

Winter Storm Briefing

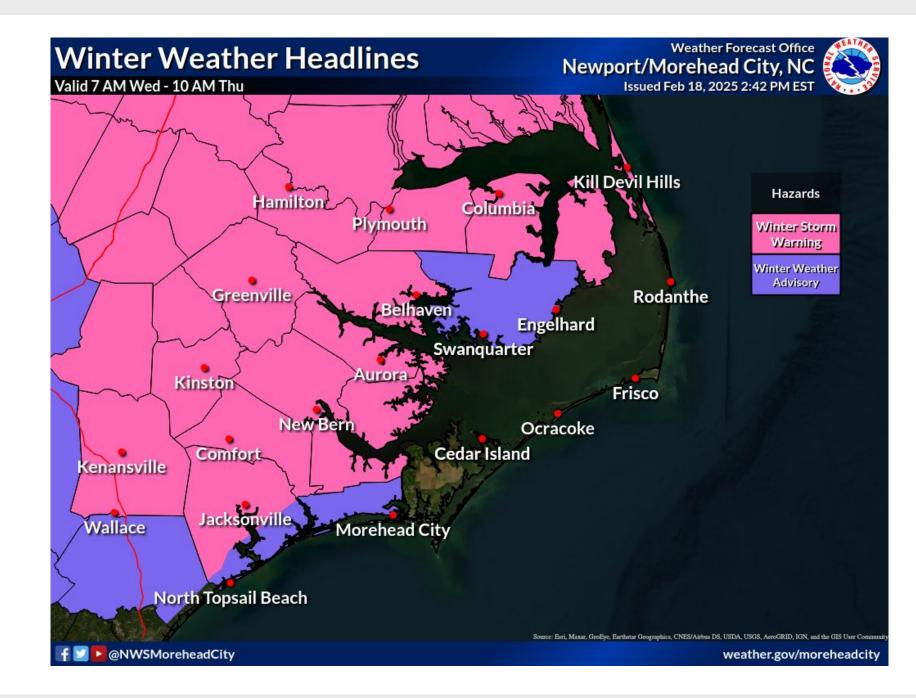
For Eastern North Carolina

Decision Support Briefing #4

→ As of 3:15 PM Tuesday, February 18th, 2025

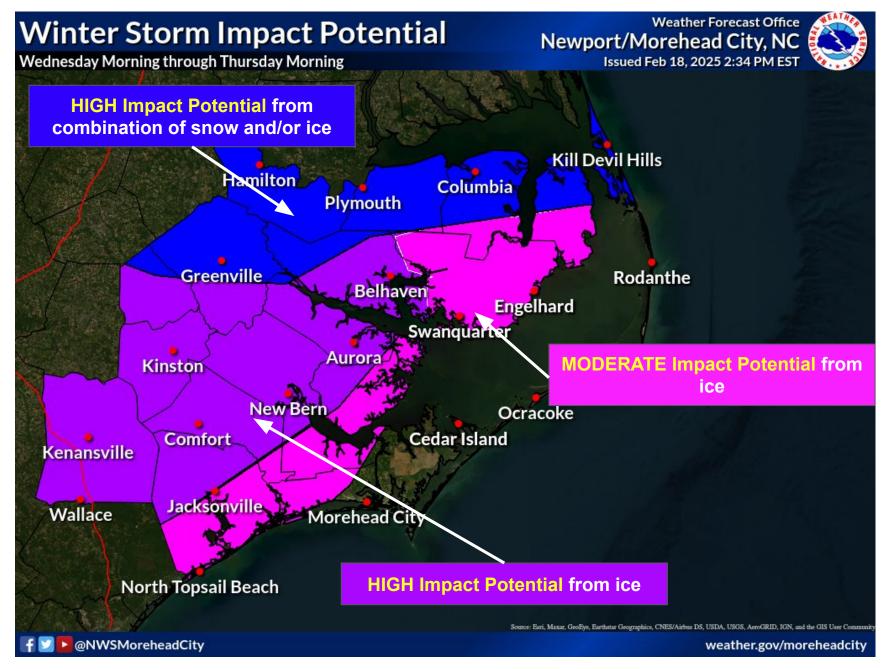


- → Winter Storm Warning now in effect for Mainland Dare county and the Northern Outer Banks
- → Winter Weather Advisory now in effect for Mainland Hyde county
- → Uncertainty remains in the forecast, especially for snowfall amounts north of US 264





Event Overview



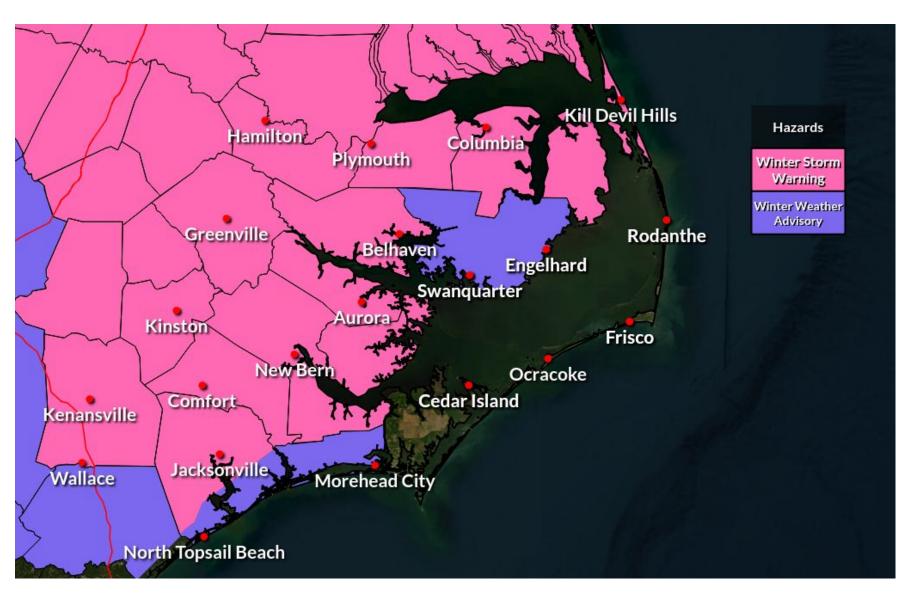
Key Messages

- → Complex winter storm will impact ENC Wednesday & Thursday
- → Best chance of snow is north of US 264
- → Best chance of ice is along and west of US 17
- → Low-to-moderate impacts from snow and/or ice possible elsewhere





Winter Storm Headlines



- → Biggest impacts Wednesday morning through Thursday morning
- → Winter Storm Warning covers areas most likely to see impactful snow and/or ice
- → Winter Weather Advisory remains where light accumulations and lesser impacts are expected



Threat Levels/Timing - Max Values

For Eastern North Carolina

	Tues Night Wednesday We				Wed.	Ved. Night Thursday			Thurs. Night	
Hazardous Travel	0	0	1	2	3	3	2	1	2	2
Snow	0	0	1	3	3	2	1	0	0	0
Ice	0	0	1	3	3	2	0	0	0	0
Rain/Flood	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
Marine	0	0	1	2	3	3	2	1	1	1

Effects and Impacts Legend

- **0** Little to No Impact
- 1 Minor Impact
- 2 Moderate Impact
- **3** High Impact
- **4** Extreme Impact

Key Messages

- Timing and threat levels are based on the most likely or current track. These are subject to CHANGE.
- Continue to monitor future updates and do not anchor on one forecast!



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Timeline of Wintry Precipitation

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	Wed 6A-12P	Wed 12-6 PM	Wed 6P-12A	Thurs 12-6 AM	Thurs 6A-12P	
New Bern						
Greenville						
Kinston						
Jacksonville						
Morehead City						
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What We Know

- Highest threat for snow and/or ice will be along and west of US 17 and north of US 264.
- The majority of the event will be Wednesday and Wednesday night.

