

# Winter Weather Impacts Ahead

Multiple accumulating snow chances then dangerous wind chills

# **Key Messages**

- Holiday travel impacts are likely  $\rightarrow$
- Expect difficult travel conditions on  $\rightarrow$ Sunday and Monday
- Widespread snow, potentially heavy,  $\rightarrow$ expected Sunday through Monday
- Winter impacts again possible Tuesday  $\rightarrow$ into Wednesday
- Dangerous wind chills possible  $\rightarrow$ Wednesday through Sunday

#### NEW **Important Updates**

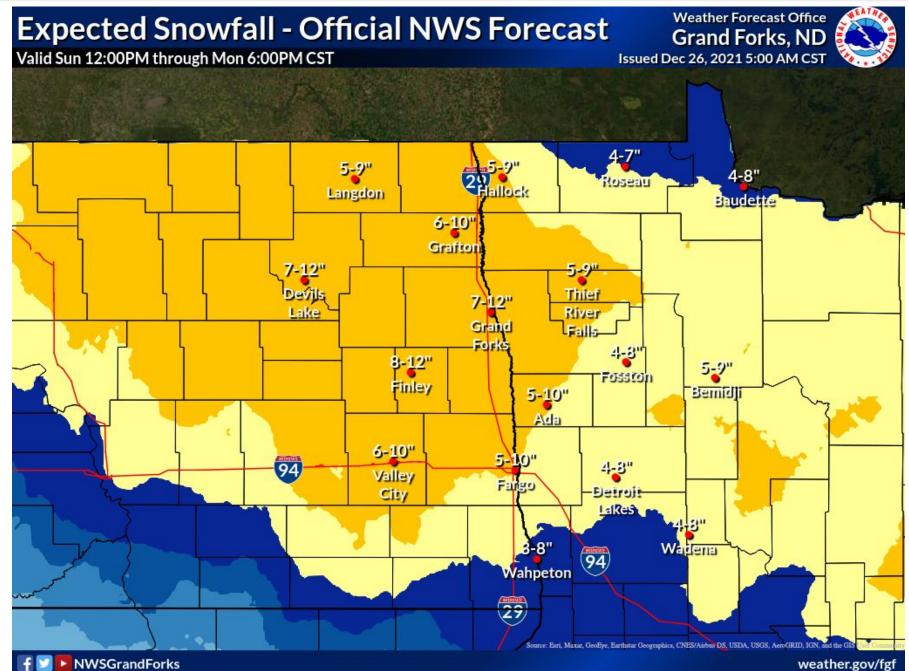
- Winter Storm Warning now in effect  $\rightarrow$
- Widespread totals of at least 4 inches  $\rightarrow$ are expected
- Localized areas greater than 8 inches  $\rightarrow$ are possible

# **Next Scheduled Briefing**

This packet will be updated as needed.  $\rightarrow$ 



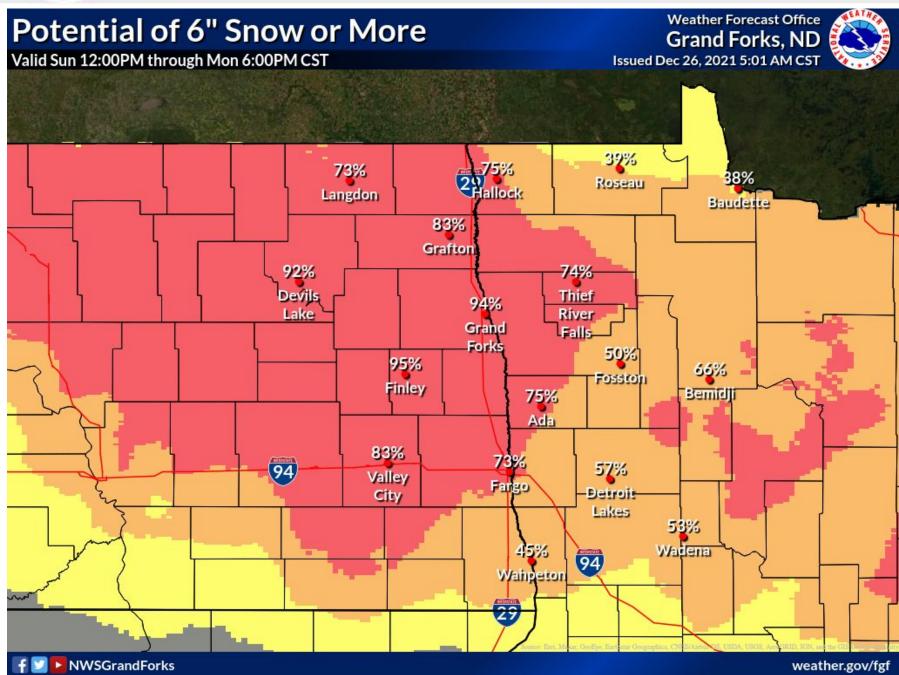
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# Winter Impacts Sunday/Monday

