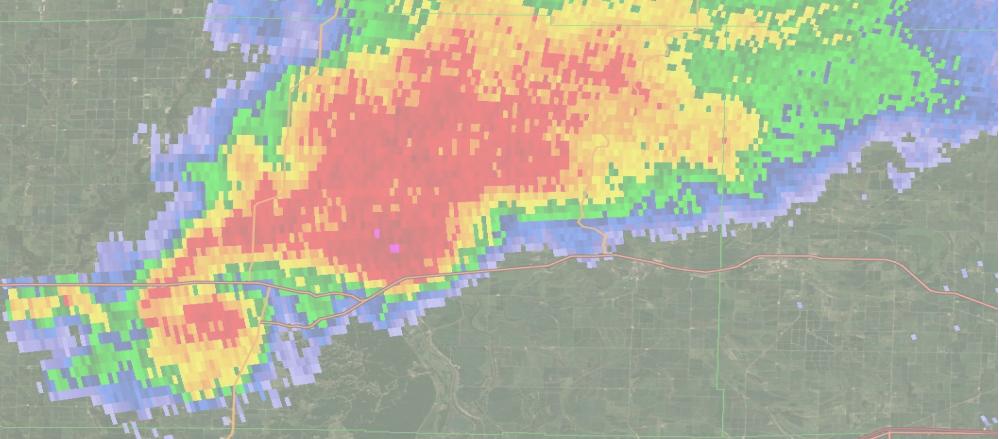




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## Emergency Management Briefing Winter Storm Feb 1-Feb 2 Sunday 2/1/2026





# Ongoing Coastal Storm

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## For Southern New England

### Key Messages:

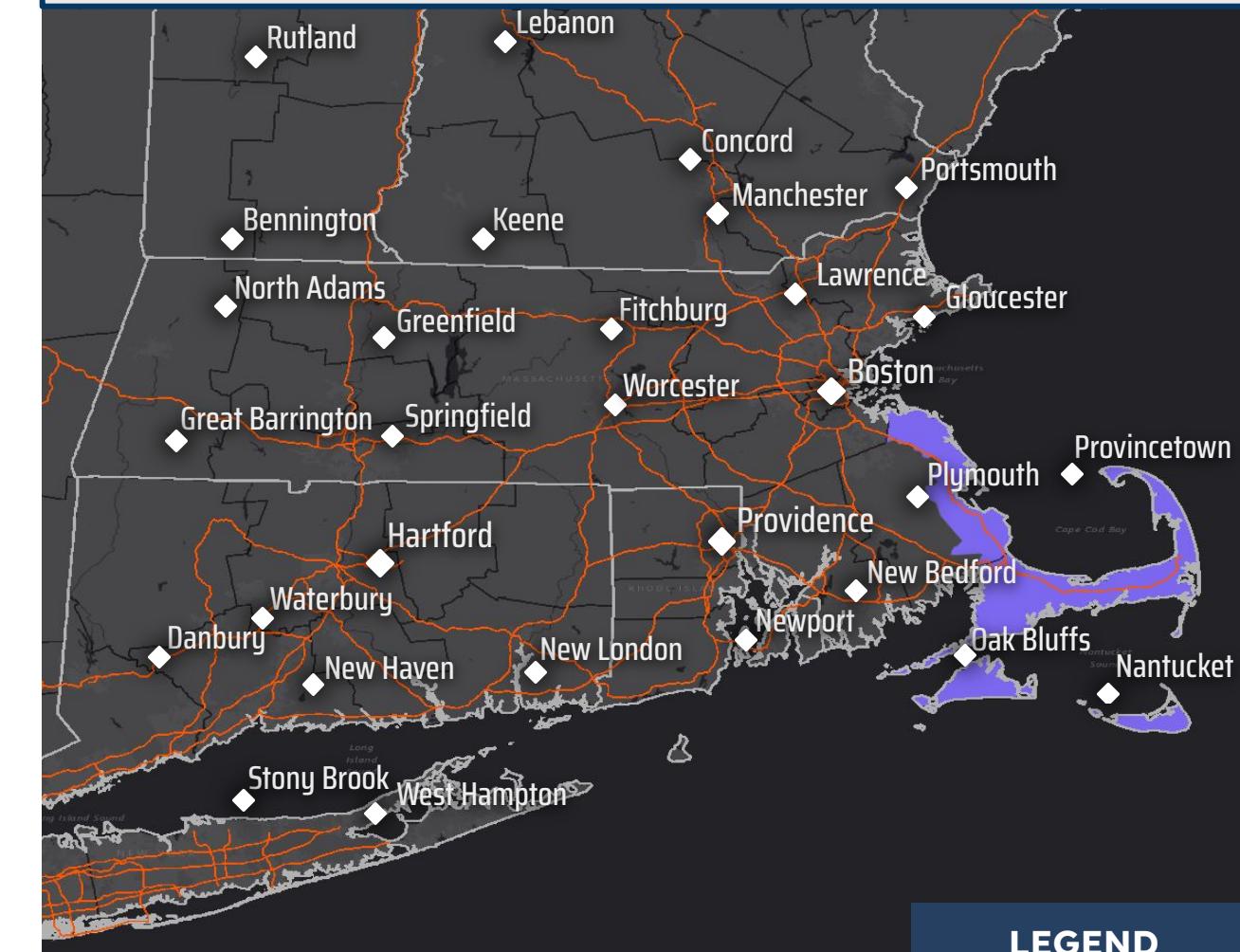
- Strong coastal storm remains expected to track well offshore of New England Sunday into Monday.
  - Strong winds and minor snow accumulation for Cape Cod and the Islands and part of South Shore.
  - Minor/moderate coastal flooding and some erosion along eastern Massachusetts coast.
  - Strong gale to storm force winds over the waters

INFO

### New Information/Updates

- Minor downward adjustments to snow totals in southeast coastal New England. Snow may trend more showery than steady.
- Minor upward increases to peak wind gusts.
- Due to cold pavement, storm surge along the eastern MA coast could freeze, which could turn slippery and lead to delayed drainage.

### Current Winter Storm Headlines



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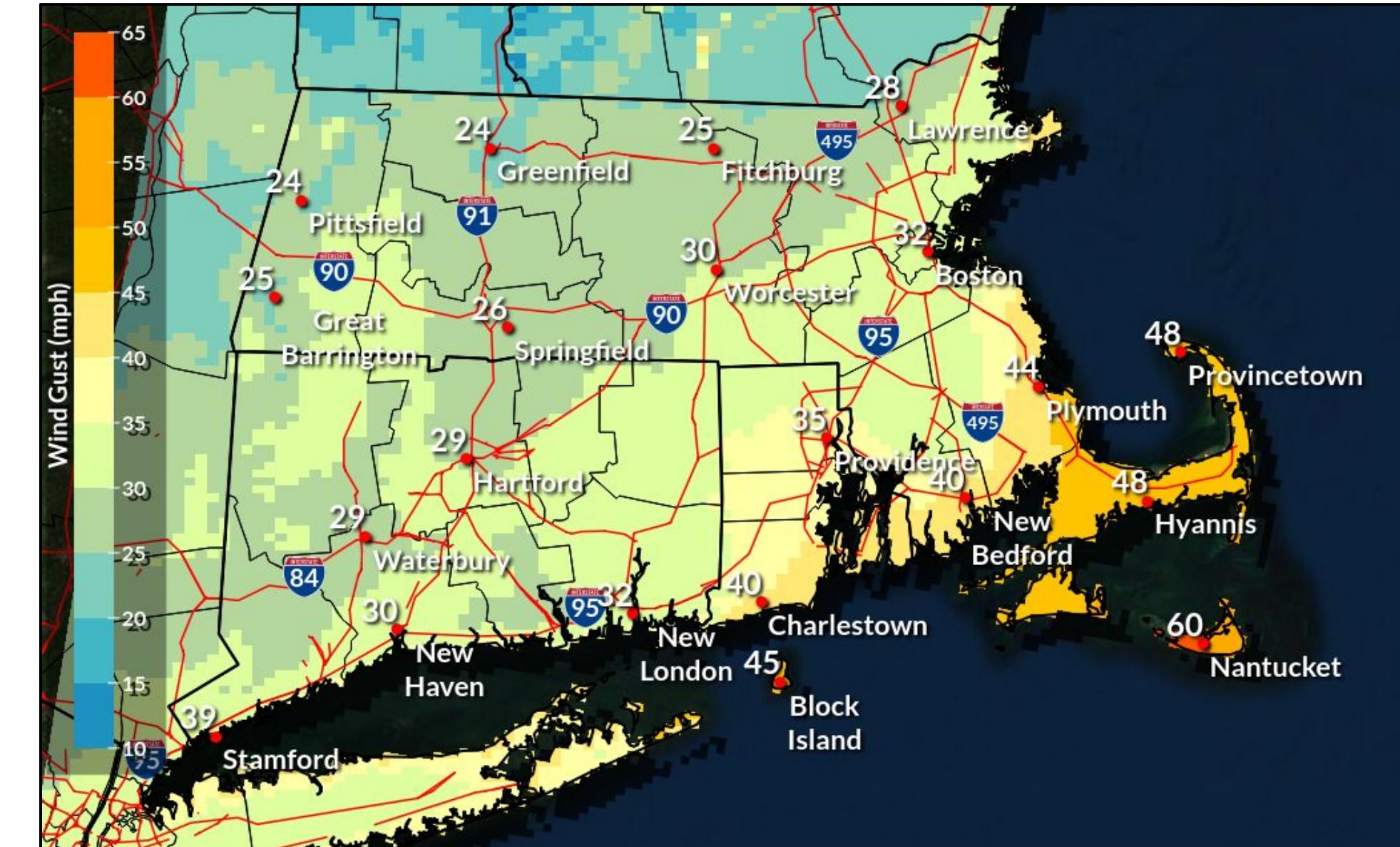


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# Forecast Max Wind Gust (mph)

Today through Monday

- **Gusty north winds expected to accompany offshore storm.**
  - Highest gusts over the waters and southeast MA, especially Cape & Islands.
- **Timing:**
  - Gusts will continue to increase, peak gusts expected this afternoon to early tonight.
  - Gusts gradually ease tonight.
- **Uncertainty:**
  - Gust magnitude will also be sensitive to storm track.



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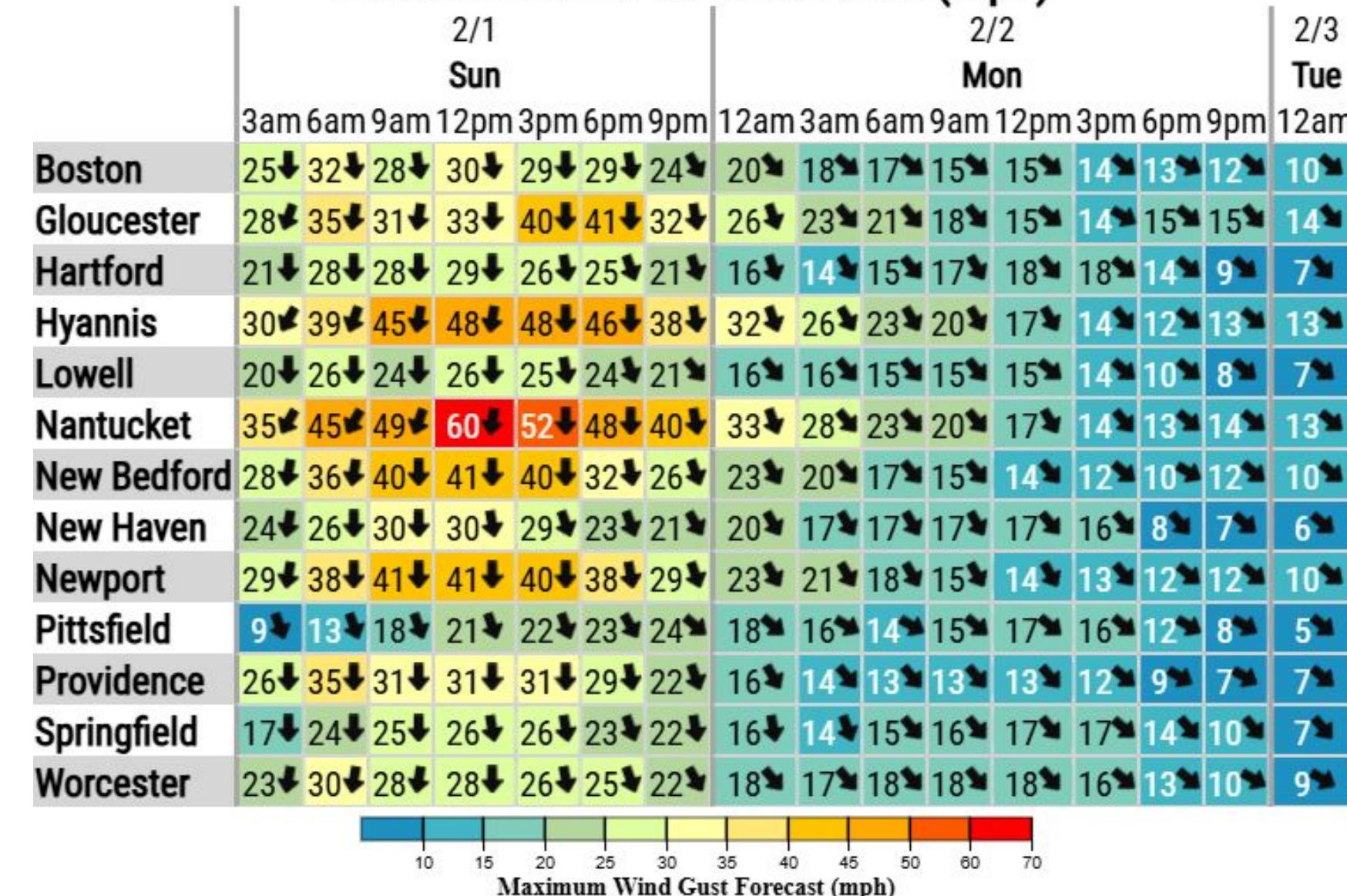
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# Forecast Max Wind Gusts

