

New Winter Storm and Blizzard Warnings

Through Tonight

Friday, December 12

Fairbanks, AK

Weather Forecast Office

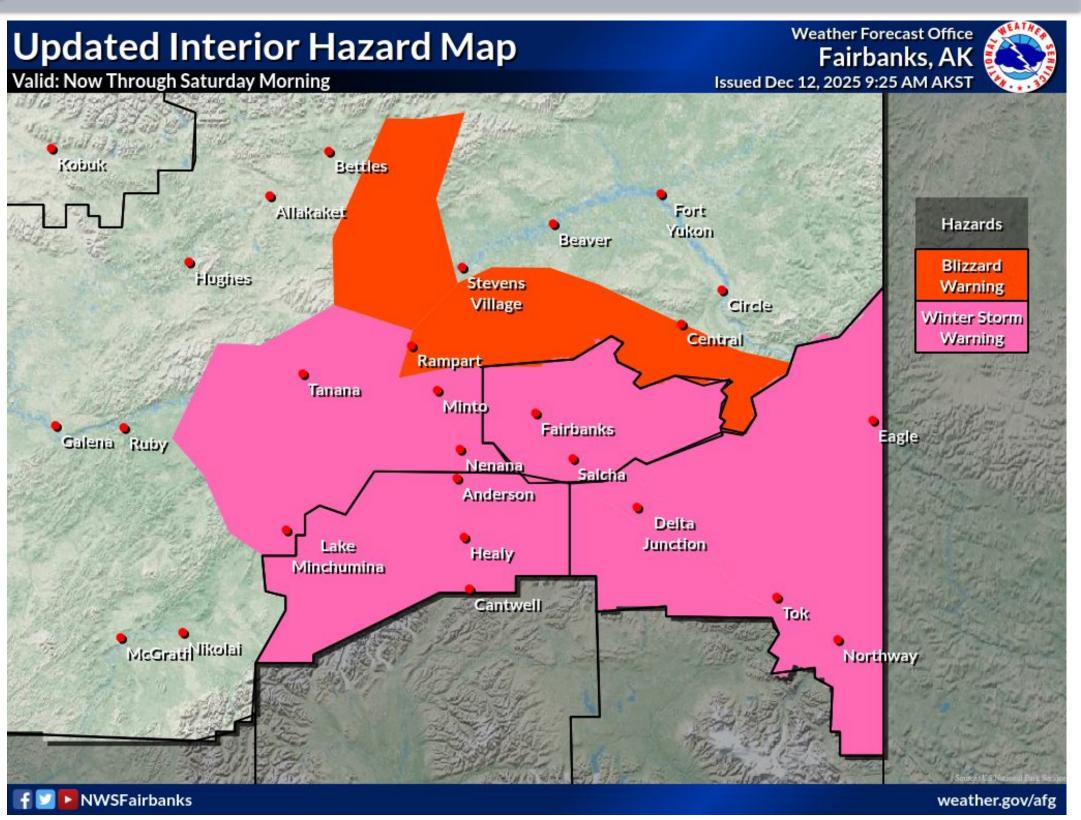
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WHAT...Blizzard conditions expected. 1 to 3 inches of additional snow - potentially up to 4 inches south and east of Fairbanks.

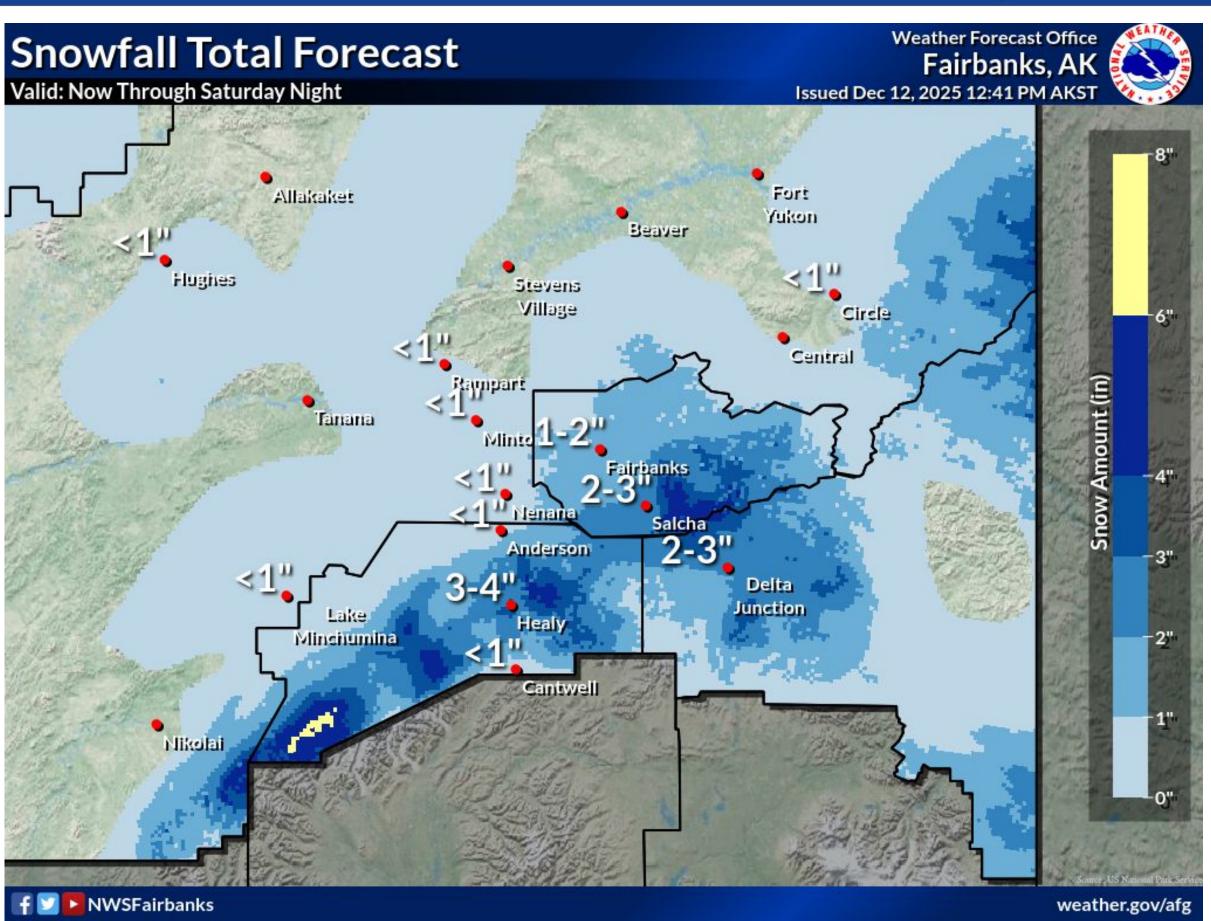
WHERE...Central and Eastern Interior.

WHEN...Now through Tonight.

IMPACTS...Visibilities may drop below 1/4 mile due to falling and blowing snow. Plan on slippery road conditions. Travel could be extremely hazardous to impossible.

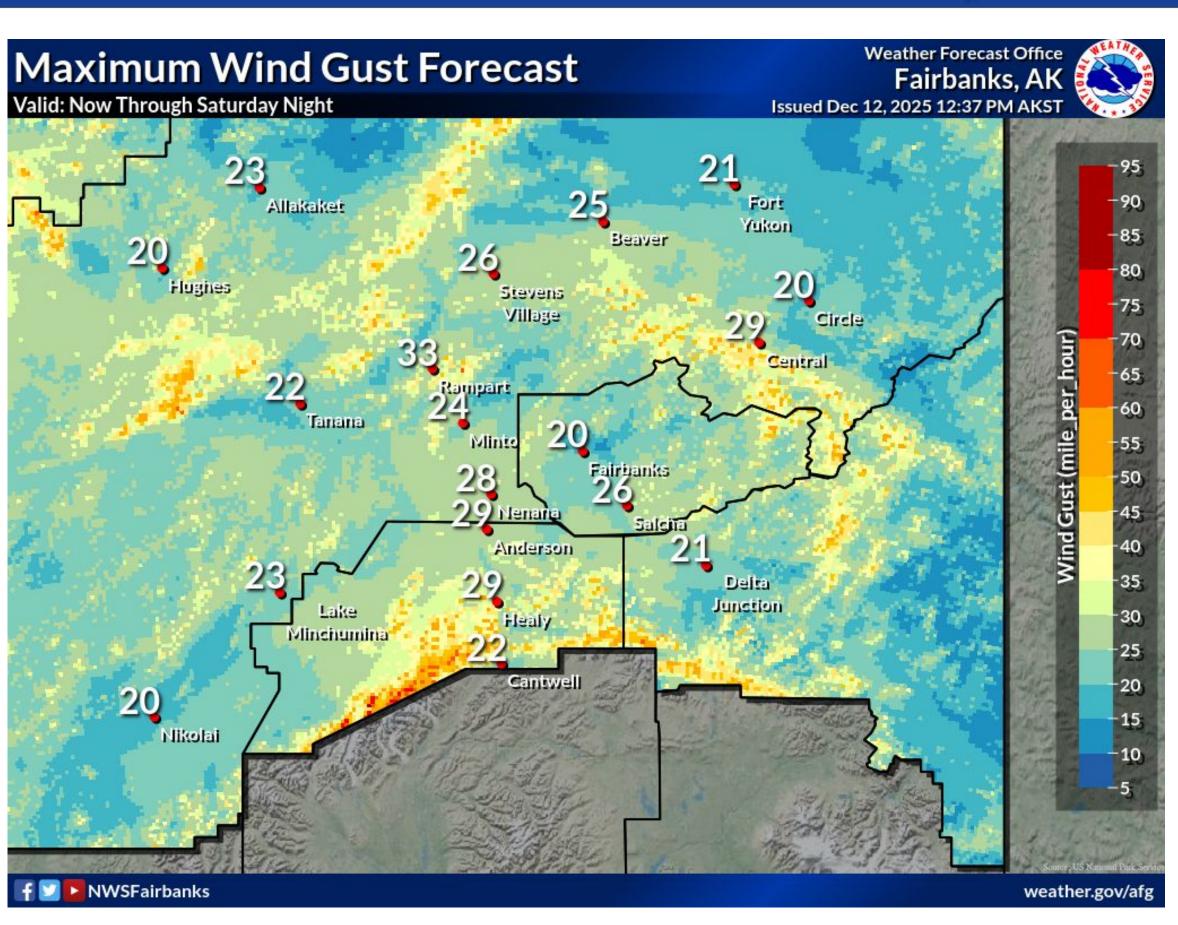


- Additional 1 to 3 inches of snow, highest amounts east of Fairbanks.
- Very dry and blowable snow.
- Image on the right shows snow amounts from 1 PM Friday through Friday night.



Wind Gusts across the Interior

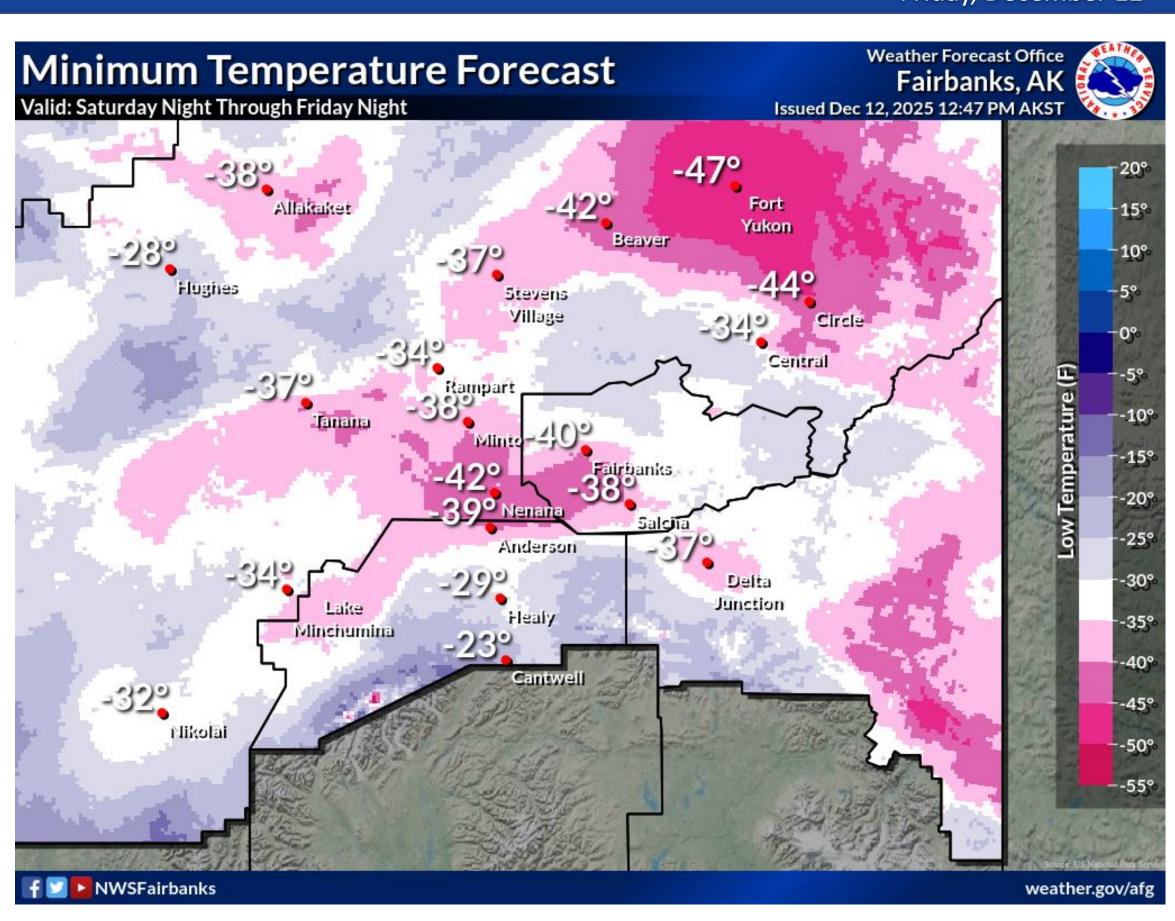
- Gusts of 20 to 30 mph are expected across the Eastern Interior with the higher terrain seeing wind gusts up to 45 mph.
 - Strongest winds occur this afternoon through about midnight tonight.
- Significant blowing and drifting snow is expected everywhere, especially areas in any terrain.
- Whiteout conditions expected this afternoon and tonight.





