



Winter Storm to Impact Travel Today

November 29, 2025
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Impacts to Post-Thanksgiving Travel Expected across the Entire Region



Key Messages:

- Widespread snowfall and travel impacts are expected to develop this morning and continue through tonight.
- ~1"/hr snowfall rates are expected at times, especially during the afternoon and early evening (12 to 8 PM).
- Gusty winds may lead to pockets of blowing and drifting snow in open areas today and Sunday.



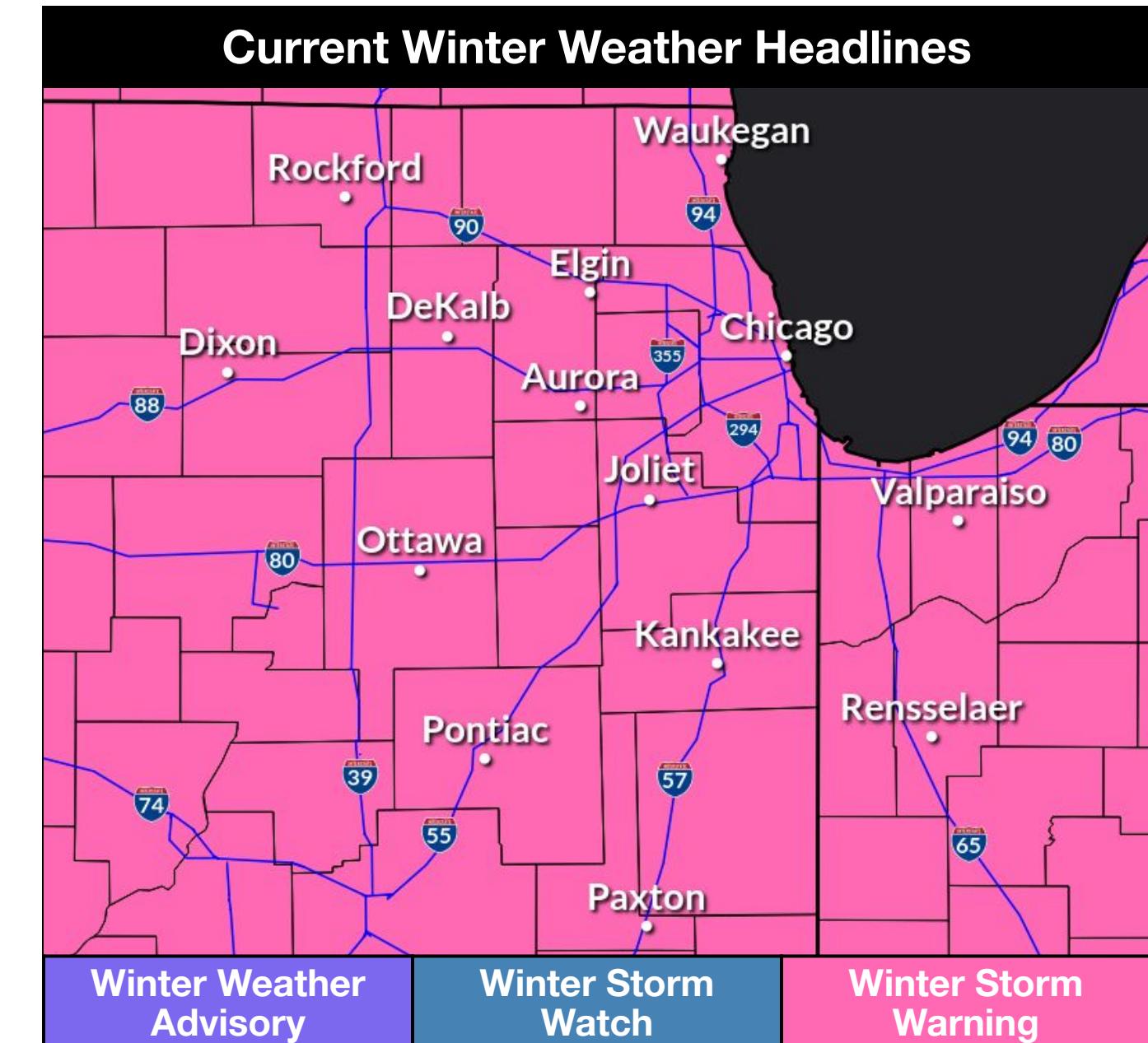
What Has Changed:

- The onset time of accumulating snowfall was delayed slightly, but otherwise, the forecast remains on track.



Next Scheduled Update:

- Unless there are significant forecast changes, this may be the final DSS Packet for this event.



