



Prolonged Stretch of Dangerous Cold - Briefing #1

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For Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, and the Eastern Shore of Maryland

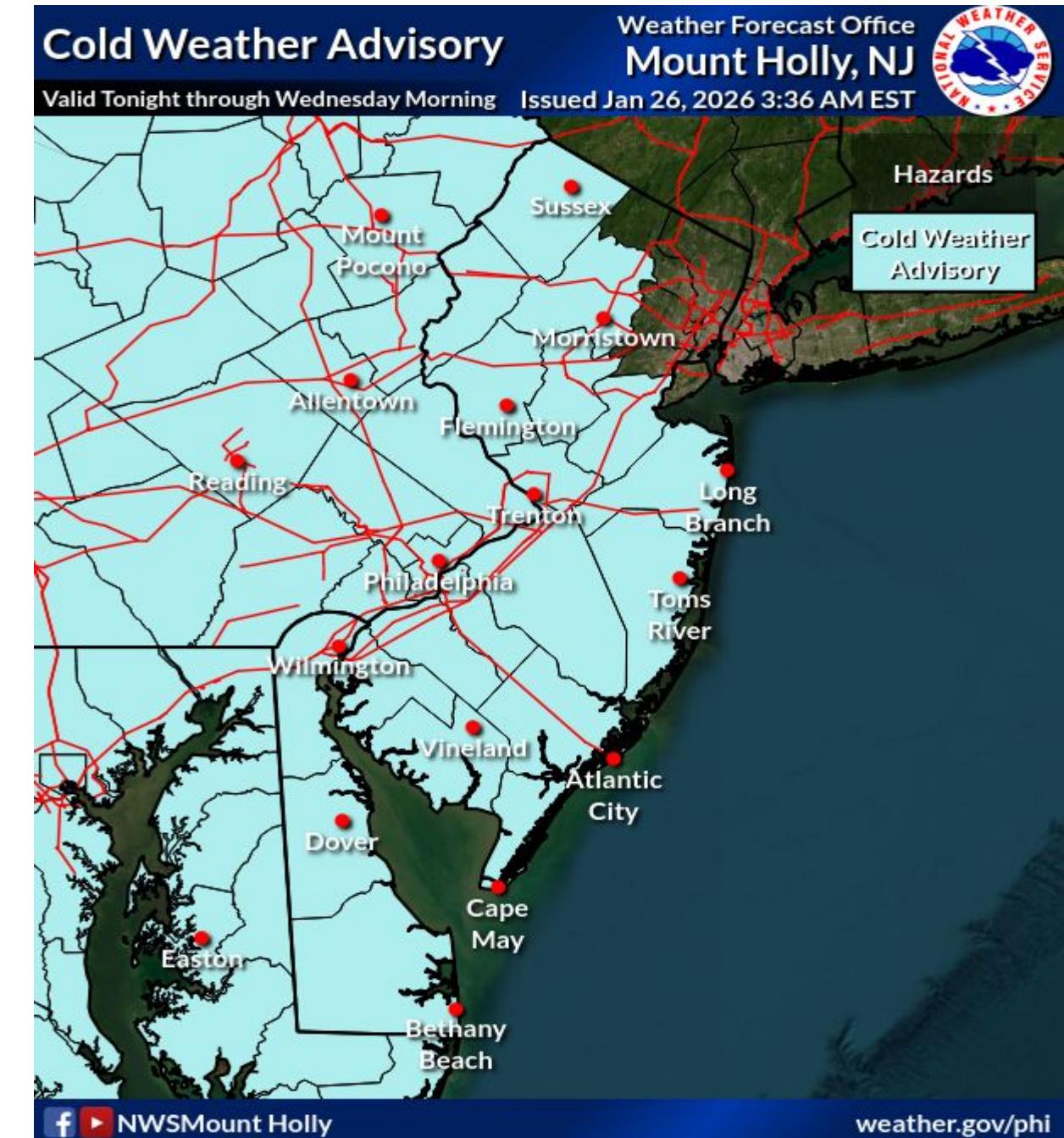
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→ As of 5 AM 1/26/2026

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Important Updates

- **Cold Weather Advisory** issued for the **entire** area beginning tonight and continuing through Wednesday Morning
- **Gale Warning** issued for today and tonight. **Freezing Spray Advisory** issued for tonight and tomorrow morning for all marine zones
- High confidence in temperatures remaining below freezing through at least Saturday.



