



Heavy Snow This Afternoon & Evening

December 9, 2025
4:51 AM CST

Travel impacts from snow-covered roads and blowing snow

Key Messages

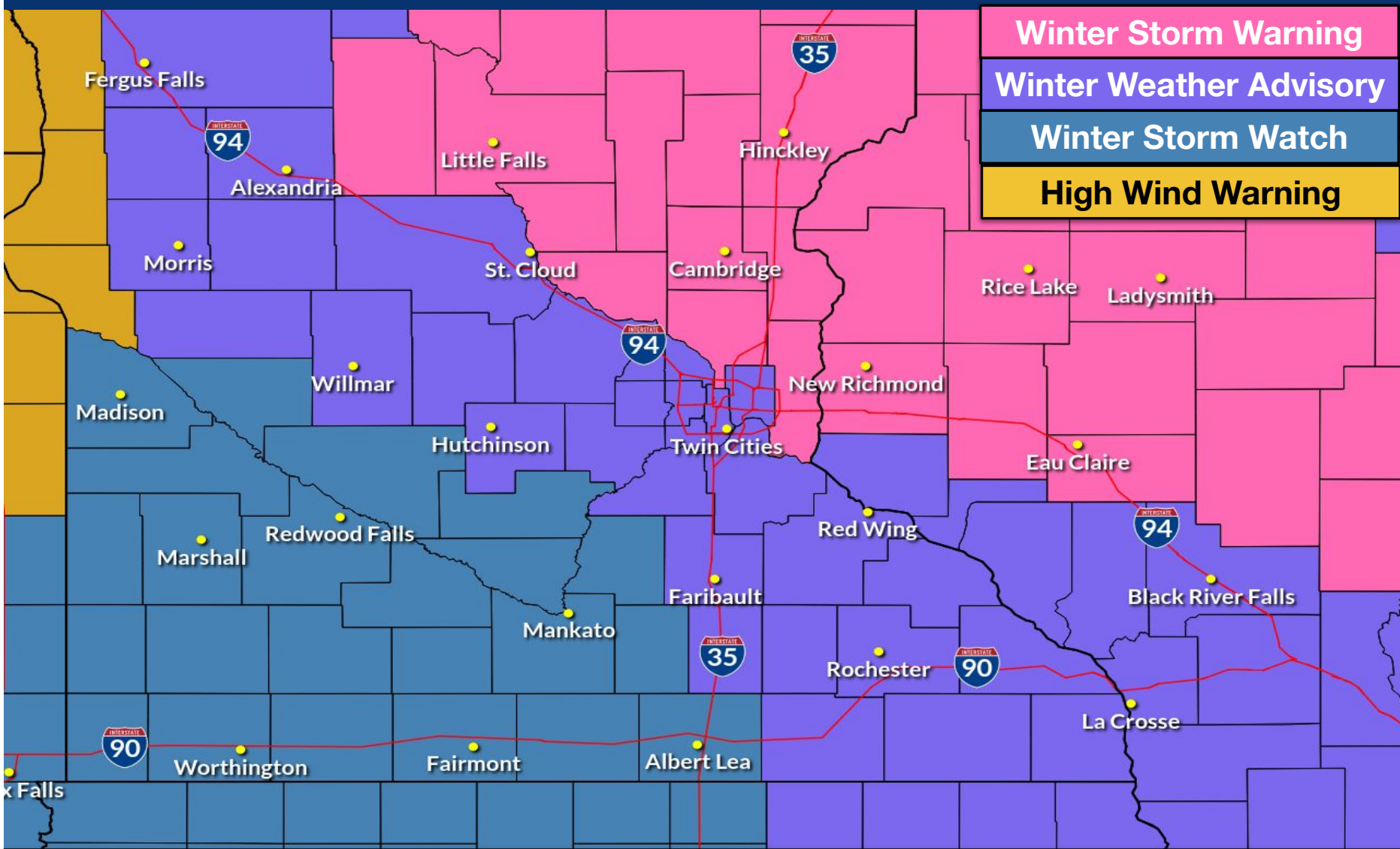
An intense band of snow will move across central and eastern Minnesota and western Wisconsin this afternoon and evening.