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Forecast Snowfall Amounts Through Tonight

What To Expect



Prolonged Accumulating Snow



Through Tonight

Highest rates around 1" per hour and greatest travel impacts expected this afternoon into the early evening (~12 - 8 PM CST)

Expected Impacts:



Snow
Covered
Roads



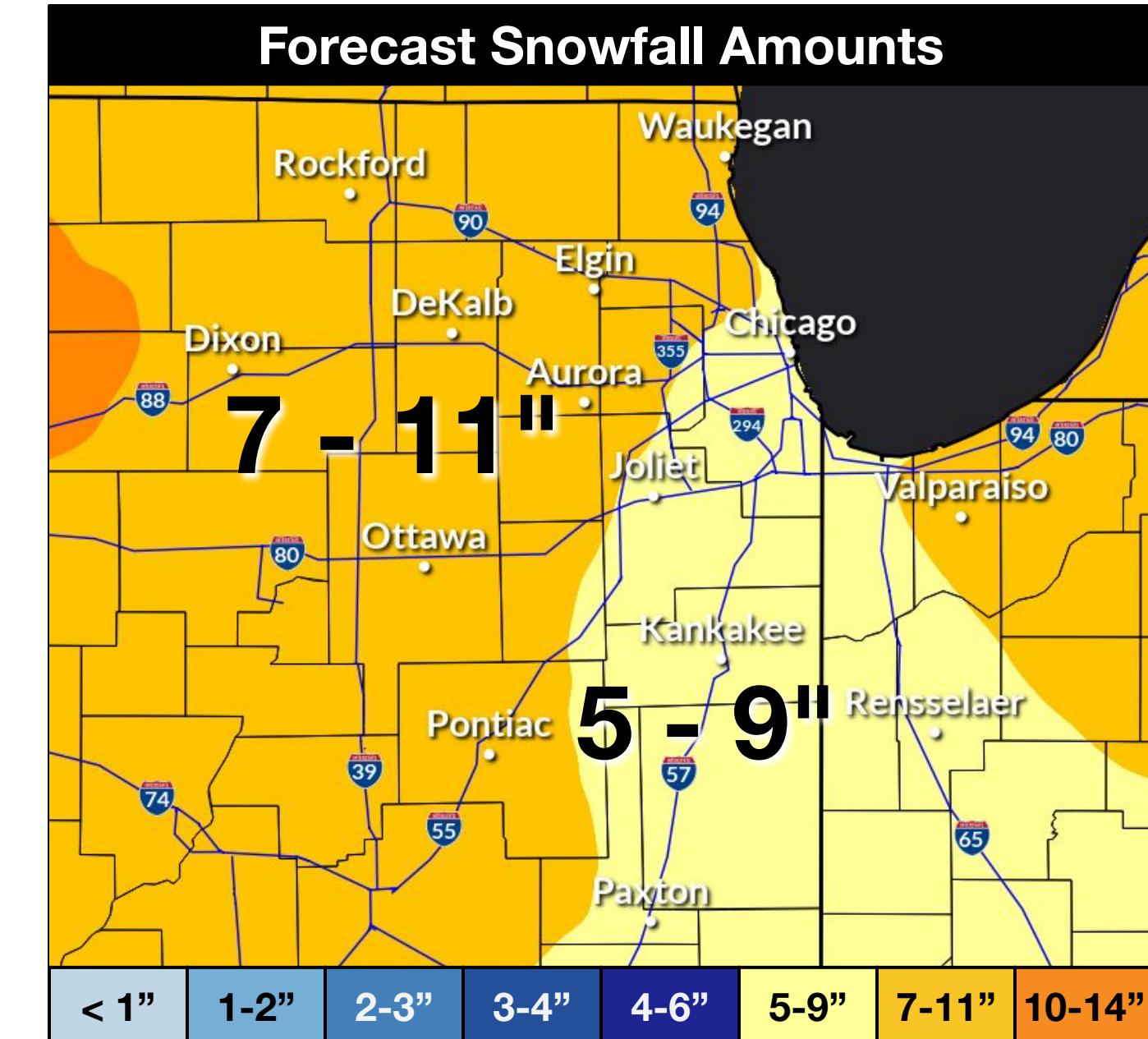
Very Low
Visibility



Hazardous
Travel

What To Do

- ✓ Consider altering or postponing travel plans.
- ✓ Drivers - SLOW down. Don't crowd the plow!



