



# February 22-23 Winter Storm - Briefing #8

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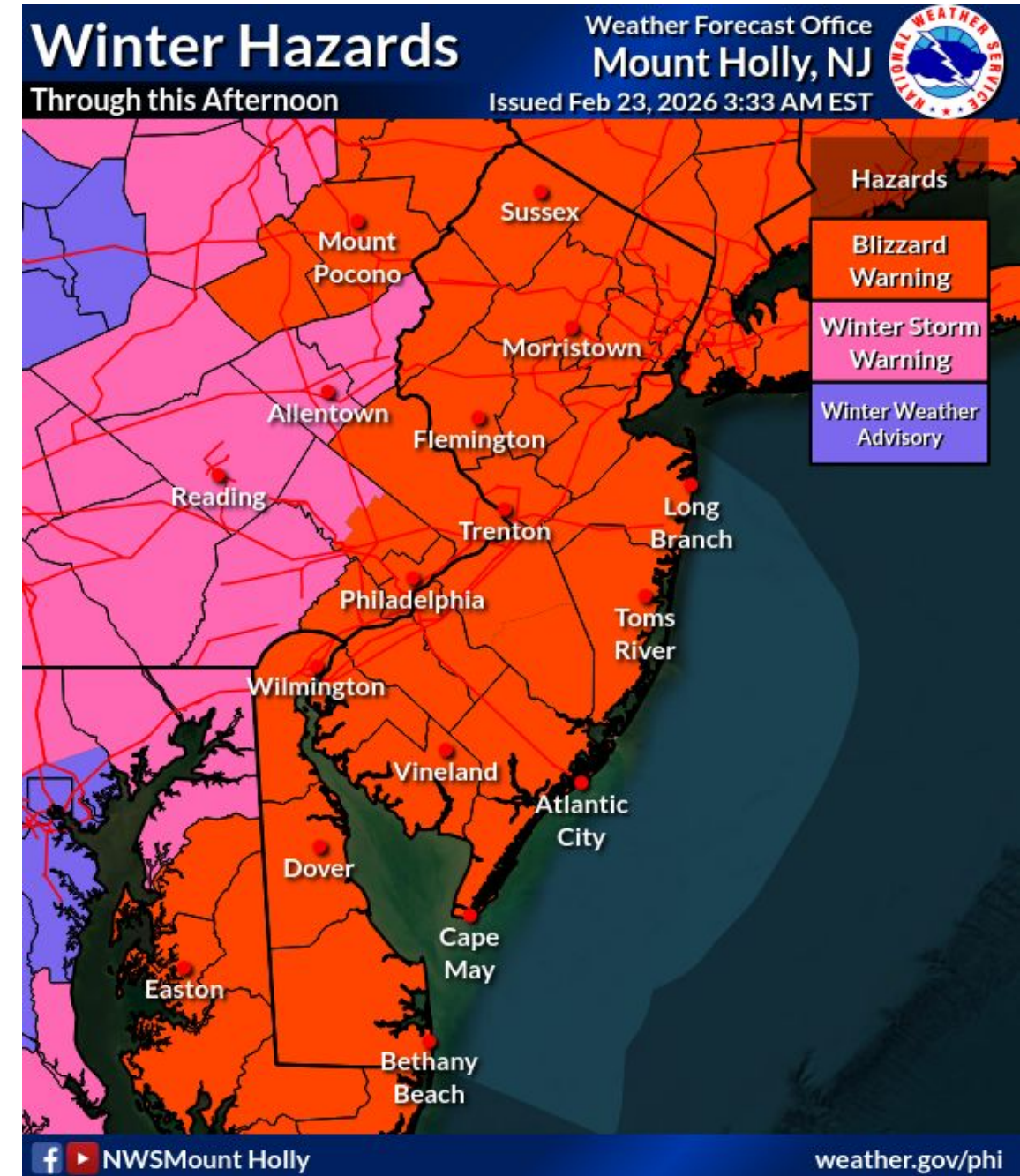
For Delaware, New Jersey, Eastern Pennsylvania, and the Eastern Shore of Maryland

## Decision Support Briefing #8

→ As of 5:00 AM Monday, February 23, 2026

### NEW Important Updates

- High tide cycle of biggest concern for tidal flooding has mostly passed. Widespread minor tidal flooding expected with the high tide midday today. Coastal Flood Advisories have been issued where there were previously Coastal Flood Warnings.
- Heavy snow and strongest winds will continue through late morning, light snow and gusty winds may linger through the afternoon.

