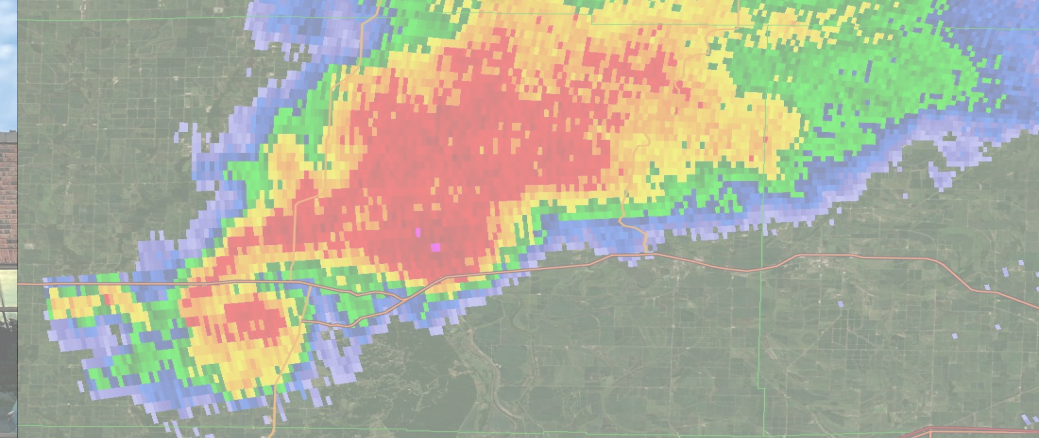




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Emergency Management Briefing
Winter Storm Feb 1-Feb 2
Sunday 2/1/2026





Ongoing Coastal Storm

For Southern New England

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Key Messages:

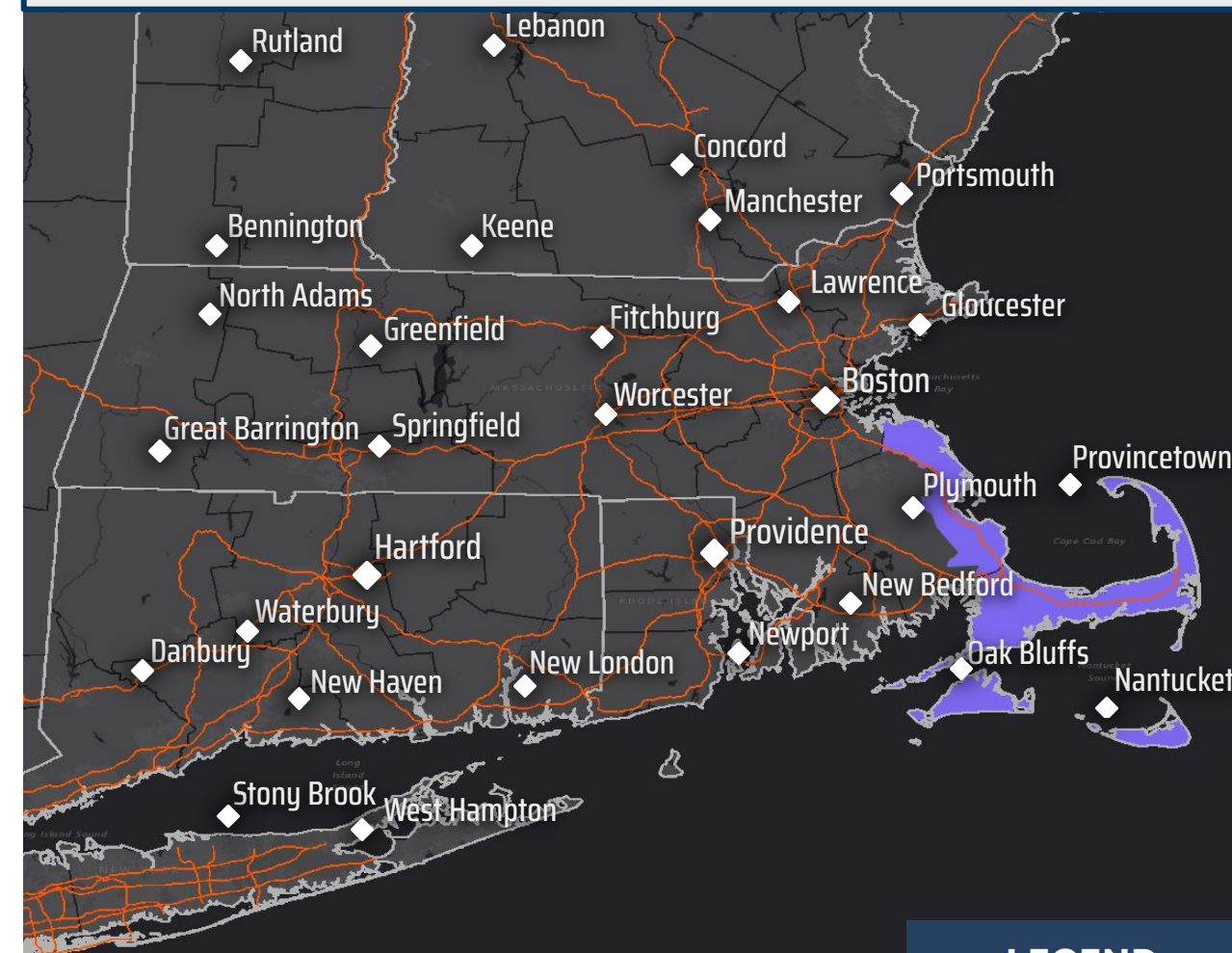
- Strong coastal storm remains expected to track well offshore of New England Sunday into Monday.
 - Strong winds and minor snow accumulation for Cape Cod and the Islands and part of South Shore.
 - Minor/moderate coastal flooding and some erosion along eastern Massachusetts coast.
 - Strong gale to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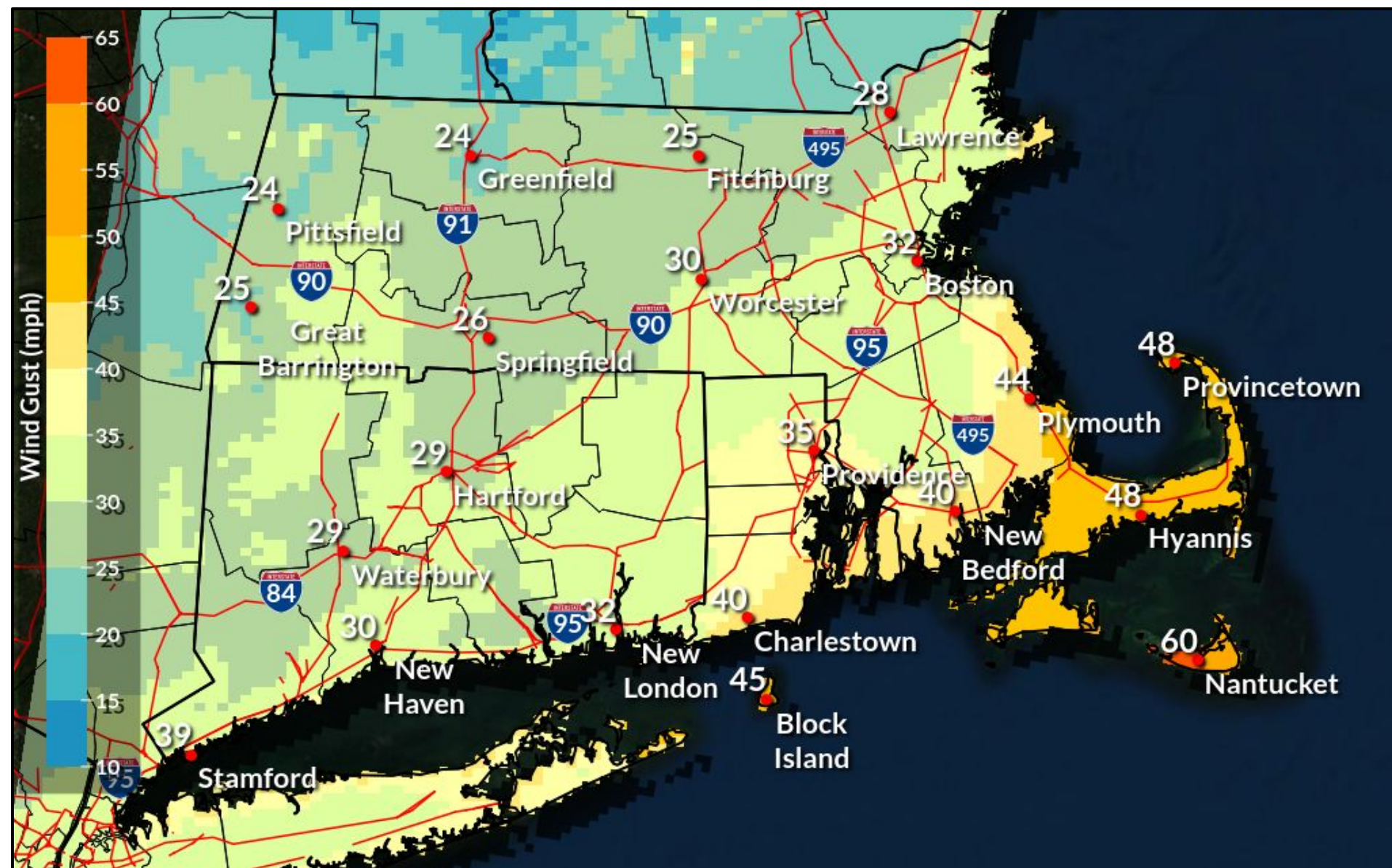


Forecast Max Wind Gust (mph)