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Snow Rate/Precipitation Type Timeline and Additional Forecast Details

Snowfall Rate and Precipitation Type Timing

11/29
12 AM 11/29
6 AM 11/29
12 PM 11/29
6 PM 11/30
12 AM 11/30
6 AM 11/30
12 PM

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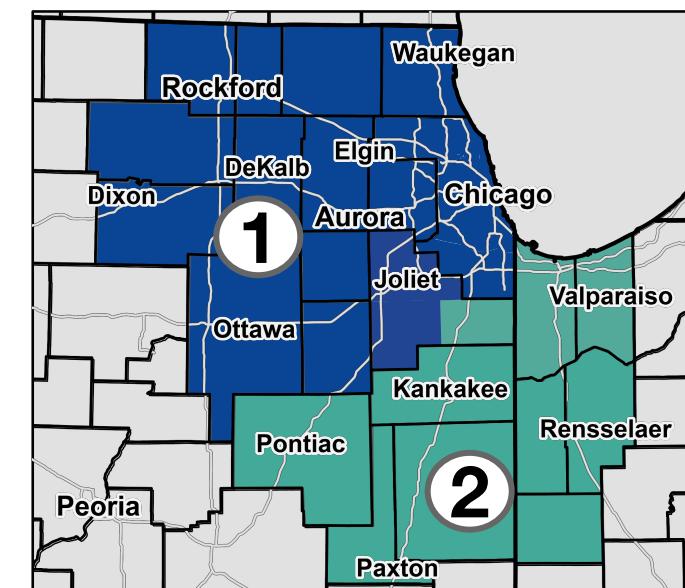
~1"/hr rates
possible

Snow rates
rapidly
diminish

Lingering
lake effect?

2

1+"/hr
rates



Precipitation Type Key

Rain/Drizzle

Rain/Drizzle/Snow Mix

Increasing Snow Rates →

No Precipitation

1



Snowfall Rate

0.5 to 1"/hr, highest
~12-8 PM CST.



Snow Character

Typical, with ratios
averaging near 10:1-13:1



Temperatures

Mid 20s warming
toward the lower 30s.



Winds

Gusts up to 30 mph
from the southeast.

2



Snowfall Rate

Around 0.5"/hr, but
1+"/hr in the afternoon



Snow Character

Typical, with ratios
averaging near 10:1



Temperatures

Mid 20s AM, rising to
32-34 late.



Winds

Gusts up to 30 mph
from the southeast.

?

What's Still Uncertain

Depending on low track: snow could mix with or change
to drizzle as far north as I-88 late this evening.



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Five Day Outlook: Wintry Pattern to Persist into Next Week

Today

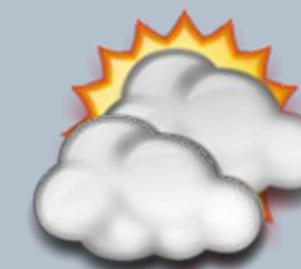


Heavy Snow;
Hazardous Travel
H: 29-33°

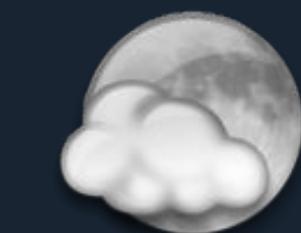


Change Over to
Rain/Snow/Drizzle
Mix S I-80
L: 23-29°

Sun



Windy
H: 27-33°



L: 3-15°

Mon

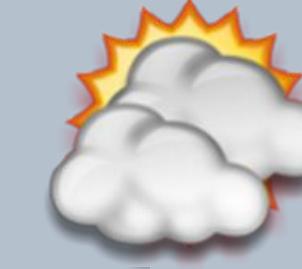


PM Snow?
H: 21-27°



Accumulating
Snow/Slippery
Travel Possible
L: 8-21°

Tue



H: 20-26°



L: 10-19°

Wed



PM Light Snow
N of I-80?
H: 27-31°



40%
L: -2-13°



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SHOVEL SMART!



Shoveling heavy, wet snow can cause back injuries and heart attacks. Don't push yourself!



Dress warmly, making sure to cover your head, fingers and toes.



Stay hydrated, but avoid heavy meals right before or after shoveling.



Move only small amounts of snow with each pass of the shovel.



Take frequent breaks.
Stop shoveling entirely if you feel exhausted!



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Additional Resources

[NWS Chicago Winter Safety & Preparedness Page](#)

Winter-related safety graphics and messaging

[Graphical Hazardous Weather Outlook](#)

Helps to determine which days you need to be mindful of hazardous weather

[Official Snowfall Observations](#)

Six hourly snowfall observations for Chicago, Rockford, and Romeoville

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