



WINTER WEATHER UPDATE DESPP / DEMHS 3:20 PM FRI MAR 10TH

MIXED PRECIPITATION EXPECTED TO ENTER THE STATE THIS EVENING....CHANGING TO WET SNOW OVERNIGHT...WINTER WEATHER ADVISORIES ISSUED FOR LITCHFIELD, FAIRFIELD AND NEW HAVEN COUNTIES...MAJOR WINTER STORM POSSIBLE NEXT WEEK...

Temperatures across the state at 3:00 PM are currently in the mid 40's in the valleys and along the coast and near 40 F in the NW Hills. A low pressure system is currently located over northwestern PA. A secondary low pressure system is forecast to form near the North Carolina coast this evening. The secondary low is then forecast to move to the northeast and pass just outside the 40/70 benchmark Saturday afternoon, moving out to sea Saturday evening. Here's the latest forecast based on a blend of the GFS, HRRR and NAMHRES models.

This Evening and Overnight: Light rain, mixed with wet snow in the NW Hills is forecast to move into southwestern CT around 7:00 PM and spread slowly across the rest of the state by midnight. A rain/snow line is expected to move from the NW Hills at 10:00 PM down into central CT by 2:00 AM and down to near the coast by 5:00 AM (see yellow dashed lines on map). The wet snow is expected to fall moderate to occasionally heavy at times around midnight especially in western CT. Lows are forecast to be near 32 F. The impact on overnight driving is expected to be minor with some slush and a light snow cover on roads in western CT.

Saturday Morning: The wet snow is expected to taper down to light mixed precipitation by 8:00 AM and end completely by noon.

This will be the final update on this storm unless the forecast changes significantly.

DESPP / DEMHS continues keeping an eye on a much bigger storm for next Tuesday and Wednesday. This could be a major winter storm with deep heavy wet snow and strong winds. Updates will start on Sunday if the forecast remains the same over the next two days.

EXPECTED IMPACTS TONIGHT/SAT AM



SNOWFALL FORECAST



Maximum Hourly Snow/Sleet/Rain and Temperature Forecast