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Sunday Winter Storm Recap

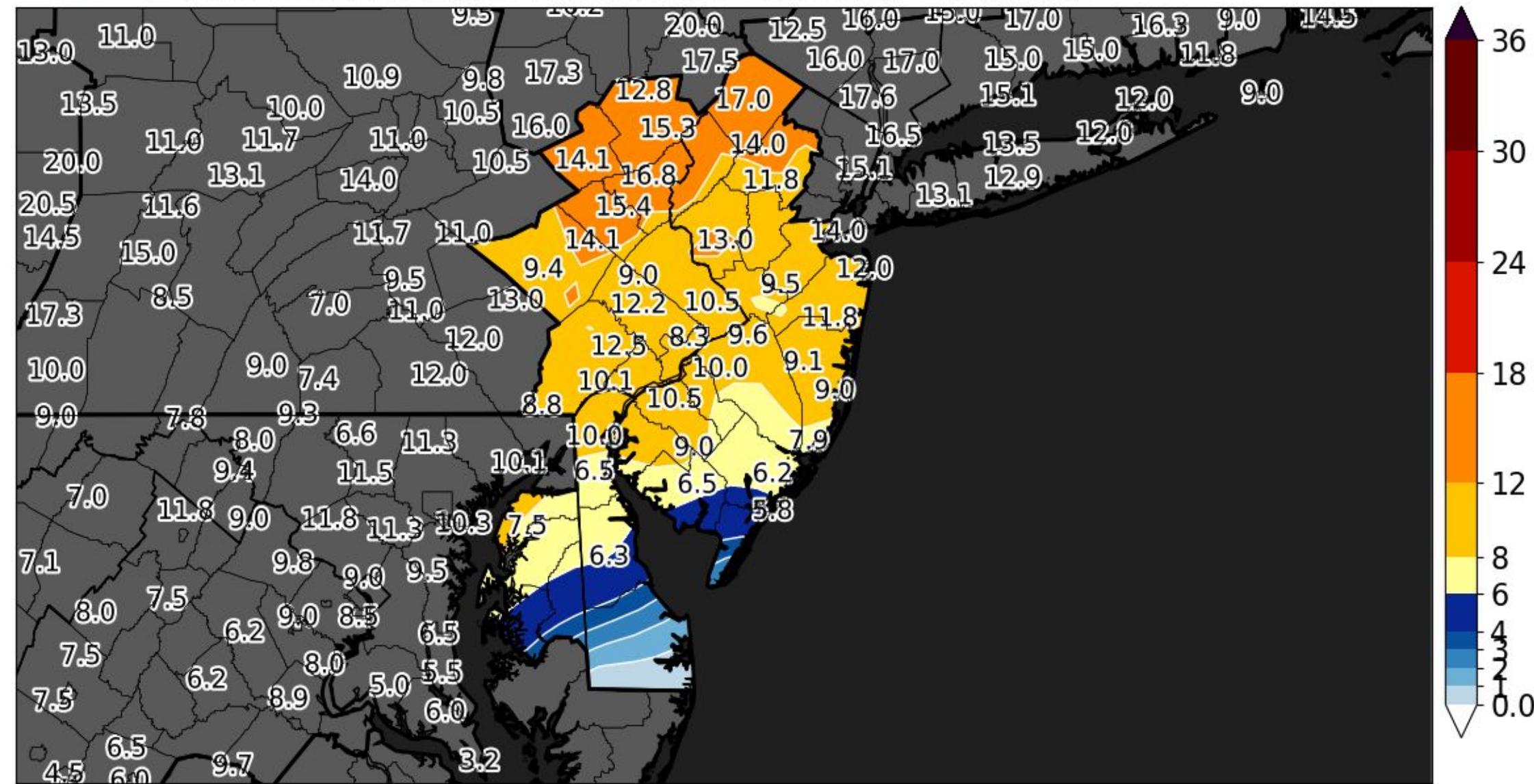
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Unofficial Snow/Sleet Observations from Sunday's Winter Storm



NWS Local Storm Report & COOP & CoCoRaHS Snowfall Total Analysis

1884 reports over past 12 hours till 25 Jan 2026 11:25 PM, grid size: 25km, Rbf: linear



