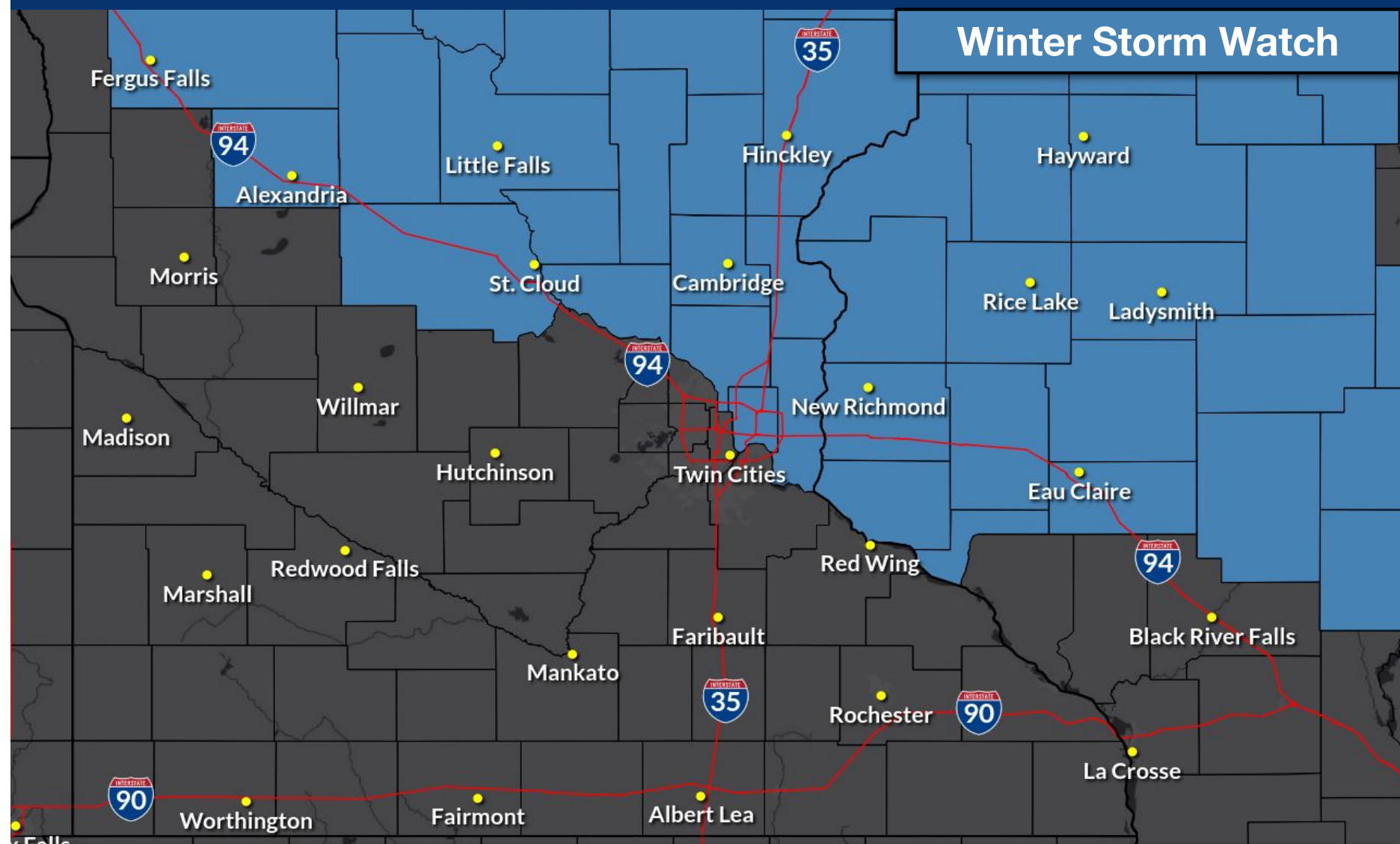
Next Scheduled Update

- By 5pm today



National Oceanic and
Atmospheric Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce

Winter Storm Watch Tuesday Afternoon thru Tuesday Night



Potential for heaviest snow along and north of I-94

National Weather Service
Twin Cities/Chanhassen, MN



Snowfall

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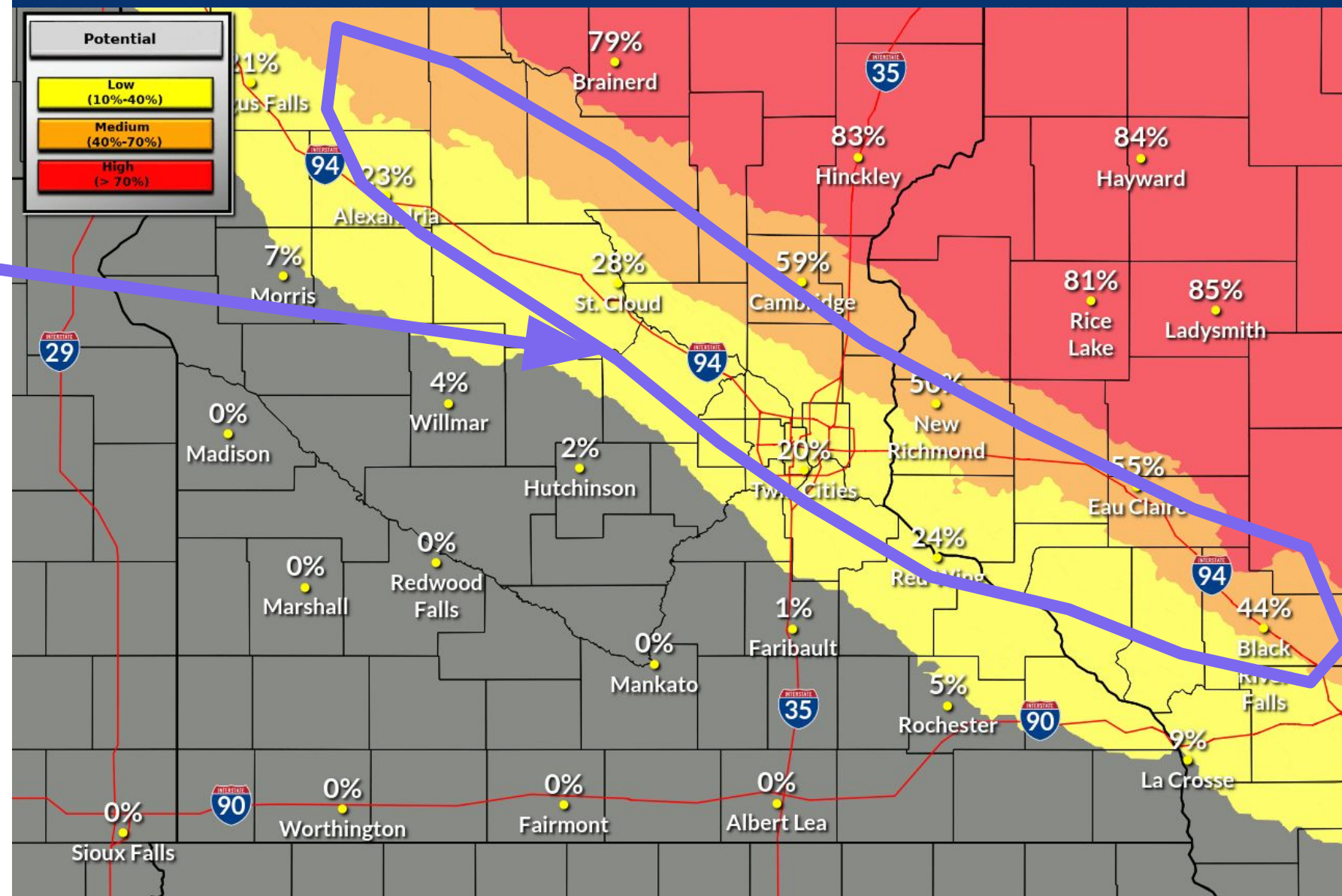
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Valid 6AM Tue, Dec 9 through 12PM Wed, Dec 10