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## Maximum Wind Gust Forecast (mph)



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# Confidence Levels

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## Timing Confidence

**LOW**      **MEDIUM**      **HIGH**

- Light, spotty snow has begun early this morning.
- Greatest accumulation period this afternoon.
- Ending from northwest to southeast by early tonight.

## Snow Amounts Confidence

**LOW**      **MEDIUM**      **HIGH**

- Snow may end up more showery and not persistent/steady.
- Modest, manageable snow rates.

## Travel Impacts Confidence

**LOW**      **MEDIUM**      **HIGH**

- Travel may be difficult in southeast coastal Massachusetts.
- Gusty winds and steadier snow may lead to periods of low visibility.

## Forecast Snowfall Accumulation

Through Tonight

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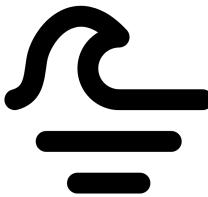
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# Storm/Gale Warning

Today and Tonight



- Massachusetts and Rhode Island Coastal Waters



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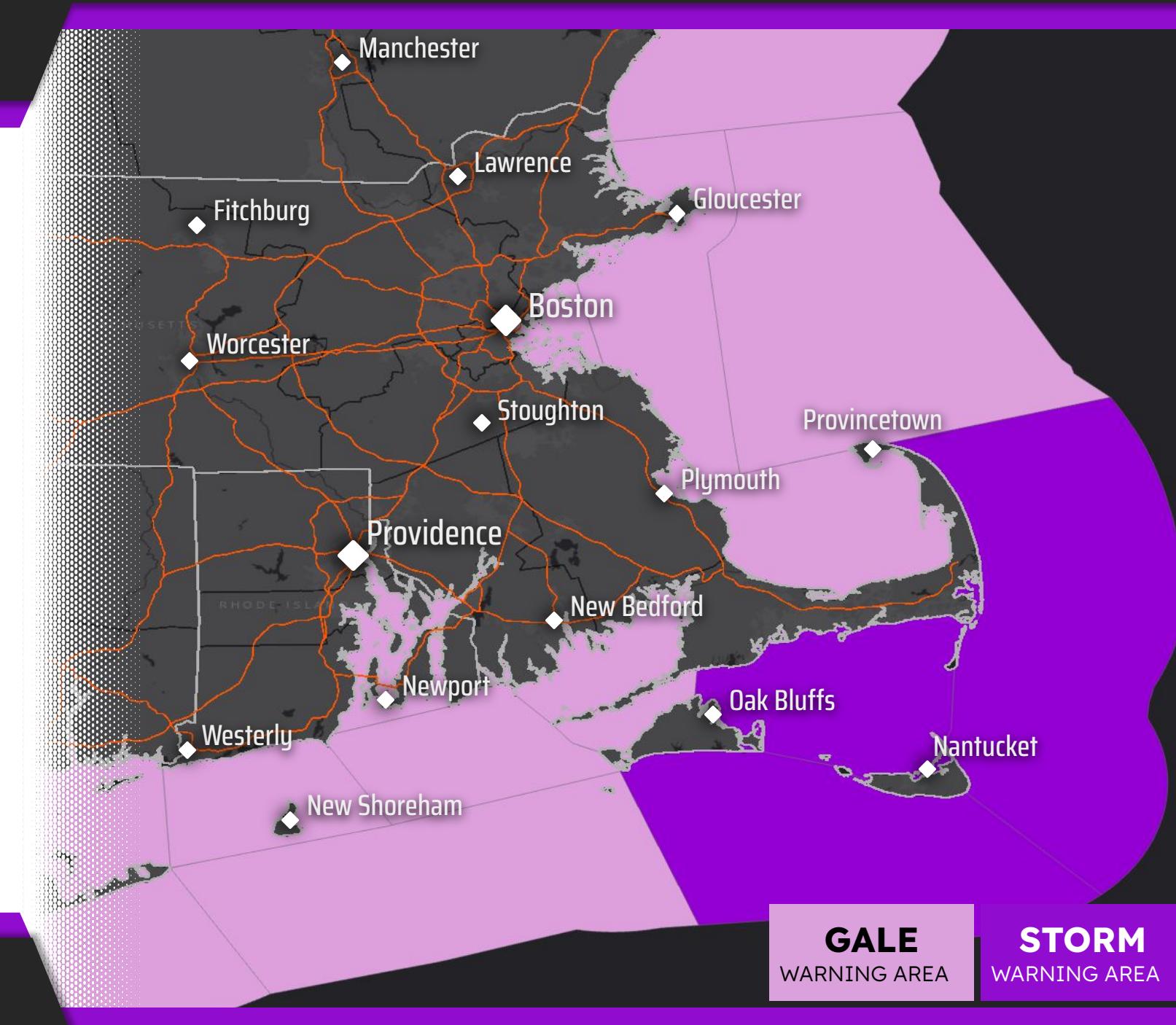
- 15 to 20 FT

