

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

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DESPP / DEMHS WINTER STORM UPDATE - ISSUED DEC 1st, 2019 AT 11:00 AM

#### FORECAST IMPACTS NEXT THREE DAYS

#### TOTAL SNOWFALL FORECAST SUNDAY TO TUESDAY

#### STATUS OF THE STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER: MONITORING

### WINTER STORM WARNINGS ISSUED FOR LITCHFIELD AND FAIRFIELD COUNTIES. WINTER WEATHER ADVISORIES ISSUED FOR MOST OF THE REST OF THE STATE...

The latest runs of the EURO, GFS and NAM models are a little colder however the models also show a dry slot over Connecticut and central MA late tonight into Monday afternoon. For that reason the snowfall amounts have been trimmed down a few inches from vesterdays forecast. The following forecast is based on a blend of the three models:

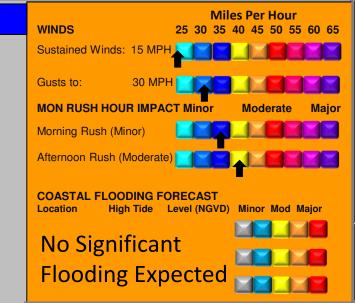
This Afternoon: Wet snow developing from southwest to northeast across the state between noon and 3:00 PM. The wet snow may come down moderate to briefly heavy at times by late afternoon (see bar graph) and is likely to mix with sleet and rain in southern CT by 6:00 PM. Highs near 32 F with NE winds at 10 – 15 MPH. A minor impact is expected for travel this afternoon by land and air.

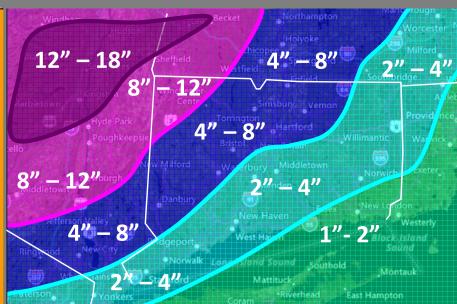
**Tonight:** Moderate to briefly heavy wet snow is expected in northern CT with a mix across southern CT during the evening hours. The precipitation is forecast to lighten up somewhat by midnight and change to a mix across most of the state. After midnight the mixed precipitation is expected to changeover to rain. Lows in the low 30's NE winds at 10 – 20 MPH, gusting to 30 MPH. A minor impact on lighter overnight travel is expected.

Monday Morning: Light rain during the morning rush hour. The rain/snow line is expected to move back towards the south during the late morning with light wet snow falling west of the Connecticut river by noontime. The impact on the morning rush hour is expected to be minor across the state with roads being primarily wet.

Monday Afternoon: Any precipitation changing to wet snow across the state and may pick up to moderate intensity by late-afternoon with highs near 32 F and north winds of 10 – 20 MPH. The impact on the afternoon rush hour appears to be minor to moderate at this time. Monday Night: Light to moderate snow continuing into the overnight period with some additional accumulation. Snow ending around daybreak. Lows in the upper 20's. Tuesday Morning: A minor impact is expected with some snow/slush and patches of black ice on many roads. Total snowfall is currently forecast to range from 1" - 2" along the southeast coast, 2" - 4" in southern and eastern CT, 4" - 8" along the I-84 corridor, and 8" -12" in the NW Hills (see map).

DESPP / DEMHS will continue to closely monitor this storm and will send out another update at 5:00 PM this afternoon.





## **Hourly Snowfall Amounts (Hartford Area)**

