



Impactful Winter Storm Wednesday

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First significant snowfall of the season

Key Messages:

- Snow, heavy at times, is expected Wednesday and Wednesday night.
- Snow is expected to significantly impact the Wednesday afternoon/evening commute.
- Travel conditions will be hazardous Wednesday and Wednesday night.

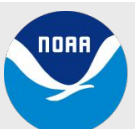
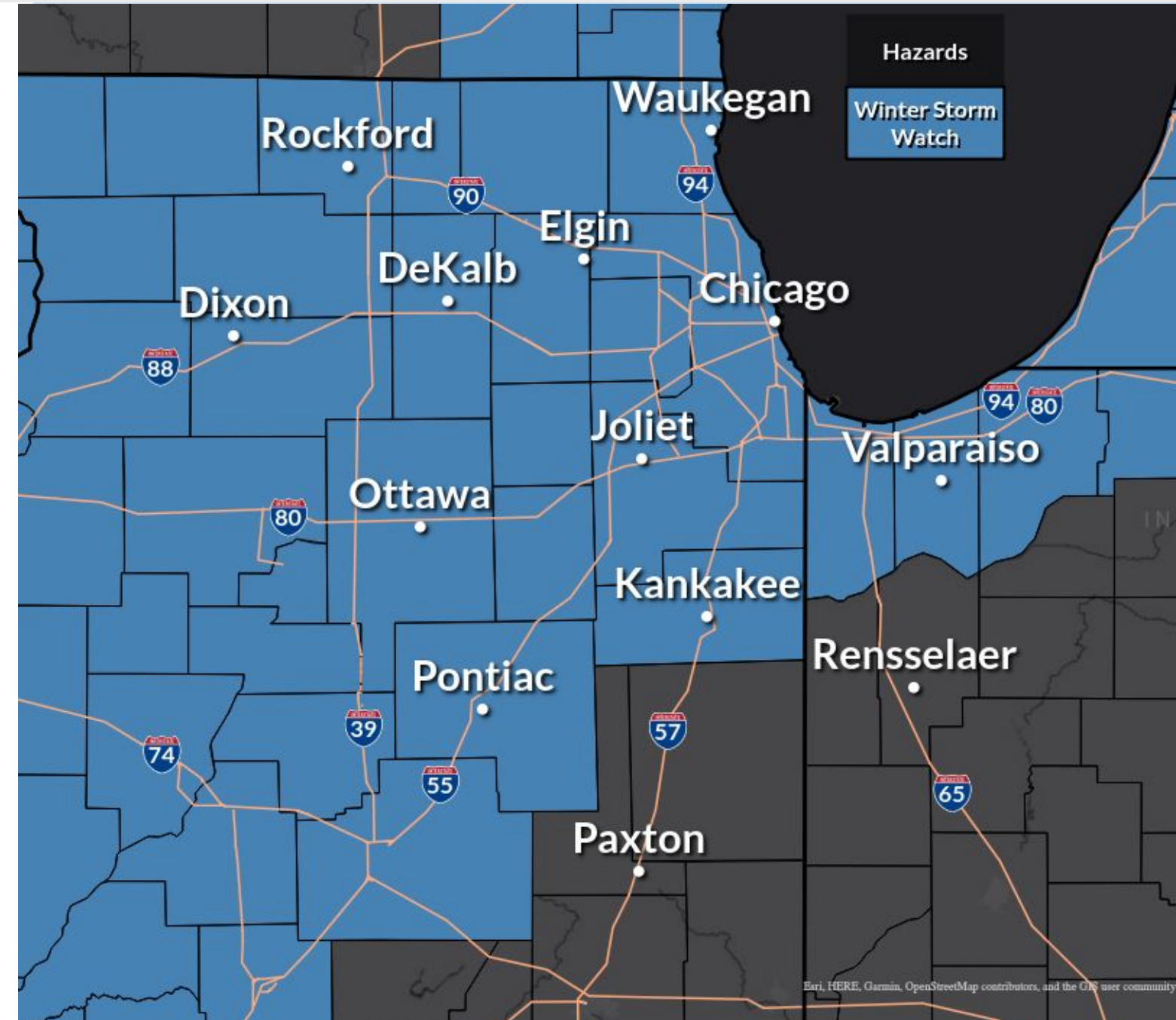
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What Has Changed:

- A Winter Storm Watch has been issued for portions of the area.

