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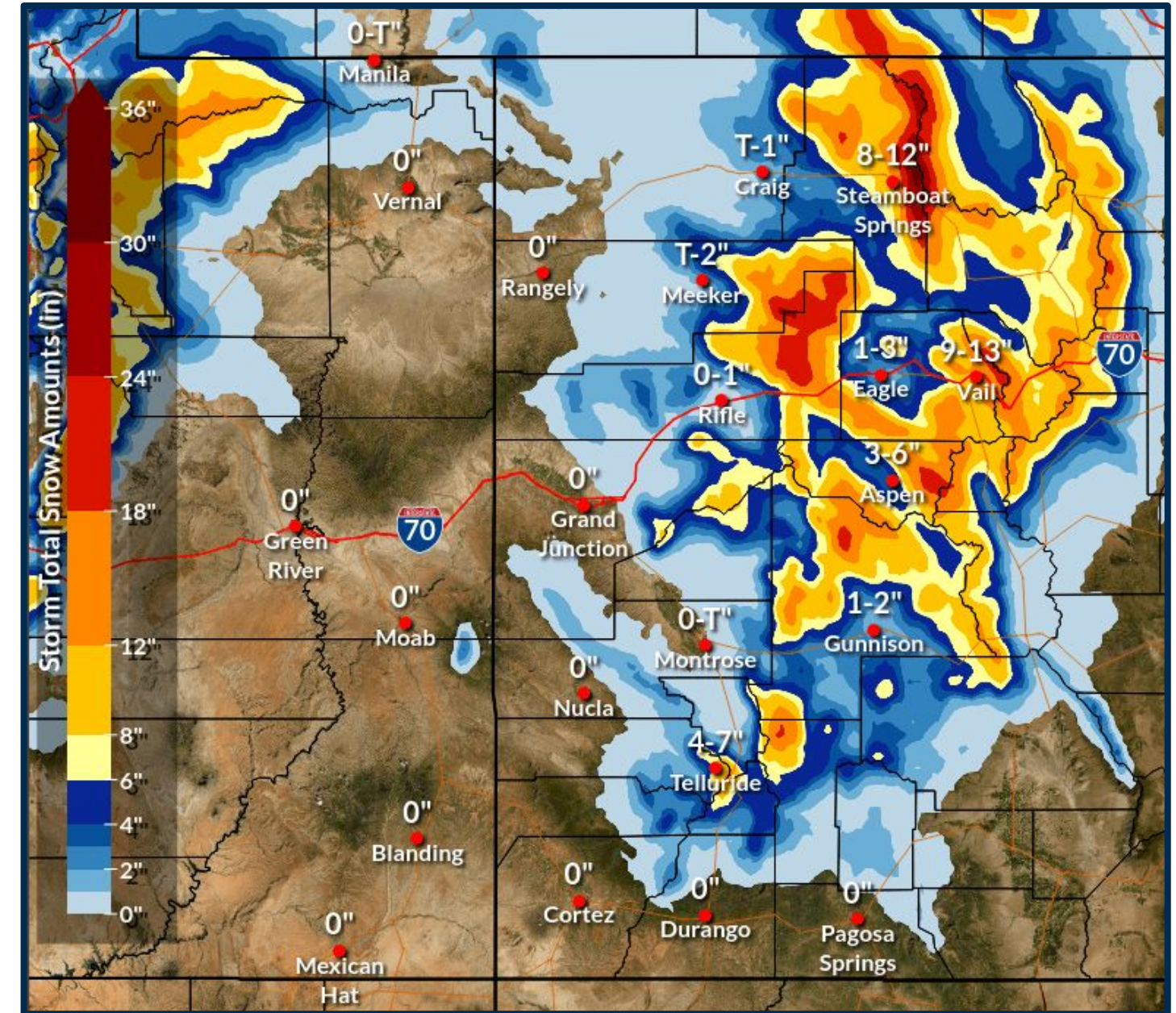
Near whiteout conditions over mountain passes tonight through Saturday evening

Key Messages

- Heavy snow accompanied by strong winds arrive tonight. Conditions improve late Saturday evening with light snowfall continuing into Sunday.
- Travel corridors of the central and northern Colorado mountains and adjacent valleys can expect hazardous to dangerous driving conditions.
- Vail Pass and Rabbit Ears Pass will be especially impacted by wind gusts 40 to 50 mph and heavy snow rates over an inch per hour which will drop visibility to under a half mile at times.