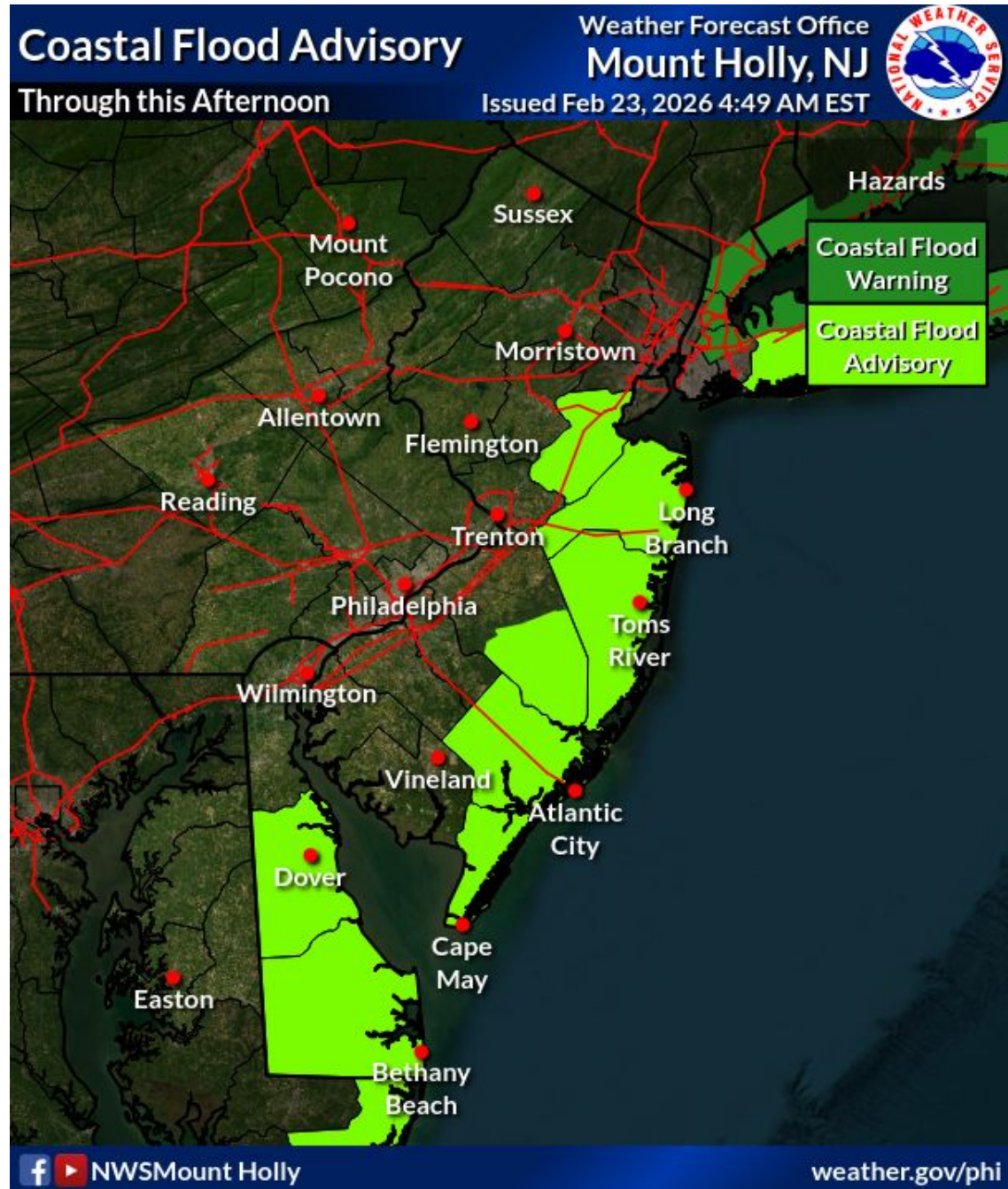




# Watches, Warnings, & Advisories

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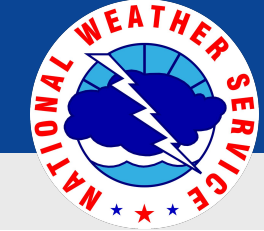
Through Monday



## Key Messages

- A **Coastal Flood Advisory** is in effect for southern shores of the Raritan Bay, Coastal New Jersey, and Central and Southern Delaware through the next high tide cycle midday today.
- Widespread minor flooding is expected.
- Flooding may linger longer and be of higher severity in the back bays as compared to the oceanfront. There is potential for isolated areas of moderate flooding in the back bays with this high tide cycle.