#### **Snowfall Potential**



Another round of accumulating snow is expected from Sunday afternoon into Monday

There is high certainty of heavy snowfall with this event

Higher amounts may fall within a narrow band, but exact location is uncertain at this time

Travel impacts are expected from this snow with blowing snow impacts possible on Monday. Stay tuned for later statements and forecasts on this event



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## **Key Points:**

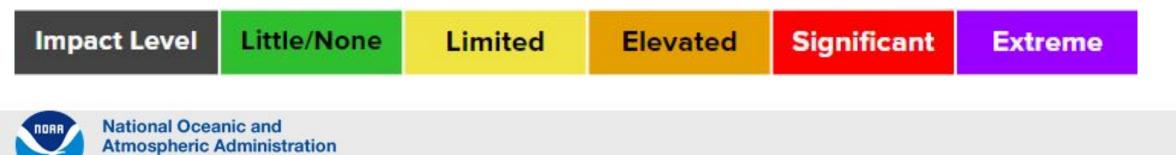


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# Hazards Matrix: Sun-Mon

#### **Graphical Hazards Matrix**

|              | Sun<br>12 PM | Sun<br>6 PM | Mon<br>12 AM | Mon<br>6 AM | Mon<br>12 PM | Mon<br>6 PM | Tue<br>12 AM |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Grand Forks  |              |             |              |             |              |             |              |
| Fargo        |              |             |              |             |              |             |              |
| Devils Lake  |              |             |              |             |              |             |              |
| Bemidji      |              |             |              |             |              |             |              |
| Fergus Falls |              |             |              |             |              |             |              |



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### **About This Graphic -**

he hazard matrix depicts ming and magnitude of otential impacts to local avel and infrastructure om snowfall rates and/or mounts, blowing snow.

otential aggravating actors such as time of day, re-existing conditions, and oliday travel periods are lso taken into onsideration.



### **Track of System** High Medium Low **Timing of System** Medium High Low **Blowing Snow** High Medium Low **Potential for Impacts Medium** High Low

## **Confidence Details**

| Highest Confidence  | L             |
|---|---------------|
| <ul> <li>→ Accumulating snow is<br/>expected to occur from<br/>Tuesday into Wednesday<br/>morning</li> <li>→ Travel impacts are likely</li> </ul> | $\rightarrow$ |

## **Additional Details**

The track of this system will be highly dependent upon how  $\rightarrow$ the Sunday/Monday system evolves. While impacts look to be lesser at this time, snowfall totals are trending upward. There is a 50-70% chance of 24 hour snowfall exceeding 2 inches, with potential to see higher amounts.







#### owest Confidence

Blowing snow potential Where heaviest snowfall will occur

Very Cold Weather Tuesday-Sunday

### **Dangerous Wind Chills Ahead**

# Overview

- → Below zero lows and highs near to below zero are anticipated from Tuesday onward
- → With temperatures this cold, any heightened wind will produce dangerous wind chills
- → Advisory to warning level wind chills will be possible

# Impacts

→ Frostbite and hypothermia may occur with dangerous wind chills in the -20s to -40s.

