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Be Prepared...

Weather Assessment: Minor Snowfall Accumulations Forecasted

The National Weather Service has issued a *Winter Weather Advisory*, effective from 5:00 PM today (January 18), through 1:00 AM Saturday, January 20.

A low-pressure system will move through the state, bringing widespread snow tonight through Friday evening. Most snow is expected to fall after midnight and continue through late Friday afternoon before finally tapering off. Steady snowfall on Friday morning will likely impact the commute. Current data indicates snowfall amounts will range from 2 to 5 inches, with isolated higher amounts possible. Snowfall totals will be higher to the north and lower to the south.



In addition to the snow showers, winds will shift to the west-northwest Friday, allowing for breezy conditions with sustained winds of 10-15 MPH and gusts over 20-30 MPH. This could cause blowing and drifting of snow. Slick road conditions are likely.

Colder air will move into the region by tomorrow afternoon, allowing temperatures to fall. Wind chill values will be in the single digits tomorrow and below zero on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Hazards:

- Breezy conditions Friday blowing/drifting of snow possible.
- Slick road conditions are likely.
- Cold conditions can lead to hypothermia for those outdoors.