Latest Snowfall Public Information Statement

- To find unofficial snowfall totals for your area, click on or copy the link attached:
<https://forecast.weather.gov/product.php?site=phi&issuedby=PHI&product=PNS>

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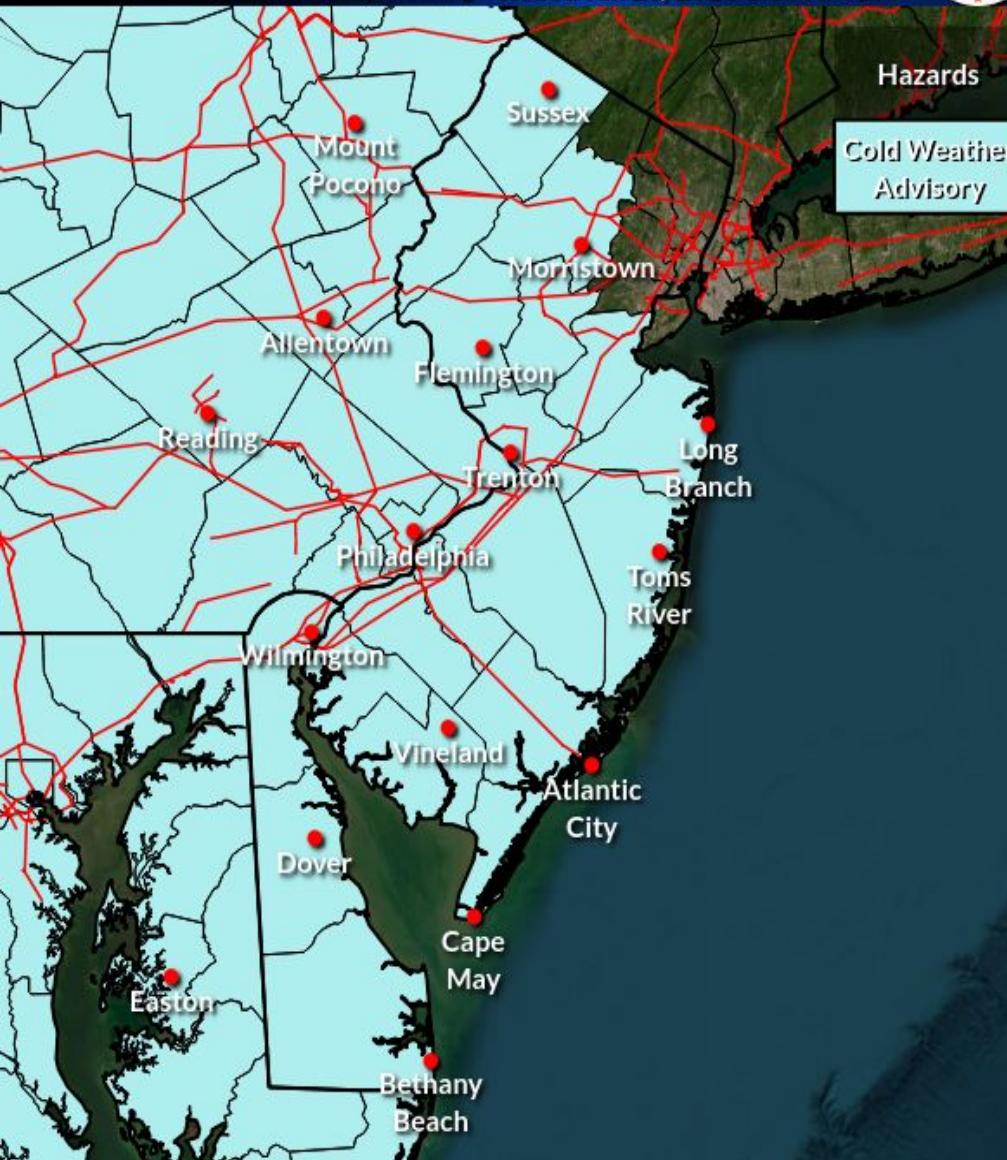
Tonight through Wednesday Morning