Next Scheduled Update:

- By 6 AM CST Tuesday, February 11



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Snow will result in treacherous travel conditions Wednesday afternoon and evening

What To Expect



Moderate to Heavy Snow

Total snow accumulations of > 6" possible



SHARPLY
REDUCED
VISIBILITY



SNOW
COVERED
ROADS



TREACHEROUS
TRAVEL



Wednesday Morning - Night

Heaviest snow expected in the afternoon and early evening, including during the PM commute



Area-Wide

Highest totals favoring near and NW of the I-55 corridor (this could change!)

What To Do

- ✓ Stay tuned for the latest forecast updates!
- ✓ Consider altering or postponing travel plans.



Photo: Craig Newman

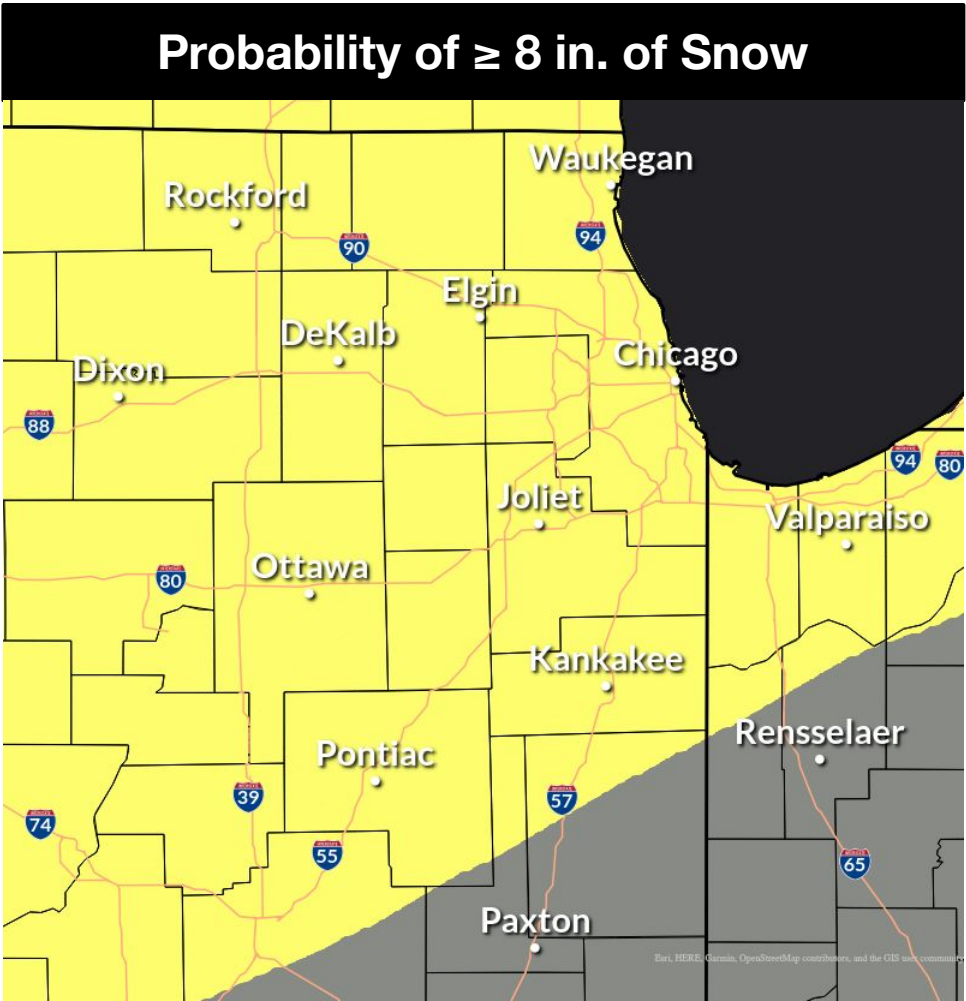
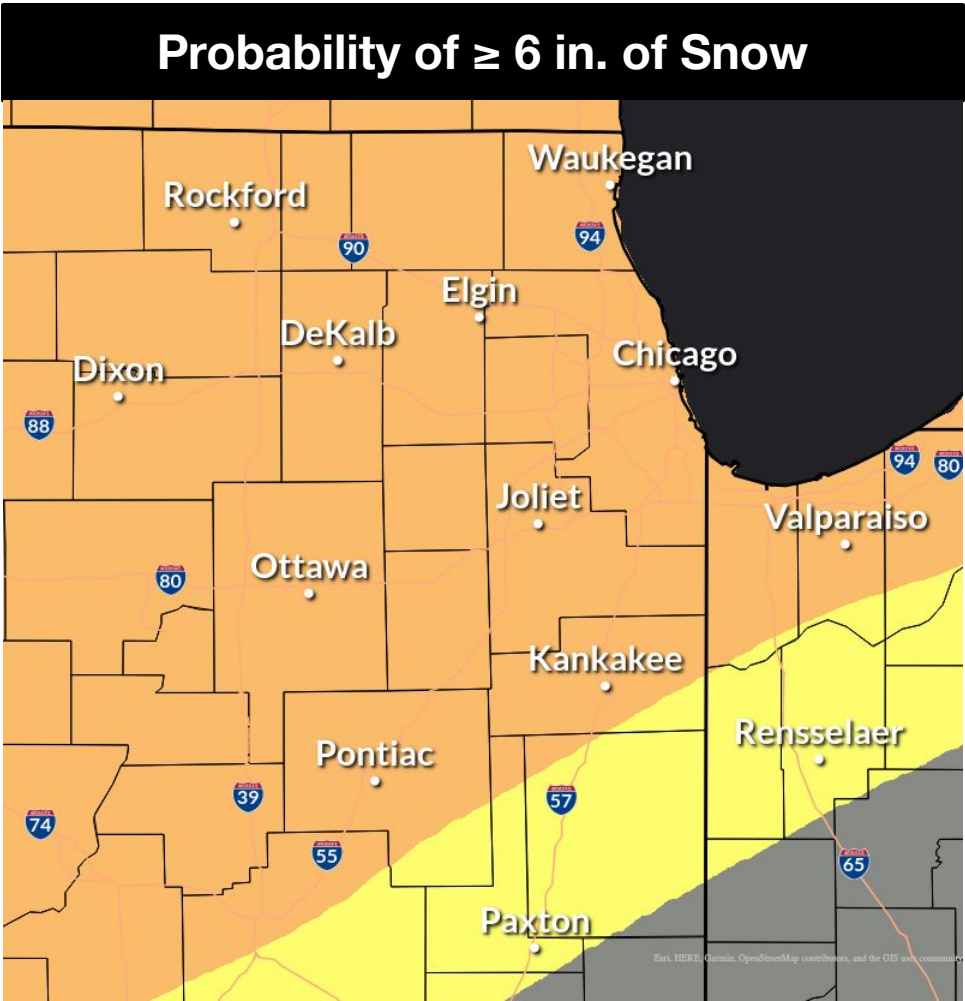
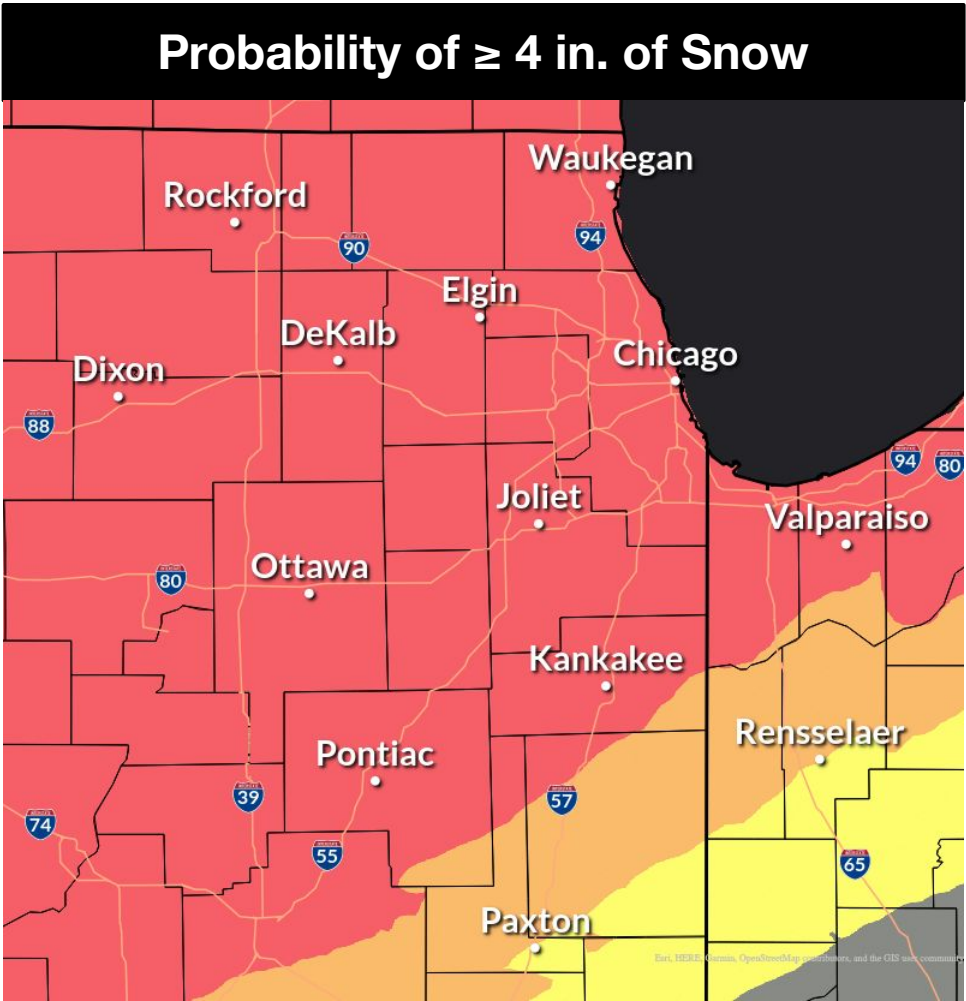




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Snow Accumulation Probabilities



Low: 10-40%	Medium: 40-70%	High: > 70%
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Winter Preparedness and Safety Information

Winter Storm Planning Timeline

A few days out

If the forecast calls for winter weather, start preparing now.



Have emergency supplies for your home & car



Check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors



Replenish fuel for your car and heating sources

The day before

Forecast accuracy continues to improve, so keep checking the latest.



Adjust plans



Have multiple ways to receive Warnings



Bring pets indoors and ensure they have water

During & After

*Remain vigilant and stay informed.
Drive only if necessary.*



Check on neighbors and family



Properly ventilate emergency heat sources

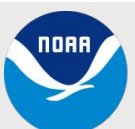


Keep generators at least 20 feet from your home



Take it easy when shoveling

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Additional Resources

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[Winter Weather Safety & Preparedness](#)

Winter-related safety graphics and messaging

[Graphical Hazardous Weather Outlook](#)

Helps to determine which days you need to be mindful of hazardous weather

[Winter Weather Liaison Webpage](#)

One-stop-shop for winter weather-related forecast information

[Official Snowfall Observations](#)

Six hourly snowfall observations for Chicago, Rockford, and Romeoville

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