- A **Winter Storm Warning** is in effect for portions of central MN over to western WI for 4 to 7 inches of snow.
- A **Winter Weather Advisory** is in effect along and south of the I-94 corridor. Snow accumulations of up to 3 to 5 inches and a wintry mix, including freezing rain. A sharp cutoff in snow amounts is expected where more rain and freezing rain mix in.
- A **Winter Storm Watch** is in effect for southwestern MN due to strong wind gusts resulting in blowing snow and potential ground blizzard conditions tonight into Wednesday morning.

What's New

- Portions of eastern MN and western WI have been added to the **Winter Storm Warning**.

Winter Storm Tuesday Afternoon thru Tuesday Night



Potential for heaviest snow remains along and north of I-94



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Snowfall

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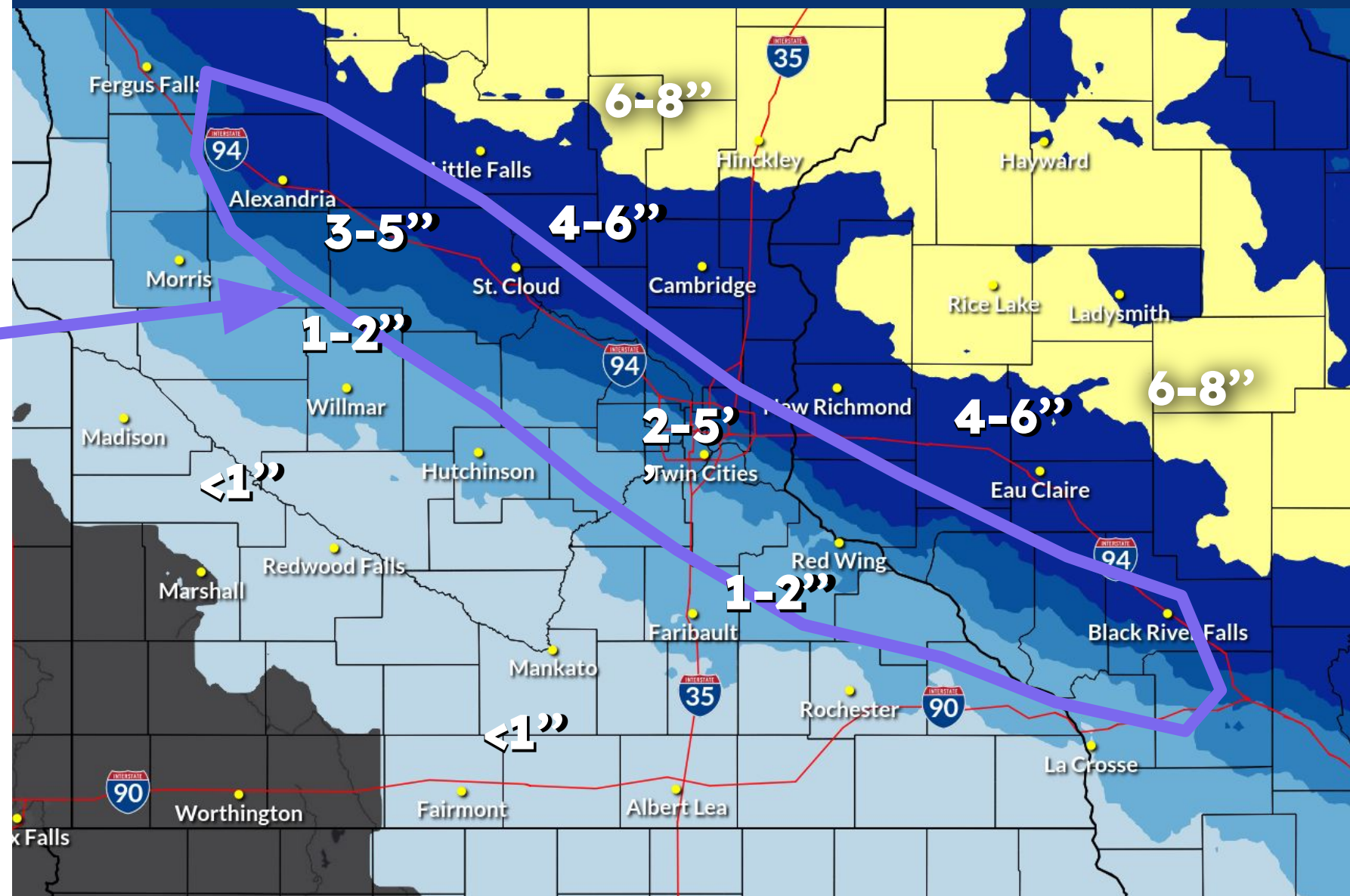
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Valid 6AM Tue, Dec 9 through 12PM Wed, Dec 10