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Today through Monday

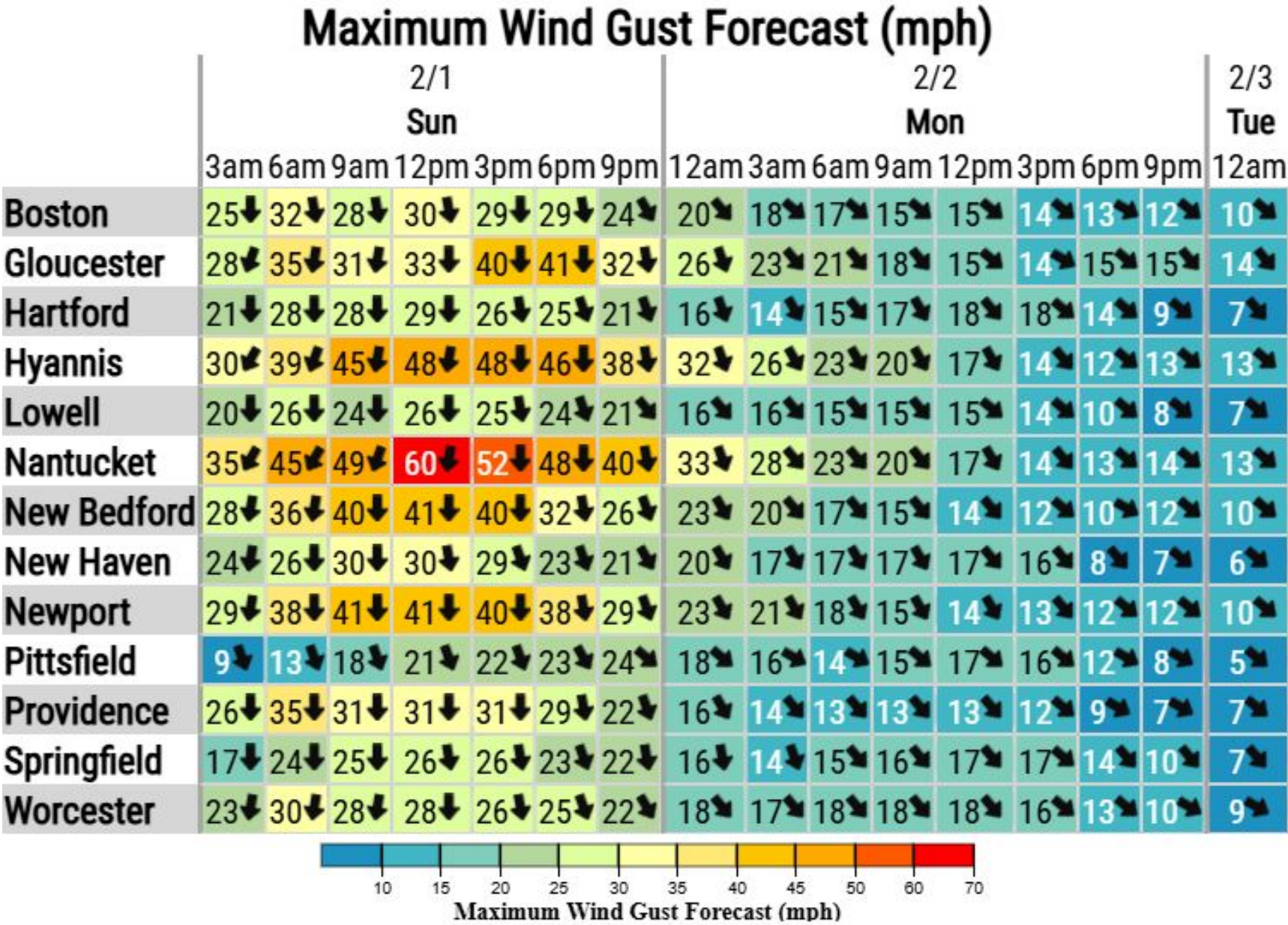
- **Gusty north winds expected to accompany offshore storm.**
 - Highest gusts over the waters and southeast MA, especially Cape & Islands.
- **Timing:**
 - Gusts will continue to increase, peak gusts expected this afternoon to early tonight.
 - Gusts gradually ease tonight.
- **Uncertainty:**
 - Gust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





