

Winter Storm Thursday Night and Friday

Decision Support Briefing #1 As of: 6 AM Wednesday, February 23, 2022

What Has Changed?

- ✓ Initial Briefing
- ✓ Winter Storm Watch issued for portions of the area

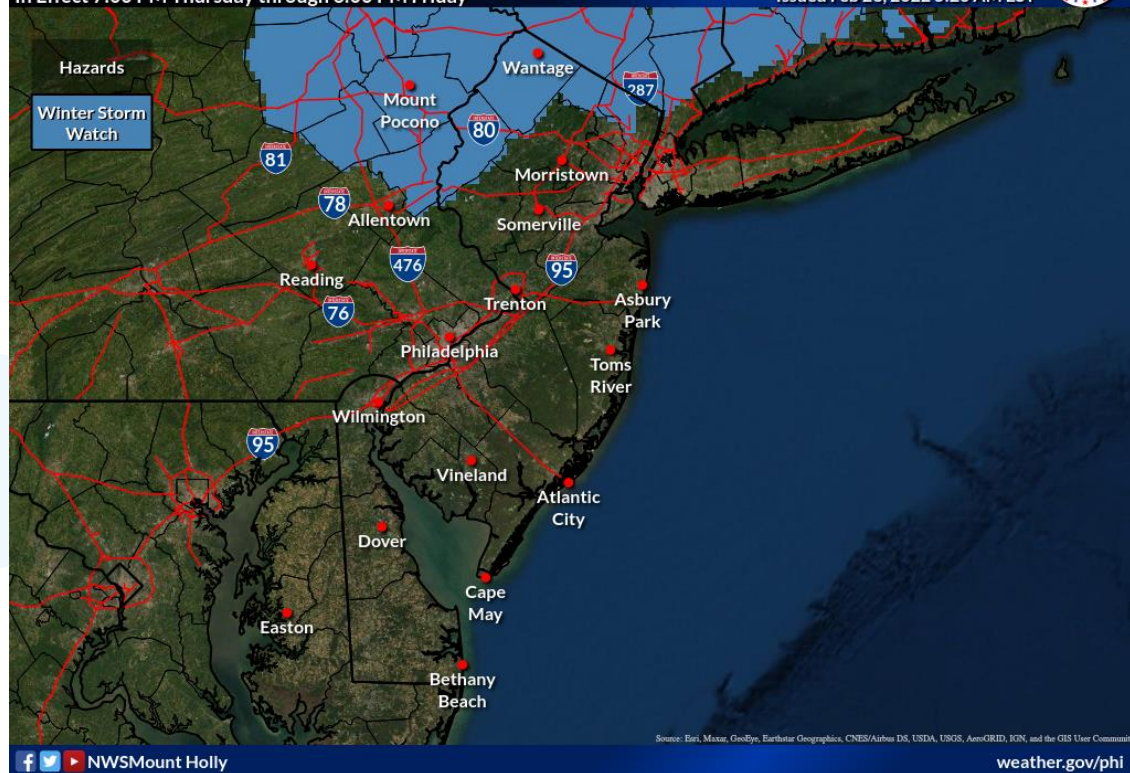
Winter Storm Watch

In Effect 7:00 PM Thursday through 6:00 PM Friday



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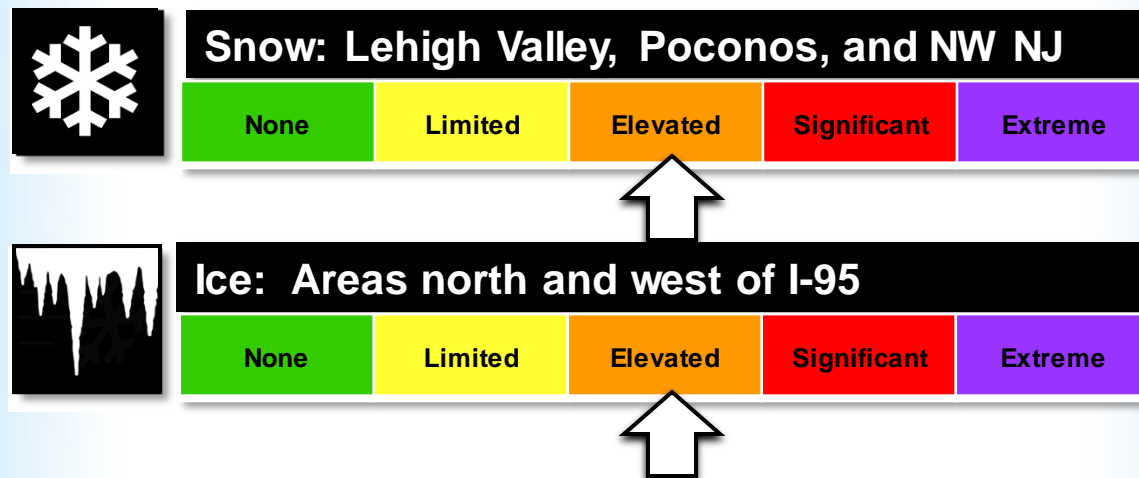
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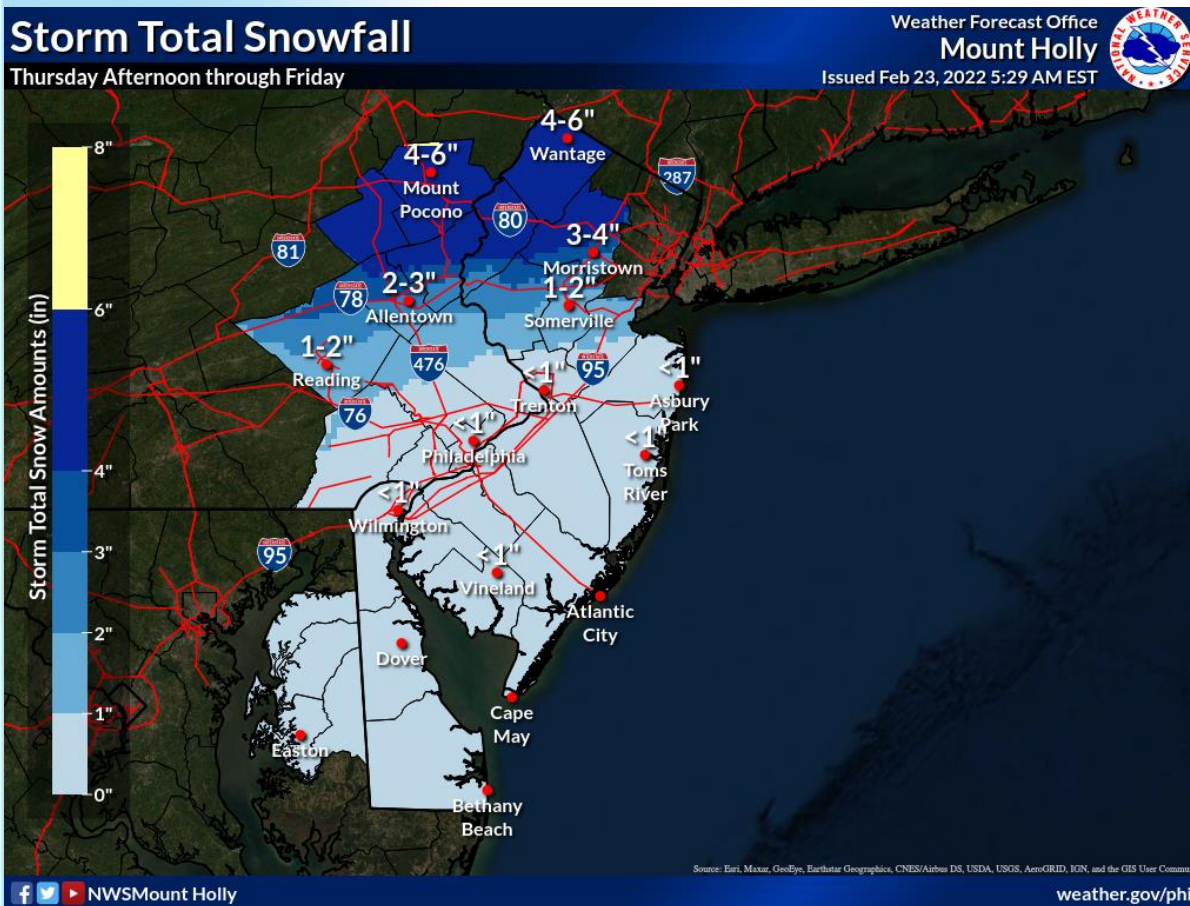
Main Points

Hazard	Impacts	Location	Timing
Snow/Sleet 	<p>Heavy snow and sleet, with amounts of at least 4 to 6 inches, will result in hazardous driving conditions with snow-covered roads</p>	<p>Areas along and north of I-78 in the Lehigh Valley, southern Poconos, and northwestern New Jersey</p>	<p>Thursday evening through Friday evening</p>
Ice 	<p>Ice amounts of one to two tenths of an inch may lead to localized tree damage and power outages.</p>	<p>Areas northwest of I-95, including the western Philadelphia suburbs into the Lehigh Valley and northern New Jersey</p>	<p>Late Thursday afternoon through Friday evening.</p>