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.
 - The track has trended farther south compared to previous forecasts.
- 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.

Expected Snowfall Forecast





Freezing Rain Potential

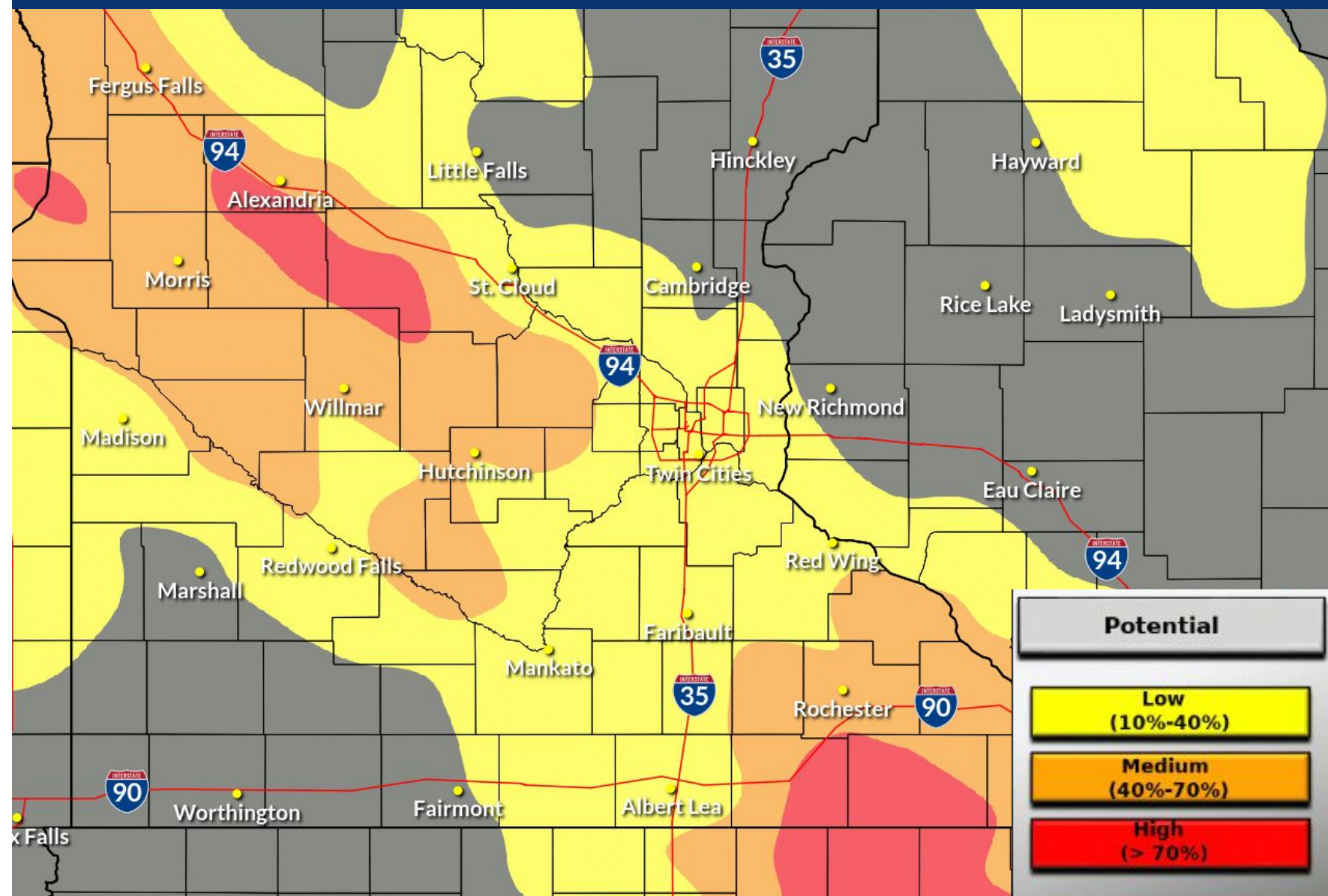
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Freezing rain possible late Tuesday morning into Tuesday afternoon