Next Scheduled Update

- Tomorrow morning



Latest Forecast Snowfall

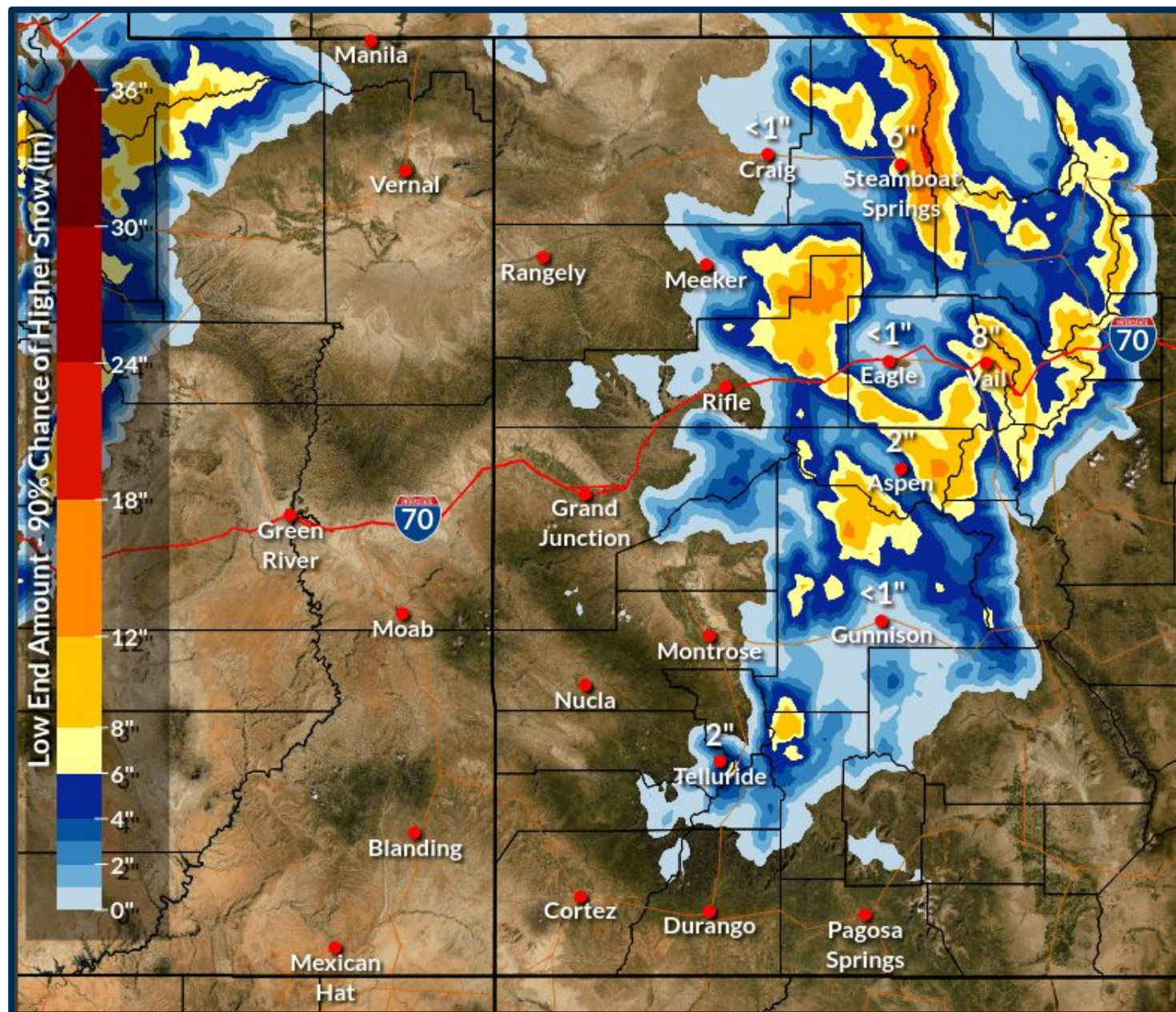




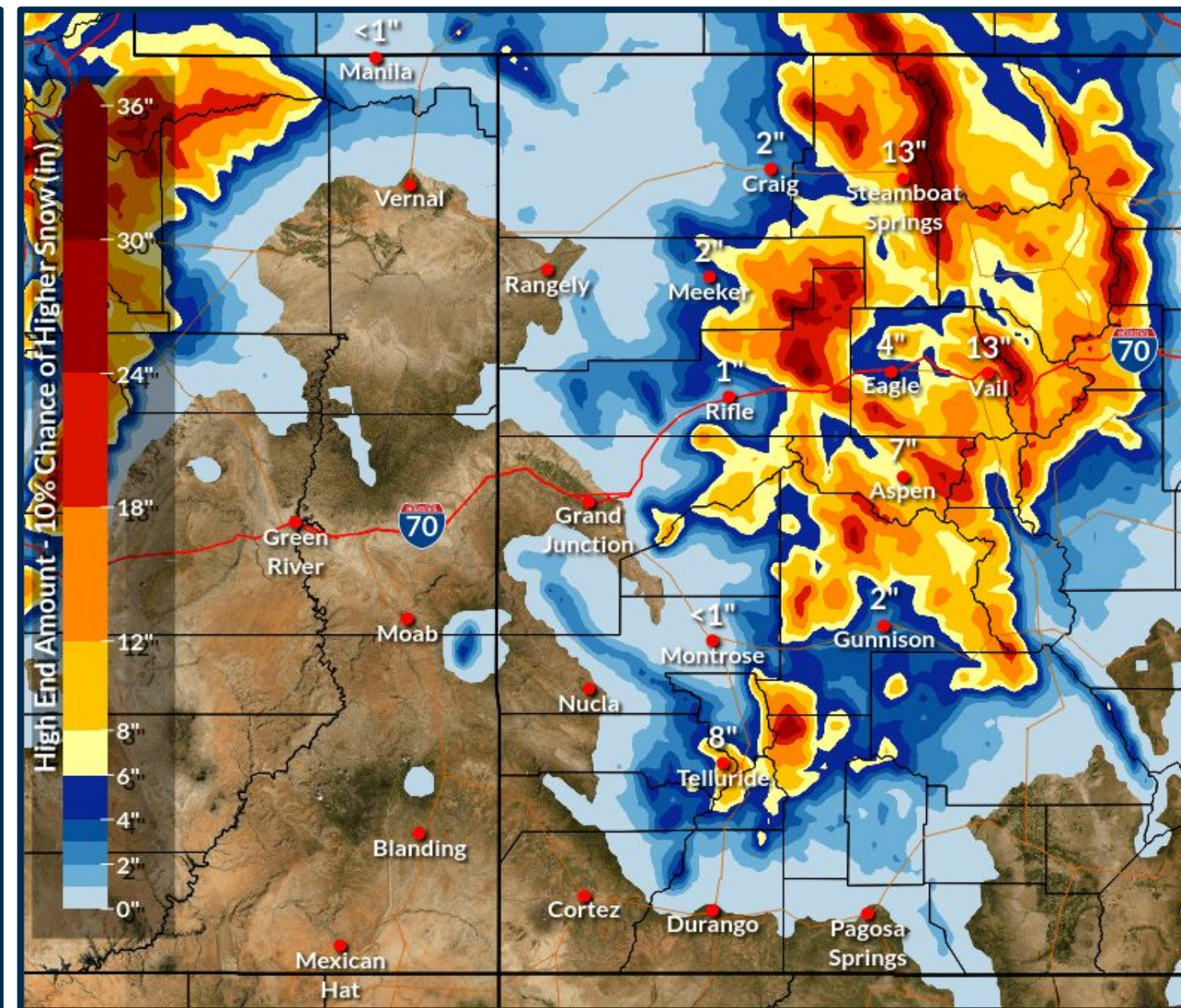
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Snowfall Probabilities



Low-End Scenario (10th Percentile)



High-End Scenario (90th Percentile)





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Mountain Snow Timing

Weather Forecast

	12/5 Fri		12/6 Sat								12/7 Sun				
	6pm	9pm	12am	3am	6am	9am	12pm	3pm	6pm	9pm	12am	3am	6am	9am	12pm
Steamboat Springs	55%	90%	95%	95%	95%	85%	85%	50%	50%	75%	75%	75%	40%	40%	
Tower SNOTEL	55%	90%	95%	95%	95%	85%	85%	65%	65%	85%	85%	85%	50%	50%	20%
Burro Mountain	30%	65%	85%	90%	90%	90%	90%	55%	50%	50%	50%	50%	20%	20%	
Douglas Pass		20%	30%	25%	25%	25%	25%								
Vail Mountain	30%	50%	90%	95%	95%	95%	90%	80%	80%	80%	70%	70%	30%	30%	
Mesa Lakes		20%	60%	75%	75%	70%	70%	35%	35%	35%	35%	35%			
Independence Pass	20%	40%	80%	95%	95%	90%	90%	75%	75%	75%	60%	60%	30%	30%	
Crested Butte	15%	35%	75%	95%	95%	90%	90%	50%	50%	50%	40%	40%	20%	20%	
Ouray			30%	60%	75%	85%	85%	55%	20%	20%	20%	20%			
Telluride			35%	70%	70%	80%	80%	60%	25%	25%	20%	20%			
Silverton			30%	65%	65%	80%	80%	50%	25%	25%	15%	15%			
Dolores				20%	20%	20%	20%								

