



Impactful Winter Weather

January 18, 2024

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Snow Through Friday Followed by Another Round of Bitterly Cold Temperatures

Key Messages:

- Light snow area-wide tonight with accumulations generally from 1 to 3 inches; isolated 4 inch totals possible
- Strong northwest winds will cause significant blowing and drifting snow in open and rural areas late tonight & Friday AM
- Major lake effect snow event in northeastern Porter County
- Wind chills 10 to 30 below zero Friday through Sunday morning, coldest at night and in the early mornings

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What Has Changed:

- Winter Storm Watch has been upgraded to a Winter Storm Warning for northeast Porter County late tonight through Friday AM
- Winter Weather Advisory issued for the rest of the area from this evening through Friday morning

Next Scheduled Update:

- By 5 PM CST Today



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Crippling Lake Effect Snow to Make Travel Near Impossible At Times

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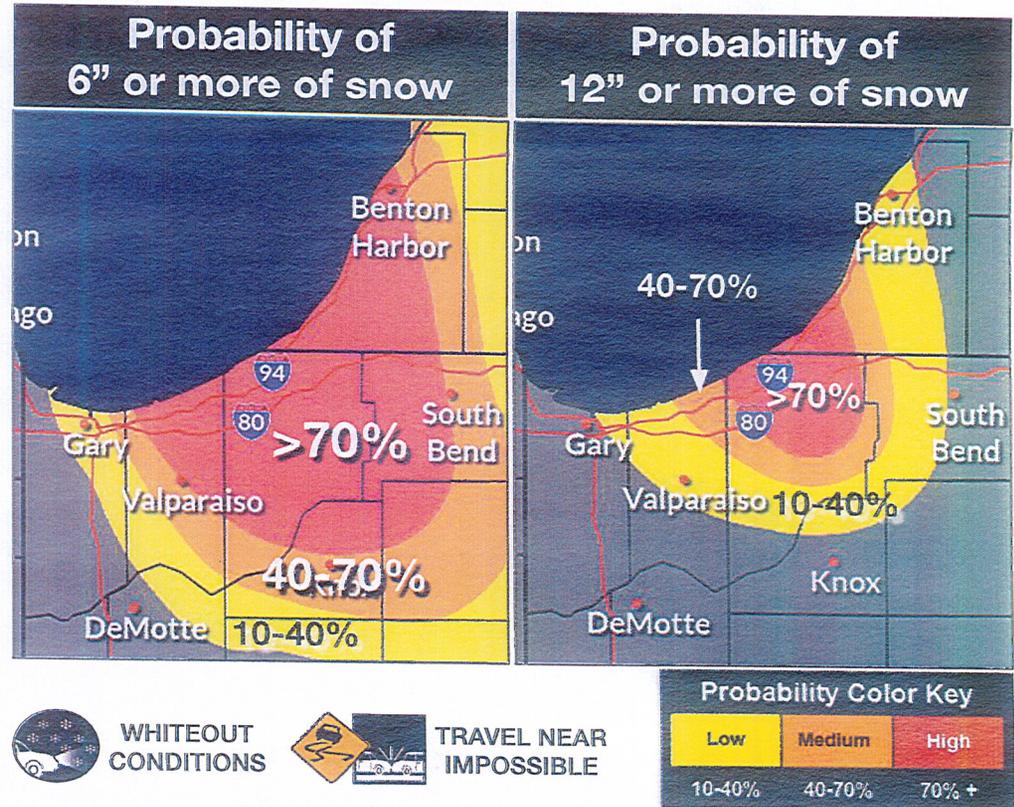
- Locally intense lake effect snow band will impact northern & northeastern Porter County (and locations farther east) at times late this evening into Friday AM
 - Snowfall rates of 2" to locally 3+'' per hour
 - Wind gusts to 40 mph & whiteout conditions
- >6'' of snow accumulation is likely in northern Porter County; 12+'' of snow is possible

What's Uncertain

- Band will probably shift east of Porter County by late Friday morning
- Unclear if or when the band may wobble back into Porter County Friday afternoon or Friday night

What You Should Do

- ✓ Avoid unnecessary travel across northern Porter Co.
- ✓ If traveling, stock car with winter survival supplies



WHITEOUT CONDITIONS



TRAVEL NEAR IMPOSSIBLE



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Another Shot Of Arctic Air Arrives Leading Into The Weekend

Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
 AM SE of I-55 30-40% chance late PM 18 to 30° WC: +5 to +20°	 AM Snow Ending for most Mainly NE Porter Co. Heavy lake effect snow BLUSTERY +9 to +20° WC: -15 to 0°	 +7 to +17° WC: -20 to 0°	 17 to 23° WC: -25 to +5°	 CHANGE (30%) Chance of wintry mix, mainly during late PM 31 to 34°
Tonight	Fri. Night	Sat. Night	Sun. Night	Mon. Night
BLUSTERY Blowing Snow +4 to +14° WC: -15 to 0°	 70% Lake Effect Porter Co. -8 to +5° WC: -25 to -5°	 -13 to +1° WC: -30 to -10°	 13 to 17° WC: 0 to +10°	 ICEY Dependent on temperatures 28 to 34°



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