Overview

- Freezing rain is possible late this morning into this afternoon.
- Freezing rain chances will be highest within the first 2 to 4 hours of precipitation onset at any one location.
- The area with the greatest chance of accumulating freezing rain will be along and south of the I-94 corridor.
- Ice accumulations could reach 0.10" across western into central Minnesota.
- Freezing rain will change over to either rain or snow by this evening.

Potential for Freezing Rain





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	3pm	6pm
Madison	10%	70%	80%	60%	20%	30%	25%	20%	25%	25%	5%	5%	0%
Marshall	5%	40%	80%	55%	20%	20%	35%	15%	20%	20%	0%	0%	0%
Alexandria	20%	60%	95%	85%	70%	55%	35%	25%	30%	30%	15%	15%	0%
Redwood Falls	5%	35%	85%	70%	45%	25%	45%	30%	20%	20%	15%	15%	0%
Willmar	10%	50%	90%	85%	60%	40%	40%	30%	25%	25%	20%	20%	0%
Fairmont	0%	10%	45%	65%	40%	25%	40%	30%	15%	15%	10%	10%	0%
Hutchinson	5%	25%	90%	90%	70%	50%	55%	40%	20%	20%	20%	20%	0%
Little Falls	10%	35%	90%	95%	95%	80%	50%	30%	20%	20%	10%	10%	0%
Saint Cloud	10%	30%	90%	95%	85%	70%	50%	35%	20%	20%	10%	10%	0%
Mankato	0%	10%	75%	85%	70%	40%	60%	50%	10%	10%	20%	20%	0%
Albert Lea	0%	5%	40%	90%	75%	35%	60%	50%	15%	15%	10%	10%	0%
Mora	10%	10%	70%	100%	100%	90%	60%	35%	10%	10%	5%	5%	0%
Twin Cities	5%	10%	70%	100%	95%	65%	70%	50%	5%	5%	5%	5%	0%
Saint Croix Falls	5%	5%	55%	100%	100%	85%	75%	40%	10%	10%	5%	5%	0%
Red Wing	0%	5%	50%	100%	100%	65%	70%	50%	5%	5%	0%	0%	0%
Eau Claire	5%	5%	20%	90%	100%	85%	70%	35%	5%	5%	0%	0%	0%
Ladysmith	15%	0%	20%	80%	100%	100%	80%	40%	10%	10%	5%	5%	0%