# **Confidence in Wind Chills**



| Minimum Wind Chill Forecast |             |     |     |     |     |       |     |     |     |       |     |     |                          |                       |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |         |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|-------|-----|-----|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|
|                             | 12/28 12/29 |     |     |     |     | 12/30 |     |     |     | 12/31 |     |     |                          | 1/1                   |     |     |     | 1/2 |     |     |     |     |     |     |         |
|                             | Tue         |     |     |     | 10  | Wed   |     |     | Thu |       |     |     | Fri<br>12am 6am 12pm 6pm |                       |     |     | Sat |     |     | Sun |     |     |     |     |         |
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| Baudette                    | -15         | -16 | -10 | -11 | -19 | -23   | -21 | -29 | -29 | -29   | -20 | -23 | -25                      | -25                   | -14 | -20 | -23 | -24 | -19 | -24 | -25 | -26 | -19 | -18 | -29     |
| Bemidji                     | -17         | -11 | -6  | -9  | -21 | -24   | -21 | -27 | -27 | -23   | -14 | -15 | -20                      | -18                   | -10 | -15 | -20 | -20 | -18 | -23 | -25 | -26 | -19 | -16 | -27     |
| Cavalier                    | -29         | -25 | -19 | -26 | -32 | -37   | -32 | -36 | -36 | -33   | -26 | -34 | -34                      | -34                   | -28 | -31 | -32 | -34 | -30 | -32 | -34 | -36 | -29 | -26 | -37     |
| Crookston                   | -25         | -21 | -18 | -24 | -31 | -36   | -30 | -36 | -36 | -35   | -25 | -30 | -32                      | -29                   | -23 | -28 | -31 | -31 | -29 | -32 | -33 | -35 | -27 | -25 | -36     |
| Detroit Lakes               | -20         | -14 | -8  | -18 | -27 | -31   | -29 | -31 | -29 | -27   | -17 | -20 | -24                      | -22                   | -13 | -20 | -26 | -26 | -22 | -30 | -31 | -32 | -25 | -21 | -32     |
| Devils Lake                 | -35         | -30 | -28 | -34 | -40 | -43   | -40 | -38 | -38 | -34   | -30 | -35 | -35                      | -35                   | -31 | -33 | -35 | -38 | -36 | -36 | -36 | -40 | -32 | -32 | -43     |
| Fargo                       | -20         | -19 | -16 | -20 | -31 | -35   | -29 | -32 | -32 | -31   | -19 | -24 | -26                      | -26                   | -19 | -25 | -28 | -29 | -26 | -29 | -31 | -32 | -27 | -23 | -35     |
| Fergus Falls                | -20         | -16 | -12 | -19 | -31 | -34   | -30 | -31 | -29 | -26   | -17 | -20 | -23                      | -22                   | -14 | -21 | -27 | -27 | -24 | -29 | -31 | -32 | -27 | -24 | -34     |
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| Grand Forks                 | -25         | -21 | -17 | -22 | -30 | -36   | -29 | -36 | -35 | -34   | -24 | -30 | -31                      | -31                   | -25 | -28 | -32 | -32 | -28 | -32 | -32 | -35 | -27 | -25 | -36     |
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| Langdon                     | -36         | -35 | -27 | -34 | -39 | -45   | -40 | -42 | -40 | -39   | -32 | -38 | -37                      | -38                   | -33 | -36 | -37 | -39 | -36 | -39 | -39 | -41 | -32 | -32 | -45     |
| Park Rapids                 | -19         | -16 | -8  | -13 | -26 | -26   | -24 | -29 | -29 | -27   | -15 | -19 | -23                      | -23                   | -10 | -18 | -25 | -25 | -18 | -25 | -29 | -30 | -21 | -19 | -30     |
| Roseau                      | -23         | -21 | -15 | -18 | -25 | -32   | -30 | -35 | -35 | -35   | -25 | -30 | -31                      | -31                   | -21 | -26 | -29 | -29 | -25 | -29 | -31 | -31 | -25 | -21 | -35     |
| Thief River Falls           | -25         | -20 | -17 | -20 | -28 | -35   | -31 | -36 | -35 | -35   | -26 | -30 | -30                      | -29                   | -23 | -27 | -29 | -30 | -28 | -31 | -32 | -35 | -28 | -26 | -36     |
| Valley City                 | -27         | -24 | -23 | -29 | -37 | -41   | -34 | -35 | -34 | -30   | -24 | -27 | -31                      | -30                   | -25 | -30 | -34 | -35 | -32 | -33 | -34 | -36 | -30 | -26 | -41     |
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| *Table values in °F         |             |     |     |     |     |       |     |     |     |       |     |     |                          |                       |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |         |

\*Table values in °F

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\*\*\*Values are minimums over the period beginning at the time shown.

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# **Safety and Resources**

#### **Key Message**

Multiple winter weather events are expected to impact the region this weekend into next week. Each of these events looks to bring with a high chance for accumulating snow with at least some potential for blowing snow impacts as well. Dangerous wind chills then look to follow from Tuesday through Friday as both low and high temperatures are generally expected to remain below zero for a prolonged period of time.

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WINTERIZE YOUR VEHICLE

- - Road Trip Safety Tips



## **Additional Resources**

Winter Weather Safety

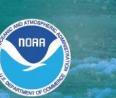
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