Low Temperatures Returning Next Week

- Temperatures are expected to fall rapidly.
 - If it clears tonight, expect temperatures in the 20s/30s below zero tomorrow morning.
- Coldest weather comes this weekend and next week, lows in the 40s below zero for many Interior Valleys as early as Saturday night. Clear spots will remain coldest as any cloud cover increases temps.
- The image on the right shows our minimum temperature forecast beginning Saturday night through Friday night.
- Slight warm up possible on Tuesday as clouds and chances for light snow develop again.



Winter Storm

Thursday Morning through Saturday Morning

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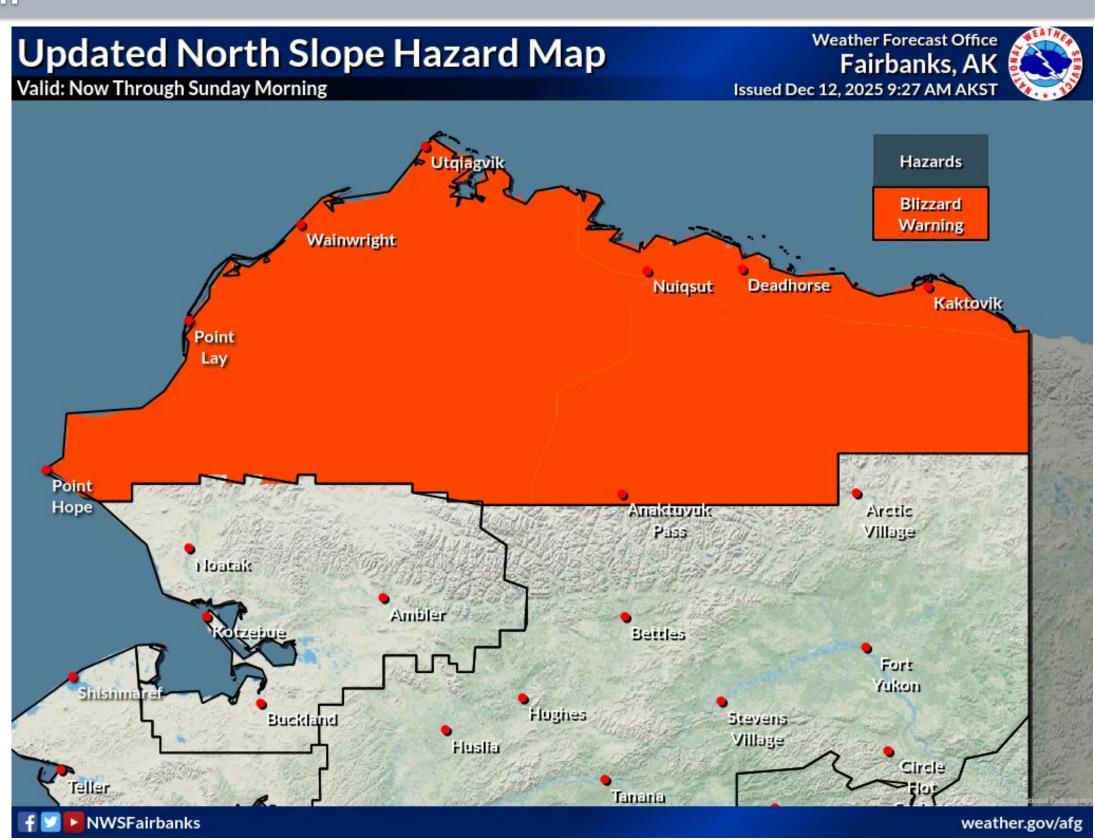
WHAT...Blizzard conditions expected. Additional snow accumulations of 1 to 3 inches for most spots.