Cold Weather Advisory

Valid Tonight through Wednesday Morning

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Mount Holly, NJ

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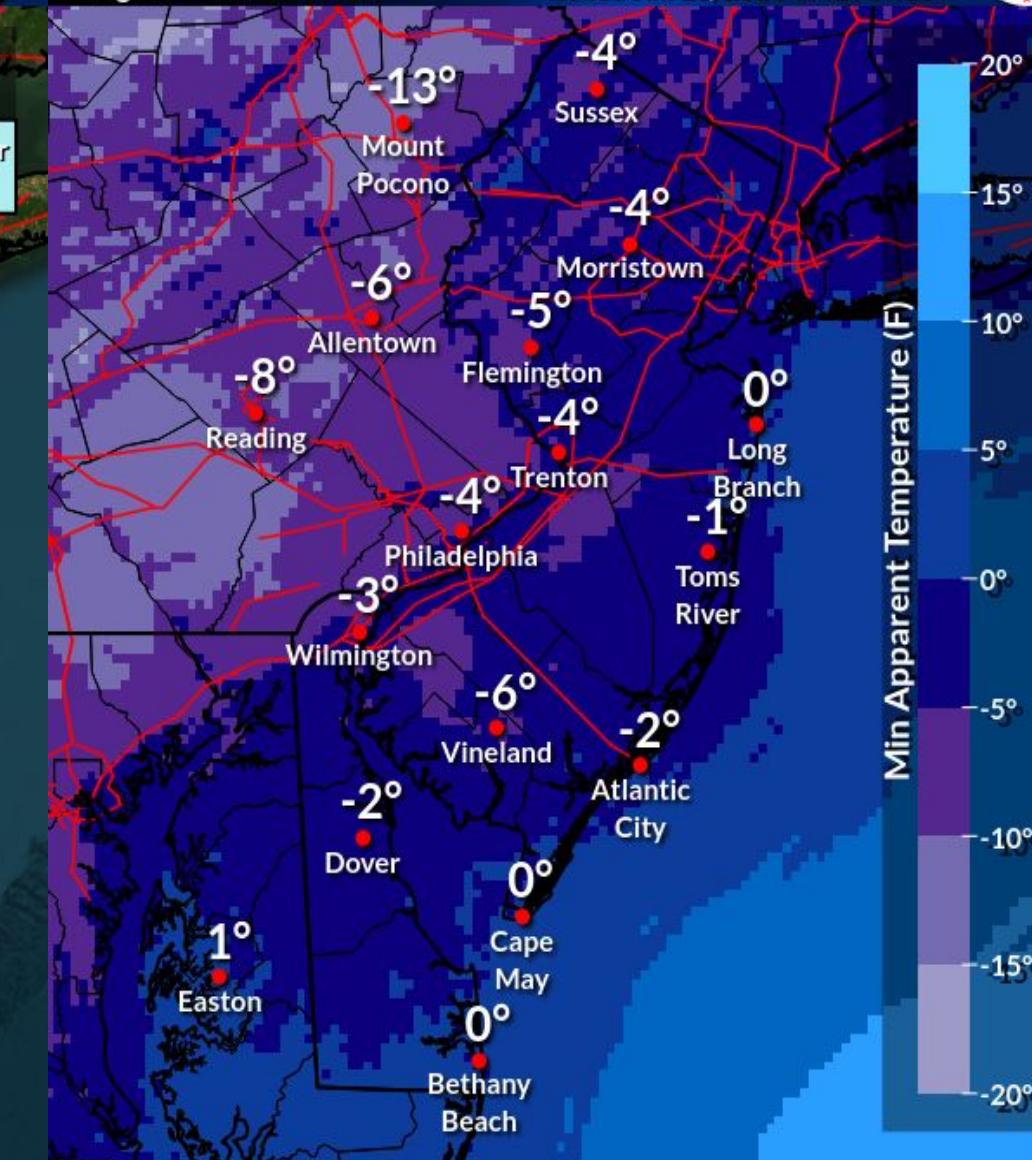


Minimum Wind Chill

Tonight

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Key Messages

- A Cold Weather Advisory is in effect for the entire area beginning tonight, continuing through Wednesday morning
- Wind chills between 0° and -10° for most of the area tonight and tomorrow night. Wind chills as low as -15° in the Poconos
- Even colder wind chills possible Wednesday Night through Friday Night

