



Saturday January 30, 2021

1:00 PM Temperature: 34

ACTION ALERT

A significant round of snow remains on track to start this afternoon 3 - 5 PM. There could be some onset lighter flakes with initial disorganized banding, but it should otherwise not take long after first flakes for snow to get heavy at times (mixed with sleet at first towards the Joliet- Monee area). From here thru the evening will be the period of most rapid accumulations where the snow can be difficult to keep up with, in rates up to or exceeding 1"/hour through and into the overnight hours. Winds even pick up as well to help the snow that accumulates to blow and drift around a good deal. This more solid area of snow should start to become more "showery" or randomly-banded as we get into the predawn hours Sunday, which will slow the consistent accumulations considerably. This brings us down to even lulls at times by morning, though additional snow that can re-cover surfaces will remain possible throughout the day until snow winds down to just flurries 9 PM - midnight.

Zero tolerance crews will be dispatched at the onset of the activity to handle any immediate accumulations. As the forecast predicts a rapid accumulation of snow, plowing operations will most likely begin within the first or second hour of snowfall.

For all 2" and over multifamily complexes we will start clearing driveways as totals reach 4" and very similar to the storm earlier this week they will mostly likely require multiple clearings of surfaces. Sidewalks are always a secondary priority to roadways, cul-de-sacs and driveways and are to be completed once at the end of the overall event.

With the significant snow fall we received on Monday/Tuesday and today's large thresholds that are predicted, space will be extremely limited and snow piles will be at their limits. Snow relocation or removal will most likely be needed at several properties in case we receive additional storms before melting occurs. Please do not hesitate to contact your VIPSG account representative if you have areas of concern.

ALERT OVERVIEW					
START TIME:	3-8 pm	ENDING TIME:	9pm Sun-12am Mon	TOTAL	McHenry to Lake County 5-9" Elgin to Des Plaines 6-10" Joliet to Monee 7-11"
DURATION OF PRECIP:	34 Hours	INTENSITY:	Moderate to heavy first 12 hours		
COMMENTS:	*Pavements quickly accumulate with first inch within 2 hours of starting				

POTENTIAL HAZARDS:

Rapid snow accum (1"+ per hr)	X	Night/AM widespread refreeze	
Blowing / drifting of snow	X	Night/AM patchy refreeze	
Very low visibility at times	X	Accum. During rush hour	
Long storm duration (+12 hrs)		Quick untreated pavement accum	X
Down trees/limbs/power lines		Temps during event below 20°	
Patchy ice accumulation		Long duration (+24h) below 32°	X
Severe widespread ice accum		Rapid temperature drop	
Sleet accumulation		Repeated Dustings Possible	X

SNOW CONFIDENCE:

1-3 Inches	0%
3-6 Inches	20%
6-10 Inches	65%
10-14 Inches	15%

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