# Main Points for Winter Storm

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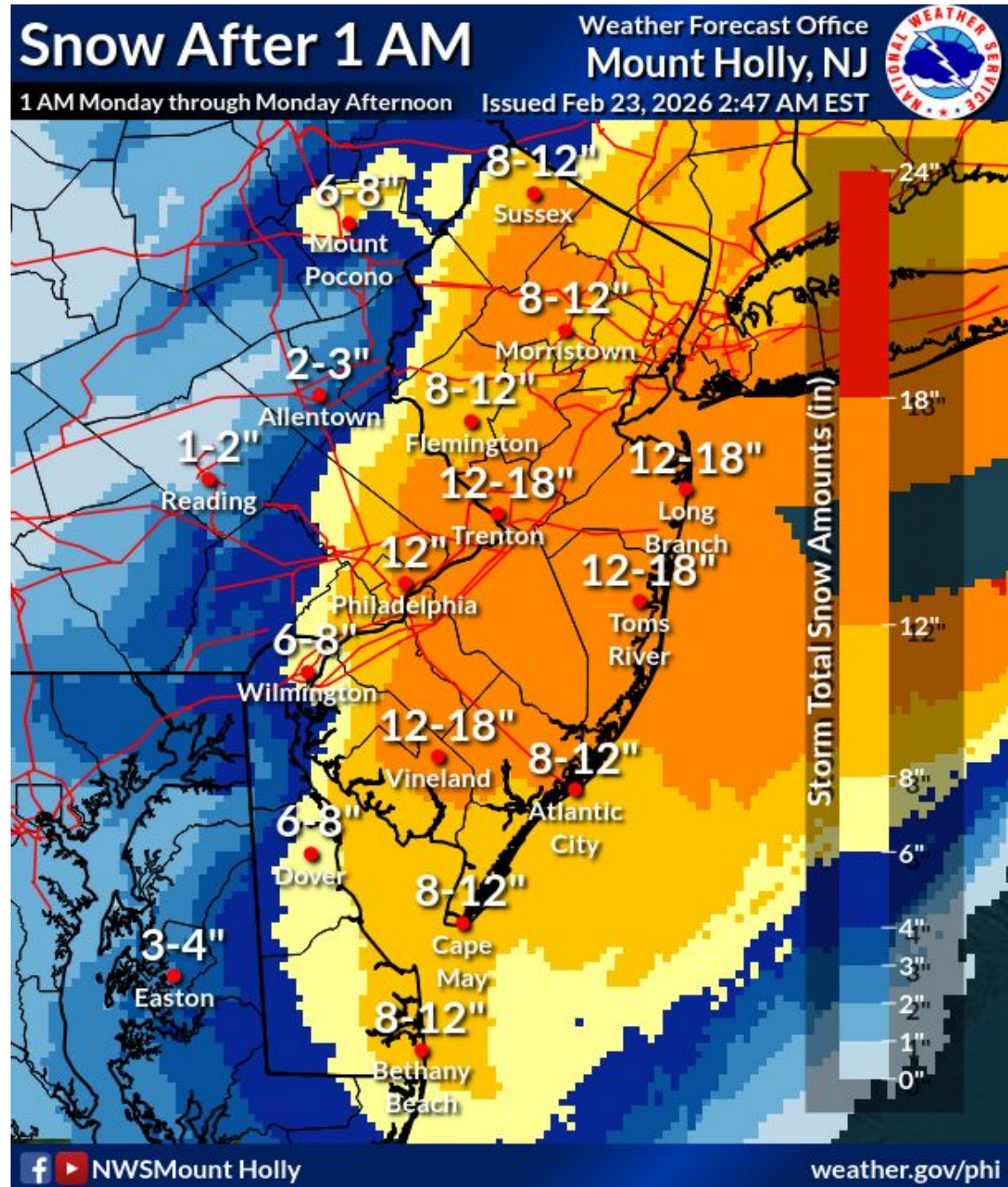
Hazard	Impacts	Location	Timing
<b>Blizzard Conditions</b> 	Blizzard conditions will lead to <b>very difficult to impossible travel conditions. Snowfall rates of 2" or greater will continue to be possible through mid morning.</b> Additional tree and wire damage is likely. Blowing and drifting snow will result in <b>visibilities of ¼ mile or less.</b> Winds gusting up to 60 mph.	Along the I-95 corridor, including all of NJ, all of DE, the Philadelphia Metro/Suburbs, and Carbon/Monroe Counties in PA (Areas covered by a Blizzard Warning)	Heavy snow will continue through late morning. However, blowing and drifting snow will continue to be a concern through the afternoon, even once the snow tapers off.
<b>Heavy Snow</b> 	Heavy snowfall may lead to <b>very difficult to impossible travel conditions. Snowfall rates up to 1" per hour are possible through mid morning.</b> Blowing and drifting of snow possible. Winds gusting up to 40 mph.	Lehigh Valley, portions of southeast PA, and Kent County MD. (Areas covered by a Winter Storm Warning)	Heaviest snowfall will continue through mid morning, though light snow, and breezy conditions will continue through the afternoon.
<b>Coastal Flooding</b> 	Widespread minor tidal flooding is expected for the Atlantic Coast and Delaware Bay with the mid day high tide. Localized areas of moderate tidal flooding possible along the back bays.	Along the Atlantic coastal communities of New Jersey and Delaware and associated back bays.	Centered around the high tide which occurs on the oceanfront between 11 AM and 1 PM Today.



