

Heavy Rain and Flood Threat

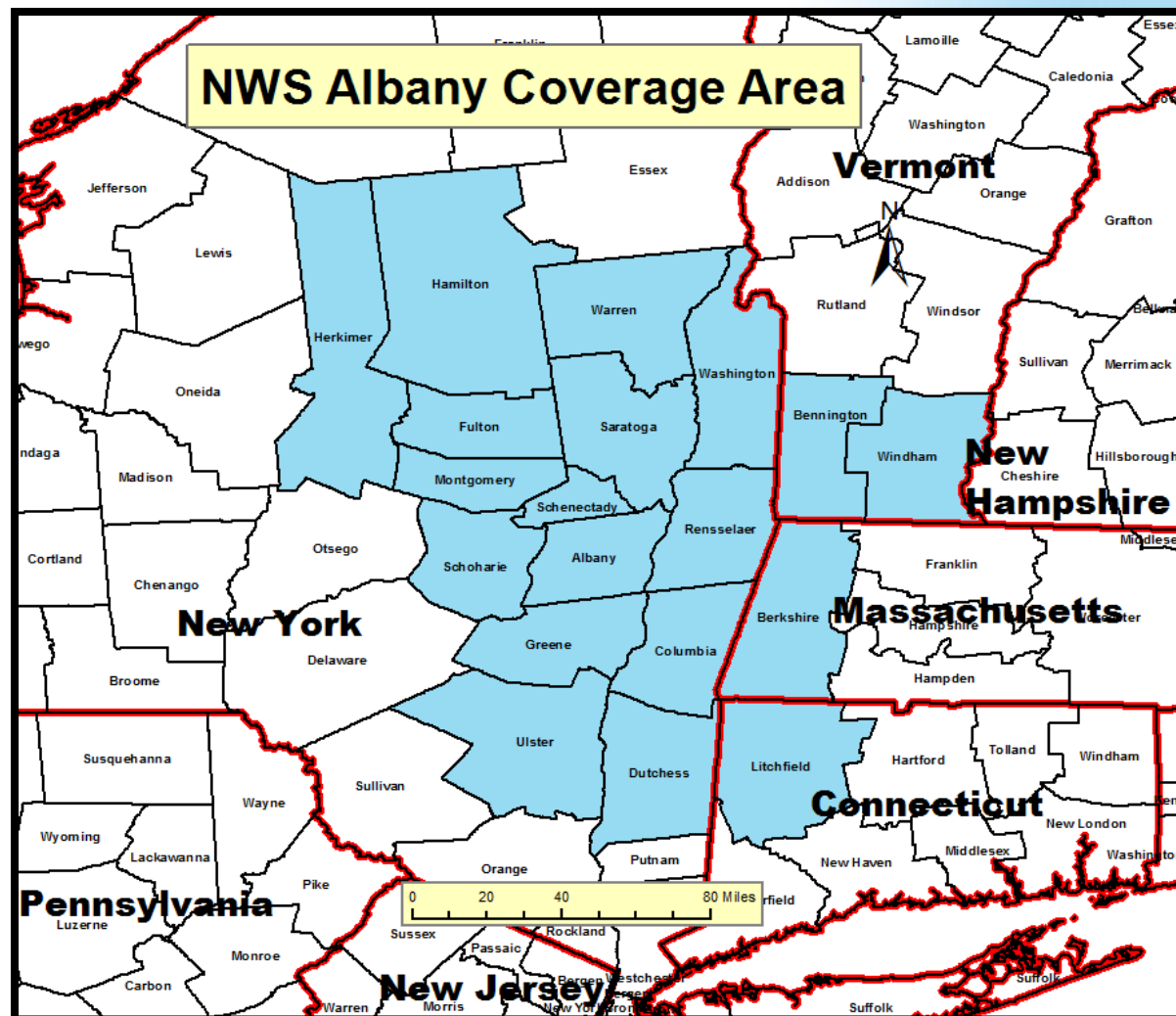
Decision Support Briefing #3

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**FLOODING AHEAD
TURN AROUND
DON'T DROWN**

What Has Changed?

