

Weather Briefing

For Southern New England

Decision Support Briefing #2

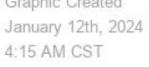
As of 4 AM Friday, January 12th 2024



Important Updates

- Updated rainfall totals. Additional rain will exacerbate ongoing flooding or trigger new areas of flooding.
- Coastal Flood Warnings and Advisories for most of the southern New England coast.
- Strongest southeast gusts early Saturday, however gusty west winds linger through Sunday. Wind Advisories and High Wind Warnings posted
- Gale Warnings for MA and RI coastal waters









Main Points

Hazard	Impacts	Location	Timing
Flooding/ Rainfall	Potential for significant street flooding & river/stream flooding	All of southern New England, except for Cape Cod & the Islands	Tonight into early Saturday River flooding may linger into next week
Coastal Flooding	Minor to moderate flooding on coastal roads	All coastlines	Saturday morning/afternoon High Tide between 8 AM - 2 PM
Marine	Dangerous sea conditions for vessels	All waters	Late tonight into early Saturday
Damaging Wind	Potential for downed trees/power lines & power outages	Berkshire county & the coastline	Late tonight into early Saturday



Active Headlines

Hazards

High Wind Warning Storm Warning ■ Coastal Flood Warning

Flood Warning Gale Warning

Winter Weather Advisory Coastal Flood Advisory

Small Craft Advisory

Wind Advisory Flood Watch

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Marine / Coastal Hazards



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Wind Related Hazards

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Meriden

Riverhead

Torrington

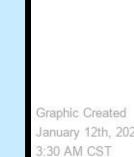
High Wind Warning Wind Advisory

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Flooding Hazards

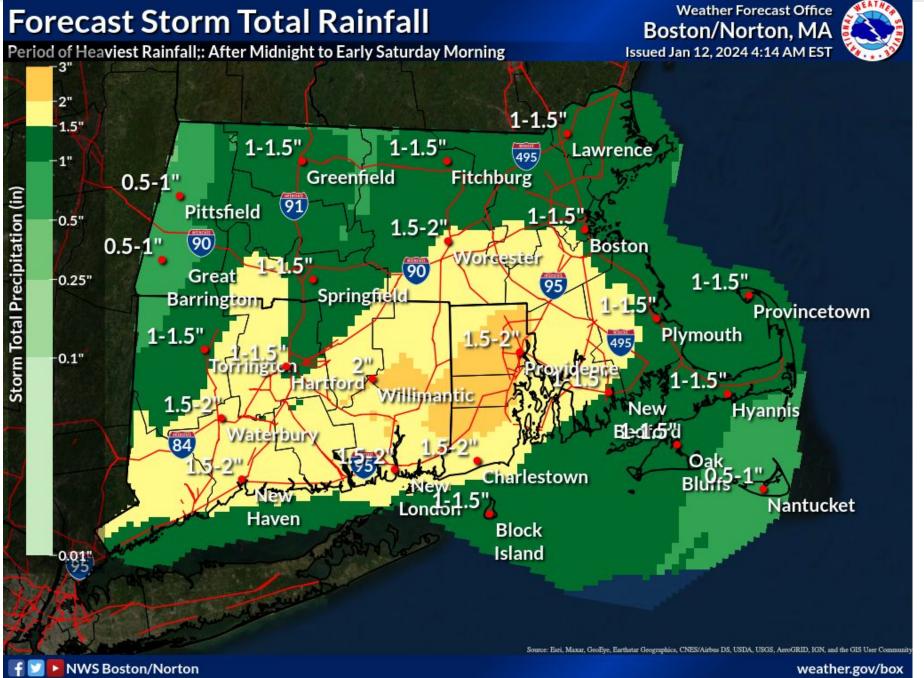




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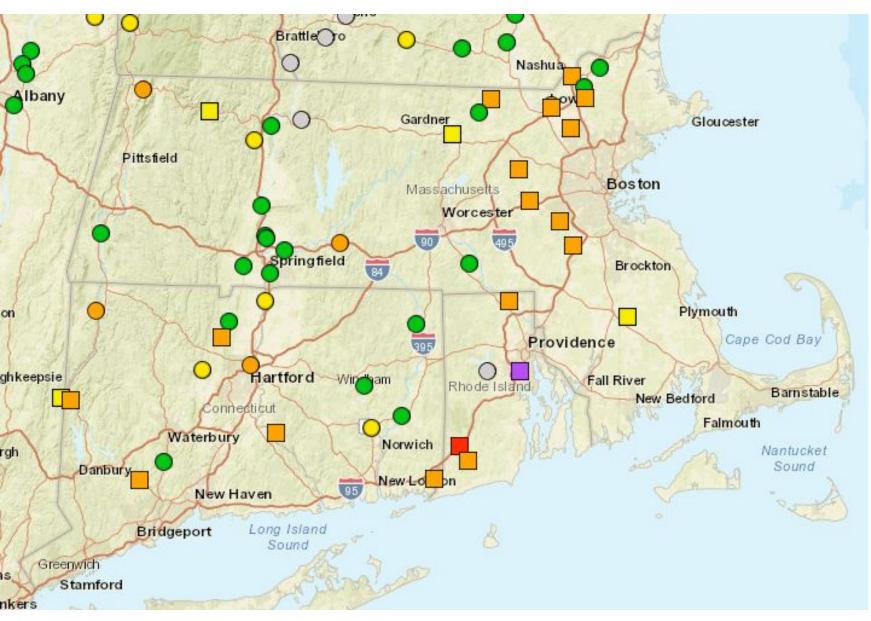
Expected Rainfall Forecast



- Rain begins Tonight.
- Heaviest rains overnight into early Saturday AM.
 Areal/urban flooding and renewed rises to be most focused in this time period.
- Rains decrease late
 Saturday morning,
 although river rises likely to
 continue after rain ends.



River Flood Outlook



Concern for:

Pawtuxet River, Wood River, Pawcatuck River Shawsheen River, Housatonic River

Quicker responding rivers reaching flood stage Saturday. Slower ones Sunday

Uncertainty until rainfall and snowmelt amounts are known

Circles = 30% chance of exceeding level Squares = 70% chance of exceeding level

30%	Level	70%
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	Minor Flood	
	Moderate Flood	
	Major Flood	
= less than	30% chance of reaching A	ction leve



Pawtuxet River at Cranston

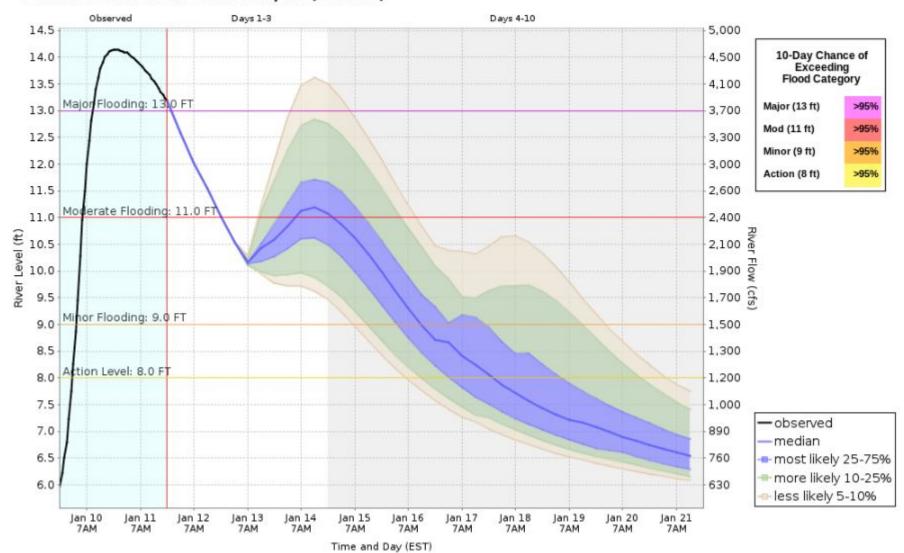
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Based on Global Ensemble Forecast System Model Simulations Used to Estimate the Range of Possible River Levels



Jan 12 - Jan 22, 2024

Pawtuxet River at Cranston, RI (CRAR1)



- Pawtuxet River at Cranston is expected to fall below moderate stage late Friday. The river is anticipated to rise crest near 10.5 ft early on Sunday (minor).
- Please visit <u>Advanced</u>
 <u>Hydrologic Prediction Center</u>
 for more specific information on impacts at those levels. Just scroll down to the bottom and you can see the impacts at different levels above flood stage.