Overview

- Just northeast of the eventual low track, an intense band of snow will develop, with snowfall rates of 1-2 inches per hour expected.
- We will see a very tight snowfall gradient along the rain/snow line, with that line expected to setup within the area inside the **purple oval**.
 - An area of freezing rain is possible within the transition zone of rain to snow.
- Snowfall amounts going from less than an inch, to 4-7 inches in less that 20 miles are expected along the rain/snow line.
- A small shift in the forecast low track will have a large impacts on the snowfall forecast near the rain/snow line.

Potential for 4+ Inches of Snow





Hourly Weather Type Forecast

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Rain and snow expected to be the predominate precipitation types

Sorted West to East	12/9 Tue						12/10 Wed				
	6am	9am	12pm	3pm	6pm	9pm	12am	3am	6am	9am	12pm
Madison	35%	35%	75%	75%	40%	40%	10%	10%	0%	0%	0%
Marshall	15%	15%	65%	65%	35%	35%	10%	10%	5%	5%	0%
Alexandria	45%	45%	95%	95%	70%	70%	25%	25%	5%	5%	0%
Redwood Falls	20%	20%	75%	75%	50%	50%	20%	20%	5%	5%	0%
Willmar	30%	30%	90%	90%	60%	60%	20%	20%	5%	5%	0%
Fairmont	0%	0%	45%	45%	35%	35%	15%	15%	5%	5%	0%
Hutchinson	20%	20%	90%	90%	75%	75%	40%	40%	5%	5%	0%
Little Falls	30%	30%	95%	95%	80%	80%	30%	30%	10%	10%	5%
Saint Cloud	25%	25%	95%	95%	80%	80%	30%	30%	10%	10%	0%
Mankato	5%	5%	75%	75%	65%	65%	45%	45%	15%	15%	0%
Albert Lea	0%	0%	55%	55%	60%	60%	40%	40%	10%	10%	0%
Mora	15%	15%	90%	90%	85%	85%	40%	40%	15%	15%	5%
Twin Cities	10%	10%	90%	90%	85%	85%	55%	55%	20%	20%	5%
Saint Croix Falls	10%	10%	85%	85%	90%	90%	55%	55%	20%	20%	5%
Red Wing	5%	5%	85%	85%	90%	90%	65%	65%	20%	20%	5%
Eau Claire	5%	5%	75%	75%	95%	95%	60%	60%	25%	25%	5%
Ladysmith	0%	0%	65%	65%	95%	95%	55%	55%	20%	20%	10%

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- Rain +

- Fz Rain +

- Wintry Mix +

- Snow +



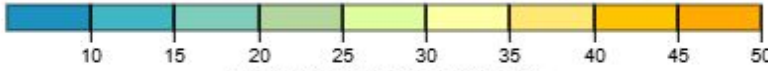


Wind Gust Forecast

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Strongest winds are expected southwest of the low track and heavy snow

Wind Gust Forecast (mph)																																
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Winter Driving Safety

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511 Road Condition
Websites:

Minnesota
www.511mn.org

Wisconsin
www.511wi.gov

North Dakota
www.travel.dot.nd.gov

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Get the weather forecast.
Change your travel plans if hazardous weather is expected.

Check road conditions.
Call 511 or visit your state's DOT webpage to check on road conditions. Choose a different route or adjust your travel plans if road conditions are poor.

Pack an emergency supply kit.
Stock your vehicle with a mobile phone, charger, batteries, blankets, flashlight, first-aid kit, high-calorie, non-perishable food, candle to melt snow for drinking water, sack of sand or cat litter for traction, shovel, scraper, and battery booster cables.

Ready your vehicle.
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