



HAZARD REPORT WINTER WEATHER

SPRINGFIELD-GREENE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies

2/18/2025 | 1140 hours **Hazard Event #: 25-007**

Watches / Warnings / Advisories:

Winter Storm Warning from midnight Monday 2/17/25 until Wednesday 2/19/25 @ 6AM. Cold Weather Advisory in effect from 6pm 2/18/25 until Noon Thursday 2/20/25.

HAZARD	Feb-18	Feb-19
Snow/Sleet	Extreme	None
Excessive Cold	Elevated	Significant

DISCUSSION

A major winter storm will impact the entire area Tuesday into Wednesday morning. A Winter Storm Warning is in effect. Forecast generally calls for 6-10" of snow with locally higher amounts up to 14" where snow bands develop. Winds may gust up to 20-30 mph, leading to blowing snow which may reduce visibilities down to below 1/4 mile at times. Travel could become difficult to impossible. There is high confidence in dangerously cold temperatures and wind chills Tuesday through Thursday as cold as 10 to 20 degrees below zero. A Cold Weather Advisory is in effect Tuesday into Thursday.

CITIZEN ACTION STATEMENT

- Bring pets indoors or to a warm dry place with plenty of food.
- Practice generator safety and only use outside of home
"Carbon Monoxide kills in minutes!"
- Pay close attention to upcoming weather information.
- Watch for social media posts from OEM and our partners.
- If you must travel, keep an extra flashlight, food, and water in your vehicle in case of an emergency. In Missouri, call 1-888-275-6636 for road conditions.
- Persons should consider delaying all travel. If travel is absolutely necessary, drive with extreme caution.
- Consider taking a winter storm kit along with you, including such items as tire chains, booster cables, flashlight, shovel, blankets and extra clothing, water, a first aid kit, and anything else that would help you survive in case you become stranded.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ISSUES

Springfield-Greene County EOC: **OpCon Level 3: Watch Center Activation**

*** OEM will continue to monitor this developing weather situation. ***

A WebEOC incident has been generated for this event.
Incident Name: 2025 - February 18 - Winter Storm
Agency: MO Reg-D WebEOC Admin Team

ONLINE



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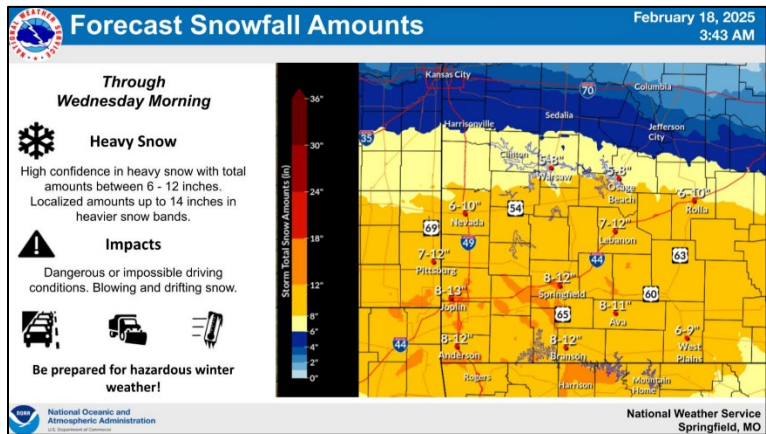
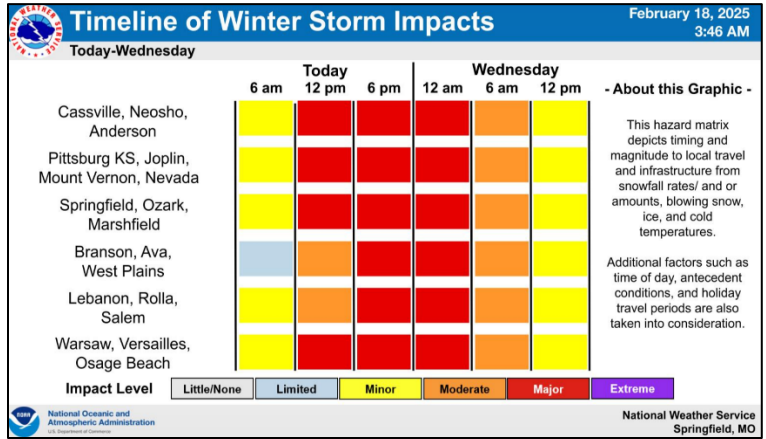
OEM YouTube



Traveler Info Map



Ozarks Traffic



WINTER DRIVING WHILE ON THE ROAD

Don't crowd the plow.
 The road behind an active plow is safer to drive on. Give them plenty of room to work and only pass when it is safe to do so.

Change the way you drive.
 Drive slower than normal and leave more room between you and surrounding vehicles when roads are wet, snowy or icy. DO NOT use cruise control, brake quickly or take sharp turns.

Stay alert.
 Make sure you keep your gas tank over half full and keep a close eye on road conditions, which can change rapidly. On road trips, take breaks often so you can stay focused on the road.