Summary of Greatest Impacts



Expected Snowfall Accumulation

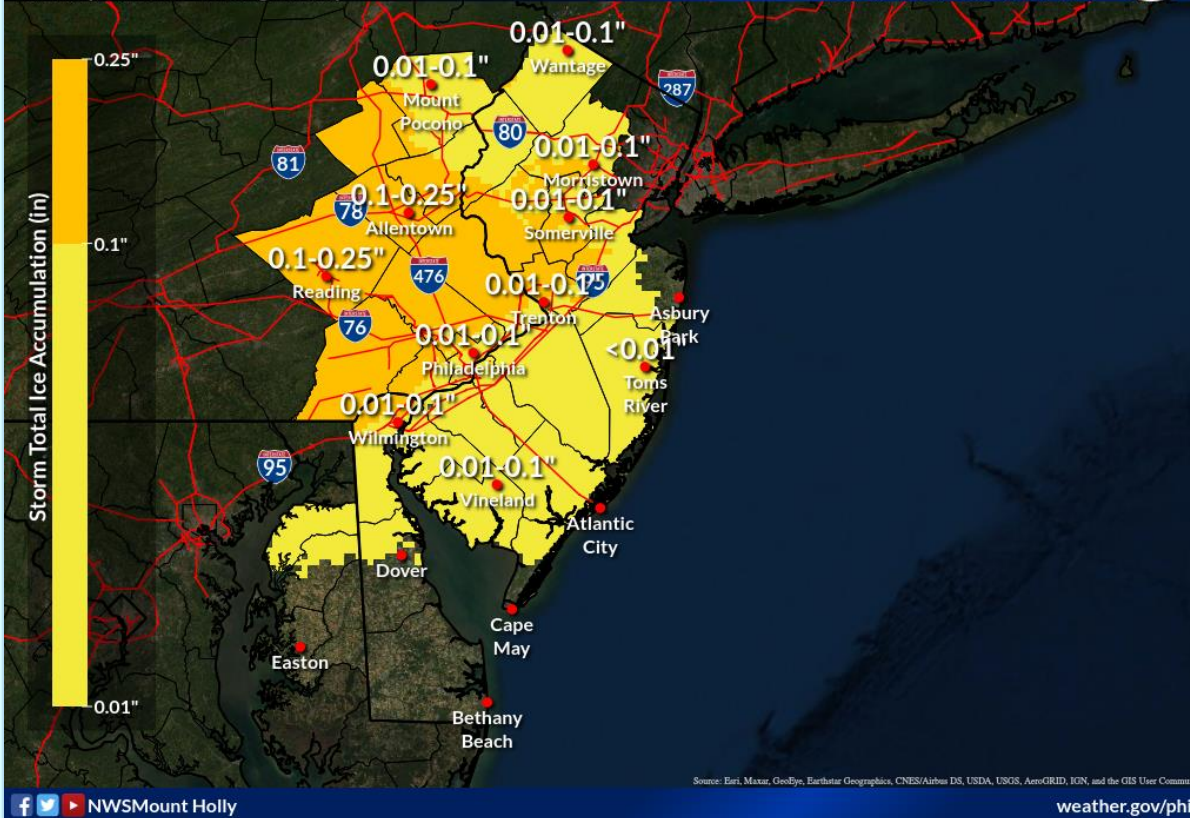


- ✓ Snow to begin late Thursday afternoon for the urban corridor before quickly transitioning to mixed precipitation.
- ✓ Snow will continue longer, mixing with sleet into early Friday morning across the I-78 and I-80 corridors.

Impacts	Extreme			
	Significant			
	Elevated		X	
	Limited			
	None			
		Low	Moderate	High
		Confidence		

Storm Total Ice Accumulation

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Event Summary

- ✓ A **Winter Storm Watch** has been issued for parts of the Lehigh Valley, southern Poconos, and northwestern New Jersey where the greatest impacts from wintry precipitation will likely occur.
- ✓ A period of snow is expected especially near and **north of I-78**, then changing to sleet followed by freezing rain from south to north later Thursday night and Friday morning.
- ✓ From the **I-95 corridor to I-78**, a period of sleet and freezing rain is anticipated before transitioning to rain Friday morning.
- ✓ Significant travel impacts are possible, especially from **I-78 northward**, including the Friday morning commute.

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