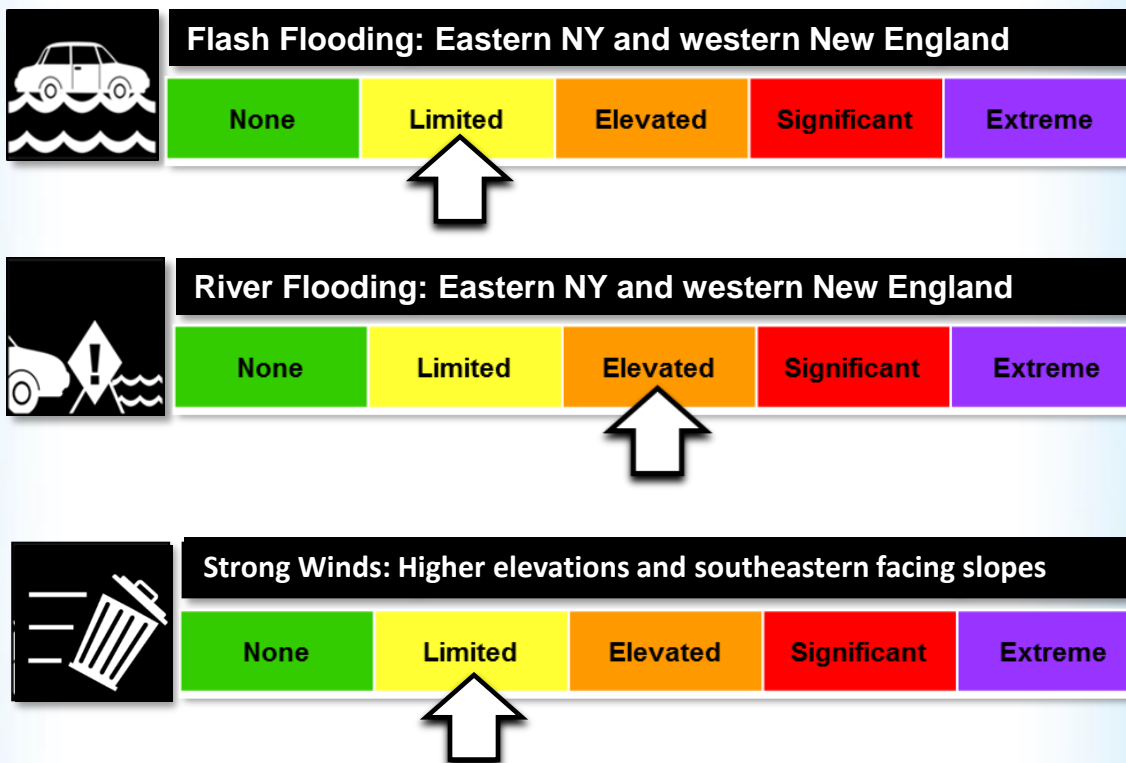
- ✓ Wind Advisory expanded to include the southern Berkshires, central Taconics, western Adirondacks, central and southeaster Catskills, from 1 AM to 11 AM Friday.