Forecast Max Wind Gusts

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Confidence Levels

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Timing Confidence

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

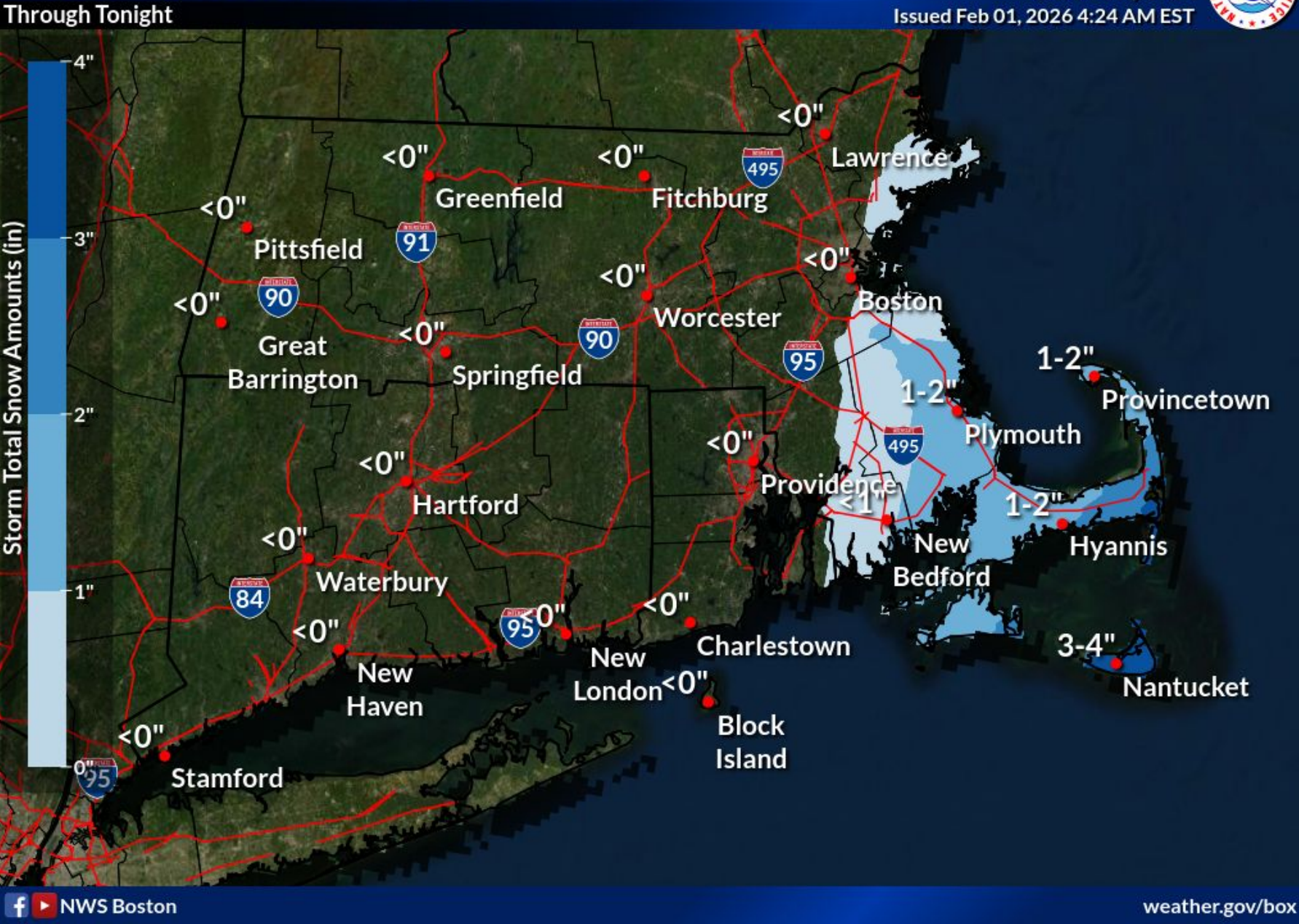
Travel Impacts Confidence

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

Forecast Snowfall Accumulation

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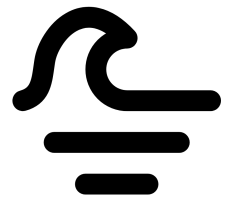