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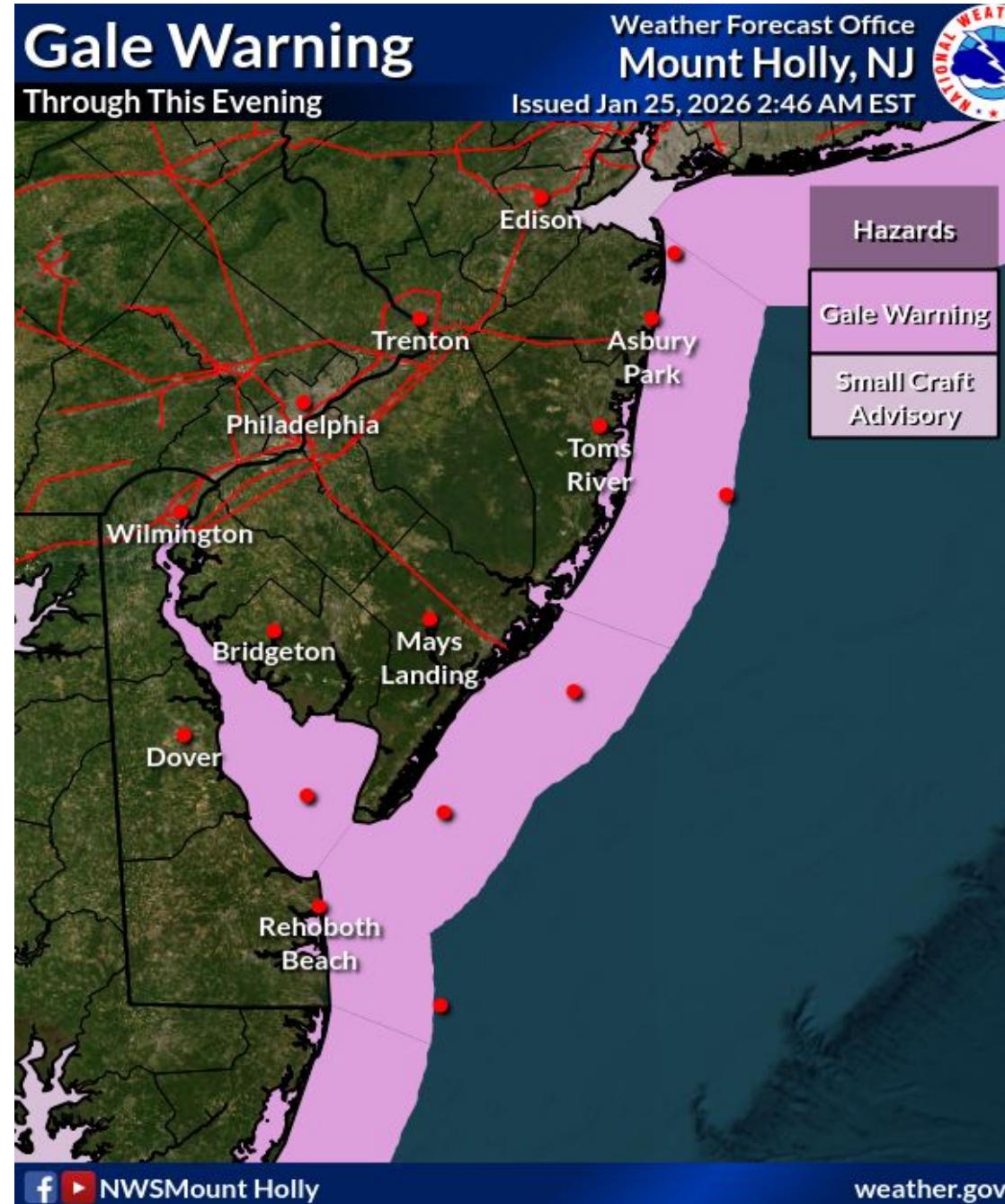
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Marine Hazards

Through Tuesday

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Key Messages

- A **Gale Warning** is in effect through tonight for all marine zones.
- Wind gusts out of the northwest around 35-40 kt expected.
- A **Freezing Spray Advisory** is in effect for this afternoon and evening through tomorrow morning for all marine zones
- Air temperatures in the 10s and 20s will persist through this week, likely resulting in ice development across shallow and sheltered coastal waters. Greatest threat of ice development will be along the tidal Delaware River, Delaware Bay, and back bays of NJ and DE, potentially rivalling the ice impacts that occurred in January 2018. This will create difficult conditions for vessel navigation.