## WIND

- 40 to 50 KT



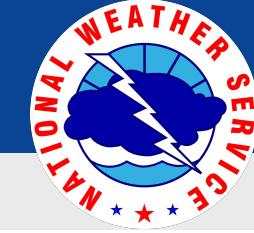
- Wind and wave conditions will be hazardous for small craft.
- Inexperienced mariners, especially those operating smaller vessels, should avoid navigating in these conditions.



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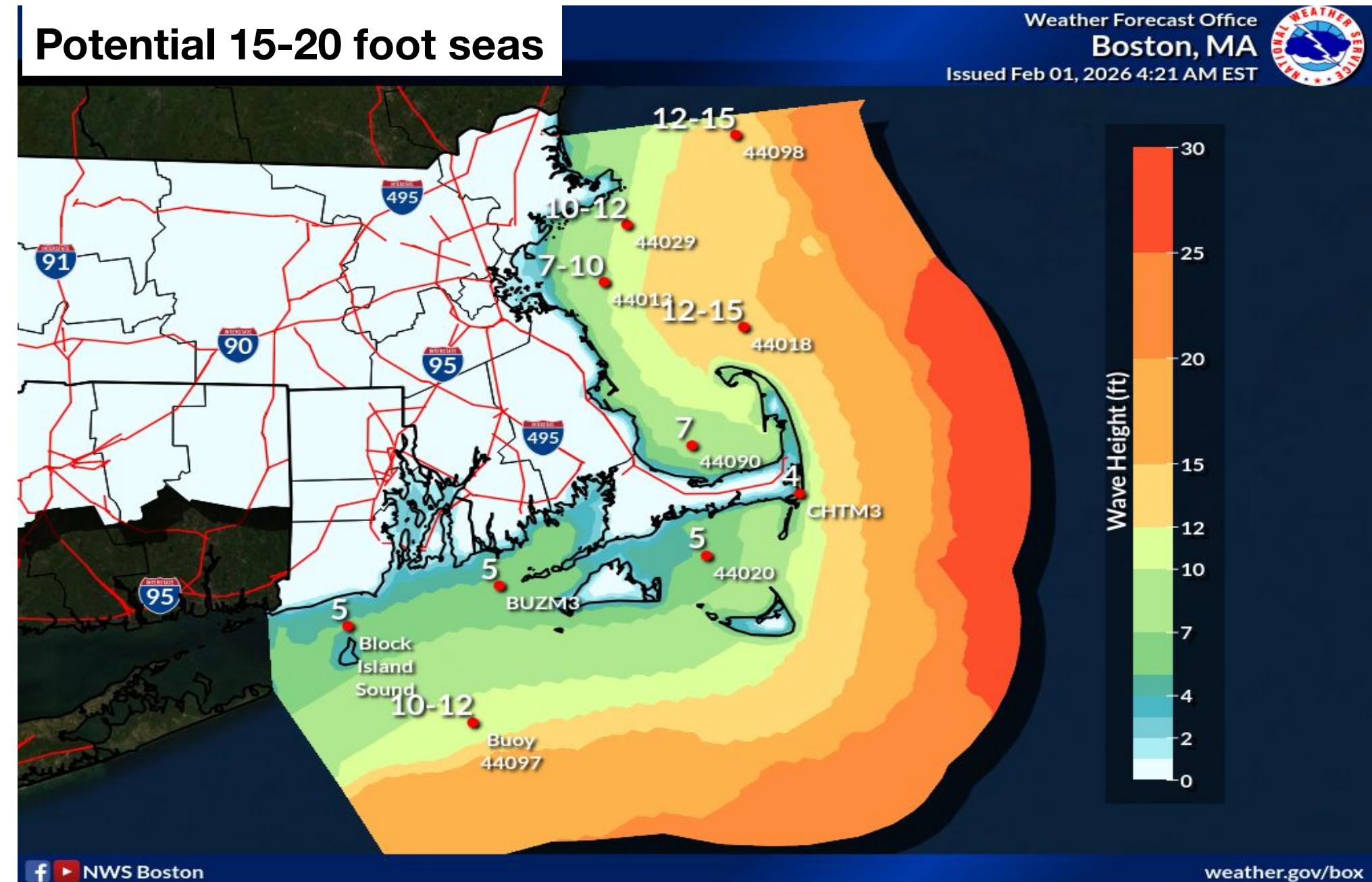
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# Forecast Max Wave Heights

