

# **Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection**

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## WINTER STORM UPDATE DESPP / DEMHS AT 2:00 PM MONDAY MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup>

#### EXPECTED IMPACTS TODAY

### SNOWFALL FORECAST/CURRENT RAIN/SNOW LINE

BANDS OF MODERATE SNOW STARTING TO DEVELOP ACROSS NORTHERN CT...WINTER STORM WARNINGS REMAIN IN EFFECT FOR ALL OF NORTHERN CONNECTICUT...

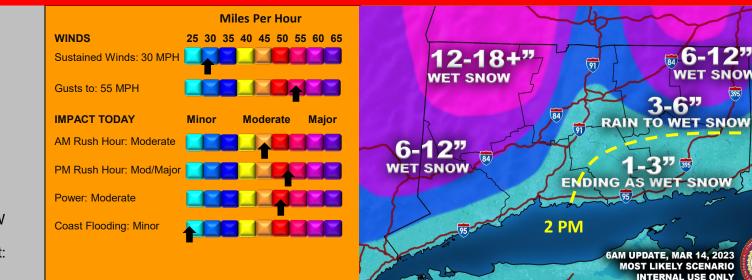
A weak area of low pressure is now located over southeastern CT and starting to move to the east. The main low is still located near Cape Cod and continues to intensify. At 1:45 PM radar showed light mixed precipitation falling across most of the state. The rain/snow line is now being pushed into southeastern CT. A few bands of moderate wet snow are falling in southwestern CT. Another band of snow is developing across northern CT. Up to 17" of snow has fallen thus far in the NW hills. Eversource and UI are currently reporting 9768 customers without power in the NW hills. Temperatures currently range from the low 30's in the NW hills up to near 40 F along the southeast coast. Winds are currently gusting to 25 - 35 mph at times along the coast. Here's the latest forecast:

This Afternoon: Moderate to heavy wet snow is expected to return and overspread most of the state by 3:00 PM. The heaviest snow is expected in Eastern CT and the NW hills. The wet snow combined with strong north winds will likely cause significant additional power outages during the afternoon. Moderate to potentially major impacts are expected on afternoon driving conditions and power outages with snowfall rates over 1" inch per hour at times.

**Tonight:** The heavy wet snow is forecast to taper down to bands of light to moderate snow this evening that may continue overnight. Strong northwest winds gusting to 40 - 55 MPH will continue to cause additional power outages.

**Wednesday Morning:** Any lingering bands of light snow should end around daybreak. A minor to moderate impact is expected for the morning rush hour with slush and some black ice on some roads.

DESPP / DEMHS will continue to closely monitor this winter storm. The next update will be sent out at 4:00 PM.



#### **Maximum Hourly Snow/Sleet/Rain and Temperature Forecast**