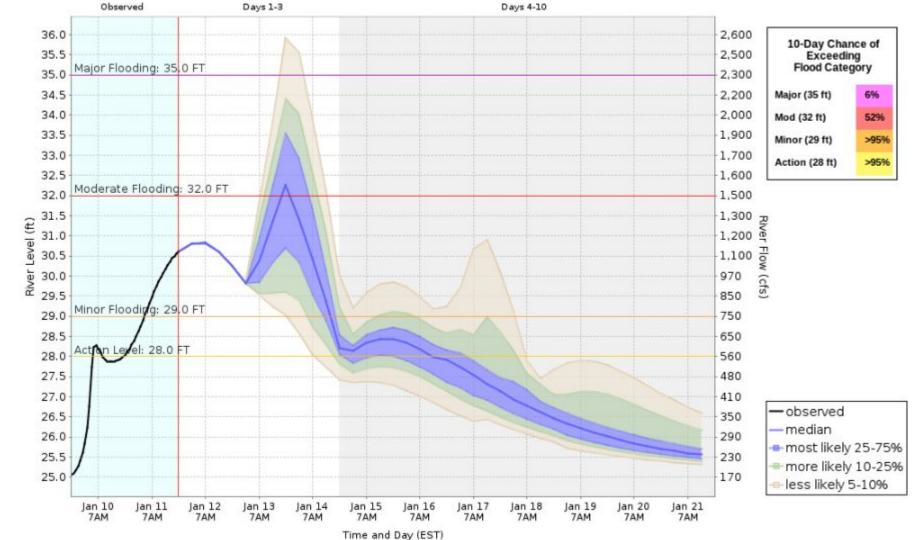


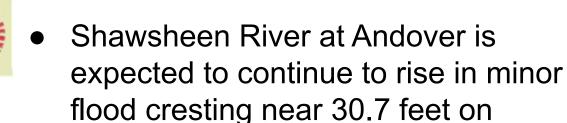
Shawsheen River at Andover

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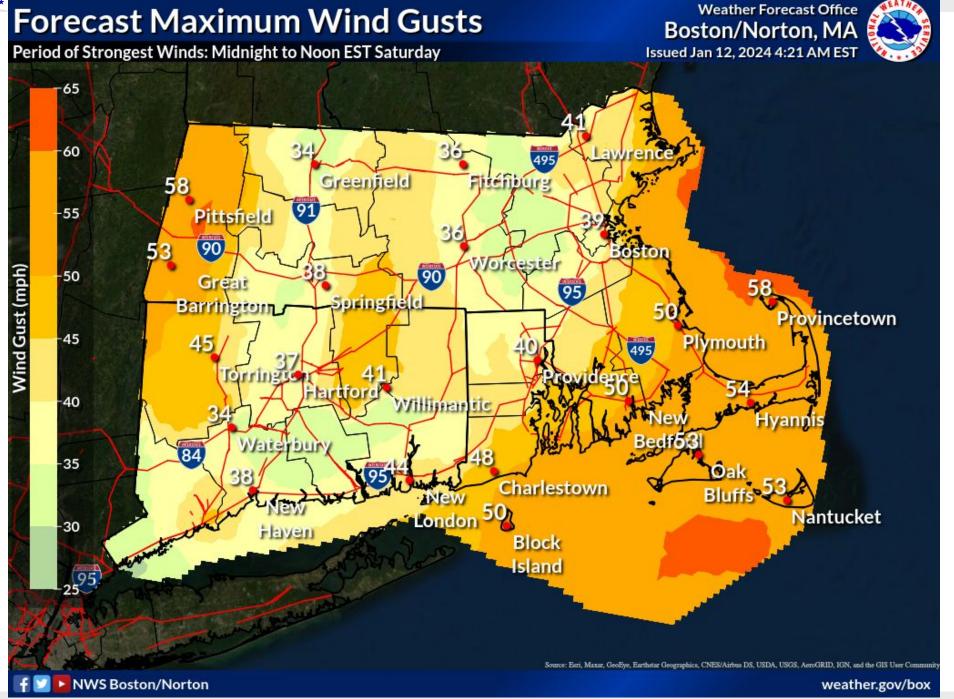




