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WINTER STORM UPDATE FROM DESPP/DEMHS – ISSUED NOV 29, 2019 AT 3:00 PM

FORECAST IMPACTS SUNDAY AND MONDAY

TOTAL SNOWFALL FORECAST SUNDAY TO TUESDAY

STATUS OF THE STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER: MONITORING

LONG DURATION WINTER STORM WITH A MIX OF WET SNOW, SLEET AND FREEZING RAIN LIKELY FROM SUNDAY UNTIL TUESDAY MORNING...

The latest computer runs of the EURO, GFS and NAM models all indicate the likelihood for our first plowable snowfall this Sunday thru Tuesday. The following forecast is based on a blend of the three models:

Sunday Afternoon: Wet snow developing from southwest to northeast across the state between 11:00 AM and 3:00 PM. The wet snow may come down heavy at times by midafternoon (see Hartford area bar graph lower right) and is likely to mix with sleet and rain in southern CT by 6:00 PM. Highs near 35 F with NE winds at 10 – 15 MPH. A moderate impact is expected for Sunday afternoon travel by land and air.

Sunday Night: Heavy wet snow is expected in far northern CT with a mix across most of the state and rain at the coast during the evening hours. The precipitation is forecast to lighten up somewhat by late in the evening. Lows in the low 30's NE winds at 10 – 20 MPH, gusting to 30 MPH. A minor impact on the normally lighter overnight travel is expected.

Monday Morning: The rain/snow line is expected to move back towards the south with light wet snow falling along and to the north of the I-84 corridor by the morning rush hour. The impact on the morning rush hour is expected to be moderate with some snow cover on many roads.

Monday Afternoon: Wet snow continuing across the state and picking up to moderate intensity by mid-afternoon with highs near 32 F and north winds of 10 – 20 MPH. The impact on the afternoon rush hour also appears to be moderate at this time.

Monday Night: Light to moderate snow continuing into the overnight period with several inches of additional accumulation. Snow ending before daybreak. Lows in the upper 20's. Tuesday Morning: A minor to moderate impact is possible with some snow and slush on most roads. Total snowfall is currently forecast to range from 3" – 5" along the coast, 5" – 8" in central CT, 8" – 12" in Northern CT and 12" – 16" in the NW Hills (see map).

DESPP / DEMHS will continue to closely monitor this storm. The next update will be sent out at 11:00 AM Saturday morning.

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Hourly Snowfall Amounts (Hartford Area)