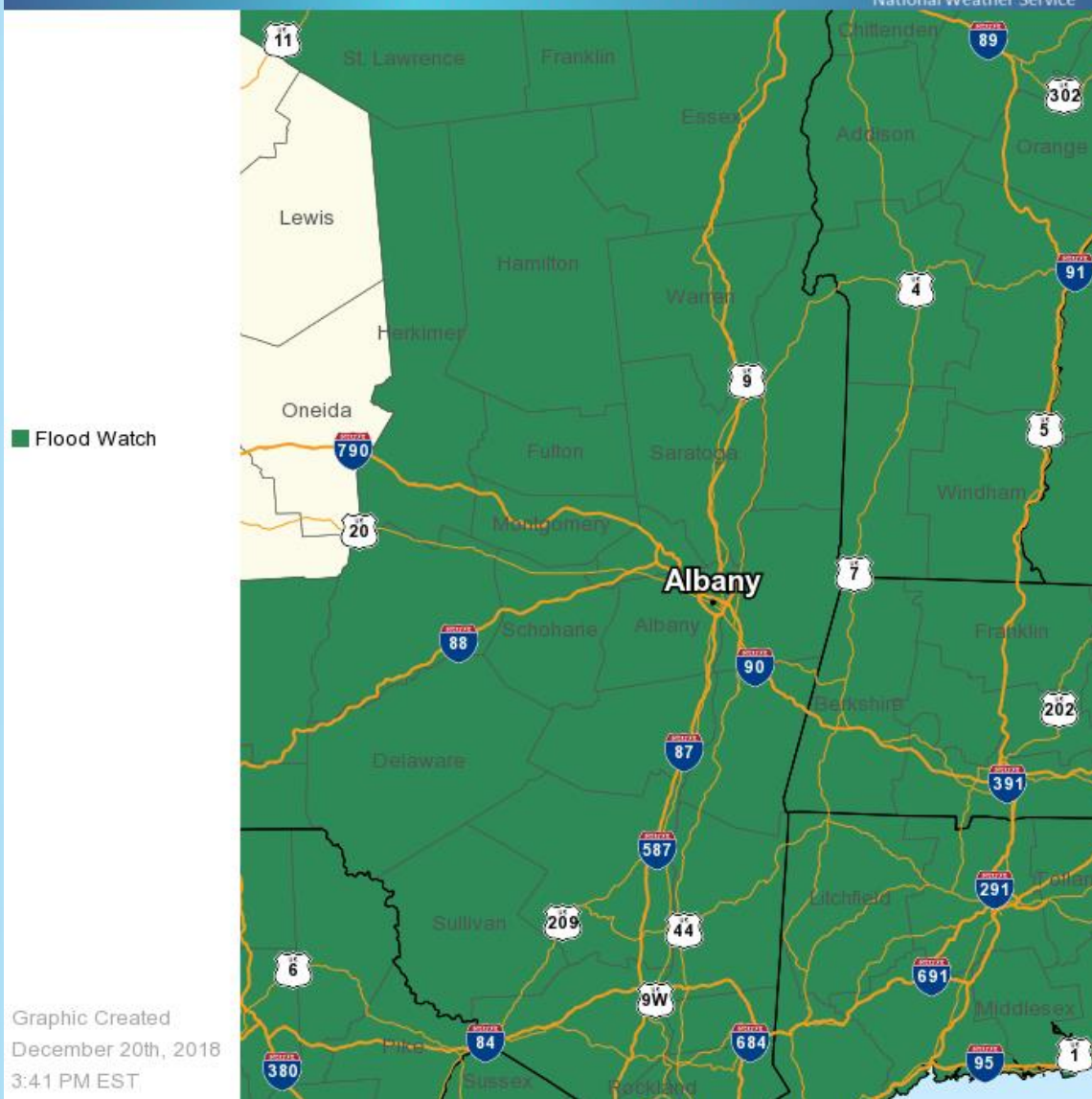
Main Points

Hazard	Impacts	Location	Timing
Urban/ Poor Drainage Flooding 	Flooding of creeks, streams, urban areas, and poor drainage areas. Water may cover roads, especially in low lying areas.	Eastern New York and western New England	Late tonight through Friday
River Flooding 	Minor flooding is forecast along several area rivers. Roads and structures near these rivers may flood.	Eastern New York and western New England	Friday into Saturday
Strong Wind 	Downed tree limbs, possibly resulting in isolated power outages.	Mainly above 2000' elevation in eastern New York and western New England	Late tonight into Friday evening

Summary of Greatest Impacts



Flood Watches Warnings and Advisories

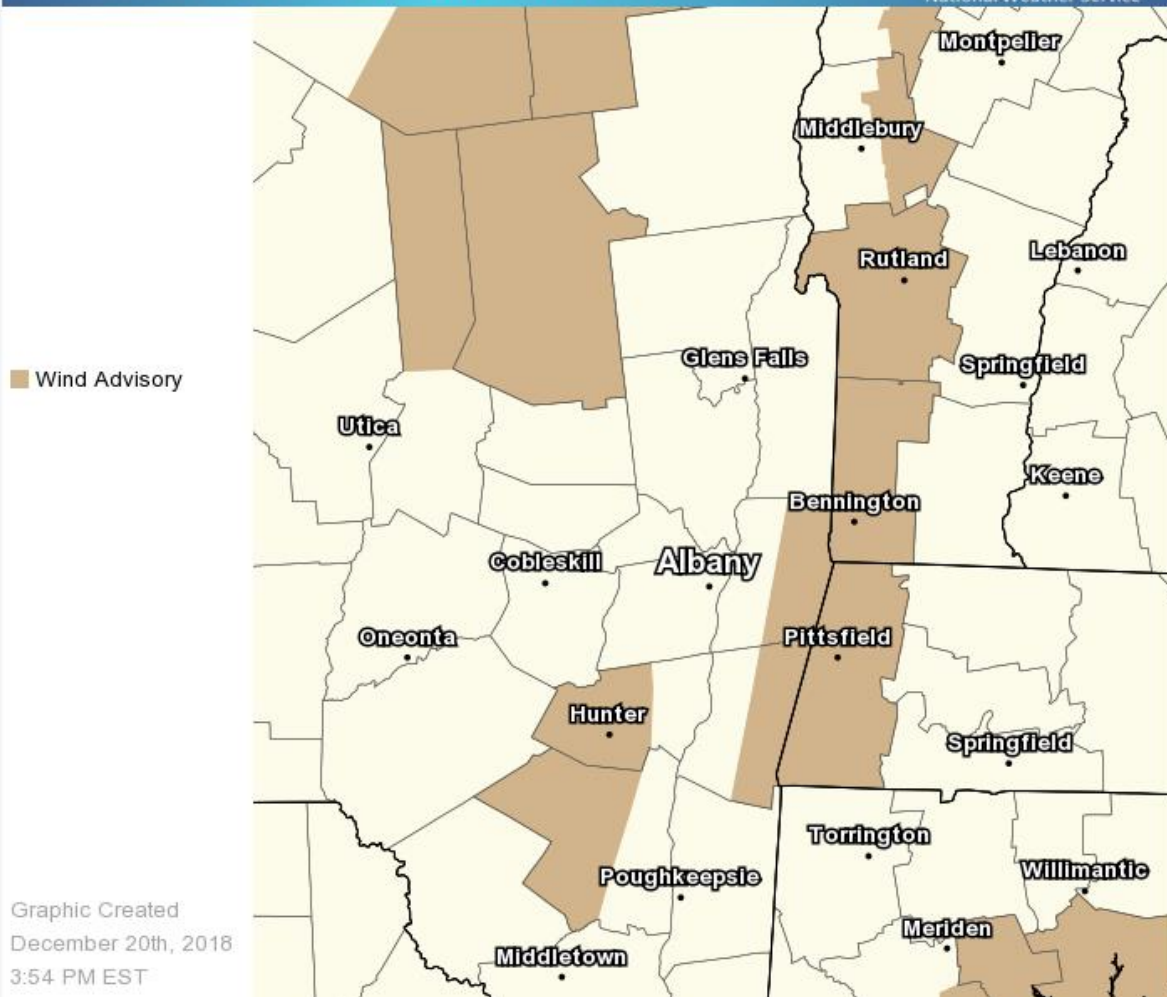


Flood Watch

In effect late tonight through late Friday night for all of eastern New York and western New England

Wind Watches Warnings and Advisories

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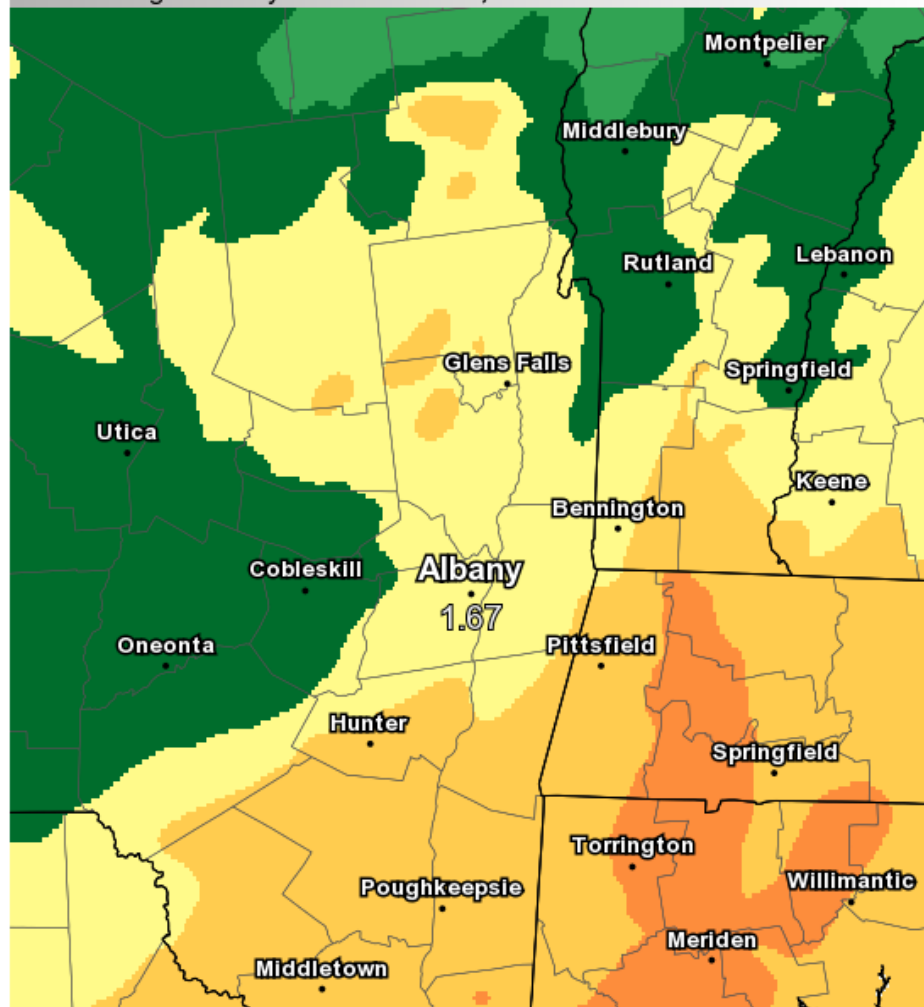
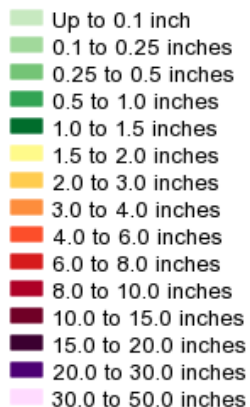
Wind Advisory

In effect 1AM to 11AM Friday for the northern and central Taconics, Berkshires, central and southeastern Catskills, western Adirondacks and Bennington County, VT

Forecast Precipitation

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Valid Ending Saturday December 22nd, 2018 at 1 PM EST