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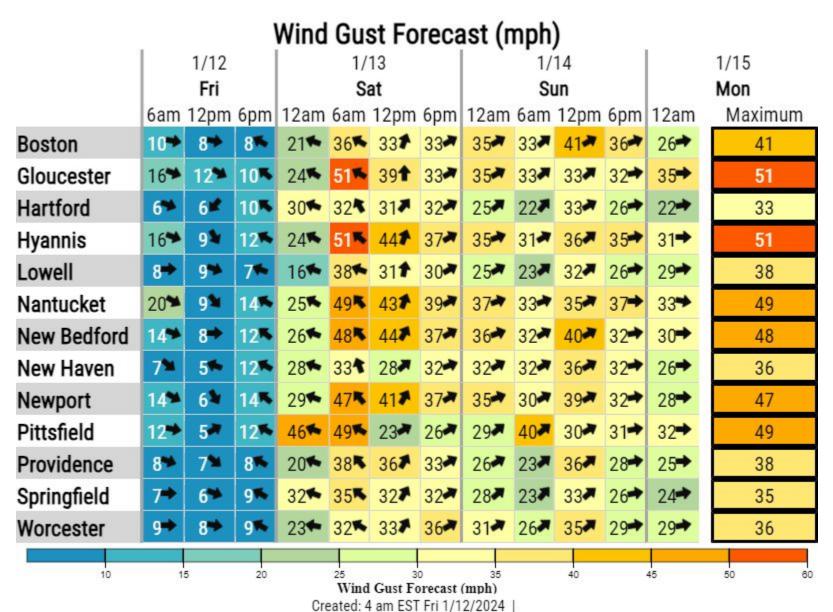
Maximum Wind Gust Forecast



- Strongest wind gusts generally
 3 AM through 9 AM Saturday.
 - Will come from a southeasterly direction, with gusts of 45 to 60 mph.
 Strongest from I-95 corridor onto the Cape & Islands.
 - Power Outages & Downed trees are possible.
- Westerly wind gusts 35-50 mph Saturday Night through Sunday.



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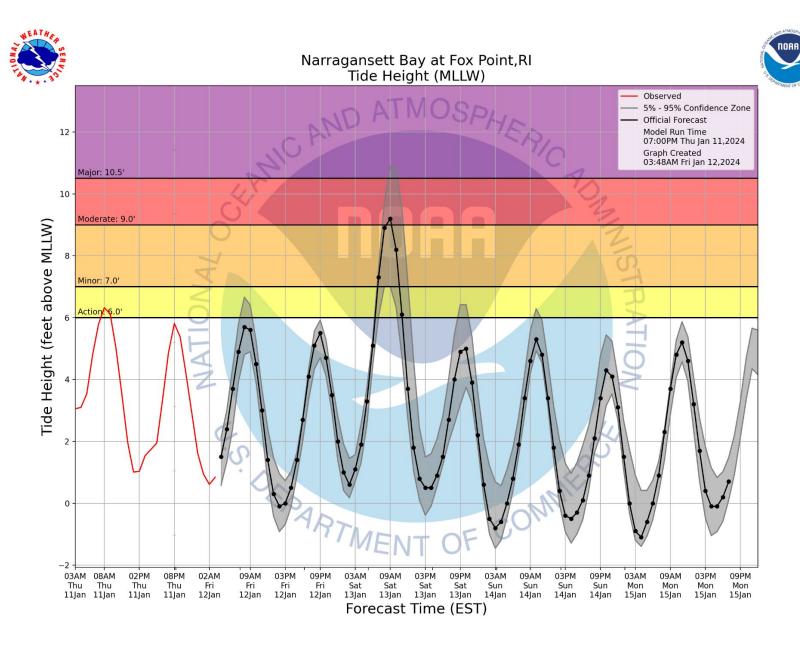


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- Gusty W to SW winds through late Saturday and Sunday (35-50 mph)





Coastal Flooding



Minor coastal flooding both coasts with pockets of moderate coastal flooding possible along the south coast. The high tide of concern is between 8 AM and 2 PM Saturday.

- Especially south coastal MA/RI and portions of Martha's Vineyard
- Storm surge of 2 to 4 feet expected.
- Could be very similar to the midweek event.

Greatest risk of Moderate flooding on upper end of Narragansett Bay including Providence.



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