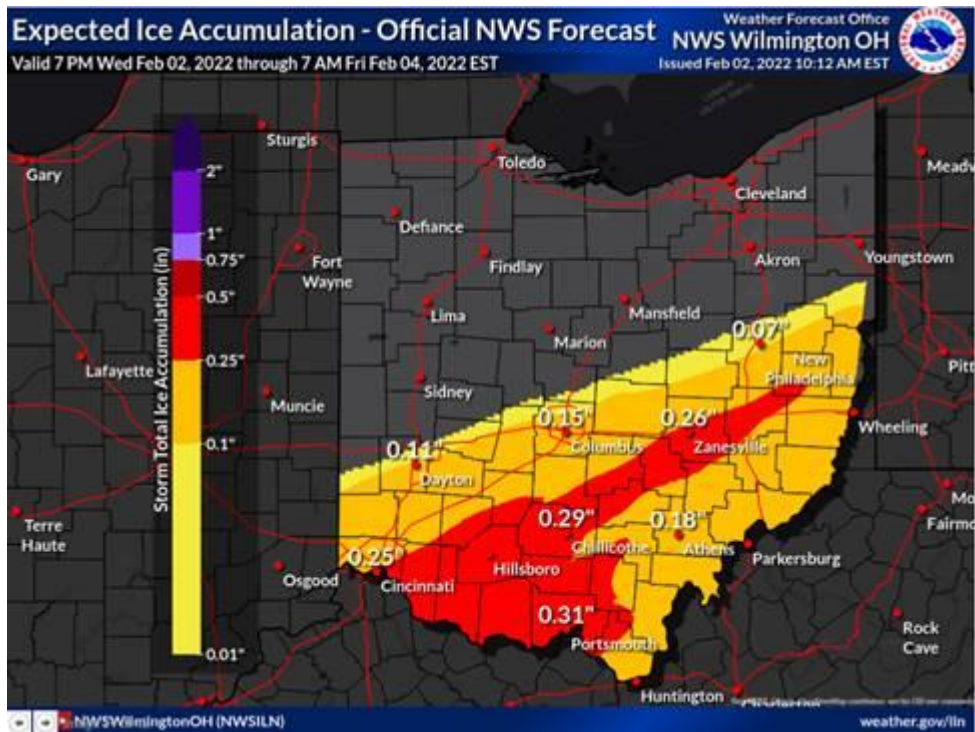


Ohio EMA Steady State Advisory – Winter Weather - 20220202 - Update

Purpose: The purpose of this advisory is to provide awareness to state and local partners of the impending winter weather forecast through Saturday morning.

Forecast: A potentially severe winter storm will start to impact the State of Ohio starting this afternoon and lasting through Saturday morning. The National Weather Service has forecast heavy snow, freezing rain, flooding, strong winds, and wind chill. The significant impacts are snow for northern Ohio and west central Ohio. The snow will be heavy/wet (high snow load) and wind gusts up to 35 MPH are expected Thursday. Thursday is the peak period for blowing/drifts of snow with wind exacerbating the ice threats/accumulations on trees and power lines. Anywhere where $>0.25''$ of ice and/or heavy snow occurs will be at risk for power outages. The most favored area for significant ice accumulation extends from SE Indiana and N Kentucky to along/south of I-71 from SW through central OH. Cold temperatures/wind chills below zero are expected Friday night/early Saturday.





Potential Threats:

- Hazardous snow for northern Ohio & west central Ohio (this afternoon - Thurs night)
- Freezing rain along/SE of I-71 (this evening - Thurs night)
- Flooding for Southern Ohio (today - Thurs afternoon)
- Strong winds along/NW of I-71 (Thurs diminishing Thurs night)
- Wind chills for all areas (Fri night-early Saturday)

- snow removal and uninsured damages to public facilities. More information can be found in the Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide V4, pages 134-135 and Appendix H. <https://www.fema.gov/assistance/public/policy-guidance-fact-sheets> and the Assistance Toolbox Tab B (damage assessment) here: [https://ema.ohio.gov/Recovery DAToolbox.aspx](https://ema.ohio.gov/Recovery_DAToolbox.aspx)

Resources:

- [Wilmington Weather Brief](#)
- [Storm Prediction Center](#)
- [Weather Prediction Center](#)
- [Excessive Rainfall Forecast](#)
- [Ohio EMA STORMS](#)
- [State EOC Daily Ops Report](#)
- [WebEOC Incident: 00- OEMA-20220201-Winter Weather](#)

Additional Information: Ohio EMA has been in communication with local EMAs. Please follow up with your local EMA for additional information.

Recipients of the OPHCS notification

- Statewide LHD Health Commissioners
- Statewide LHD Leadership
- Statewide Public Health Preparedness Coordinators
- Statewide Regional PHEP Coordinators
- Statewide Regional Healthcare Coordinators
- ODH Leadership
- All BHP Staff