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WINTER STORM UPDATE

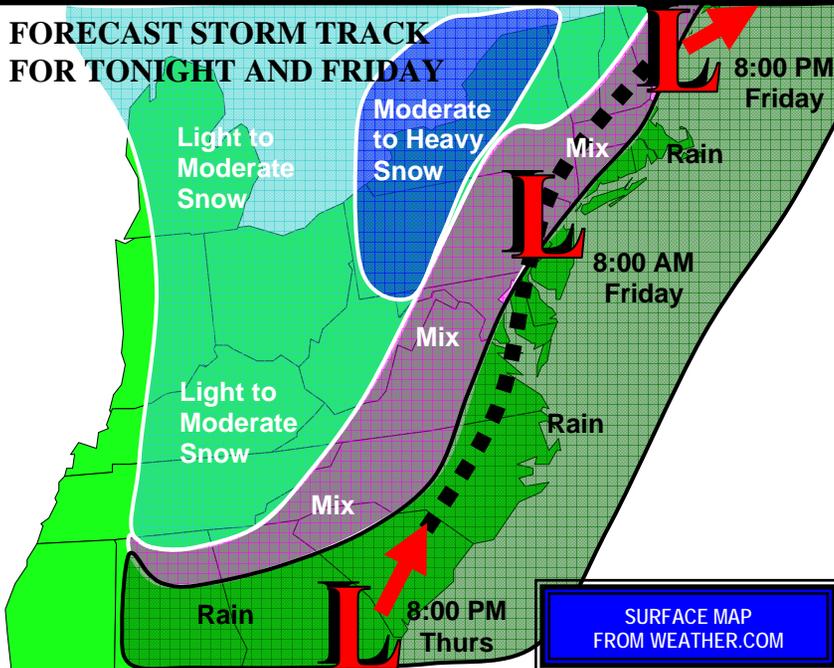
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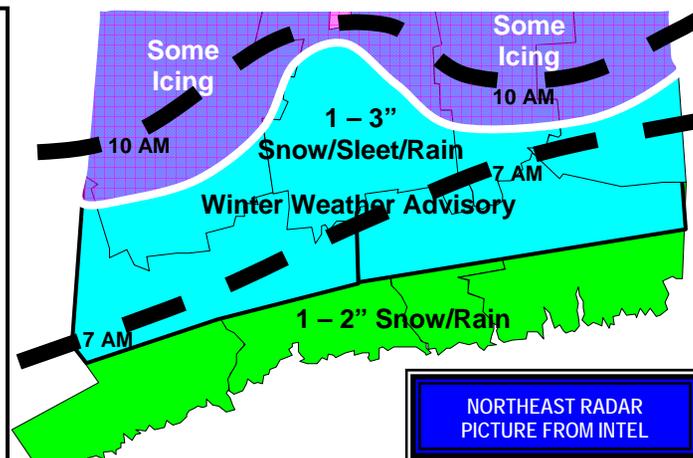
FORECAST STORM TRACK FOR TONIGHT AND FRIDAY



WATCHES AND WARNINGS

Heavy Snow Warning
No Warnings Issued by NWS
Winter Storm Warning
No Warnings Issued by NWS
Advisories
All of Connecticut except for the Coastal Areas.
Coastal Flood Warning
No Coastal Warnings In Effect

SNOW/ICE FORECAST FOR TONIGHT & FRIDAY



WEATHER FORECAST

COASTAL TIDE (NGVD)	Light Tide	Time	High Tide	Time	Flood Stage
Bridgeport	3.90 Ft	5:39am	2.70 Ft	11:55am	7.0 Feet
	3.50 Ft	6:50pm	2.9 Ft	12:15am (Sat)	
New London	1.70 Ft	3:42am	-0.90 Ft	10:15am	5.0 Feet
	1.0 Ft	6:33pm	1.0 Ft	10:29pm (Fri)	

NO COASTAL FLOODING EXPECTED

STORM TRACK FORECAST... A surface low pressure system forming in the southeast U.S. this afternoon is forecast to move quickly to the North Northeast overnight and intensify as the low moves over Southern New England Friday morning. As the low moves towards Southern New England it will pull in moisture and warmer air from the Atlantic Ocean which is expected to change the snow over to rain along the coast and across most of Southern New England Friday morning. As the low moves into Maine Friday evening the precipitation is expected to end from Southwest to Northeast across New England.

CONNECTICUT FORECAST...NWS Issues Advisories for most of Connecticut...

Overnight Forecast...At the Coast... Light Snow developing between 10:00 PM – Midnight . Snow quickly changing to rain south of I-95, and changing over to rain and freezing rain south of a line from Danbury to Meriden to Norwich a few hours later. Temperatures rising into the upper 30's. **In Central Connecticut...** Light snow developing from Southwest to Northeast between 11:00 PM and 2:00 AM. Snowfall becoming briefly steady for an hour or two before changing to sleet and freezing rain by daybreak. Temperatures rising into the upper 20's. **In the Northwest Hills...** Light Snow beginning around Midnight and becoming briefly steady for a few hours. Changeover in the Hills is expected to occur around daybreak. Most of the state will receive 1 – 3 inches of snow before the changeover.

Friday Morning... The rain/snow line is forecast to be in the vicinity of the I-84 corridor at 7:00 AM and into the Northwest and Northeast hills by 10:00 AM. The rain/snow line is expected to reach the MA border by Noon with a few isolated pockets of freezing rain remaining in the deep valleys of the Northwest and Northeast Hills. Temperatures rising into the low 40's along the coast and into the upper 30's in most of the remainder of the state by Noon. Some ice accretion of 1/10th to 1/4" of an inch is likely in the colder valleys of the hills before noon. Most of the icing should be minor, however some power outages may occur in the coldest valleys. The precipitation is expected to end from southwest to northeast between Noon and 2:00 PM.