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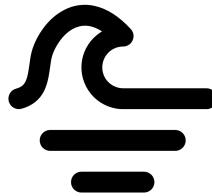
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# Freezing Spray Advisory

Through 1 PM Today



- Massachusetts and Rhode Island Coastal Waters



- Moderate spray expected

**SEAS**

- 15 to 20 FT

**WIND**

- 40 to 50 KT



- Icing rates of 0.3 to 0.8 inches per hour (moderate icing).



**FREEZING  
SPRAY**  
ADVISORY AREA



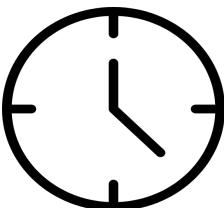
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# Coastal Flood Advisory / Warning

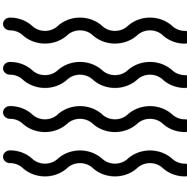
This Morning through Monday Afternoon



**Sunday Morning through Monday Afternoon**



**Eastern Massachusetts Coast**  
Including Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard, and Nantucket

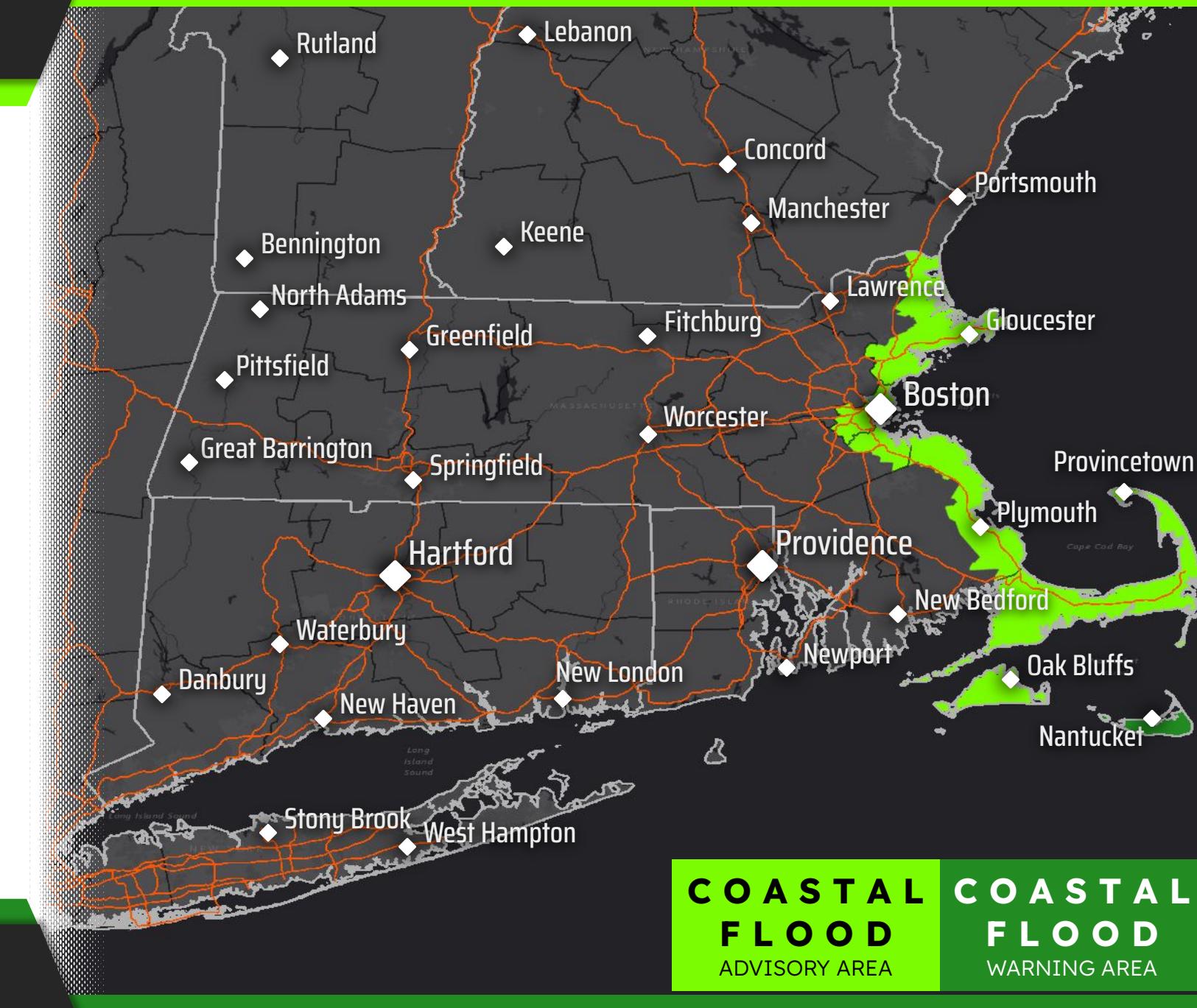


- Some minor flooding for most, but areas of moderate flooding are possible on Nantucket
- Some coastal erosion is possible along the eastern Massachusetts coast Sunday into Monday
- Storm surge could freeze on coastal roads.



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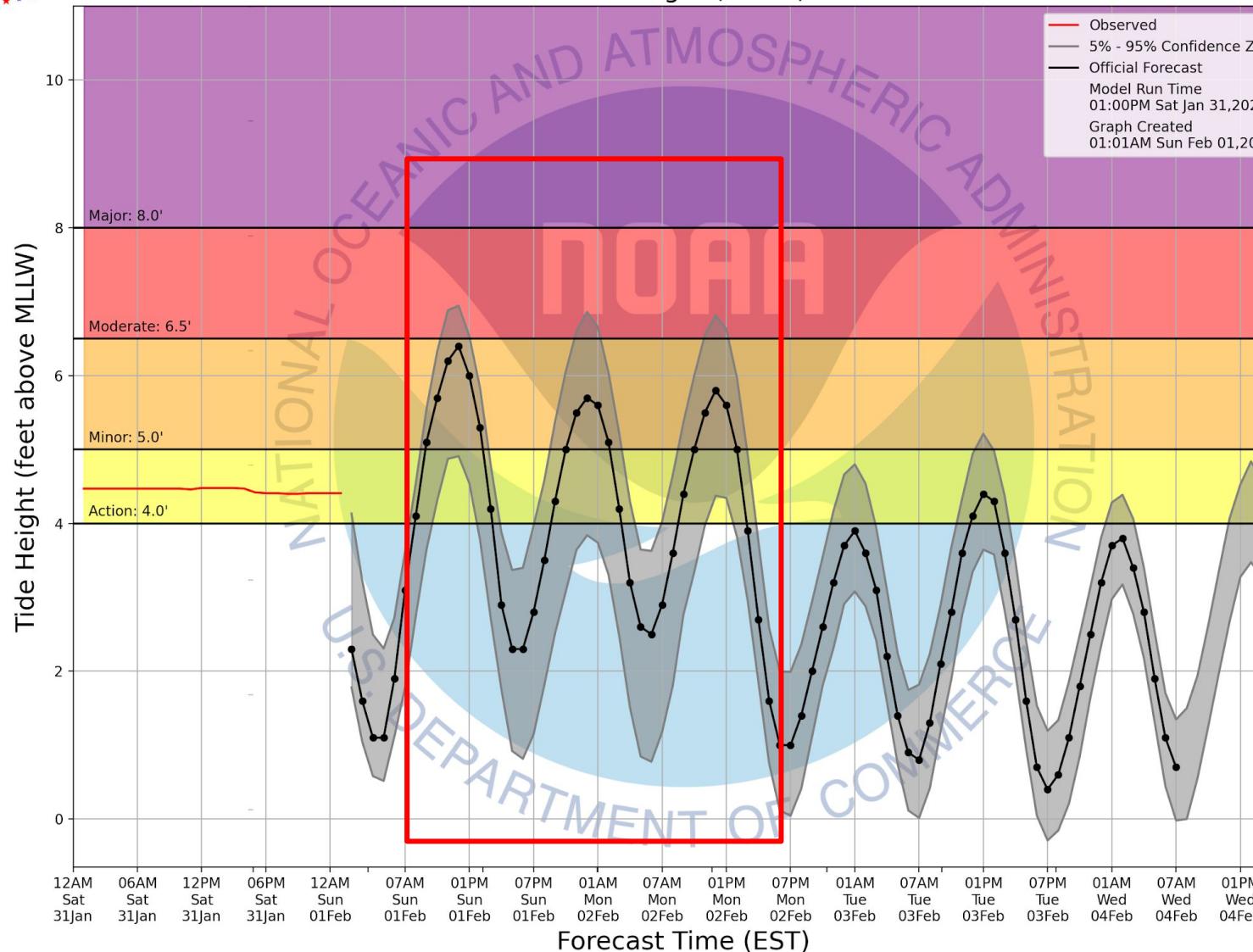