# Expected Snow Accumulations

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Through Monday Afternoon



## Key Messages

- This map doesn't include any snow that fell before 1 AM Monday Morning.
- Heaviest snow banding will continue through late morning with snowfall rates reaching 2 inches per hour or greater.
- The highest snow totals are focused across New Jersey. **Snow will impact the Monday morning commute, and potentially the Monday evening commute across the area.**





# Hourly Snowfall Rates

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This Evening through Monday Morning

## Chance of 1 Hour Snowfall Greater Than 1 in Monday Morning, Feb 23 - Monday Afternoon, Feb 23

	Mon 2/23								
	4am	5am	6am	7am	8am	9am	10am	11am	12pm
Allentown	20%	20%	10%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Atlantic City	100%	100%	100%	95%	65%	25%	10%	10%	1%
Georgetown	40%	40%	25%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Mount Pocono	20%	20%	15%	15%	5%	5%	0%	0%	0%
Philadelphia	70%	70%	50%	35%	20%	10%	5%	5%	0%
Reading	10%	10%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Trenton	90%	90%	75%	50%	40%	20%	15%	15%	5%
Wilmington	45%	45%	25%	15%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Percent Chance (%)

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## Key Messages

- Snowfall rates will begin to taper off by late morning
- Even after then, blowing snow will still cause very dangerous travel conditions, including whiteout conditions.



# Maximum Wind Gusts

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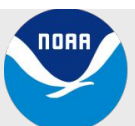
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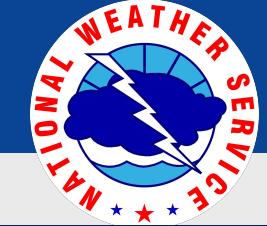
	2/23 Mon						2/24 Tue				Gust Max
	6am	9am	12pm	3pm	6pm	9pm	12am	3am	6am	9am	
Allentown, PA	36	37	37	33	25	22	17	18	20	21	37
Atlantic City, NJ	51	47	43	36	28	28	25	25	25	24	51
Dover, DE	39	39	38	32	24	23	21	21	21	22	39
Easton, MD	39	39	37	33	24	23	24	24	22	22	39
Georgetown, DE	43	40	38	33	24	21	21	21	22	24	43
Hackettstown, NJ	43	41	39	36	29	26	21	21	22	22	43
Mount Pocono, PA	47	47	45	43	40	38	35	35	35	32	47
Philadelphia, PA	38	38	37	31	24	22	16	17	18	21	38
Reading, PA	37	38	38	35	28	23	22	22	24	24	38
Toms River, NJ	47	45	39	31	23	22	18	18	18	21	47
Trenton, NJ	39	39	36	31	23	18	14	15	16	20	39
Wilmington, DE	39	39	38	32	24	22	20	20	20	22	39



## Key Messages

- Strongest winds will continue through midday.
- Location of the strongest winds will be along the coast, where gusts up to 60 mph have been observed.
- Blowing and drifting snow possible through Monday afternoon and evening, even after snowfall ends.





