

# WINTER STORM UPDATE #1 -

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## WINTER STORM WARNING POSTED FOR ROWAN COUNTY

URGENT - WINTER WEATHER MESSAGE  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE GREENVILLE-SPARTANBURG SC  
437 AM EST SAT DEC 25 2010

...WINTER STORM TO AFFECT THE WESTERN CAROLINAS AND NORTHEAST GEORGIA TODAY AND TONIGHT...

.A DEVELOPING STORM SYSTEM IS EXPECTED TO BRING HEAVY SNOWFALL TO THE REGION TODAY AND TONIGHT. AFTER AN ARCTIC COLD FRONT MOVES THROUGH THE REGION LATER TONIGHT...NORTHWEST WINDS WILL INTERACT WITH MOISTURE OVER THE MOUNTAINS TO PRODUCE SCATTERED TO NUMEROUS SNOW SHOWERS LATE TONIGHT THROUGH MONDAY. THIS WILL RESULT IN ADDITIONAL HEAVY SNOWFALL ACCUMULATIONS ACROSS THE HIGHER MOUNTAINS ALONG THE TENNESSEE BORDER.

-ROWAN-CABARRUS-...SALISBURY...  
437 AM EST SAT DEC 25 2010

...WINTER STORM WARNING IN EFFECT FROM NOON TODAY TO NOON EST SUNDAY...

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN GREENVILLE-SPARTANBURG HAS ISSUED A WINTER STORM WARNING FOR HEAVY SNOW...WHICH IS IN EFFECT FROM NOON TODAY TO NOON EST SUNDAY. THE WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY IS NO LONGER IN EFFECT.

\* LOCATIONS...THE WESTERN PIEDMONT OF NORTH CAROLINA.

\* HAZARDS...HEAVY SNOW.

\* TIMING...A MIX OF RAIN AND SNOW WILL DEVELOP FROM NORTH TO SOUTH ACROSS THE REGION THIS MORNING. DURING THE AFTERNOON HOURS THE ALL SNOW LINE WILL GRADUALLY WORK SOUTHWARD ACROSS THE REGION. SNOW IS THEN EXPECTED TO CONTINUE INTO SUNDAY MORNING. HEAVY SNOW MAY ALSO BRING DOWN TREES AND POWER LINES.

\* ACCUMULATIONS...3 TO 6 INCHES.

\* IMPACTS...ONCE THE SNOW INCREASES IN INTENSITY IN THE AFTERNOON HOURS...ROADS WILL RAPIDLY BECOME SLICK AND DANGEROUS...ESPECIALLY BRIDGES AND OVERPASSES.

\* TEMPERATURES...HIGHS 35 TO 40...FALLING INTO THE LOW 30S ONCE THE SNOW STARTS. LOWS 25 TO 30.

PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS...

A WINTER STORM WARNING FOR HEAVY SNOW MEANS SEVERE WINTER WEATHER CONDITIONS ARE EXPECTED OR OCCURRING. SIGNIFICANT AMOUNTS OF SNOW ARE FORECAST THAT WILL MAKE TRAVEL DANGEROUS. ONLY TRAVEL IN AN EMERGENCY. IF YOU MUST TRAVEL...BE SURE TO TAKE ALONG YOUR CELL PHONE. WEAR A WARM COAT...GLOVES...AND BOOTS. KEEP A BLANKET... FLASHLIGHT...FOOD...AND WATER IN YOUR VEHICLE IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY.