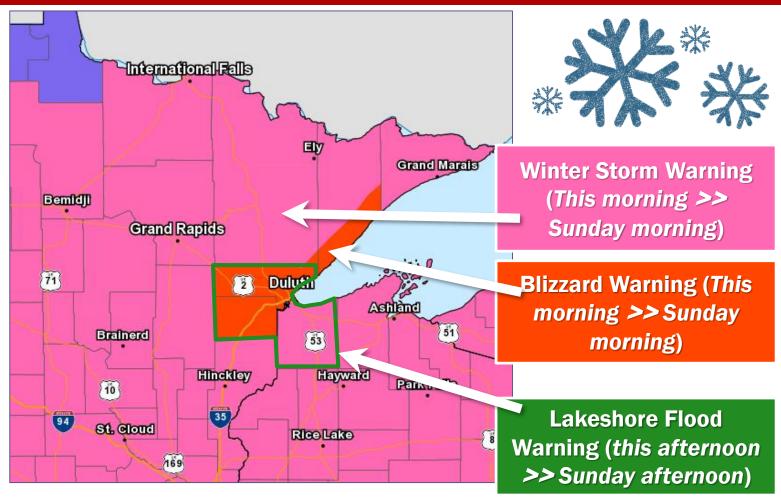
Powerful Winter Storm Today and Sunday



Message of the Day:



- A prolonged period of heavy snow is expected this morning through early Sunday afternoon. Widespread 12+ inch accumulations.
- Blizzard conditions in Duluth and up along the North Shore.
- Lakeshore flooding expected near the Twin Ports area.

Important Forecast Changes



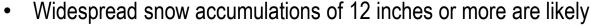
- ❖ Lowered snowfall amounts near the International Border.
- Increased wind gusts.



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Key Points

Hazards:





- One to two inch per hour snowfall rates are possible this afternoon through early Sunday
- Blowing and drifting snow is expected along the North Shore, where blizzard conditions and 20+" of snow are possible
- Lakeshore flooding is expected near Duluth and Superior



Areas Impacted: All of northeast Minnesota and northwest Wisconsin



Timing & Duration: Snow will continue through Sunday morning. Lakeshore flooding is most likely this afternoon through Sunday afternoon.



Impacts: Travel will become dangerous, if not impossible, particularly near Duluth north along the North Shore on Highway 61 through Sunday. Power outages are likely.



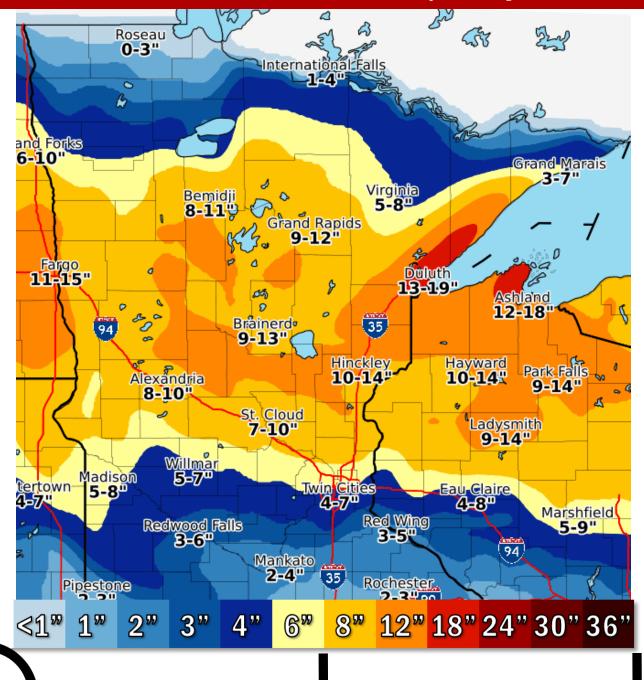
Certainty & Considerations: Confidence in 12"+ is fairly high across much of the Northland. Confidence in blizzard conditions along the North Shore to include the City of Duluth is also high.



Historical Perspective: This has the potential for a top-10 highest two-day snowfall total in recorded history for Duluth, with top-15 for Ashland and Brainerd.

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Storm Total Snowfall Forecast (Today – Sunday)





This morning

Worst Conditions

This afternoon and overnight tonight

Snow Ends

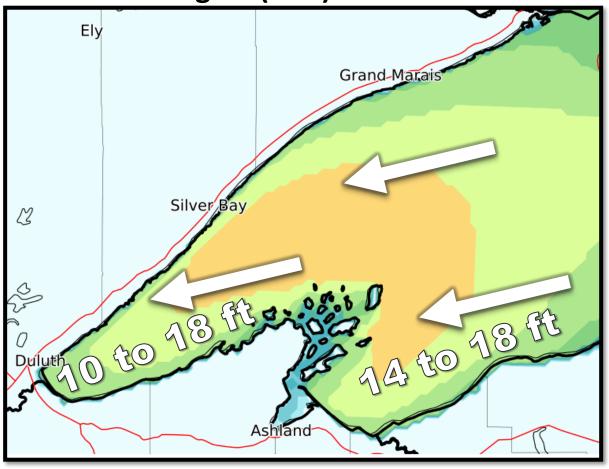
Sunday morning and afternoon

Lakeshore Flooding Expected



- Waves of 10 to 18 feet will crash on the shores of Lake Superior which could produce flooding and damage along the lake shore.
- Stay off break walls and other shoreline structures or you could be swept away!
- Winds/waves will gradually diminish Sunday afternoon

Max Wave Heights (feet) and Wind Direction this Afternoon





Powerful Thanksgiving Weekend Winter Storm

Winter Hazard Definitions

- A Blizzard Warning is issued when the combination of strong wind, low visibility, and heavy snow will significantly impact the area. <u>Avoid traveling if</u> <u>possible! Time to act!</u>
- A Winter Storm Warning is issued when heavy snow or a combination of heavy snow, blowing snow, and ice is expected to impact the area. <u>Avoid</u> <u>traveling if possible! Be sure to have a winter driving safety kit!</u>
- A Lakeshore Flood Warning is issued when flooding is occurring or expected along the lake. <u>Residents should take appropriate action to protect</u> <u>life and property!</u>

Winter Weather Preparedness

- Winterize your car, and be sure to include a winter driving safety kit!
- Restock your emergency kit at home with batteries, food, water, etc.
- If you have a generator, make sure
 it is working and NEVER run a
 generator in an enclosed space like
 a garage!



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