



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & PUBLIC PROTECTION
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & HOMELAND SECURITY



Posted at 9:40 AM on 1/7/15...

External Winter Weather Update from DESPP / DEMHS...

Please see graphic on page 2...Text forecast shown below...

STATUS OF THE STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER – MONITORING

The NWS has issued Wind Chill Advisories for the entire state beginning at 5:00 PM this afternoon thru 10:00 AM Thursday morning. Please see the attached graphic showing the forecast temperatures and wind chills over the next 6 days. Towns can expect much below normal temperatures and occasional snow over the next several days. The following forecast is based on a blend of the GFS and NAM models:

Today...Cold with high temperatures in the low 20's occurring around noontime. A broken line of snow showers and snow squalls is expected to move across the state from the Northwest to Southeast between noon and 4:00 PM. Some towns may pick up a quick inch of snow in the heavier squalls causing a brief locally moderate impact on travel. Temperatures are then forecast to fall into the mid teens by evening with an increasing NW wind gusting to 35 MPH at times. Wind chills are forecast to fall below zero by evening.

Tonight...Dangerously cold with lows between -5 F and +5 F and wind chills ranging from -20 to -30 F at times. NW Winds are forecast to be sustained near 20 MPH with gusts to 30 MPH at times overnight.

Thursday...Cold with a NW Wind at 15 – 25 MPH and wind chills during the day ranging from 0 to +10 F.

Thursday Night...Not as cold with lows in the teens and wind chills near zero.

Friday thru Sunday...Some light snow or snow squalls are possible Friday morning as a reinforcing push of very cold air moves into the state. There may be some impact on the morning commute with up to 2" of snow possible. The very cold air streaming back into the state on Friday combined with brisk west winds is forecast to push wind chills back down to near zero Friday night and again Saturday night. After that the temperatures are forecast to moderate on Sunday. Temperatures are expected to rise above freezing for the first time next Monday.

The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security will continue to monitor the latest forecasts and will send out another update at 9:30 AM on Thursday morning.

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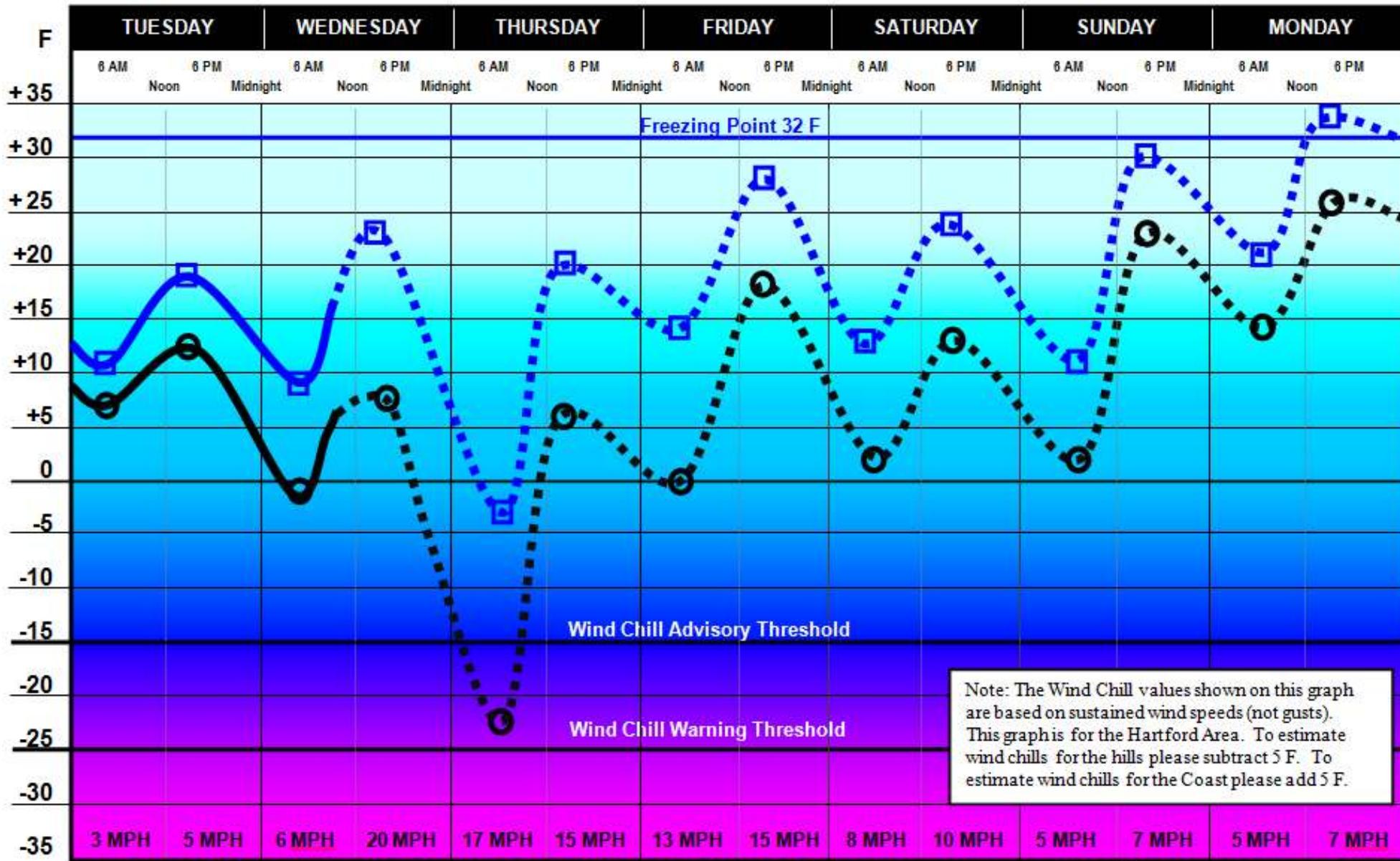
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TEMPERATURE AND WIND CHILL PLOT

Hartford Area

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Note: The Wind Chill values shown on this graph are based on sustained wind speeds (not gusts). This graph is for the Hartford Area. To estimate wind chills for the hills please subtract 5 F. To estimate wind chills for the Coast please add 5 F.

Actual Air Temperature

Actual Wind Chill Temperature

Forecasted Air Temperature

Forecasted Wind Chill Temperature