Storm/Gale Warning

Today and Tonight



- Massachusetts and Rhode Island Coastal Waters



SEAS

- 15 to 20 FT

WIND

- 40 to 50 KT

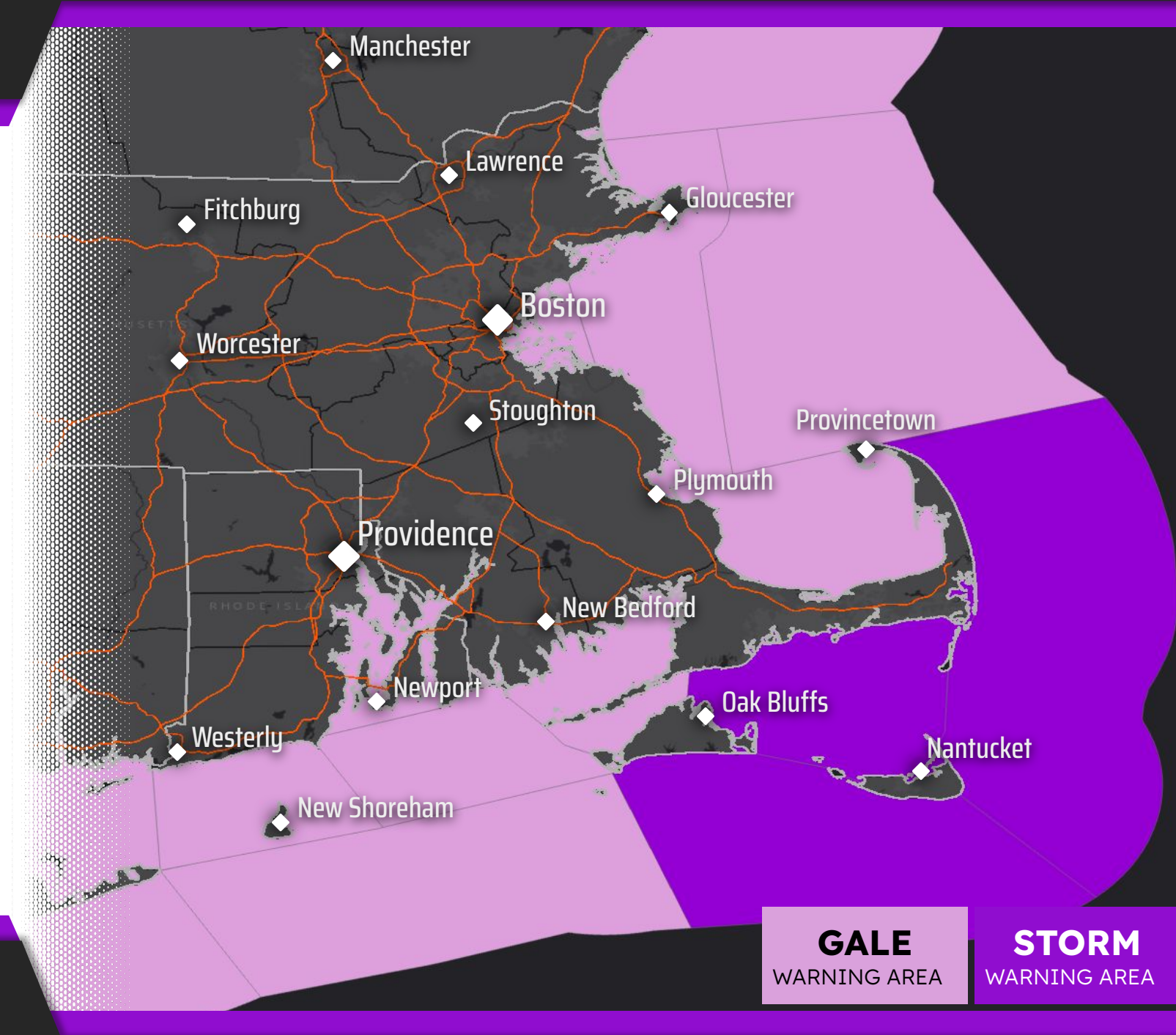


- Wind and wave conditions will be hazardous for small craft.
- Inexperienced mariners, especially those operating smaller vessels, should avoid navigating in these conditions.



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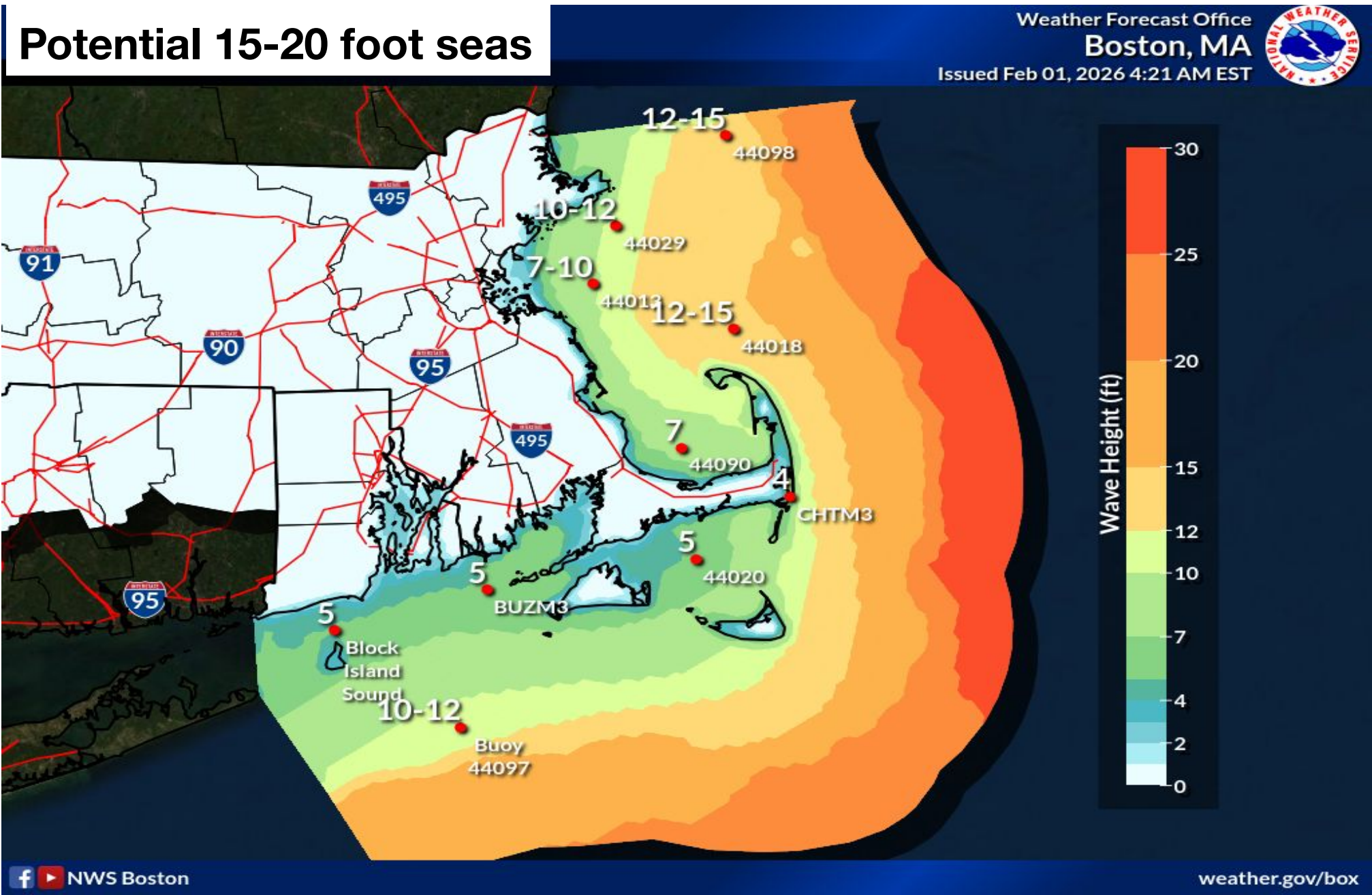
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Forecast Max Wave Heights

