



Heavy Rain/Storm Briefing

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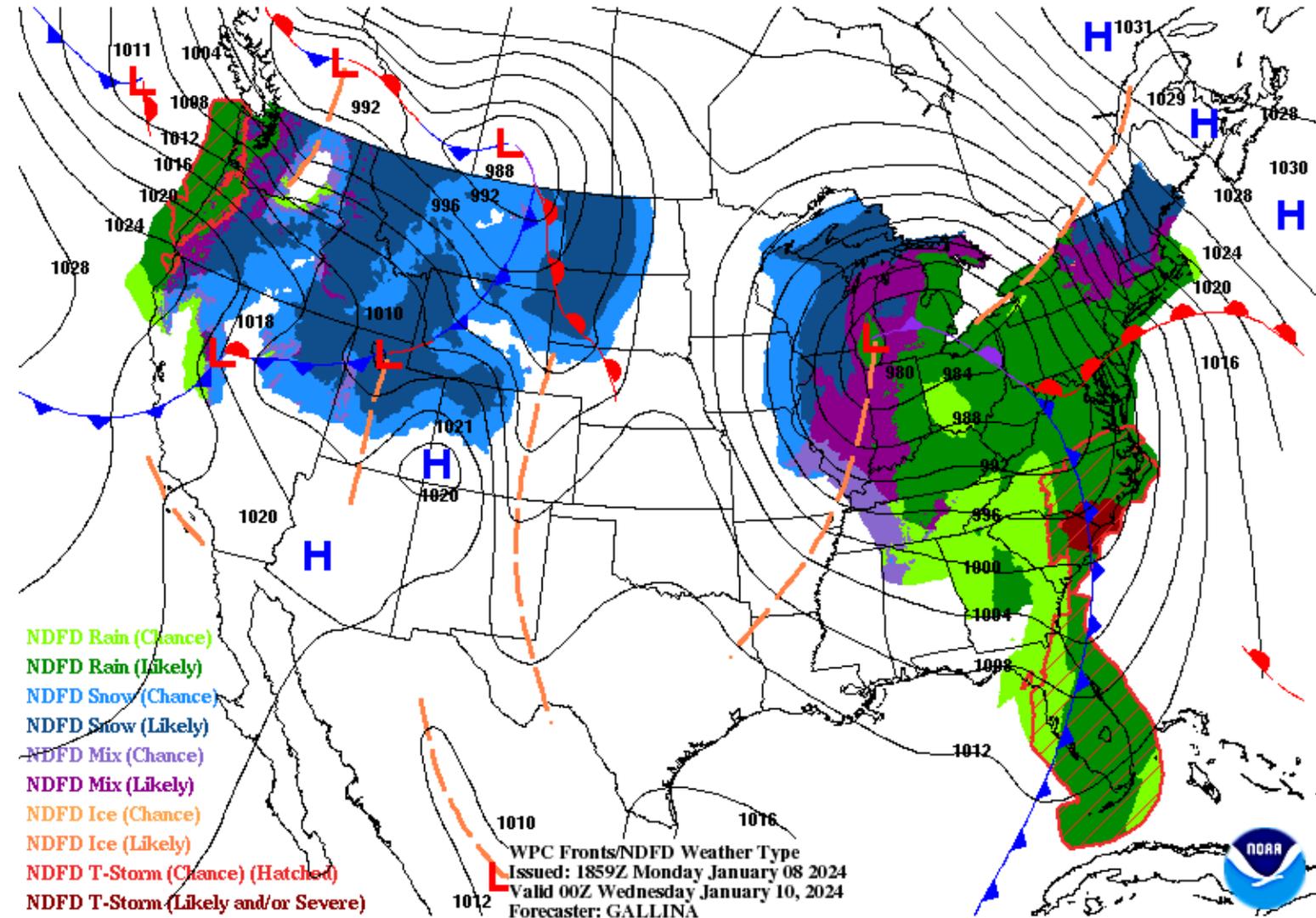
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Important Updates

- Storm Warnings are in effect for the ocean, Chesapeake Bay, lower James River, and Currituck Sound. Gale Warnings in effect for the upper tidal rivers.
- Coastal Flood Warnings are in effect for the bay-side of the MD Eastern Shore, the southern shore of the tidal Potomac, and for the northern shore and adjacent waterways of the Albemarle Sound
- High Wind Warnings are in effect for most of the Eastern Shore, the western shore of the Chesapeake Bay, and the coasts of Southeast VA and Northeast NC. Wind Advisories in effect elsewhere except far western counties.
- A Flood Watch has been issued for for all local VA and MD counties



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Key Messages

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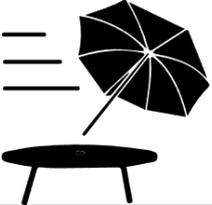
- Strong low pressure and a cold front will track from the Appalachian Mountains Tuesday and move off the Mid-Atlantic coast Tuesday night.
- Moderate to heavy rain and strong winds are expected across the area Tuesday morning through Wednesday morning.
- Rain will begin from southwest to northeast Tuesday morning, exiting the region late Tuesday night. The heaviest rain will occur between 5 pm and midnight.
- Winds increase through the day Tuesday and are expected to peak Tuesday evening into Tuesday night.
- There is a risk for strong to severe storms across northeast North Carolina and Southeast Virginia Tuesday evening. Strong, damaging wind gusts are the main threat, but there is also a potential for tornadoes.
- There will be the potential for localized power outages from wind and flooding from rainfall in addition to tidal flooding.





Summary of Greatest Impacts

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Hazard	Impacts	Location	Timing
 <p>High Wind</p>	<p>Localized power outages/difficult travel for high profile vehicles/localized damaging wind gusts from storms</p>	<p>Primarily from the I-95 corridor to the coast, and strongest toward the coast</p>	<p>Tuesday afternoon into Tuesday night</p>
 <p>Tornadoes</p>	<p>A few brief tornadoes are possible</p>	<p>Southeast VA and Northeast NC</p>	<p>Tuesday evening into the early overnight hours</p>
 <p>Heavy Rain/ Flash Flooding</p>	<p>Localized flash flooding is possible due to wet soil conditions/Minor to moderate river flooding is likely</p>	<p>The entire area for flash flooding/All primary basins for river flooding</p>	<p>Tuesday evening into the early overnight hours for flash flooding/Wednesday through late week for river flooding</p>
 <p>Coastal Flooding</p>	<p>Water level rises of 2 to 3 feet above normal will bring the likelihood for moderate to major tidal flooding. Large breaking waves may cause beach erosion.</p>	<p>Middle Chesapeake Bay/Southern Shore of the Tidal Potomac/Northern Shore of the Albemarle Sound and Adjacent Waterways</p>	<p>Tuesday night for the Albemarle Sound/Tuesday night and Wednesday morning elsewhere</p>
 <p>Marine</p>	<p>Very dangerous to extreme conditions are expected</p>	<p>All waters coastal and nearshore waters</p>	<p>Tuesday afternoon through Wednesday morning</p>



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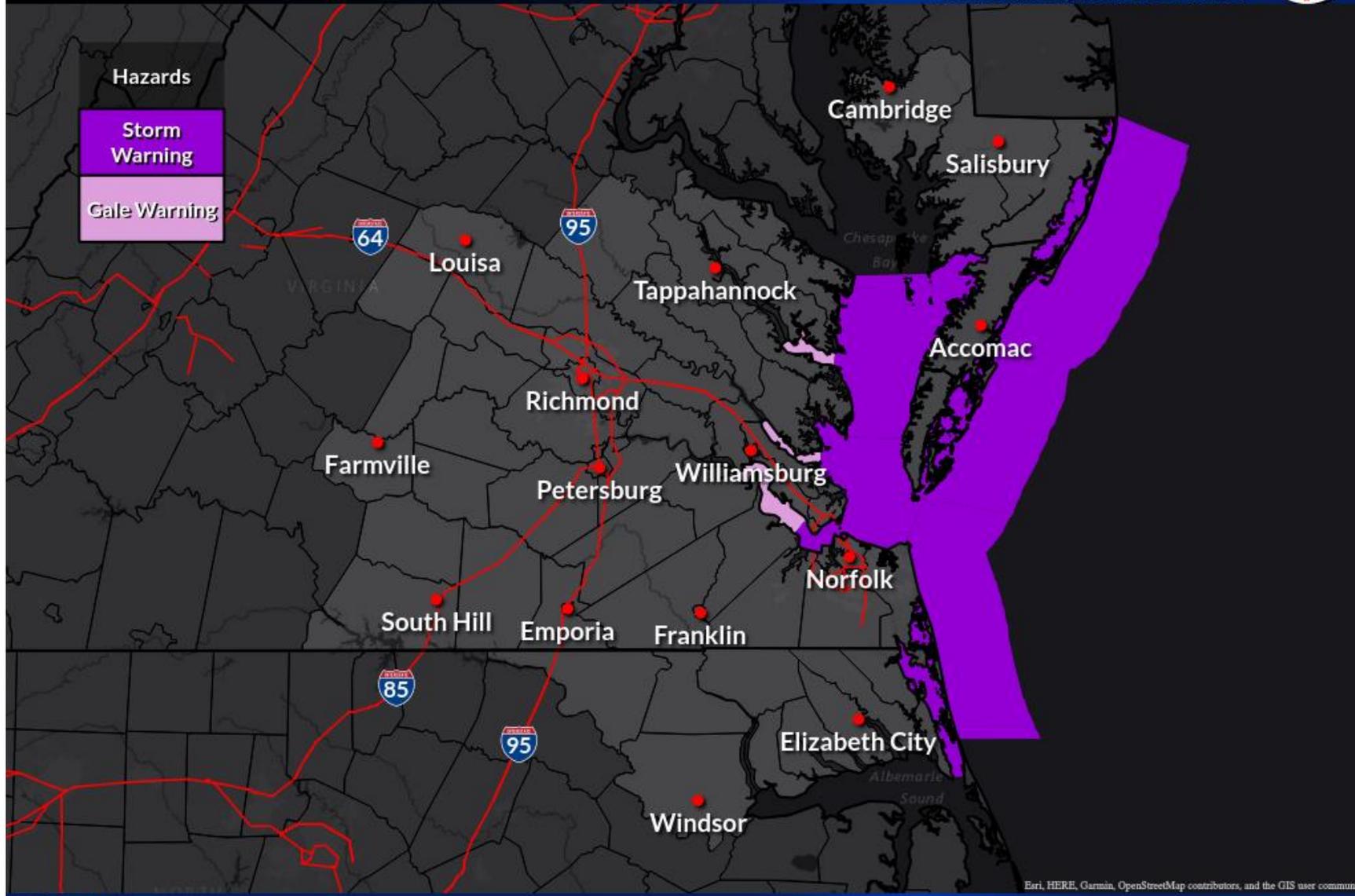
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Marine Headlines

