Coastal Storm Wednesday November 26, 2014

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Purpose of Briefing



- Briefing # 1
- To promote situational awareness for the emergency management community and for other partners.
- To provide guidance for planning efforts.
- The briefing applies to the WFO Mount Holly service area which is shaded in green on the map.





Executive Summary

New information with this briefing package:

Low pressure is forecast to develop over the eastern Gulf of Mexico on Tuesday night. The low is expected to intensify as it tracks north northeastward along the East Coast. The center of the low is anticipated to pass over the waters off Delaware and New Jersey on Wednesday evening before reaching New England and its coastal waters late on Wednesday night.

Precipitation is forecast to overspread our region from the south on Wednesday morning. At this time, the precipitation is expected to be mainly rain during the daylight hours on Wednesday from the Interstate 95 corridor southeastward and mainly snow at locations well to the northwest, including parts of Berks County, the Lehigh Valley, the Poconos and northwestern New Jersey. The rain-snow line is anticipated to move southeastward on Wednesday night with the rain changing to snow along the Interstate 95 corridor. The precipitation is forecast to come to an end in our region early on Thanksgiving morning.

Snowfall amounts of 4 inches or greater are possible to the northwest of the Interstate 95 corridor from Wednesday into Wednesday night.

The wintery precipitation has the potential to negatively impact the busy holiday travel period from Wednesday into Wednesday night.

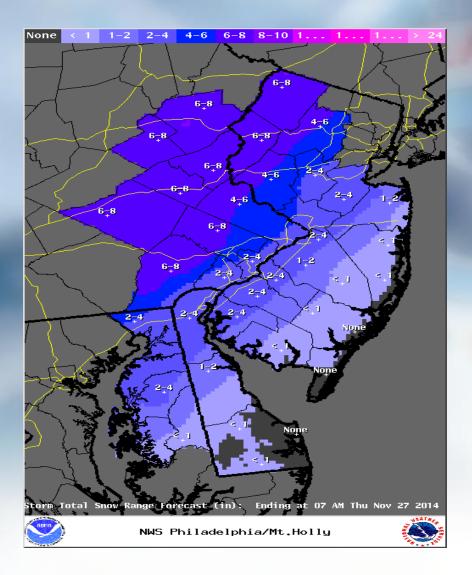
Northerly winds are forecast to increase to 10 to 20 mph on Wednesday with gusts to 25 or 30 mph possible. The wind is expected to become northwest on Wednesday night.

Gale force wind gusts are possible on the coastal waters of New Jersey and Delaware from Wednesday into Wednesday night.

Another briefing package for this event will be issued around 330 PM on Monday barring any significant changes. Please monitor our website at www.weather.gov/PHI for the latest updates and changes.



Projected snowfall amounts for the 24-hour period from 700 AM Wednesday 11/26 through 700 AM Thursday 11/27



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The wintry precipitation has the potential to negatively impact the busy holiday travel period from Wednesday into Wednesday night.

The forecast amounts are subject to change as new forecast guidance becomes available over the coming days.





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