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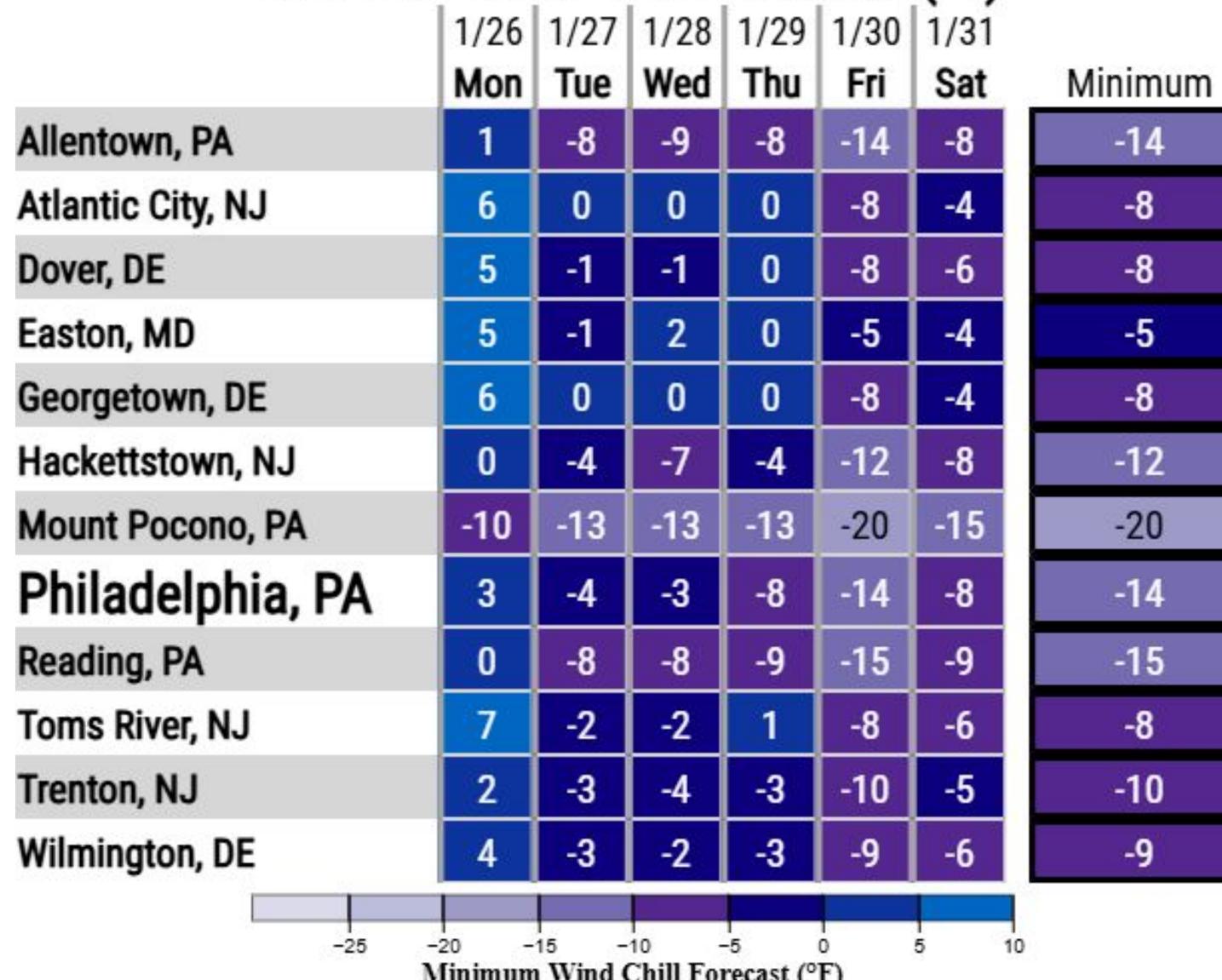


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Through the Rest of the Week

Minimum Wind Chill Forecast (°F)



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Key Messages

- A prolonged period of well below normal temperatures are expected to continue through the weekend.
- Temperatures in the 10s and 20s during the daytime and single digits to below zero at night through the weekend. Temperatures will not rise above freezing for several days.
- Dangerously cold wind chills between -15° and 0° are expected to return, leading to an increased risk of hypothermia and frostbite. Wind chills potentially as low as -20° in the southern Poconos.
- Increased risk of energy infrastructure impacts due to high heating demand following the winter storm.