# Marine Conditions

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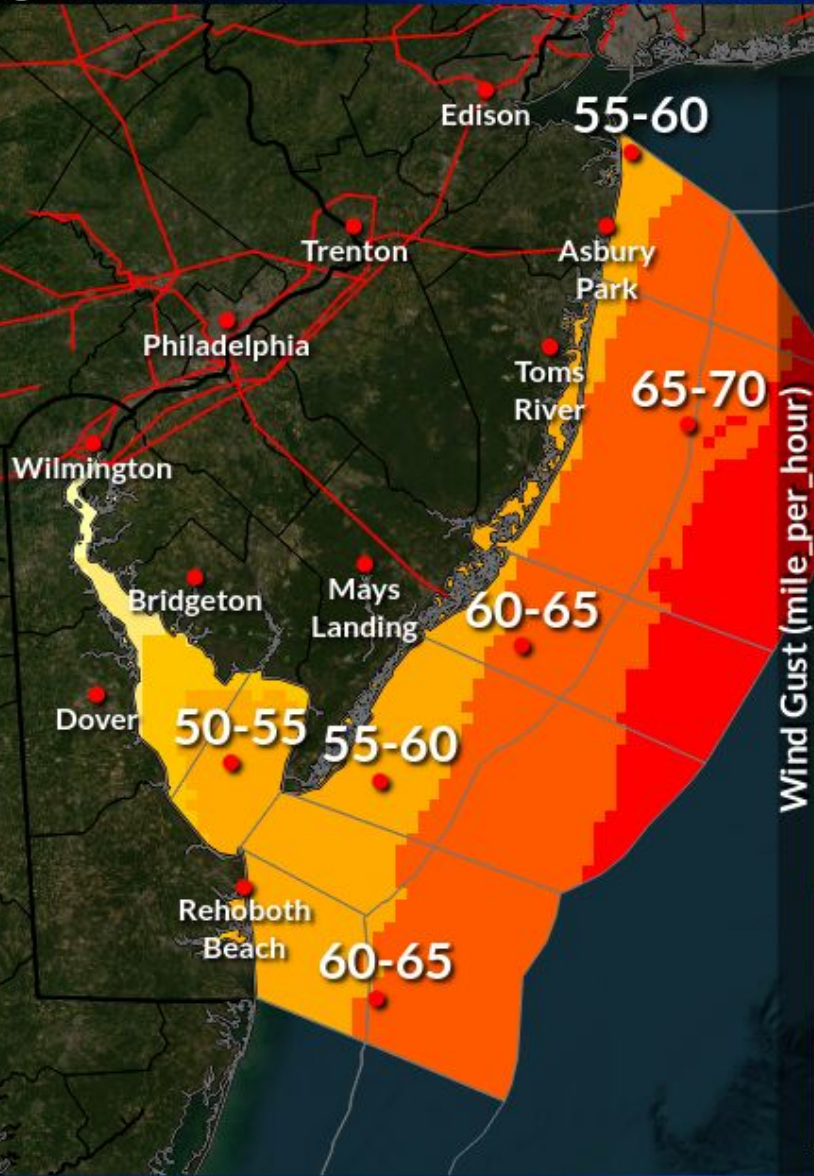
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## Max Wind Gusts