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- Rain +

- Fz Rain +

- Wintry Mix +

- Snow +

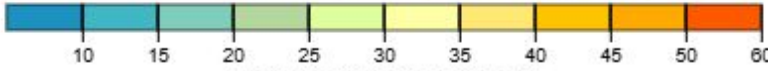


Wind Gust Forecast

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

Wind Gust Forecast (mph)																																
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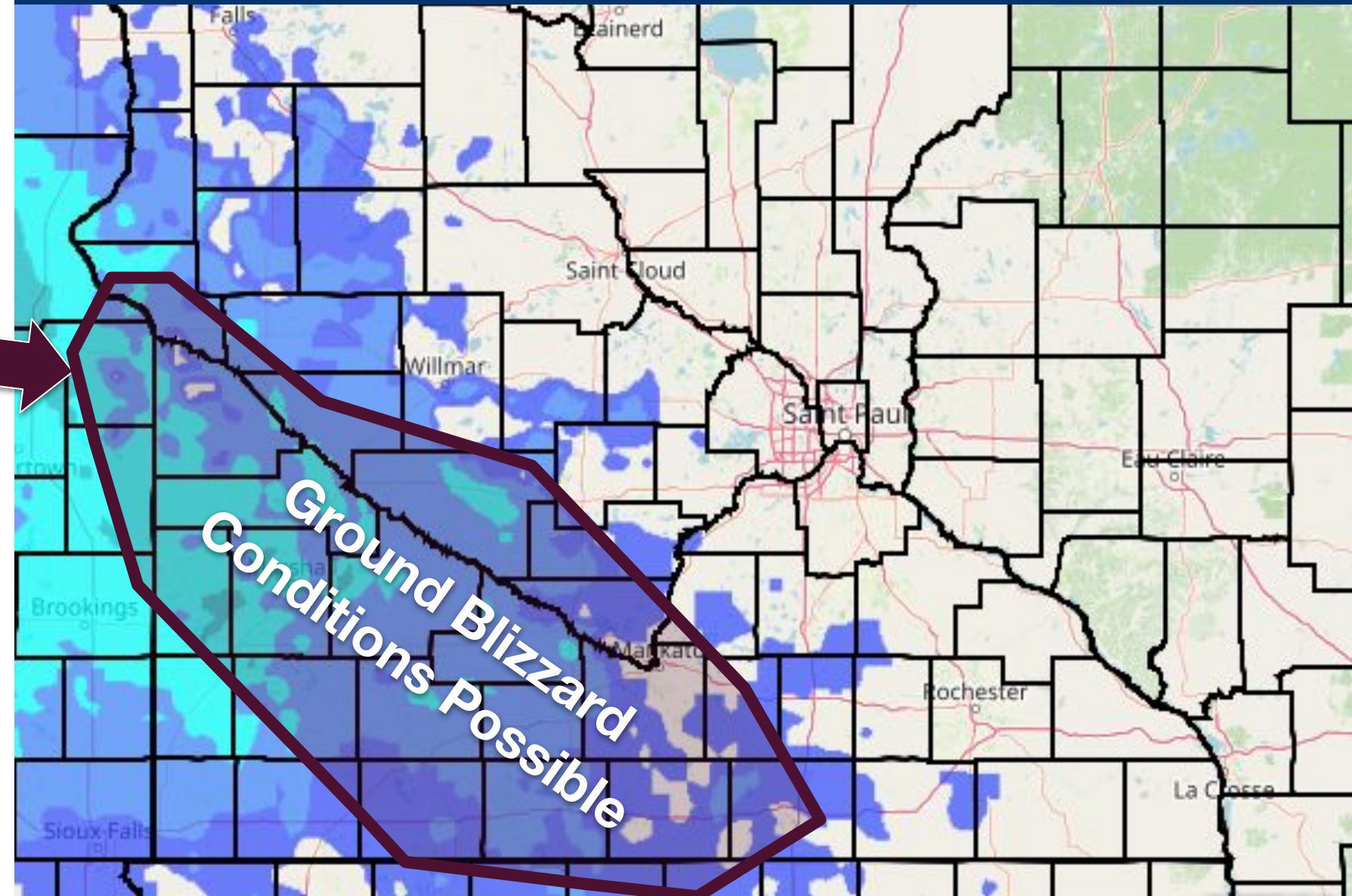
Strong Winds and Blowing Snow Concerns

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Overview

- Strong wind gusts between 25-35 mph for much of Minnesota and Wisconsin this evening into Wednesday afternoon.
- Even stronger gusts 40-50 mph across western into southern Minnesota are possible this evening.
- Areas within the **maroon oval** have the potential for ground blizzard conditions.
 - Uncertainty is high with how blowable the snowpack in this region will be after a day with highs near 40 and periods of rain and drizzle prior to the strong winds
 - At least some minor blowing and drifting snow is expected.
- Timing for blowing snow potential would be from this evening into early Wednesday morning.

Potential For Ground Blizzard Conditions





Winter Driving Safety

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511 Road Condition Websites:

Minnesota
www.511mn.org

Wisconsin
www.511wi.gov

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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.

Get the weather forecast.

Change your travel plans if hazardous weather is expected.

Ready your vehicle.

Check your battery, wipers, coolant, and other systems affected by cold temperature. Make sure your tires have good tread. Clear snow, ice or dirt from your windows, lights and camera.



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