• 6 to 12 inches of snow in Eastern Brooks Range and Dalton Highway from MP 280 to MP 370.

WHERE...North Slope and Brooks Range.

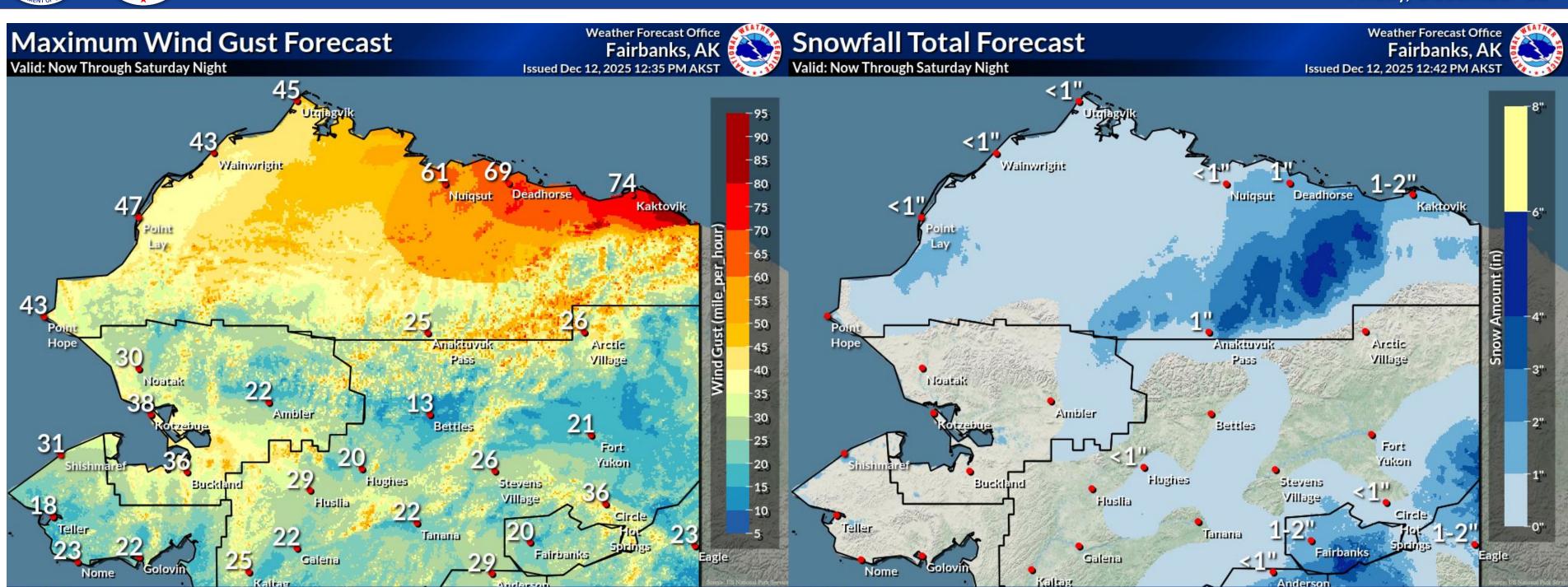
WHEN. Now through 9 PM AKST Tonight for the Western Brooks Range. Now through 9 AM AKST Saturday for the Eastern Brooks Range. Now through 9 AM AKST Sunday for the Eastern North Slope coastline.

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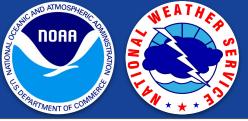




Maximum Wind Gust and Snowfall Forecast



- Wind with snowfall will cause blizzard conditions and extreme blowing/drifting snow.
- Eastern Brooks Range could see an additional 6-8 inches of snow.
- Treacherous and near impossible travel will continue through tomorrow.



Low Temperatures Returning Next Week

- Temperatures drop back below normal this weekend and next week with minimum temps in the teens and 20s below zero.
- Clouds and snow persist through early next week, but temperatures remain cold regardless.
- The image on the right shows our minimum temperature forecast beginning Saturday night and ending Friday night.