Uncertainties

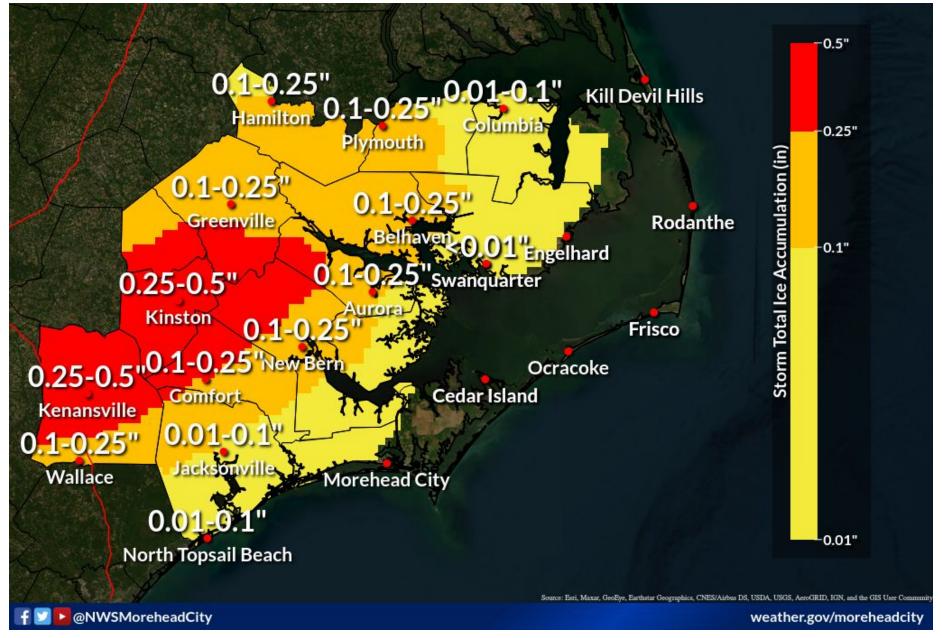
- Precipitation types and amounts are dependent on the storm track and MAY CHANGE dramatically from town to town, especially as you go inland away from the coast.
- There is potential for higher snow totals north of US 264 and areas near the Albemarle Sound.

Precipitation Type Snow Snow/Ice/Sleet Rain None





Expected Storm Total Ice

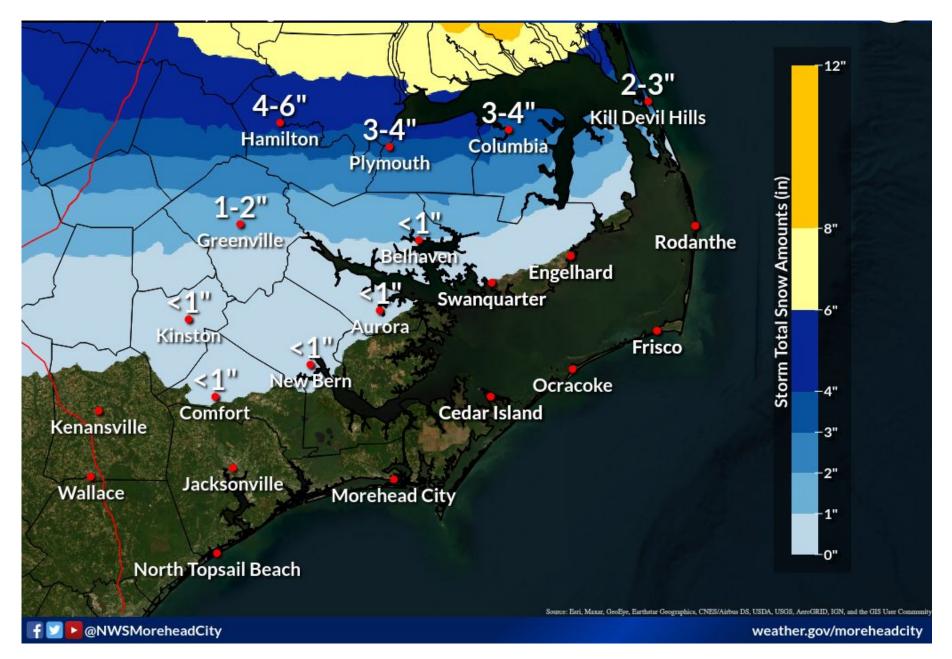


- → Forecast amounts have changed little from the last update
- Biggest impact tomorrow morning through Wednesday night
- → Heavier icing is most likely along and west of US 17
- → A small amount of ice can have a big impact, especially on bridges and overpasses