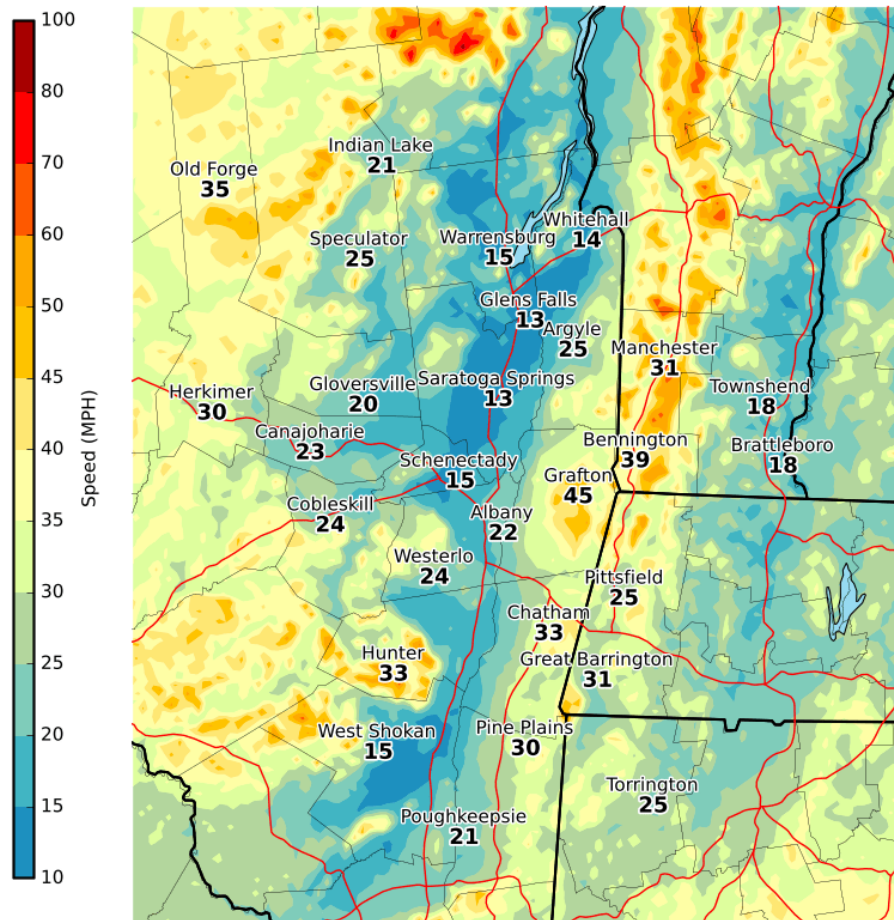
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Forecast Rainfall