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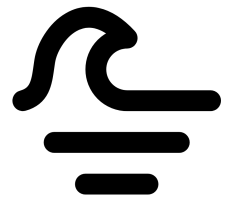


Freezing Spray Advisory

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).



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**FREEZING
SPRAY**
ADVISORY AREA



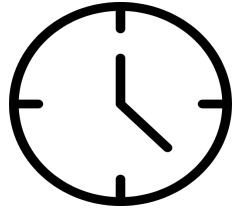
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Coastal Flood Advisory / Warning

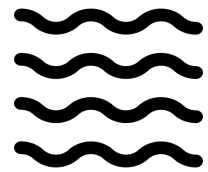
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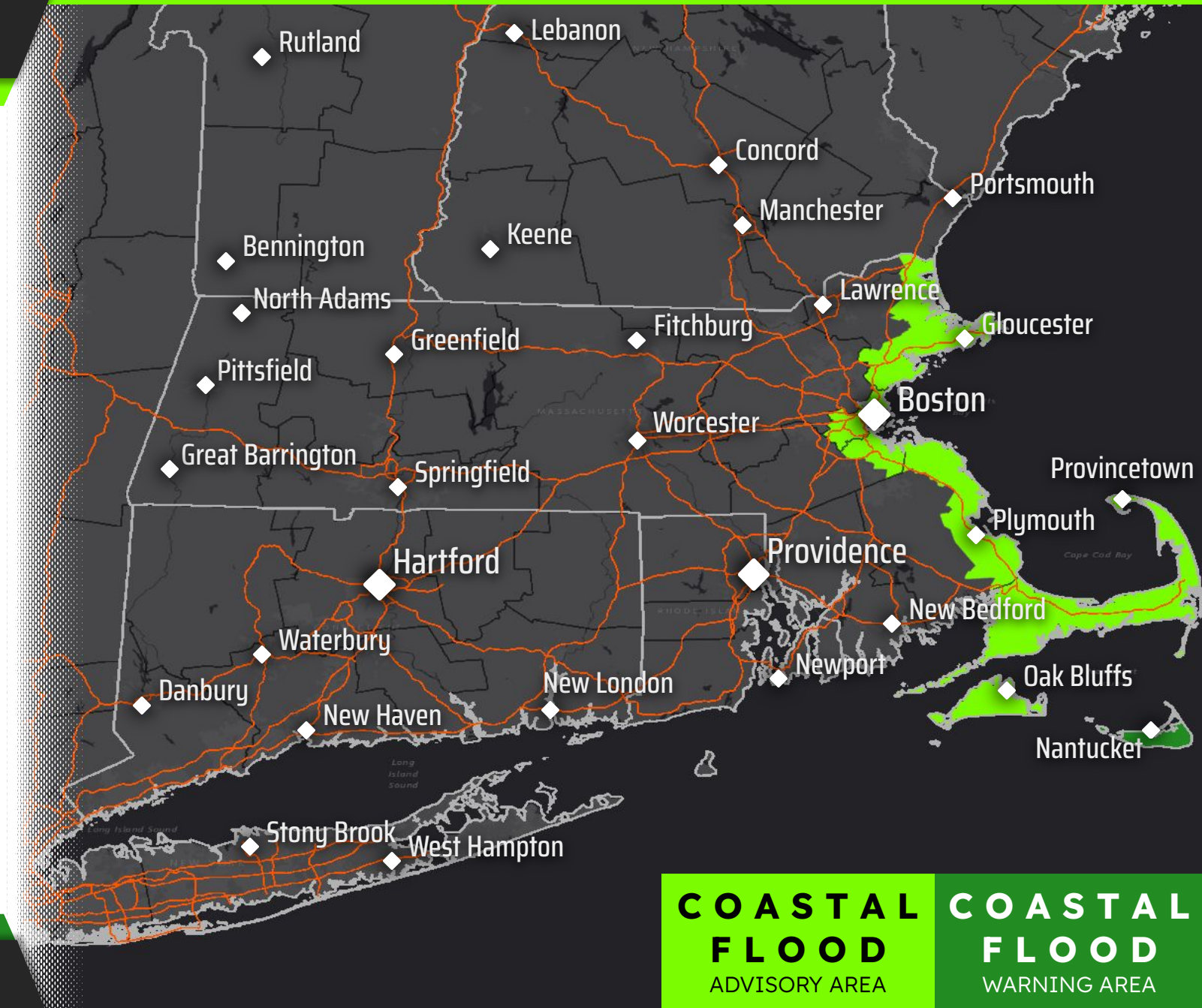
**Sunday Morning through
Monday Afternoon**