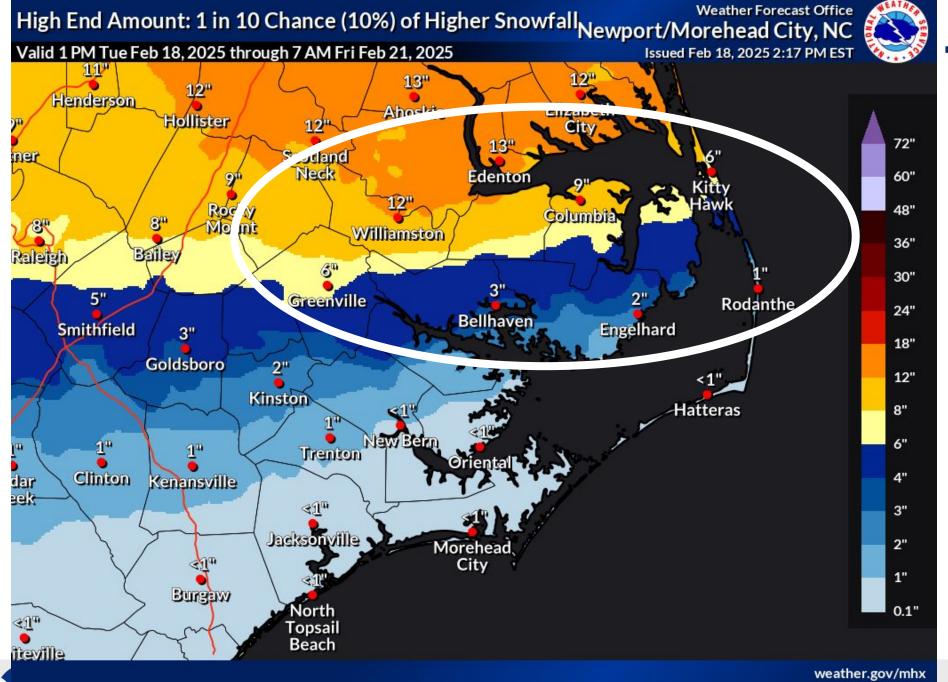
Expected Storm Total Snow



- → Forecast amounts have increased slightly for areas near the Albemarle Sound since the last update.
- → Generally, there is potential for higher snowfall totals north of US 264.
- → Biggest impact late Wednesday into Thursday morning.
- → Accumulating snow and ice possible on roads due to lingering cold air.



A "Worst Case Scenario" High End Snowfall



- → **IF** a colder solution were to take place, these are the high end snowfall totals. In other words this is the maximum amount of snow possible with this storm.
- → Areas from Greenville east to the Northern Outer Banks have the best chances to see these high end snow totals due to their location relative to the low pressure system.

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Prepare Your Home for Winter Weather!

Winter storms can knock out power and keep you from traveling for days



Keep enough non-perishable food, water and medications for at least 3 days



Ensure you have warm clothing and blankets



Make sure you have an updated first aid kit



Charge your phone in advance and check for Wireless Emergency Alerts



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Staying warm when the power is out

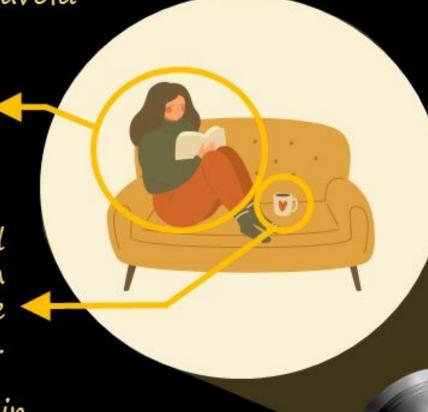
Close blinds or curtains to keep in some heat.

Close off rooms to avoid wasting heat.

Wear layers of loosefitting, lightweight, warm clothing.

Eat and drink. Food provides energy to warm the body. Avoid caffeine and alcohol.

Stuff towels or rags in cracks under doors.





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