# Nantucket - Water Level Forecast

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Nantucket Harbor at Nantucket, MA  
Tide Height (MLLW)



- High tides this morning, tonight and Monday are of greatest concern
- Potential for Moderate flooding
  - Water 1-2 feet deep
- NWS Boston [Coastal Flood Threat](#) page has additional information



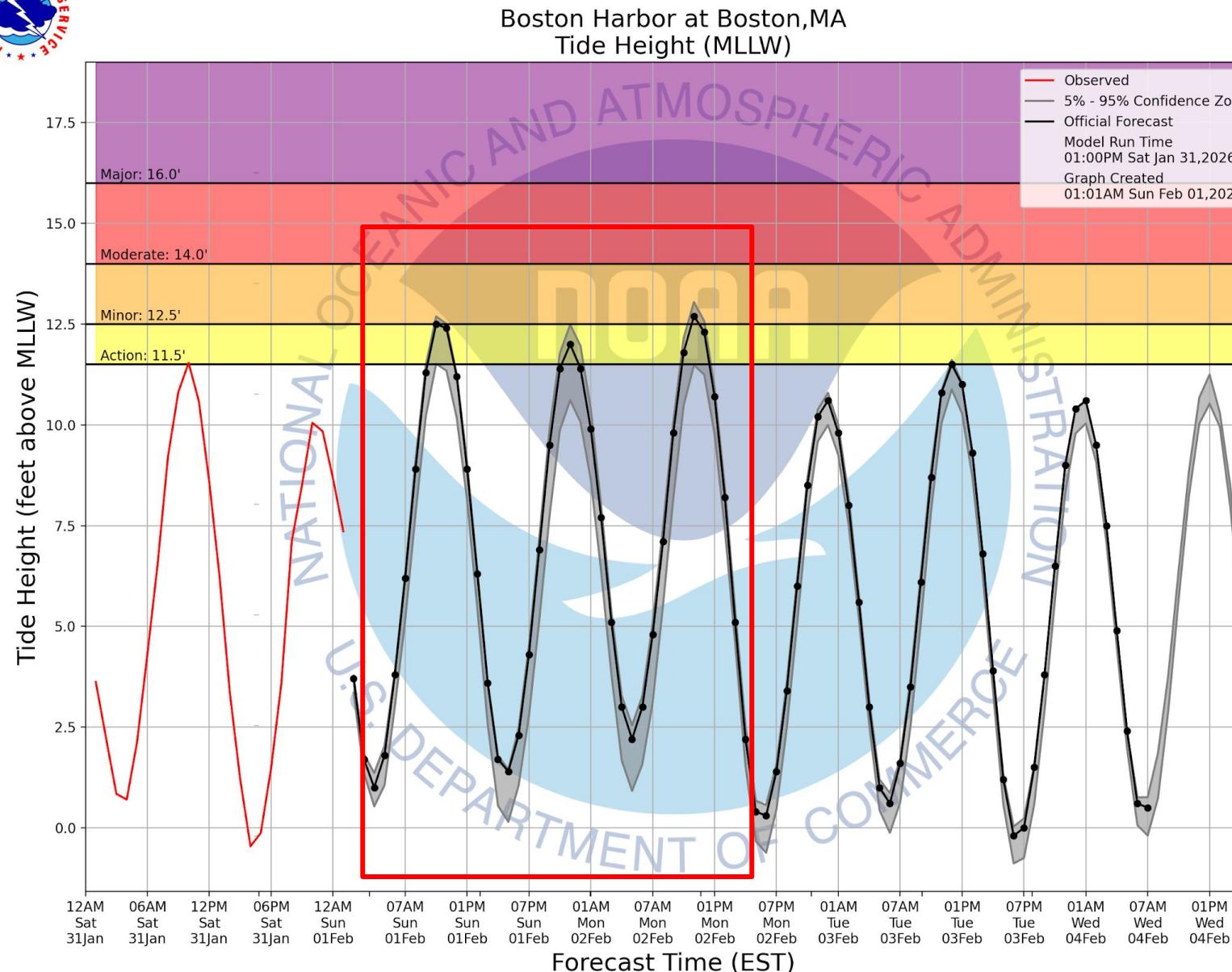
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# Boston - Water Level Forecast

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- High tides this morning into Monday are of greatest concern
- Lower water levels due to lower surge than Nantucket
- Minor flooding most likely
  - Up to 1 foot deep
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