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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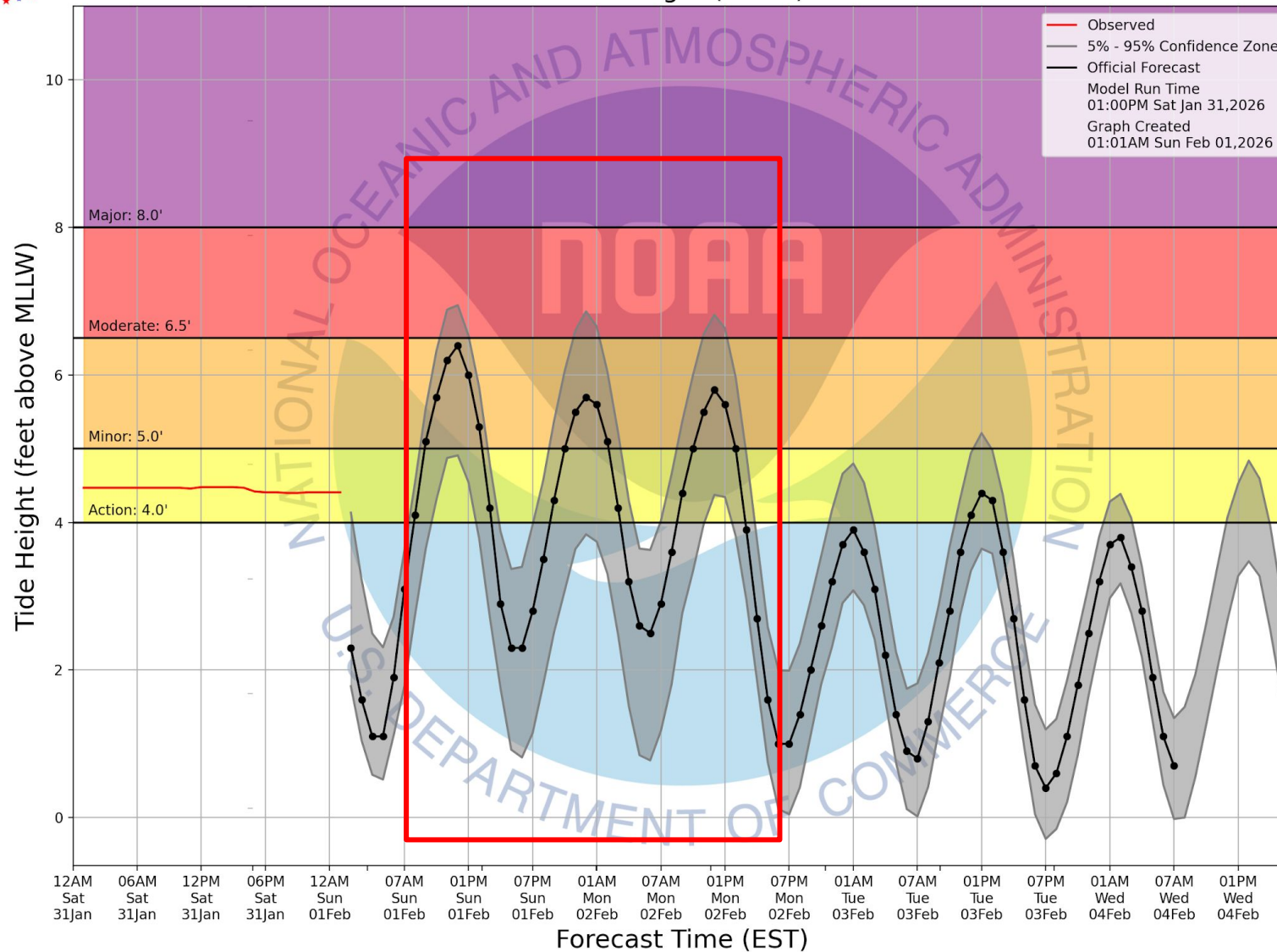
Nantucket - Water Level Forecast