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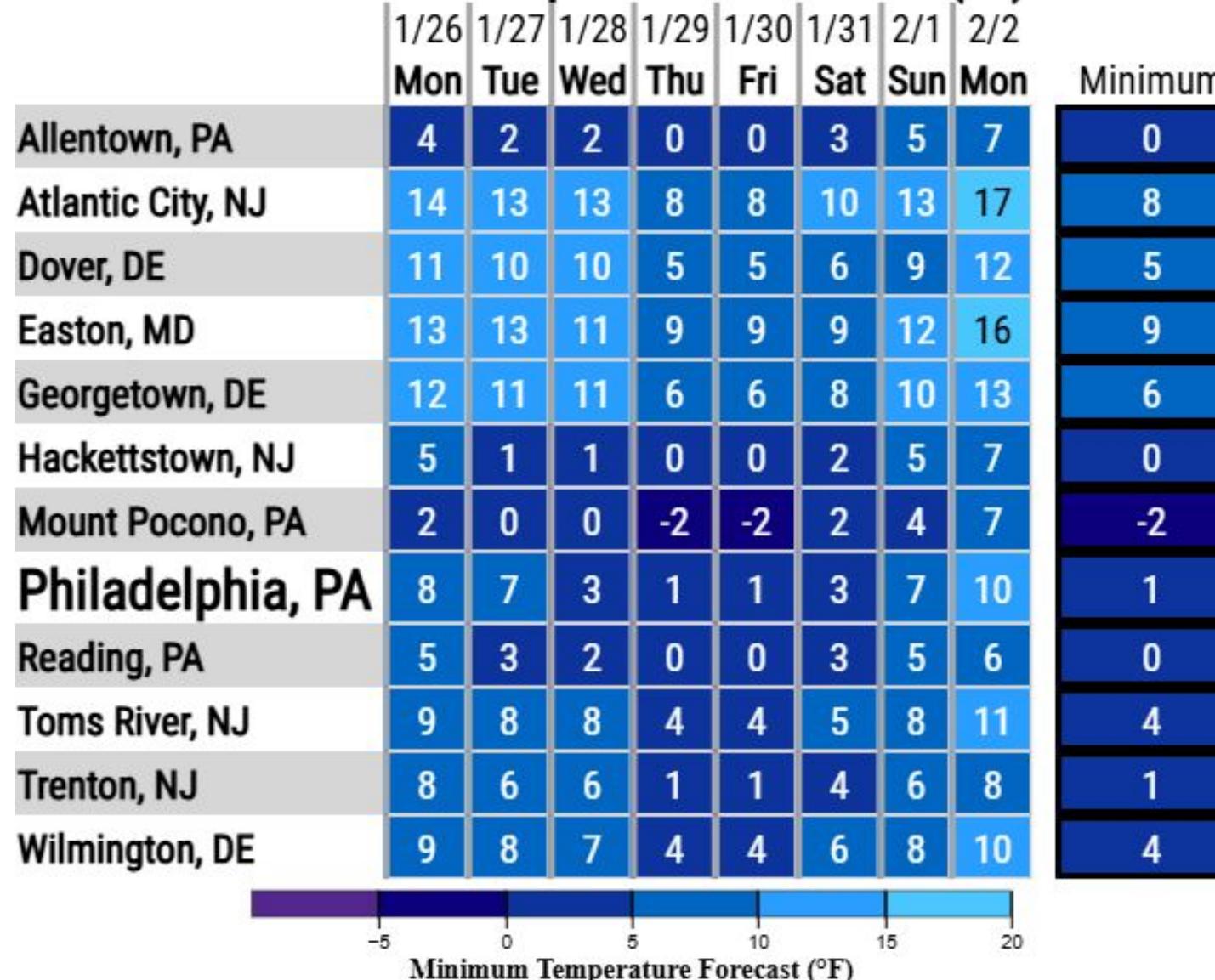