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- Snow +





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Valley Snow Timing

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	6pm	9pm	12am	3am	6am	9am	12pm	3pm	6pm	9pm	12am	3am	6am	9am	12pm
Vernal				20%	20%										
Craig	25%	45%	75%	75%	75%	75%	55%	25%	20%	30%	30%	30%			
Hayden	35%	60%	85%	85%	85%	85%	75%	30%	30%	45%	45%	45%	20%	20%	
Steamboat Springs	50%	90%	95%	95%	95%	85%	85%	50%	50%	75%	75%	75%	40%	40%	
Rangely		15%	20%	25%	25%	20%	15%								
Meeker		35%	60%	70%	70%	65%	65%	35%	20%	20%	20%	20%			
Eagle	25%	30%	75%	95%	95%	85%	85%	55%	55%	55%	45%	45%	15%	15%	
Rifle	15%	35%	65%	75%	75%	70%	70%	45%	25%	25%	20%	20%			
Grand Junction			25%	25%	25%	25%	20%	15%							
Aspen	25%	30%	70%	95%	95%	90%	90%	60%	60%	60%	50%	50%	20%	20%	
Delta			30%	50%	50%	45%	45%	20%							
Moab															
Montrose			30%	55%	55%	55%	55%	40%							
Gunnison			35%	85%	85%	75%	75%	20%							
Telluride			35%	70%	70%	80%	80%	60%	25%	25%	20%	20%			
Blanding															
Cortez															
Durango			25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	15%							
Pagosa Springs			15%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%							

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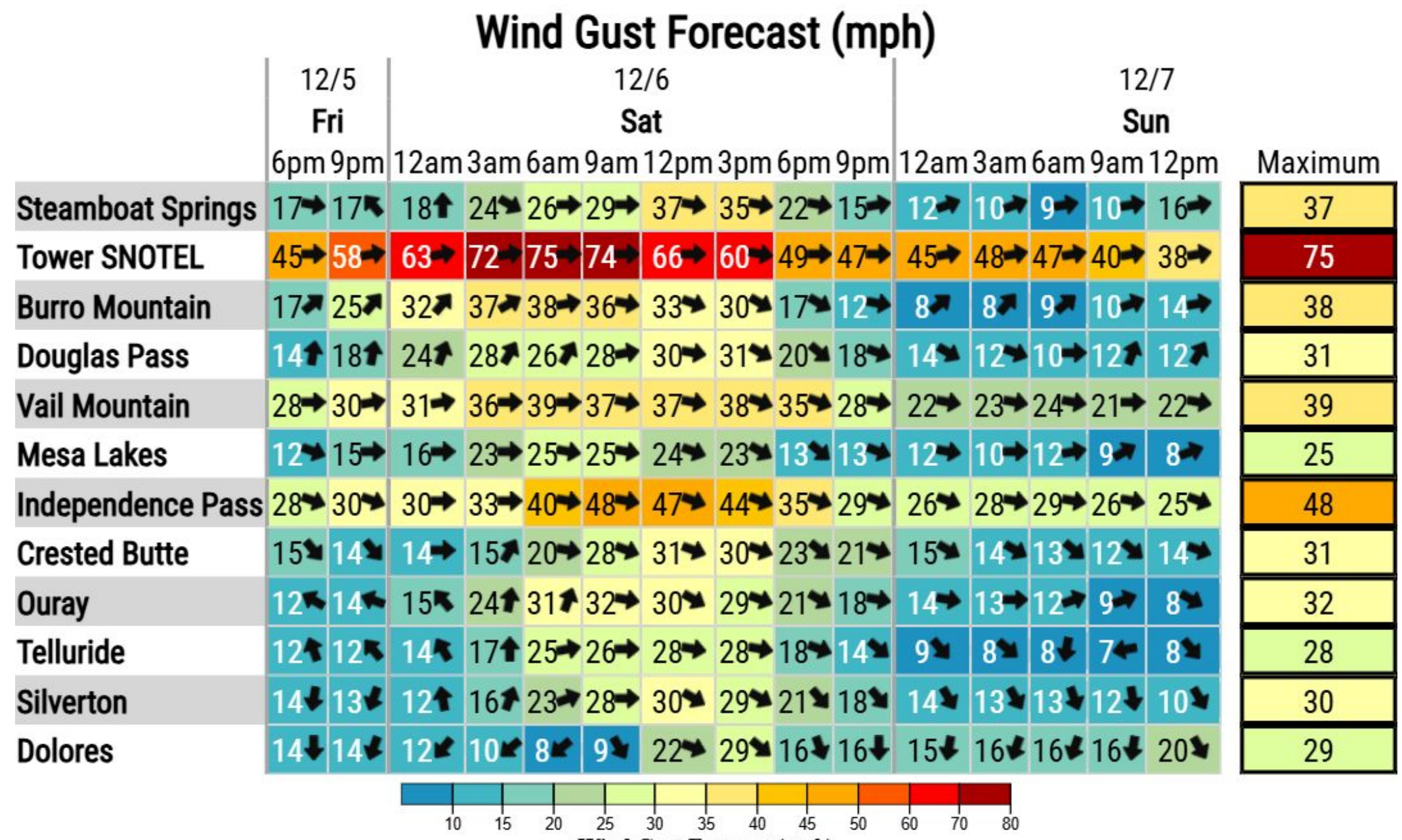
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Mountain Wind Forecast