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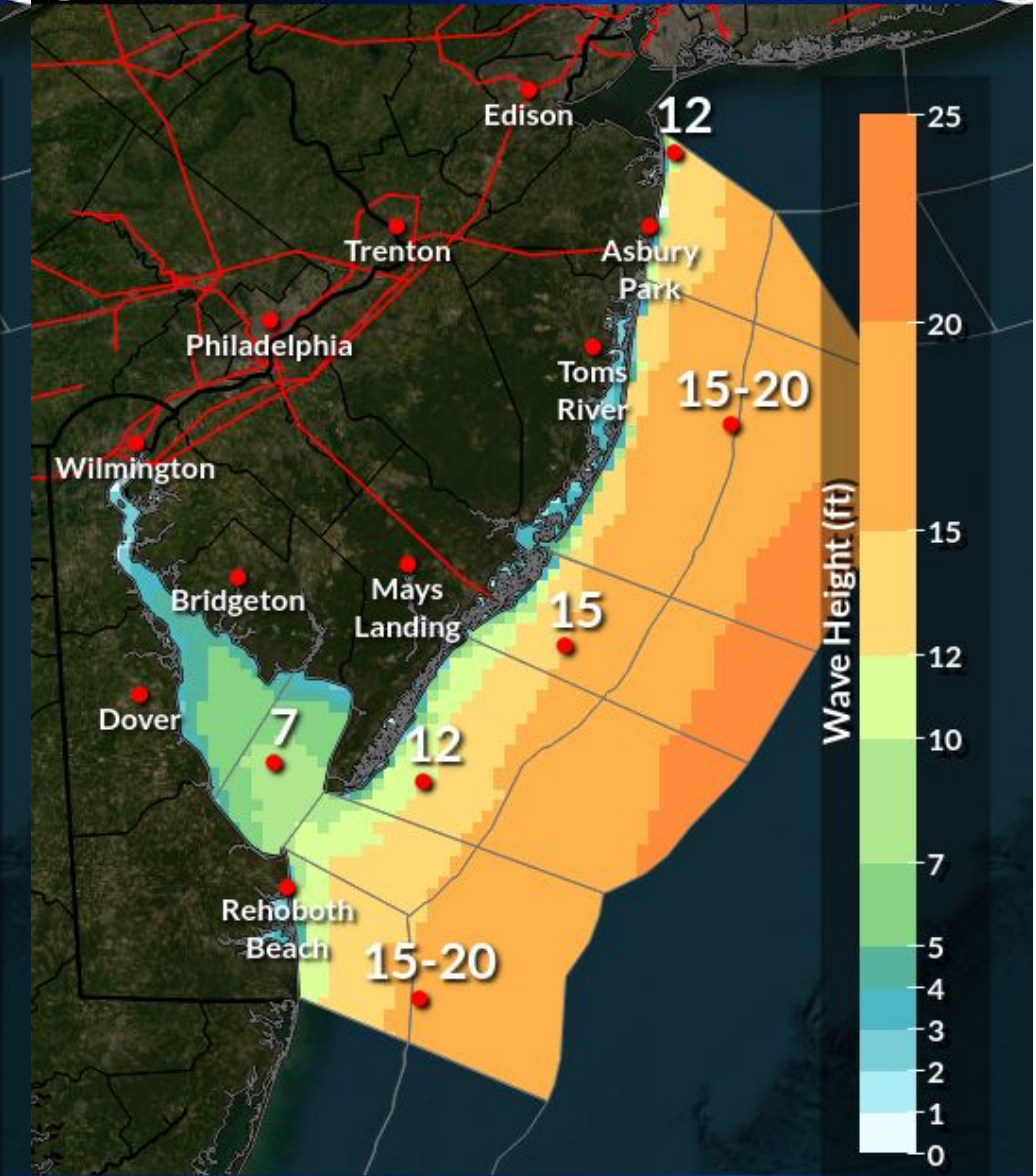
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## Max Wave Heights

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## Key Messages

- The strongest winds will continue through midday.
- Wind gusts will reach upwards of 50-60 knots in the **Storm Warning**.
- Wind gusts upwards of 45 knots in the **Gale Warning**.
- Winds and seas should slowly subside starting late this morning, through Gale conditions are likely to linger through the day time.
- Heavy snow combined with these wind gusts will lead to blowing snow with low visibility.



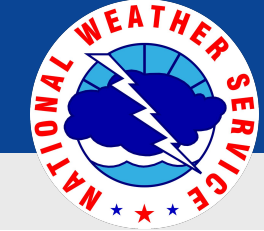
# Summary of Greatest Impacts

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## Key Messages

- A **significant winter storm** is underway across the region. Blowing and drifting snow is likely to continue to be an issue through the day time, even after the snow ends. **Travel will be very difficult to impossible through the morning.**
- Strong winds gusting upwards of 45 mph inland and 60 mph near the coastal areas may lead to **additional power outages** and **tree damage**. For the marine, wind gusts of 50-60 knots where the **Storm Warning** is in effect and 45 knots for the **Gale Warning**.
- Coastal flooding is also forecast for the Atlantic coast. Widespread minor tidal flooding is expected for the Atlantic Coast and Delaware Bay with the mid day high tide. Localized areas of moderate tidal flooding possible along the back bays. Minor tidal flooding may linger with the high tide cycle tonight.





# Contact and Next Briefing Information

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