- ✓ Valid tonight through Saturday morning

Max Wind Gusts

Valid: 12/20/2018 01:00 PM - 12/21/2018 01:00 PM EST



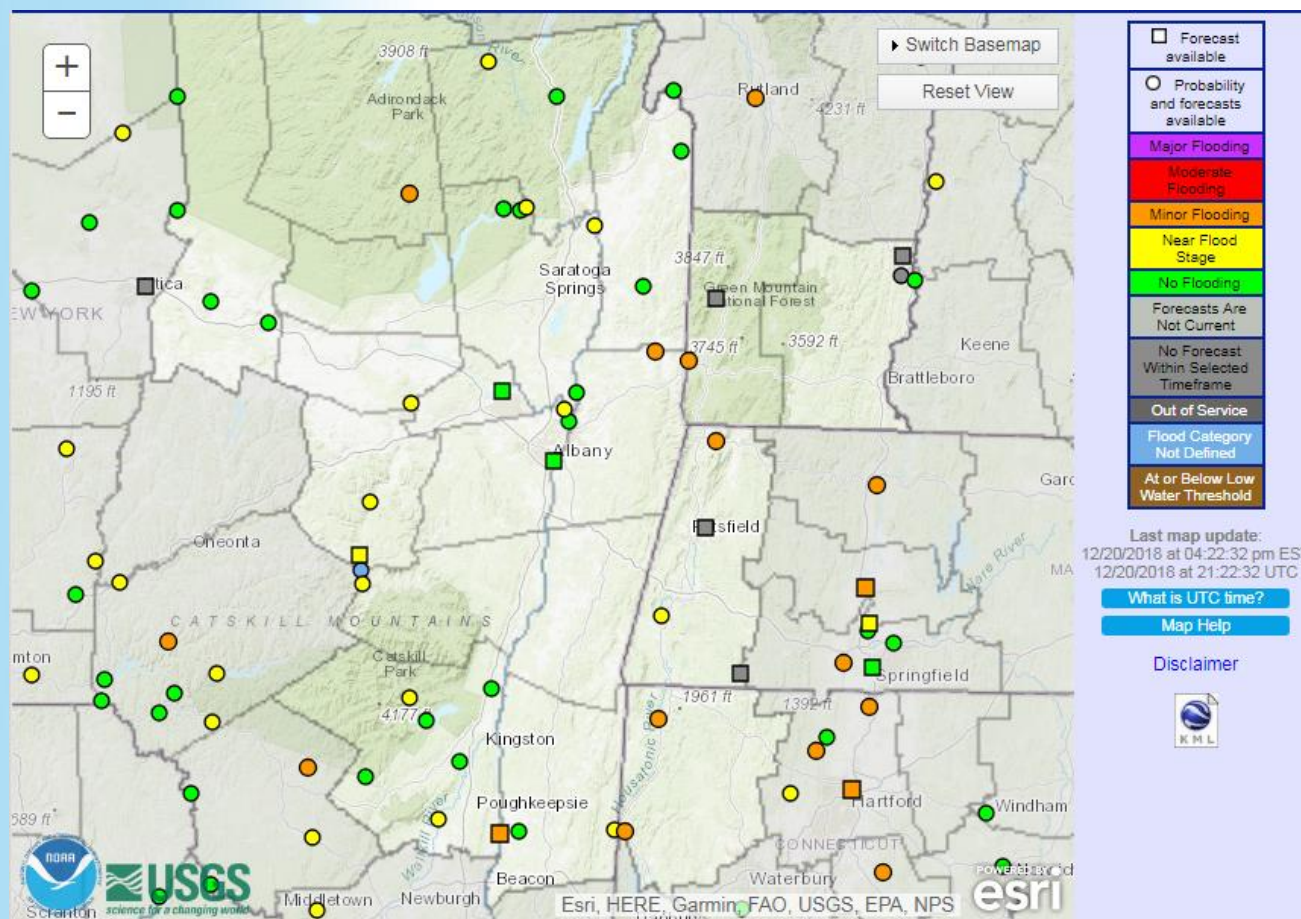
Forecast Wind Gusts

- ✓ Strongest winds expected late tonight into Friday evening
- ✓ Winds could gust to 50 mph across the higher terrain mainly above 2000'



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River Forecasts:

- ✓ Minor flooding forecast beginning Friday
- ✓ Rivers cresting Friday into Saturday
- ✓ Find the most up to date forecasts and observations at:

water.weather.gov/ahps2/forecasts.php?wfo=aly

Event Summary

- ✓ A low pressure system will bring widespread moderate to locally heavy rainfall to eastern New York and western New England tonight into Friday night. Rainfall amounts are expected to range from 1 to 3 inches, with locally higher amounts across the southeastern-facing slopes of the Catskills, Greens, Berkshires and Litchfield Hills. This rainfall, combined with high-elevation snowmelt, may result in minor river flooding and urban/poor drainage flooding. River flooding may persist into Saturday.
- ✓ Windy conditions are expected across the higher terrain, especially above 2000' elevation. Wind gusts of 40 to 50 mph are possible.
- ✓ There is a slight chance of thunderstorms Friday afternoon.
- ✓ Confidence is moderate for flooding and moderate for high winds.

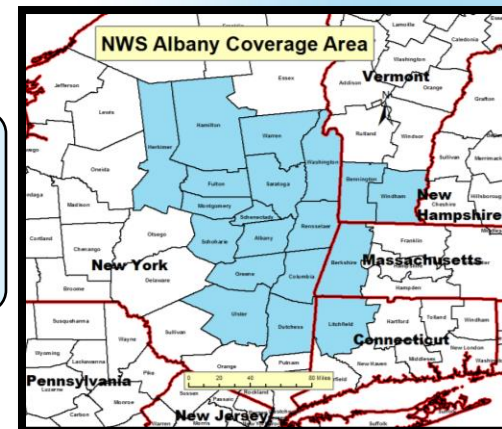
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