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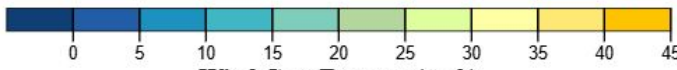


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Valley Wind Forecast

Wind Gust Forecast (mph)																
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	6pm	9pm	12am	3am	6am	9am	12pm	3pm	6pm	9pm	12am	3am	6am	9am	12pm	Maximum
Aspen	17↑	18↘	20↑	22↘	24↗	28↘	32↘	32↘	25↘	17↗	14↗	14↗	14↗	12↗	14↗	32
Blanding	7↗	8↘	6↓	6↘	6↘	8↘	14↗	18↘	8↘	9↓	8↓	8↓	8↓	8↓	9↘	18
Cortez	12↘	9↗	7↗	7↘	6↘	6↘	17↗	23↘	13↓	12↓	12↓	10↘	9↘	12↓	16↘	23
Craig	17↗	24↗	29↗	32↗	33↗	32↗	37↗	31↗	15↗	10↗	9↗	9↗	10↗	9↗	12↗	37
Delta	9↗	9↘	9↘	8↘	9↘	10↑	16↗	22↗	10↑	8↘	7↗	7↘	6↘	6↘	5↘	22
Durango	17↘	14↓	9↗	9↘	8↘	10↘	25↗	37↗	25↘	17↘	13↘	10↘	8↘	8↘	13↗	37
Eagle	20↘	21↗	18↗	16↗	18↗	20↗	35↗	37↗	20↗	13↗	8↗	8↗	8↗	7↗	12↗	37
Grand Junction	6↘	9↘	10↑	9↘	10↗	15↗	18↗	17↗	6↗	7↗	6↑	5↘	8↘	8↘	7↘	18
Gunnison	15↗	12↘	10↘	12↘	16↗	26↗	37↗	38↗	29↗	25↗	18↗	14↗	10↗	10↗	13↗	38
Hayden	16↗	20↑	23↗	30↗	32↗	35↗	39↗	36↗	20↗	13↗	10↗	10↗	10↗	12↗	14↗	39
Meeker	15↘	23↑	26↗	28↗	25↗	24↗	26↗	23↗	9↗	6↘	5↘	5↘	5↘	6↑	8↗	28
Moab	8↗	10↑	10↑	12↑	12↘	13↘	14↗	16↗	7↗	6↘	5↘	3↘	3↘	5↘	5↘	16
Montrose	8↗	10↗	10↑	10↑	12↘	15↘	20↗	20↗	10↑	9↑	7↑	7↗	7↗	6↘	6↓	20
Pagosa Springs	9↘	9↗	8↘	5↘	6↘	8↑	16↗	20↗	9↗	7↓	7↘	6↘	6↘	5↓	5↗	20
Rangely	9↗	15↑	21↗	22↗	21↗	22↗	24↗	23↗	13↗	8↗	7↑	6↘	6↘	7↗	7↗	24
Rifle	15↑	17↘	17↘	15↘	17↗	20↗	30↗	31↗	16↗	9↗	6↗	5↘	5↑	5↑	6↗	31
Steamboat Springs	16↗	17↘	18↑	25↗	28↗	29↗	35↗	33↗	22↗	15↗	12↗	12↗	10↗	12↗	15↗	35
Telluride	12↑	12↘	14↘	17↑	25↗	26↗	28↗	28↗	18↗	14↘	9↘	8↘	8↓	7↘	8↘	28
Vernal	6↓	6↘	7↓	6↓	8↘	8↘	15↘	18↘	8↘	7↓	6↓	5↓	5↓	6↘	5↘	18



Wind Gust Forecast (mph)
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