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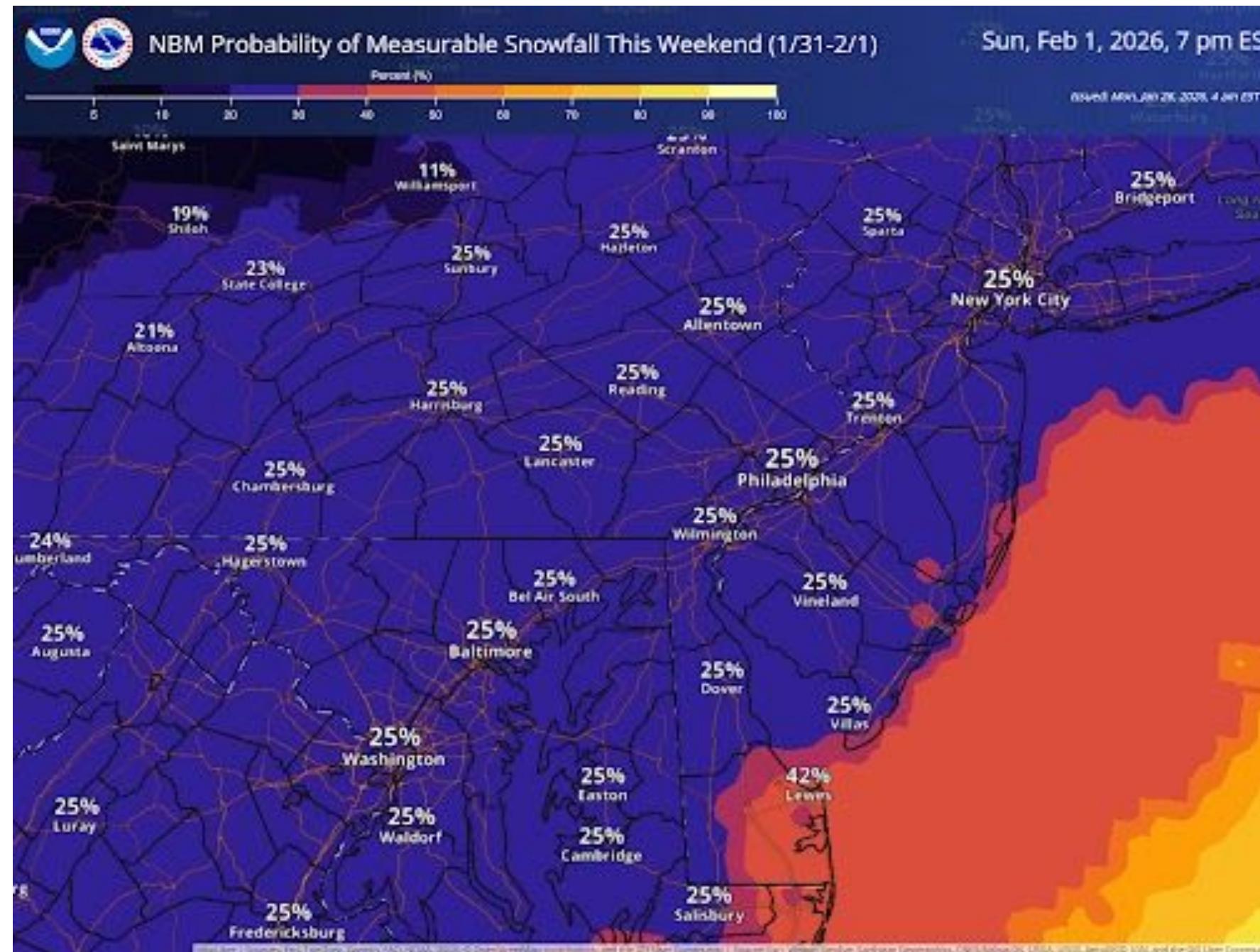
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Monitoring Next Weekend

Low Chance for Measurable Snow

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Key Messages

- Some model guidance is hinting at a coastal system developing this weekend
- Confidence is very low on specific impacts or track of the system
- Details in terms of impacts will come into better focus over the coming days



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Summary of Greatest Impacts

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Key Messages

- Dangerous cold is expected to continue through this weekend. Wind chills and temperatures in the single digits to below zero are expected for several consecutive nights. Temperatures will not rise above freezing until at least this weekend. Prolonged exposure to dangerous wind chills could result in hypothermia or frostbite if precautions are not taken. Impacts to energy infrastructure are possible due to increased heating demand.
- Low chance (15-25%) of another system impacting our area this upcoming weekend. Confidence remains low on what, if any, impacts will be. You can follow the latest forecast with updates approximately every 12 hours at weather.gov/phi



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