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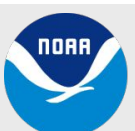
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Nantucket Harbor at Nantucket, MA
Tide Height (MLLW)



- 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



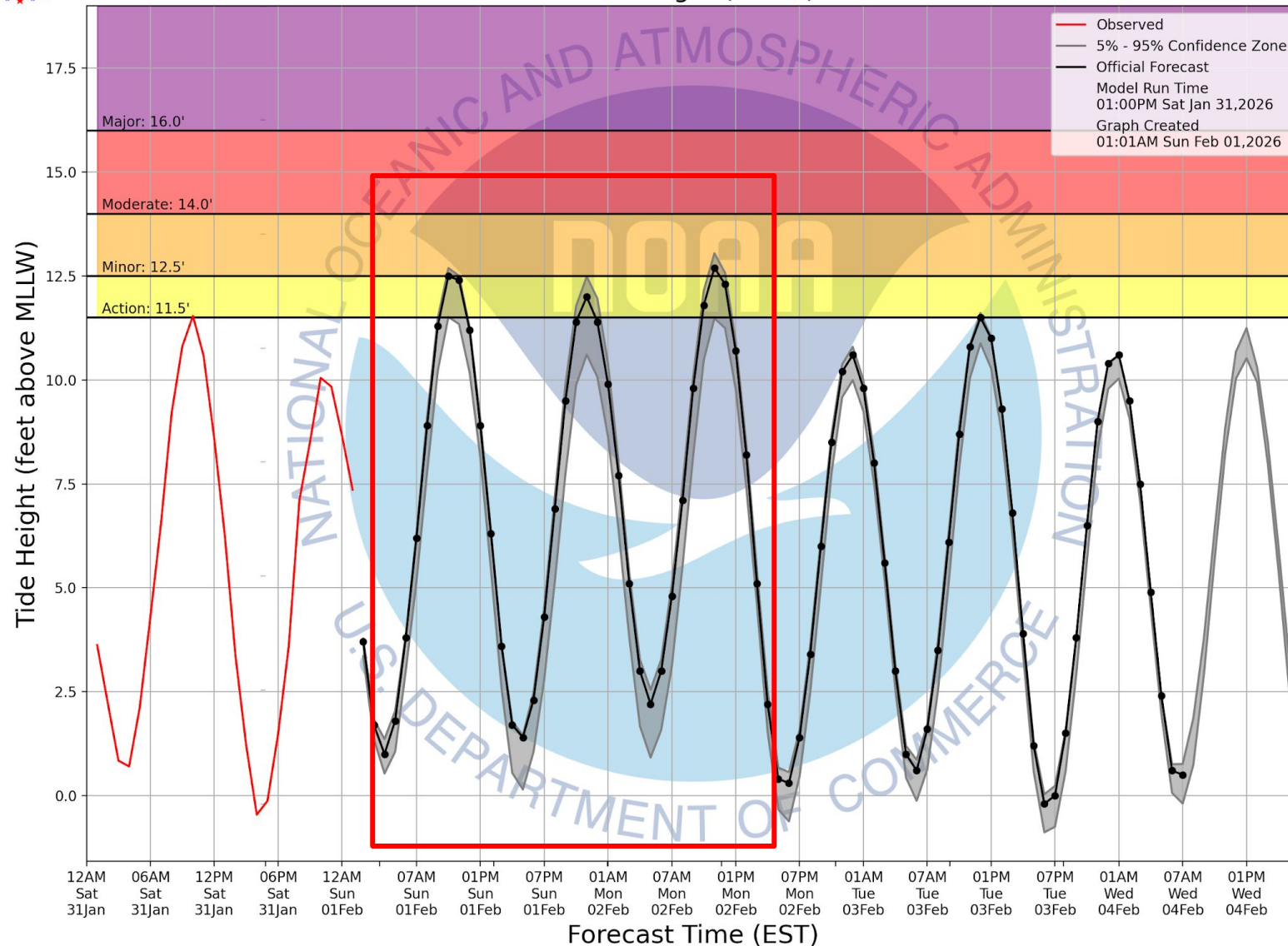


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Boston Harbor at Boston, MA
Tide Height (MLLW)



- 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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Contact and Next Briefing Information

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Next Briefing

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