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- A Storm Warning is in effect for the Chesapeake Bay, Atlantic Ocean, Currituck Sound, and lower James River Tuesday morning into Tuesday night
- A Gale Warning is in effect for the Rappahannock, York, and upper James River Tuesday afternoon into Tuesday night
- Hazardous marine conditions will continue into Wednesday
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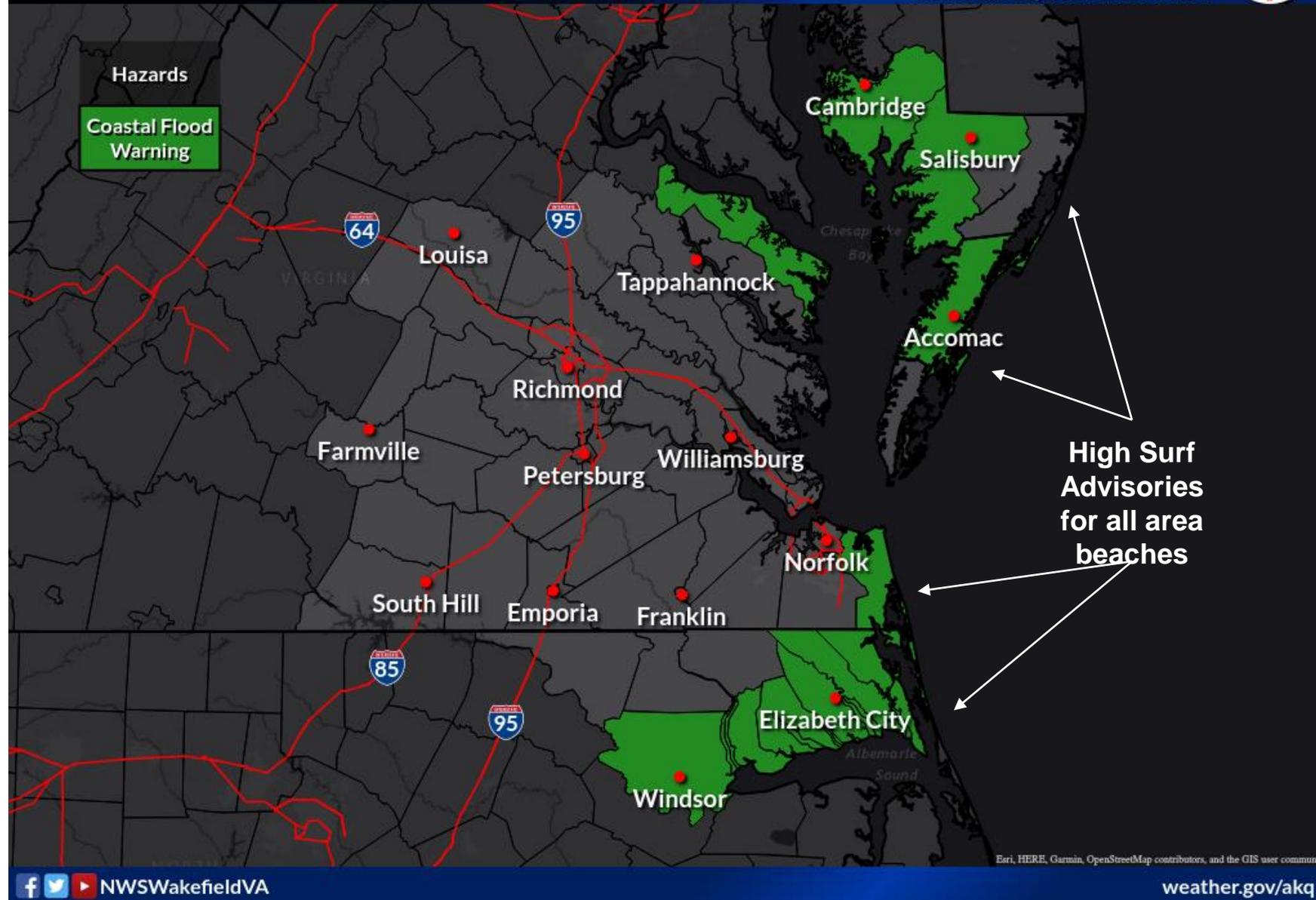


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Coastal Flood Headlines

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- Coastal Flood Warnings are in effect for the bay-side of the MD Eastern Shore, the southern shore of the tidal Potomac, and the northern shore of the Albemarle Sound and adjacent waterways
- High Surf Advisories are in effect for all area beaches
- Moderate to Major tidal flooding is possible Tuesday night into Wednesday morning
- Large breaking waves will result in dangerous surf conditions and possible beach erosion
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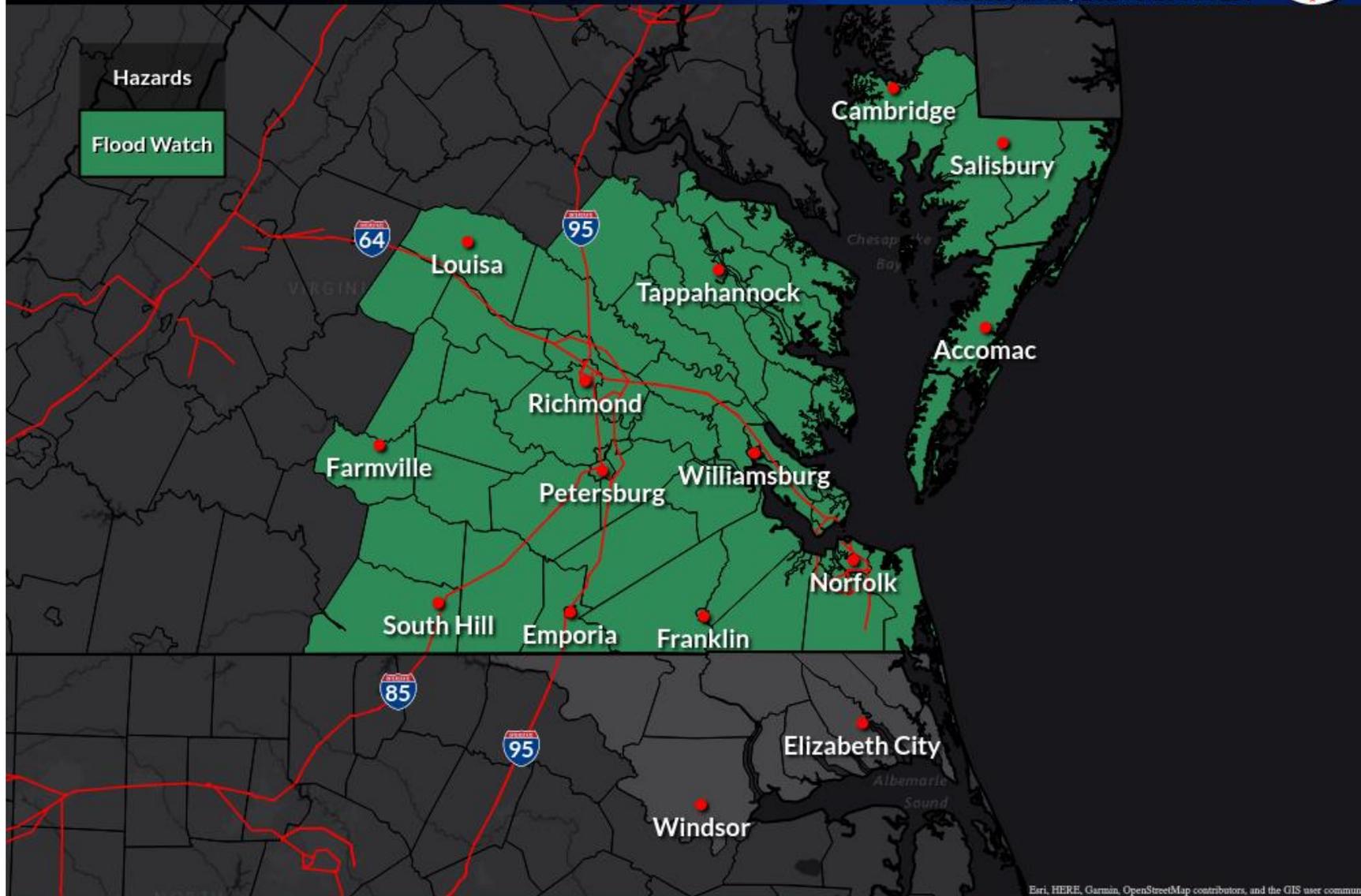
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Flood Watch

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- A Flood Watch is in effect Tuesday afternoon through early Wednesday morning for all local VA and MD counties
- Localized flash flooding is possible due to wet soil conditions. In addition, minor to moderate river flooding is likely
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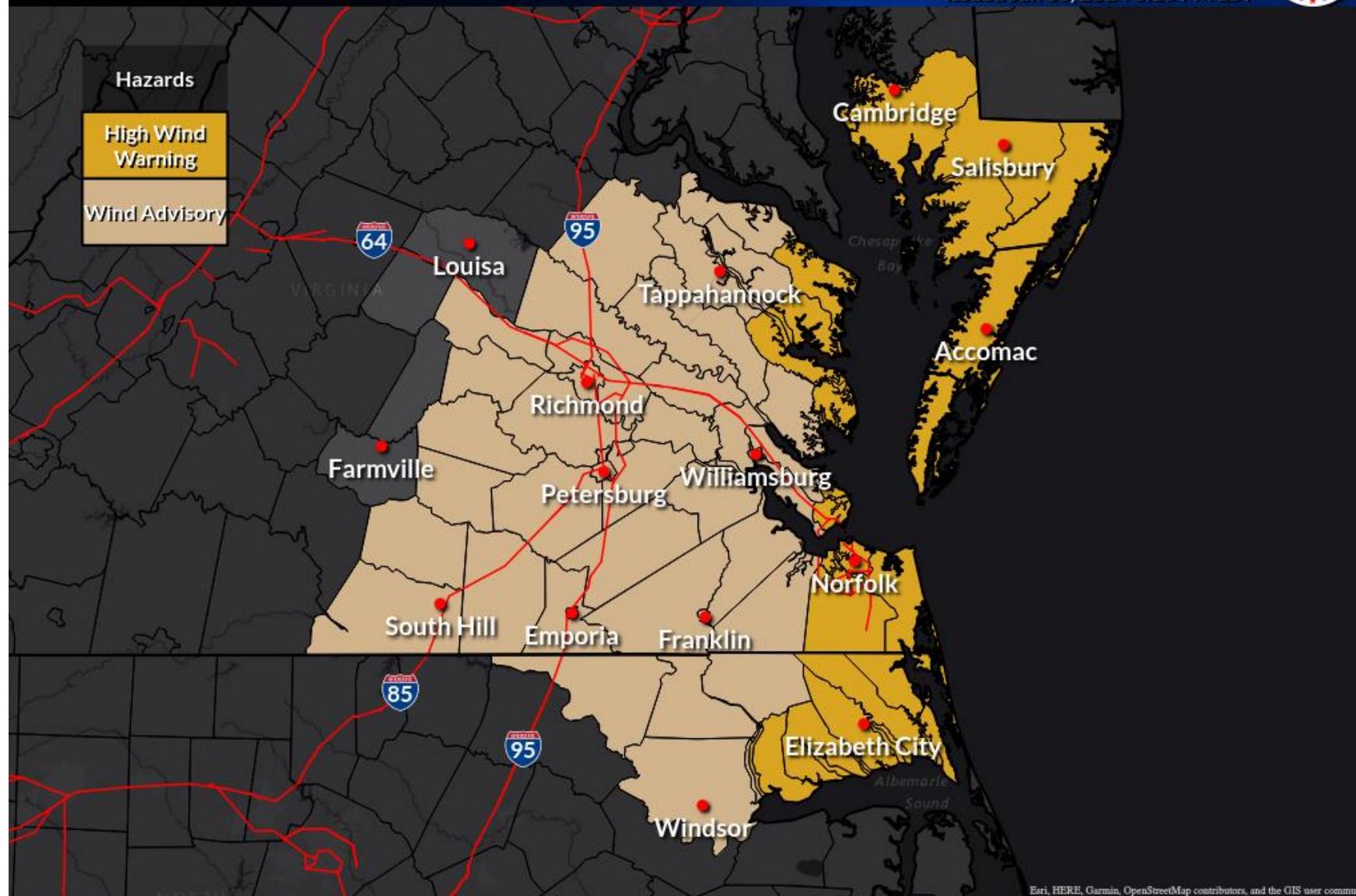


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High Wind Headlines

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- High Wind Warnings are in effect for locations near the Chesapeake Bay, Atlantic Ocean, and Albemarle Sound Tuesday afternoon into Tuesday night
- Wind Advisories are in effect for inland counties to just west of the I-95/I-85 corridor.
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High Wind Potential

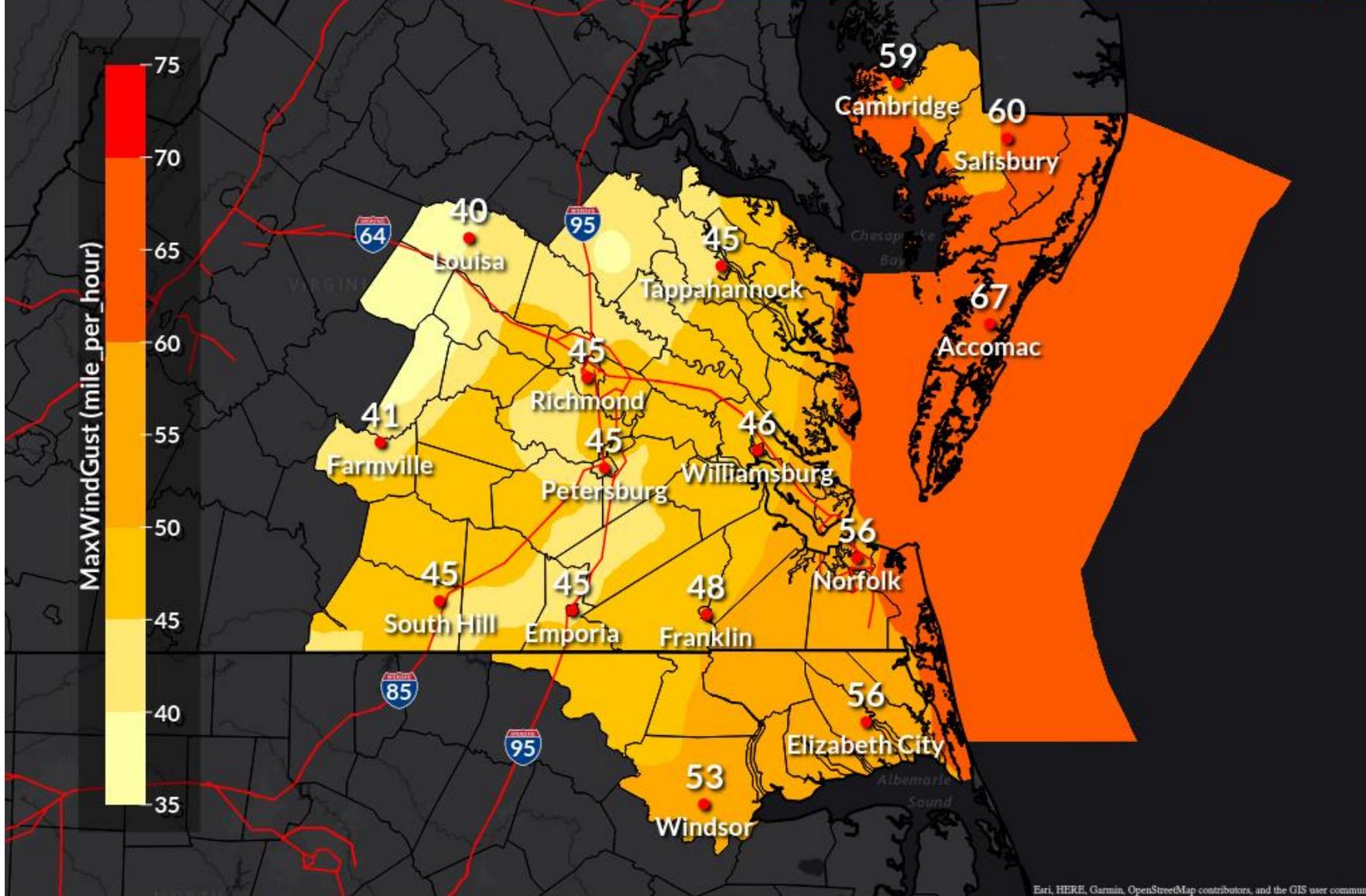
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Max Wind Gust Through 72 Hrs

Valid Mon 7:00PM through Fri 7:00AM EST

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- A strong southeast, then south, wind is expected Tuesday afternoon into Tuesday night
- The wind will be highest from the I-95 corridor to the coast, and strongest (potentially damaging) near the coast
- Localized higher wind gusts are possible due to isolated thunderstorms across southeast VA and northeast NC

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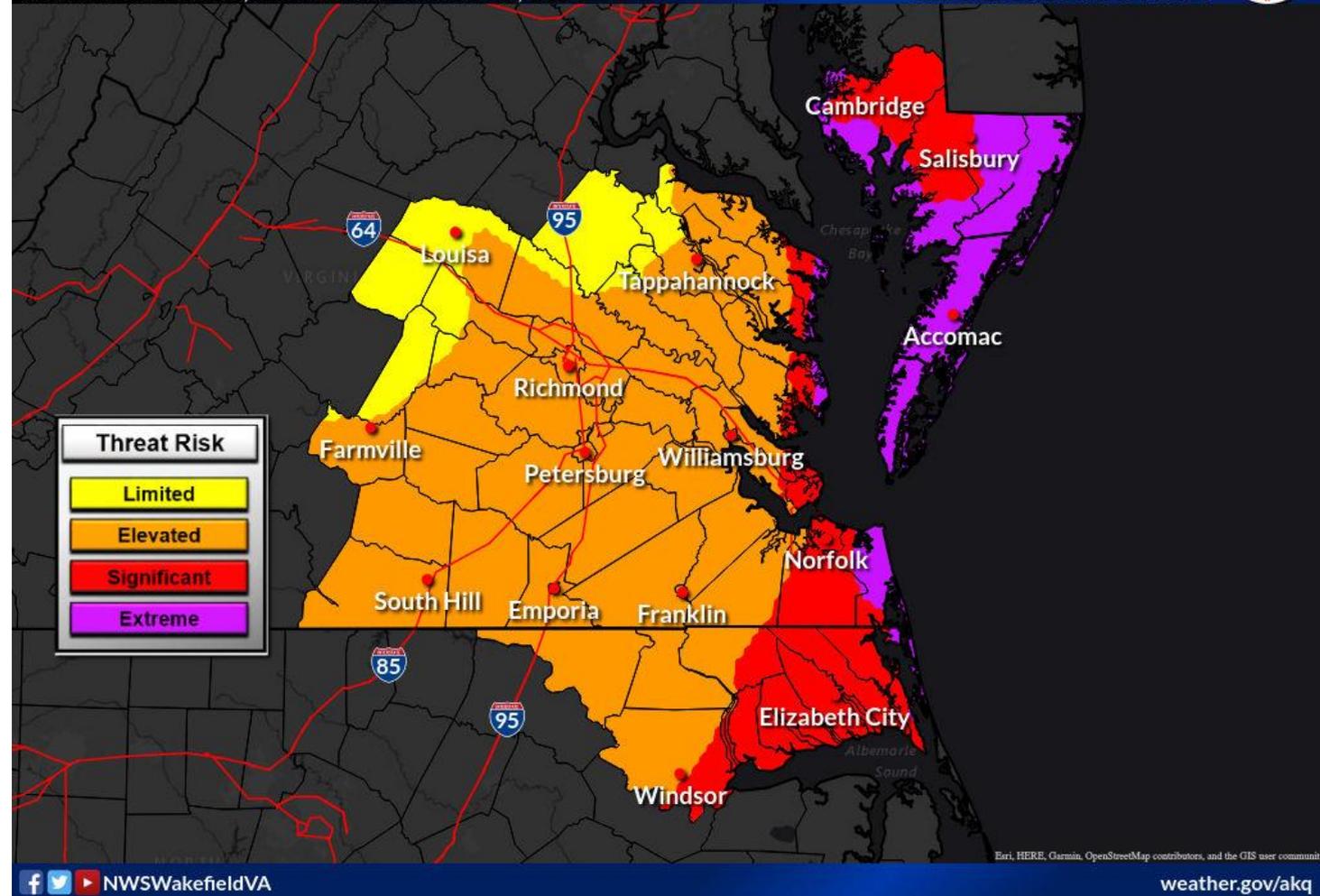
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Wind Risk for Tue/Tue Night

Valid 7 AM Tue Jan 09, 2024 to 7 AM Wed Jan 10, 2024

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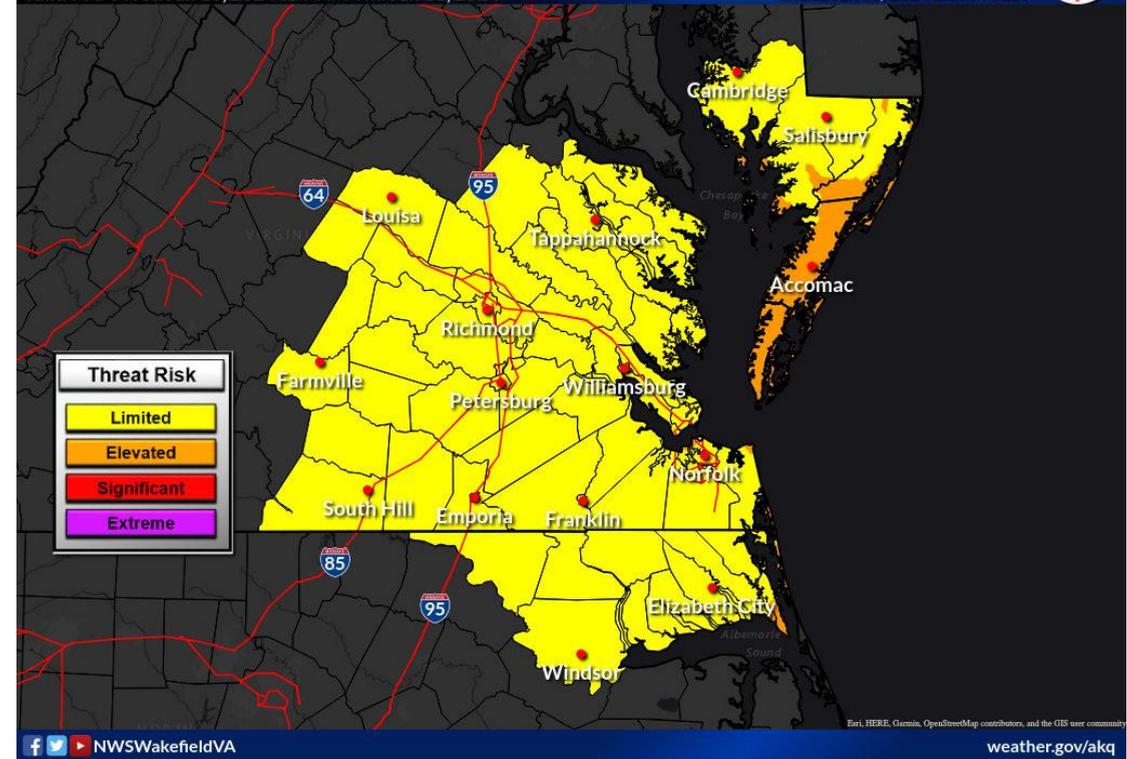


Wind Risk for Wed/Wed Night

Valid 7 AM Wed Jan 10, 2024 to 7 AM Thu Jan 11, 2024

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Limited	Breezy conditions with 30 to 40 mph wind gusts could blow around unsecured items and result in hazardous driving conditions for high-profile vehicles.
Elevated	Windy conditions with 40 to 50 mph wind gusts could damage light outdoor items, cause isolated power outages and result in hazardous driving conditions for high-profile vehicles.
Significant	Very windy conditions with 50 to 60 mph wind gusts could blow down trees, result in some property damage and cause power outages.
Extreme	Extremely windy conditions with wind gusts greater than 60 mph will damage numerous trees, cause property damage in addition to widespread power outages.



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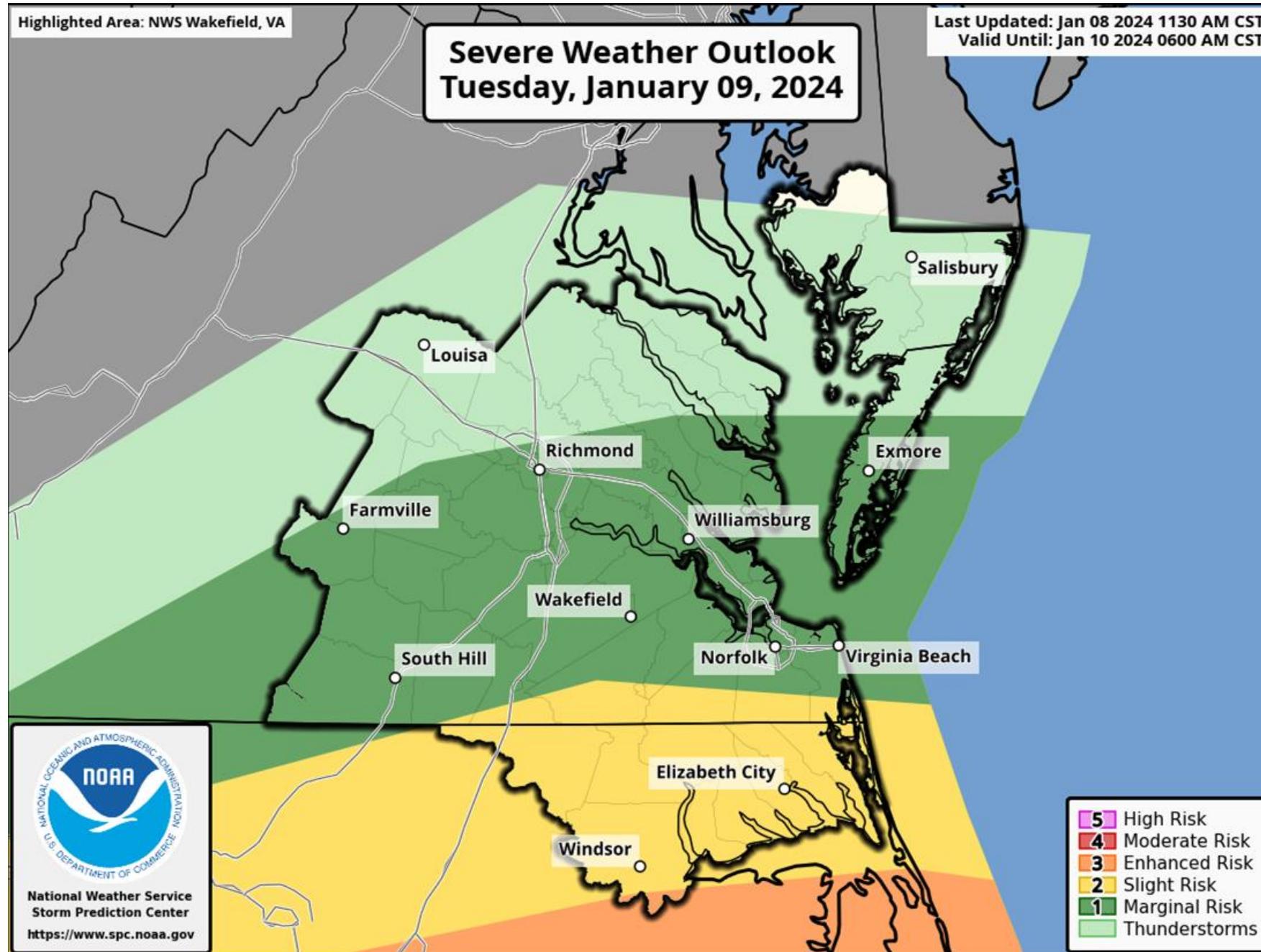
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Tomorrow - Severe Weather Outlook

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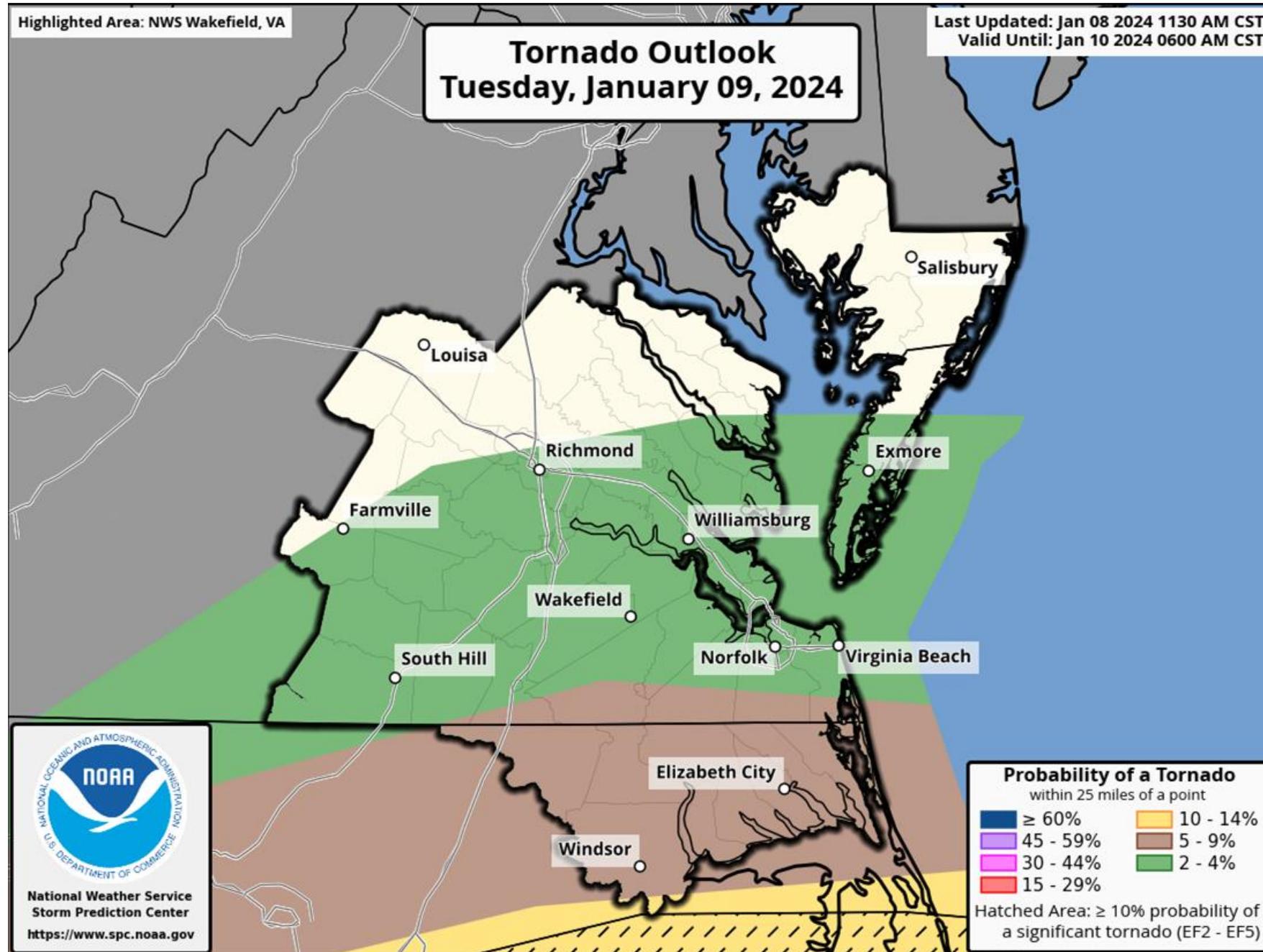
- **Timing:** Tuesday evening into the early overnight hours
- **Potential Impacts:** Damaging wind gusts and a few brief tornadoes
- **Locations:** Southeast VA and Northeast NC
- **Storm Coverage:** Storms will form into a line with localized impacts within the the line





Tomorrow - Tornado Threat

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- **Timing:** Tuesday evening into the early overnight hours
- **Potential Impacts:** A few brief tornadoes are possible
- **Locations:** Southeast VA and Northeast NC (a potential for significant tornadoes is near the local area, immediately south of the Albemarle Sound)
- **Storm Coverage:** Storms will form into a line with localized impacts within the the line





Expected Rainfall Forecast

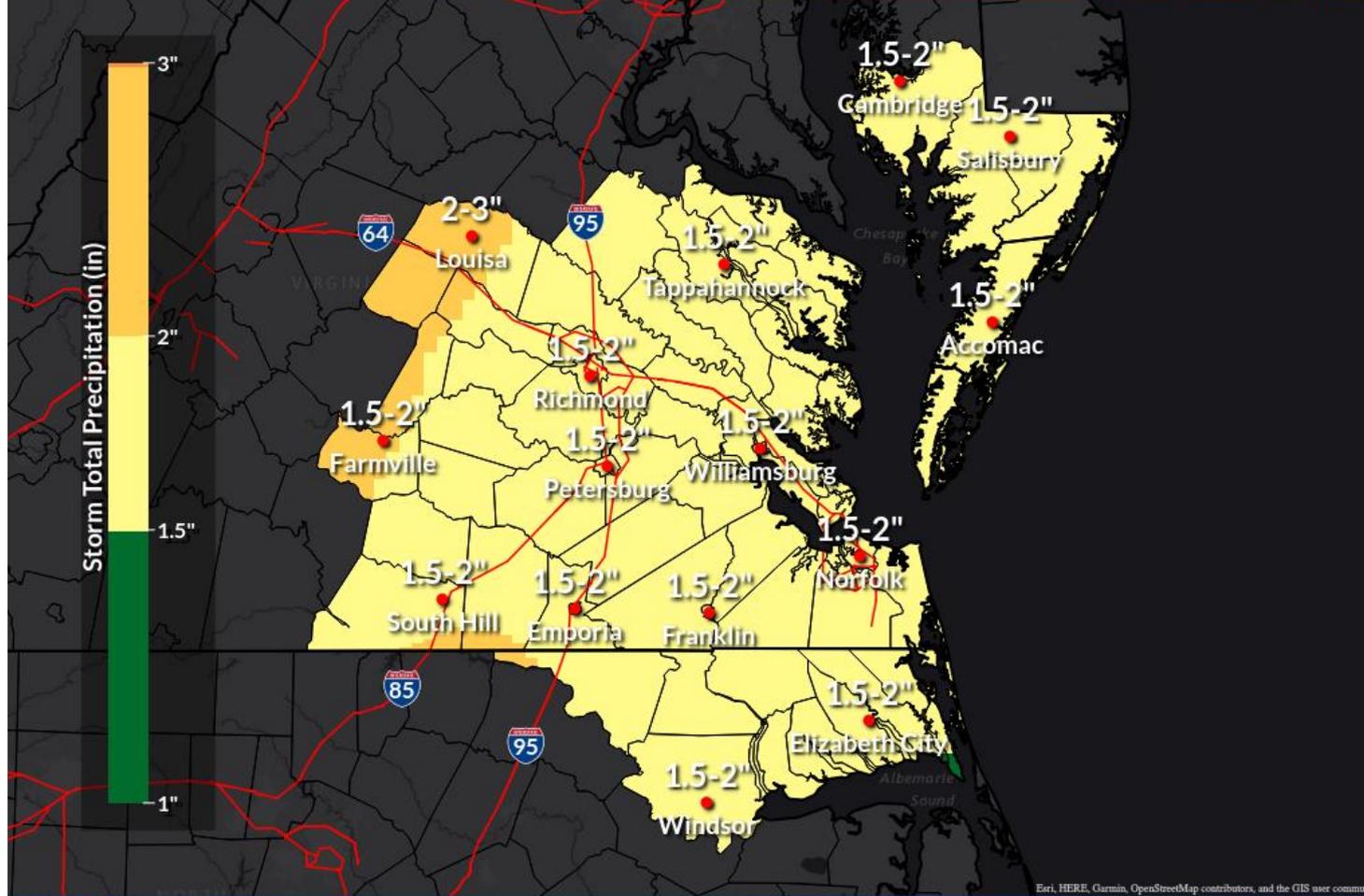
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72-hour Precipitation Amount

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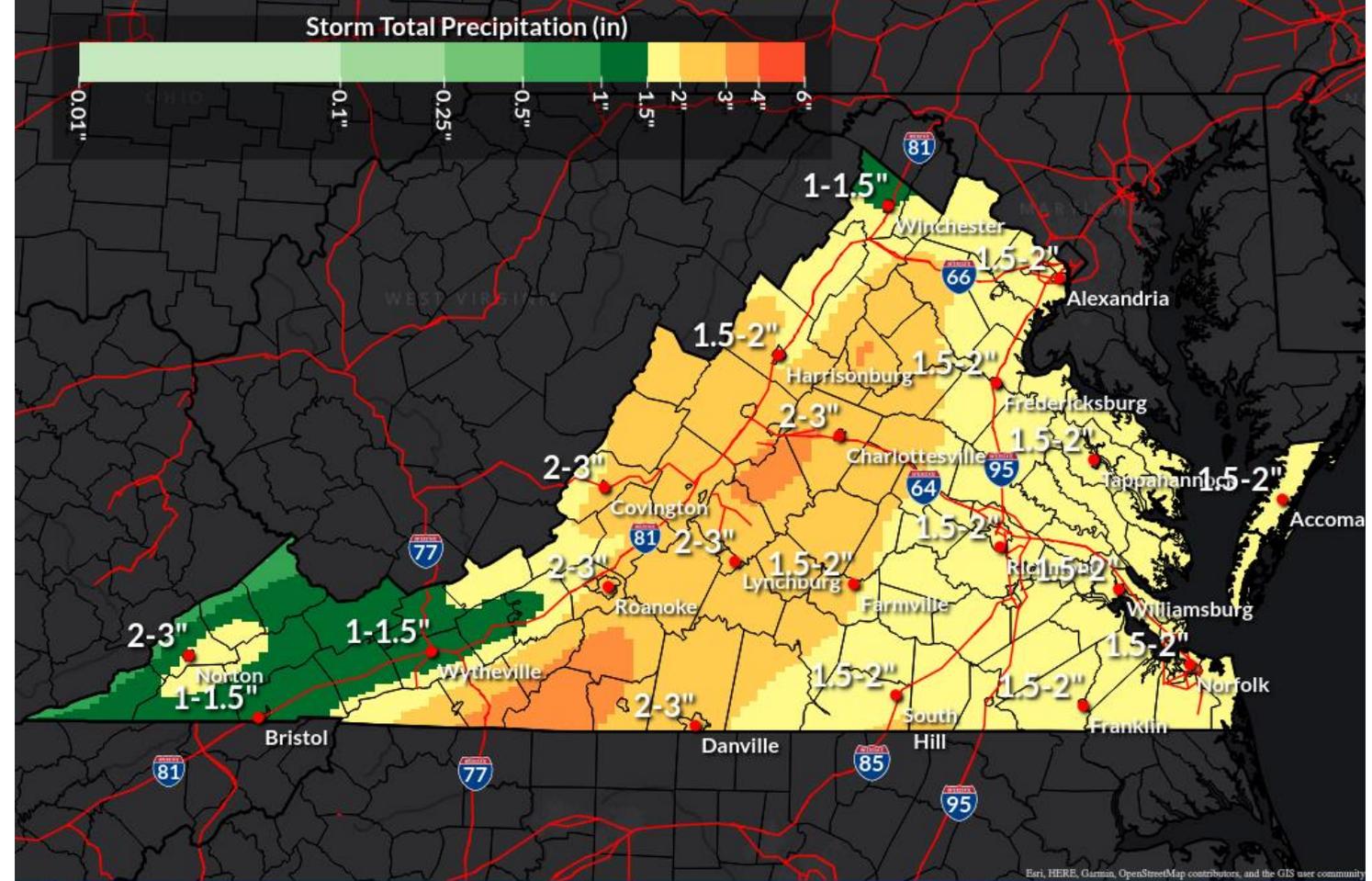
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- Moderate to heavy rain is expected across the entire area
- The greatest amounts are expected across the Piedmont and upstream of the local area into the headwaters of the James River



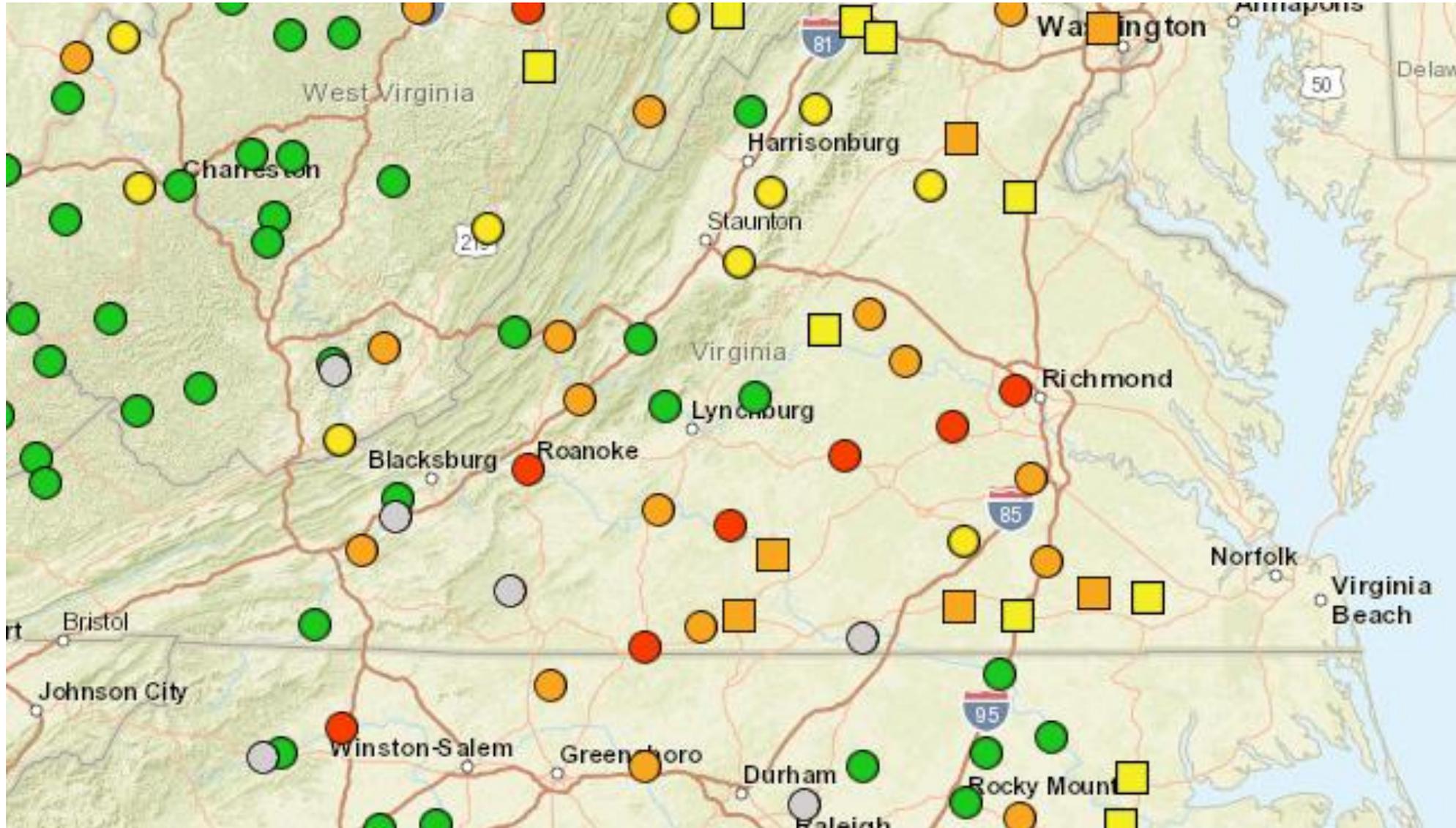
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Potential River Flooding

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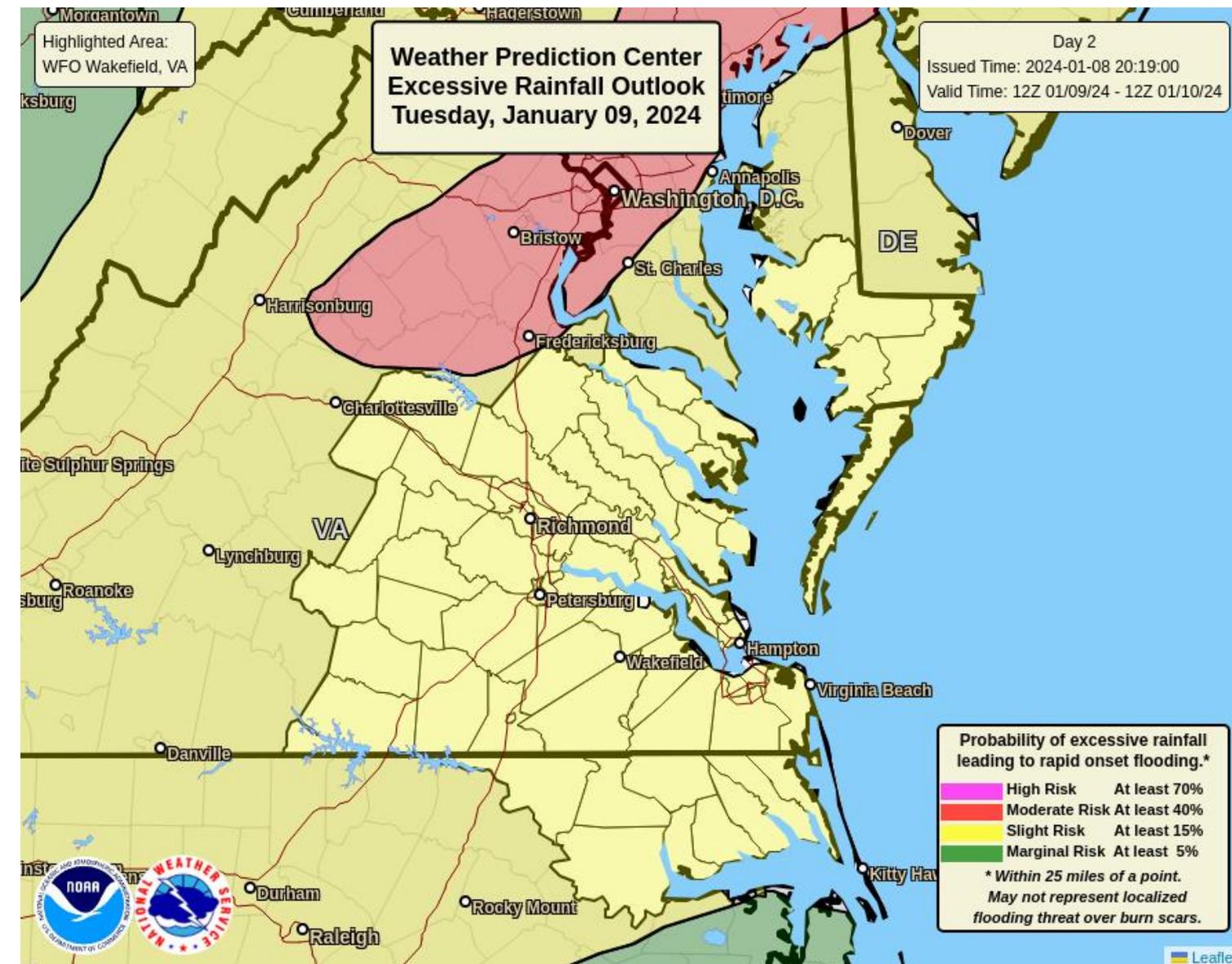
Minor to Moderate river flooding is possible along mainstem rivers and tributaries this week following heavy rain Tuesday and Tuesday night.

Chance of Exceedance		
30%	Level	70%
	Action	
	Minor Flood	
	Moderate Flood	
	Major Flood	
= less than 30% chance of reaching Action level		



Flood Threat - Tomorrow

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- Rain is expected to develop early Tuesday and become moderate to heavy Tuesday evening into the early overnight hours
- Localized flash flooding is possible, especially given recent rain and wet soil conditions

MARGINAL Isolated flash floods possible	SLIGHT Scattered flash floods possible	MODERATE Numerous flash floods likely	HIGH Widespread flash floods expected
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Regional Forecast Summary

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Maximum Wind Gust Forecast (mph)

Rain Forecast (inches)

6 Hourly
Rainfall
Amounts

	1/9 Tue				1/10 Wed				1/11 Thu			
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	Accomac	14↔	32↔	52↔	62↑	53↑	41↔	40↔	26↔	16↔	16↔	17↔
Ahoski	13↔	31↔	45↔	47↔	37↔	33↔	35↔	16↔	7↔	12↔	13↔	12↔
Cambridge	12↔	28↔	48↔	55↔	44↔	36↔	36↔	21↔	13↔	14↔	16↔	16↔
Corolla	22↔	36↔	53↔	60↑	49↔	41↔	41↔	25↔	20↔	17↔	16↔	13↔
Elizabeth City	13↔	32↔	49↔	54↔	44↔	37↔	38↔	20↔	10↔	14↔	16↔	14↔
Emporia	12↔	25↔	41↔	41↑	33↔	31↔	33↔	15↔	6↔	9↔	12↔	12↔
Farmville	12↔	25↔	40↔	38↑	29↔	31↔	33↔	15↔	7↔	12↔	15↔	15↔
Louisa	7↔	24↔	39↔	37↔	28↔	30↔	31↔	16↔	9↔	13↔	15↔	16↔
Norfolk / Portsmouth	13↔	31↔	49↔	52↔	45↔	37↔	38↔	21↔	13↔	14↔	16↔	15↔
Ocean City	17↔	31↔	49↔	63↑	56↑	40↔	39↔	26↔	18↔	16↔	18↔	17↔
Richmond	9↔	25↔	43↔	41↔	33↔	33↔	35↔	18↔	9↔	13↔	15↔	15↔
Salisbury	9↔	28↔	48↔	56↑	47↔	39↔	39↔	23↔	12↔	15↔	16↔	18↔
South Hill	15↔	30↔	41↔	39↑	33↔	31↔	33↔	13↔	7↔	12↔	13↔	12↔
Tappahannock	10↔	26↔	40↔	41↔	31↔	30↔	31↔	17↔	9↔	13↔	14↔	14↔
Virginia Beach	18↔	35↔	54↔	60↑	48↔	39↔	38↔	24↔	16↔	15↔	16↔	14↔
Williamsburg	10↔	26↔	43↔	43↔	38↔	33↔	33↔	18↔	9↔	13↔	16↔	14↔

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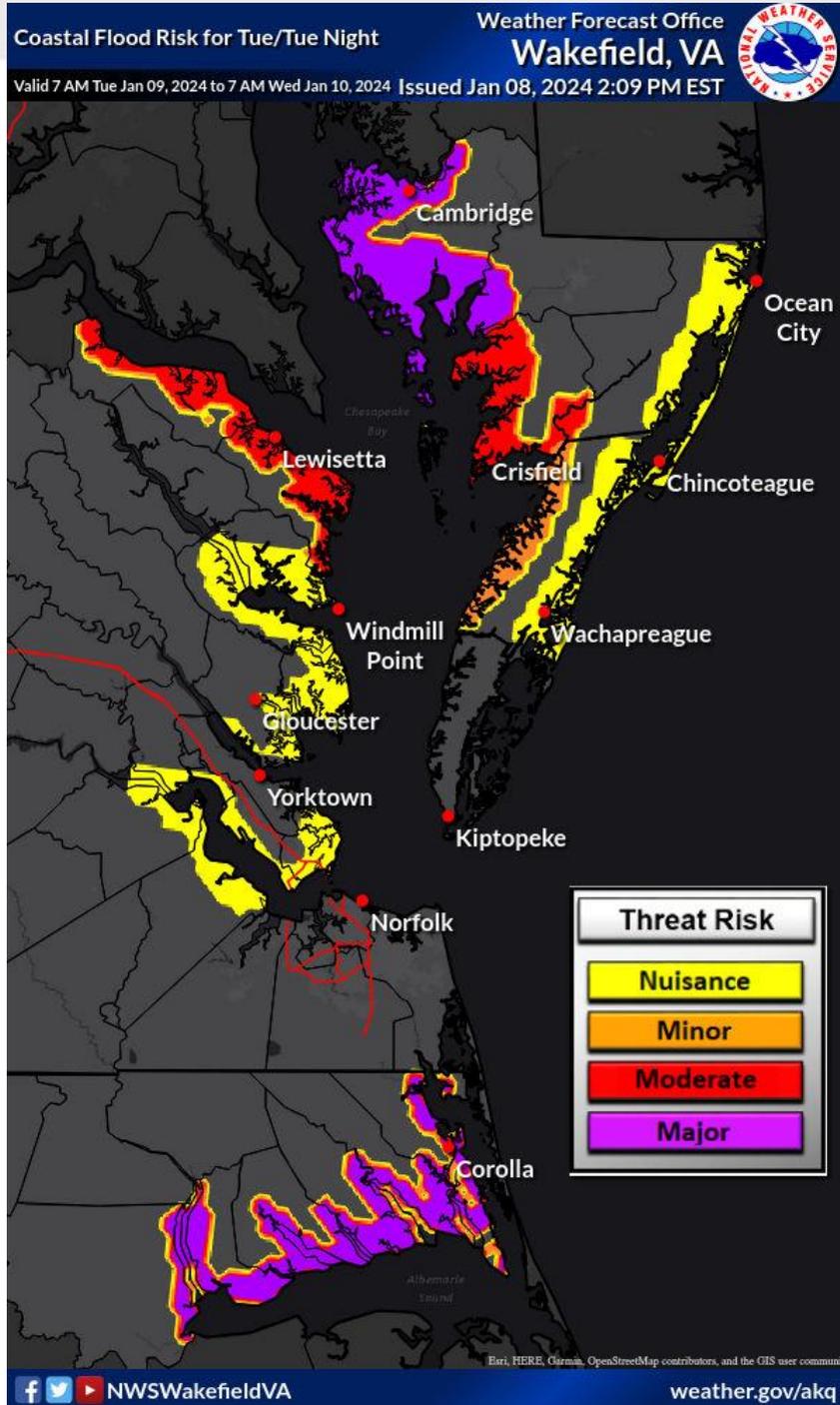
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Ahoski	0	0.25	0.73	1.00	0	0	0	0
Cambridge	0	0.16	0.54	0.86	0.02	0	0	0
Corolla	0	0.12	0.22	1.26	0.04	0	0	0
Elizabeth City	0	0.16	0.42	1.23	0.01	0	0	0
Emporia	0.01	0.38	0.94	0.73	0	0	0	0
Farmville	0.03	0.63	1.16	0.28	0	0	0	0
Louisa	0.02	0.52	1.24	0.36	0	0	0	0
Norfolk / Portsmouth	0	0.18	0.47	1.26	0.01	0	0	0
Ocean City	0	0.07	0.47	1.21	0.07	0	0	0
Richmond	0	0.38	0.99	0.56	0	0	0	0
Salisbury	0	0.13	0.50	1.06	0.02	0	0	0
South Hill	0.03	0.42	1.21	0.48	0	0	0	0
Tappahannock	0	0.27	0.79	0.76	0.02	0	0	0
Virginia Beach	0	0.13	0.40	1.23	0.02	0	0	0
Williamsburg	0	0.26	0.73	0.93	0.01	0	0	0

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Tidal Flooding Overview

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- Strong southeast winds will push water up the Chesapeake Bay and the northern shore of the Albemarle Sound. Peak winds from the southeast will occur from late Tuesday afternoon into early Tuesday morning. Winds decrease and shift from the west early Wednesday morning, but remain strong.
- Major tidal flooding is expected for the bay-side of the lower MD Eastern Shore. Widespread moderate tidal flooding farther south to Windmill Point and Bayford.
- 2 to 3 ft of inundation (or more) is possible. Water will likely close roads and threaten some homes and businesses in some areas in areas of Major to Moderate flooding.

[Coastal Flood Webpage](https://www.weather.gov/erh/coastalflood?wfo=akq)

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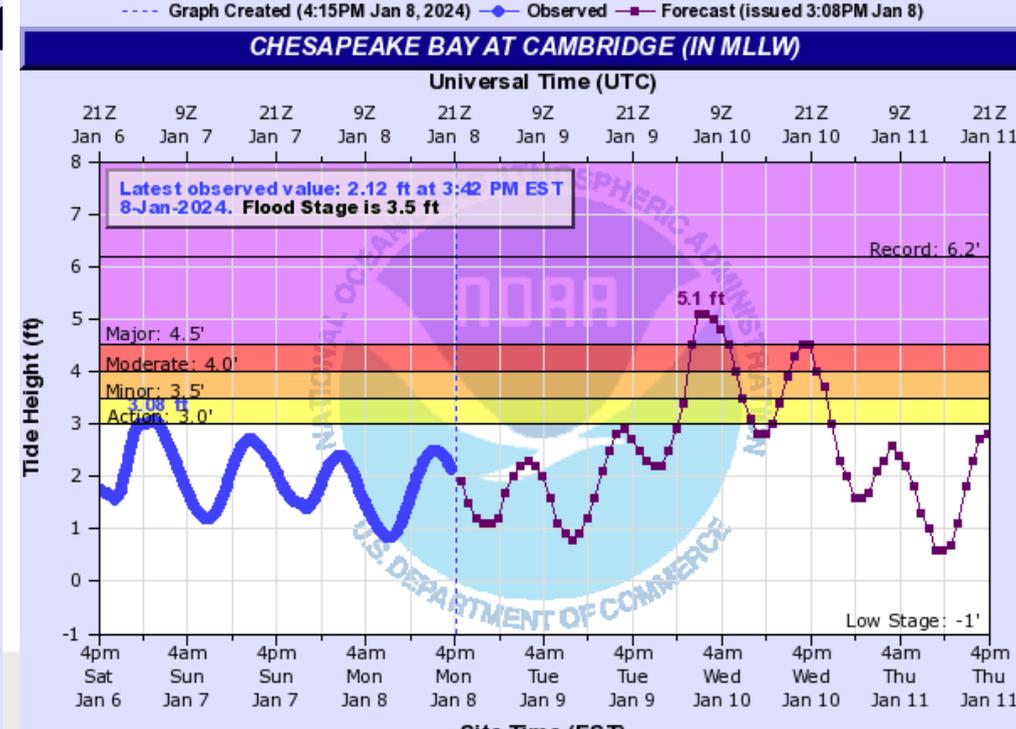
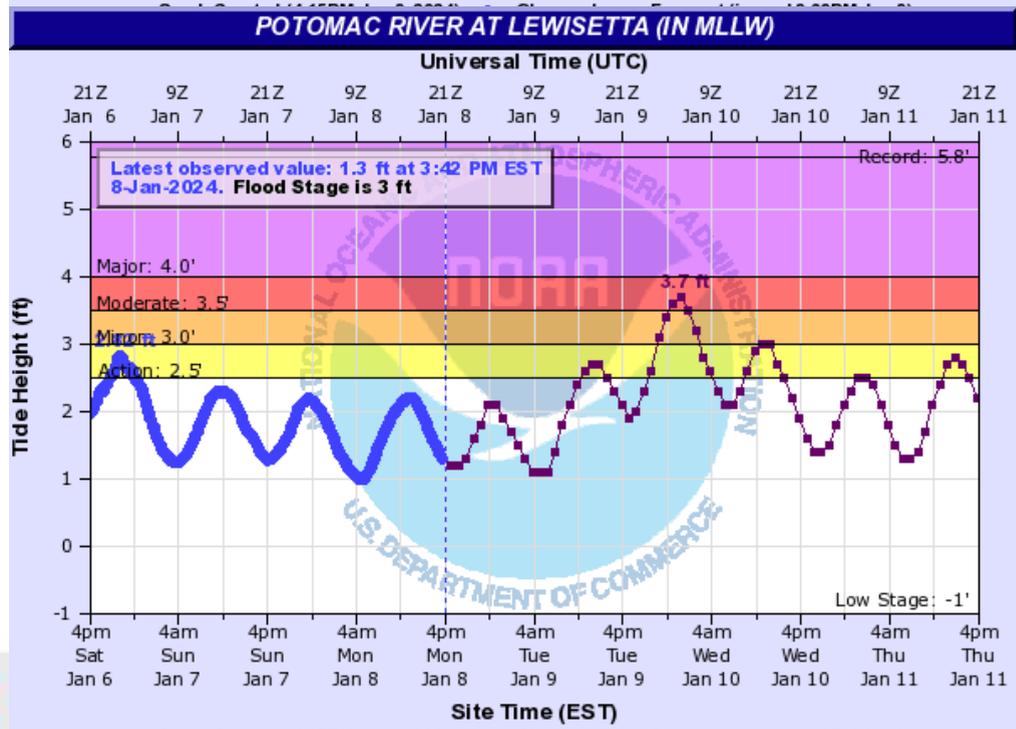
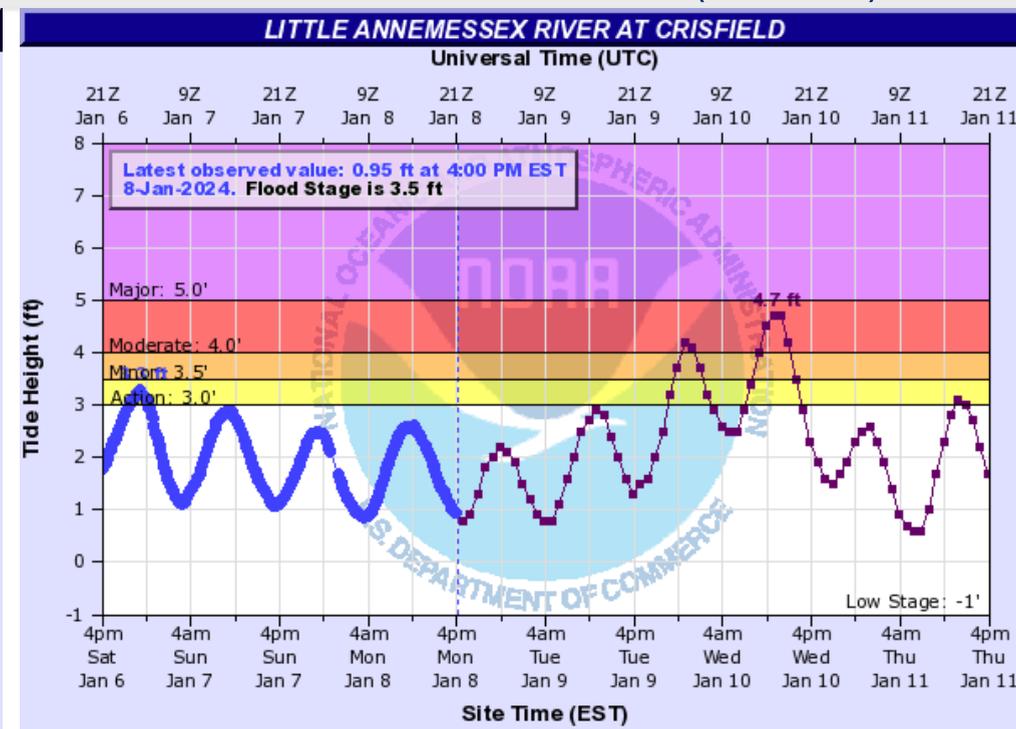
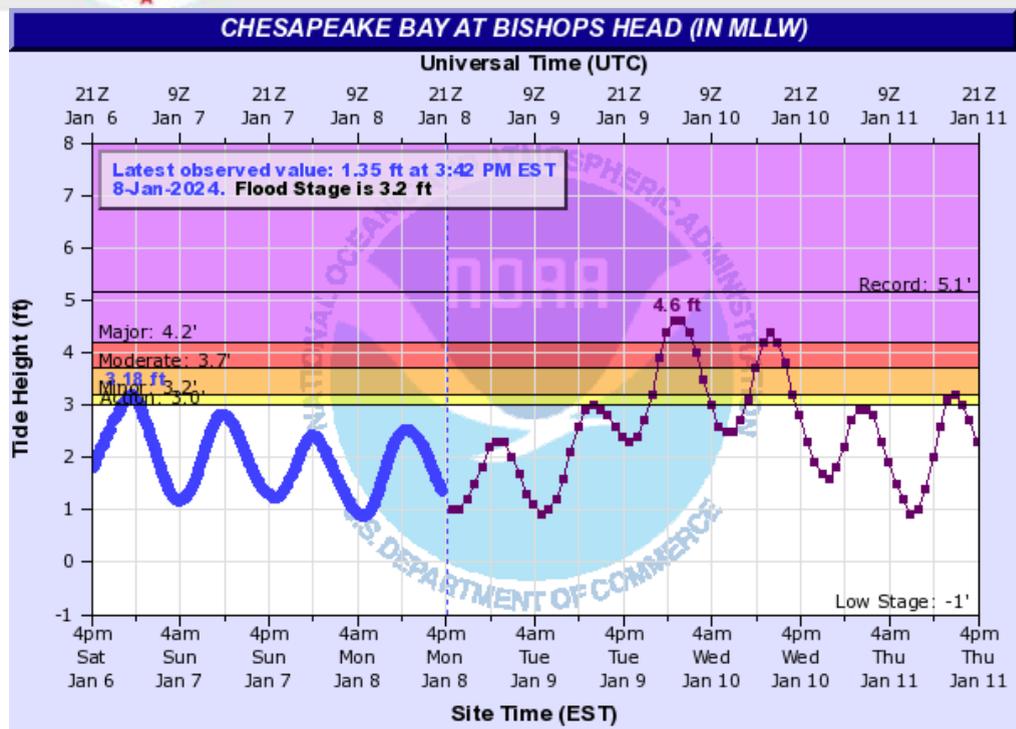




Tidal Overview - Upper Bay

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Note: All forecasts reference Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).



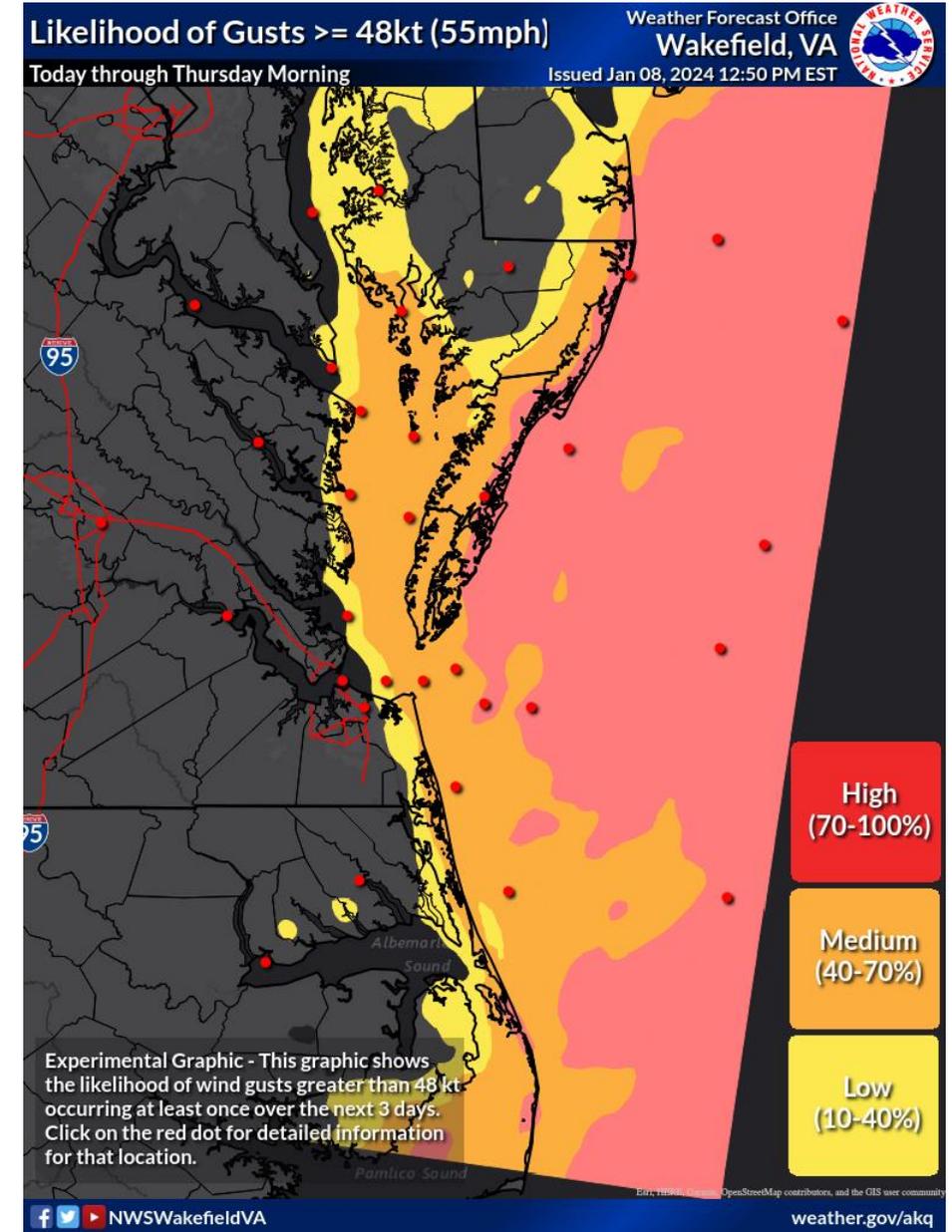
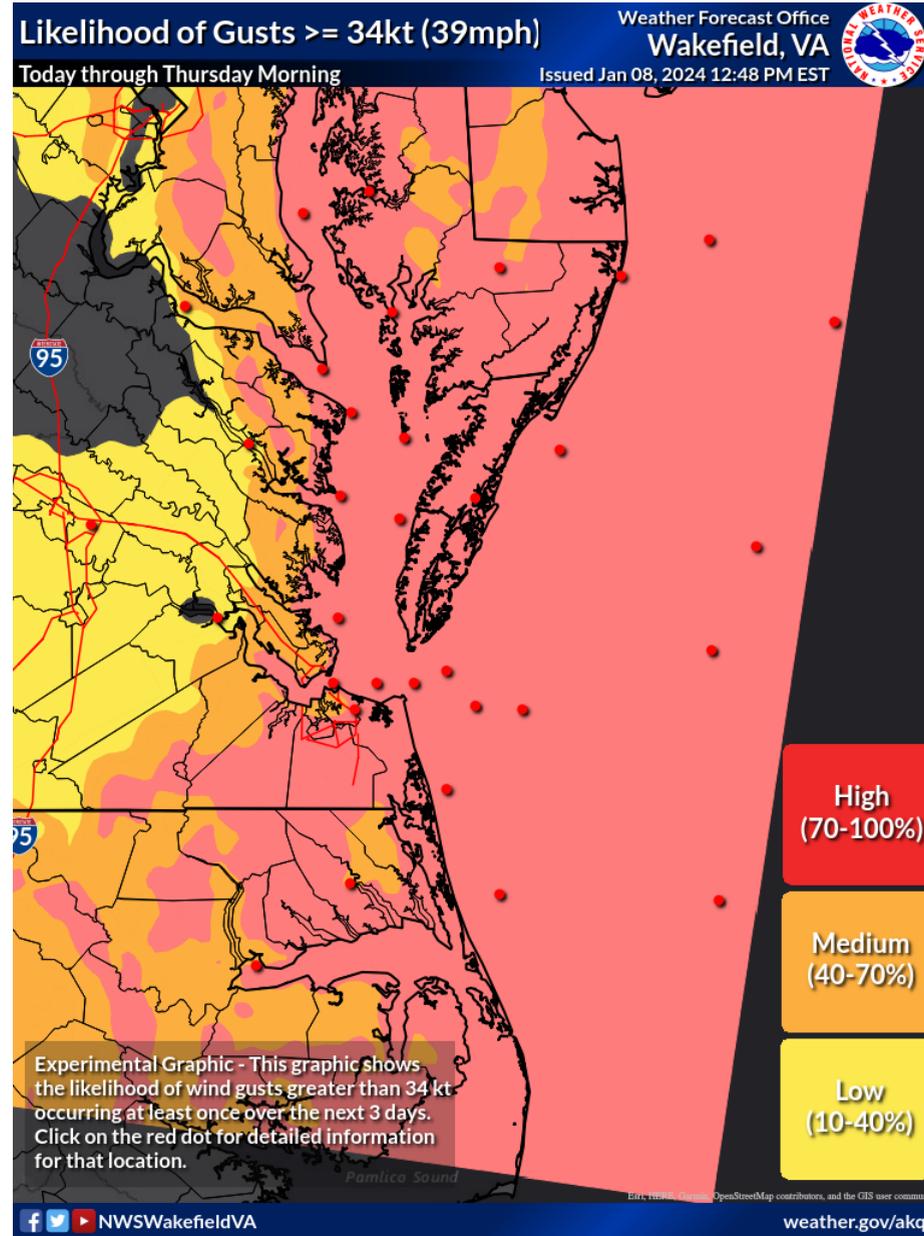
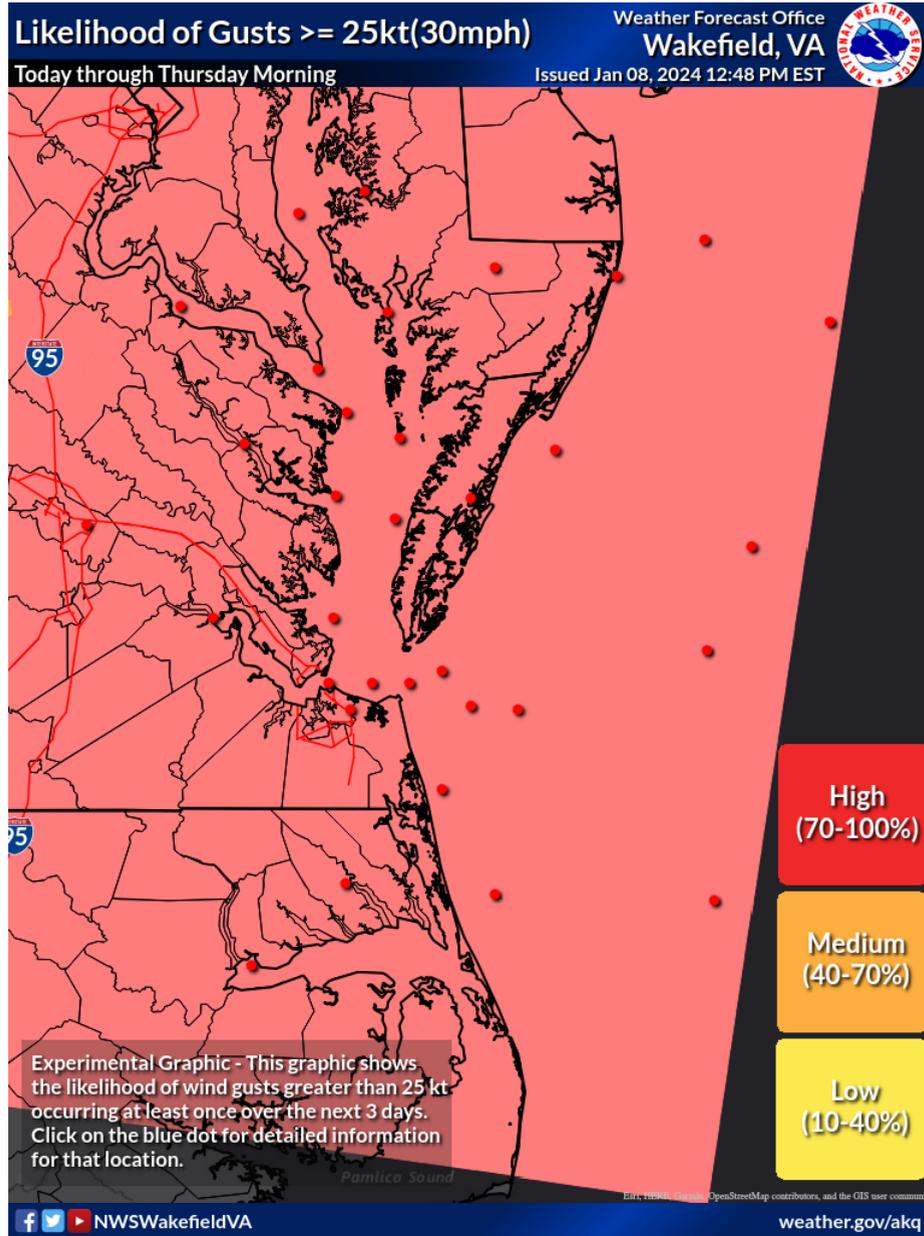
Summary of Tidal Trends

- Moderate to major tidal flooding is likely over portions of the middle and upper Chesapeake Bay and tributaries.
- Timing of peak tides will be Tuesday evening into early Wednesday.
- 2 to 3 ft of inundation (or more) is possible. Water will likely close roads and threaten some homes and businesses in some areas in areas of Major to Moderate flooding.



Marine Wind Probabilities

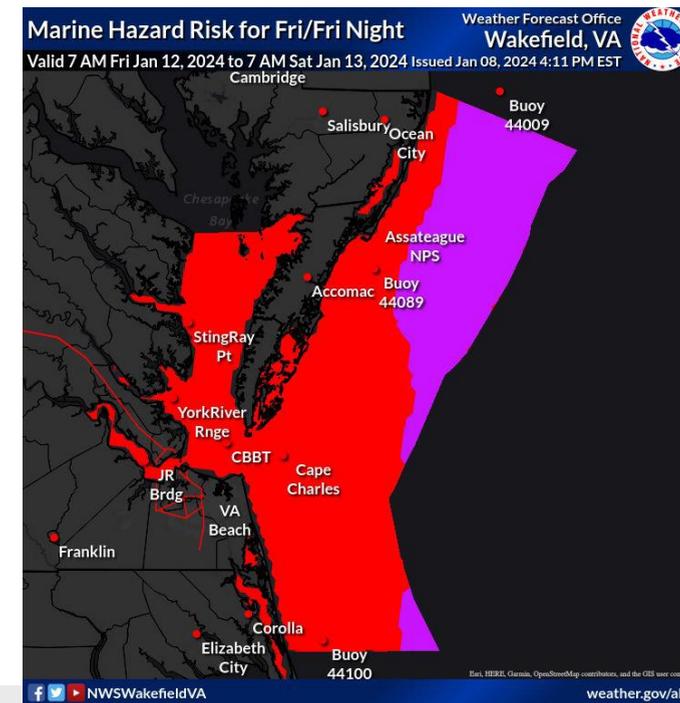
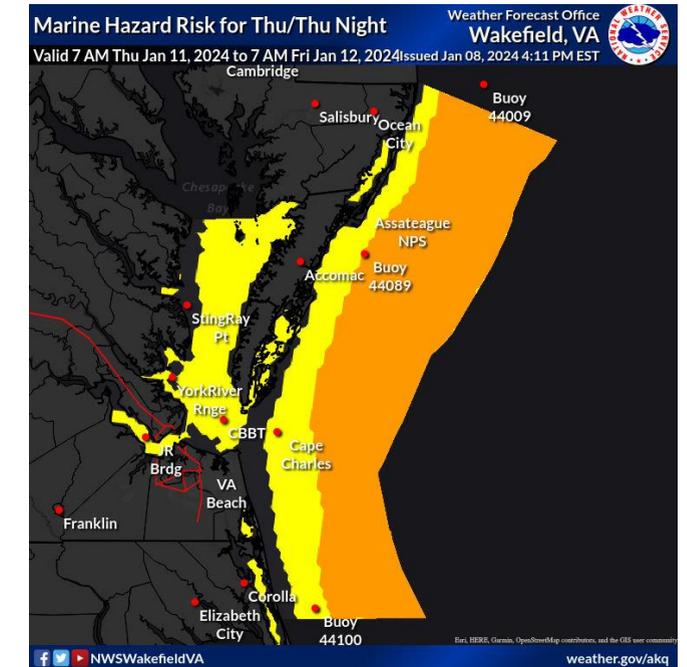
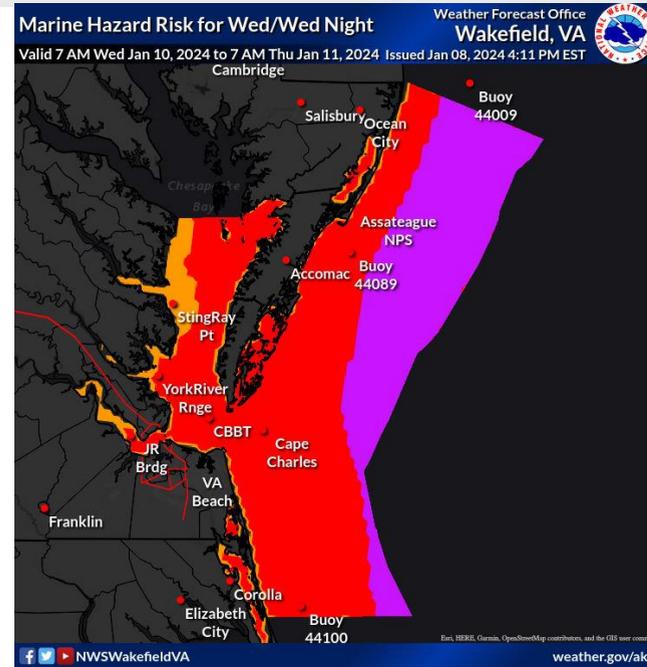
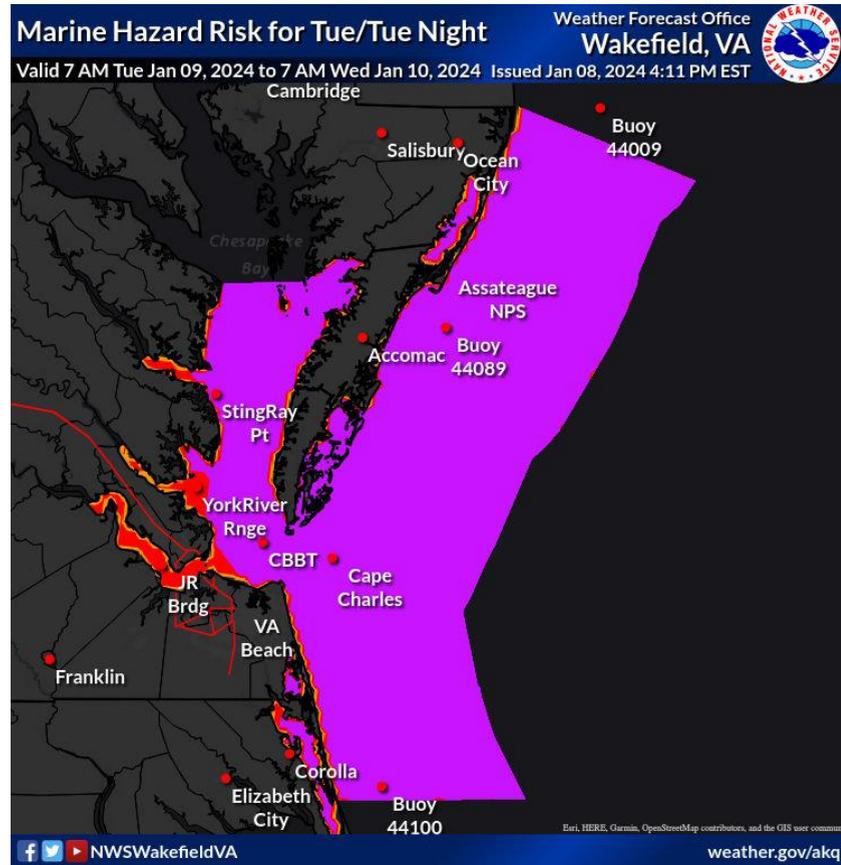
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Marine Threat Potential - Next 5 Days

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Limited	Wind Gusts \geq 20 knots (15 kt Bay & rivers) and/or Waves \geq 4 feet (2 ft Bay & rivers).
Elevated	Wind Gusts \geq 25 knots (20 kt Bay & rivers) and/or Waves \geq 5 feet (\geq 4 ft Bay & rivers).
Significant	Wind Gusts \geq 34 knots and/or Waves \geq 8 feet (\geq 5 ft Bay & rivers).
Extreme	Wind Gusts \geq 48 knots and/or Waves \geq 12 feet (\geq 8 ft Bay & rivers).



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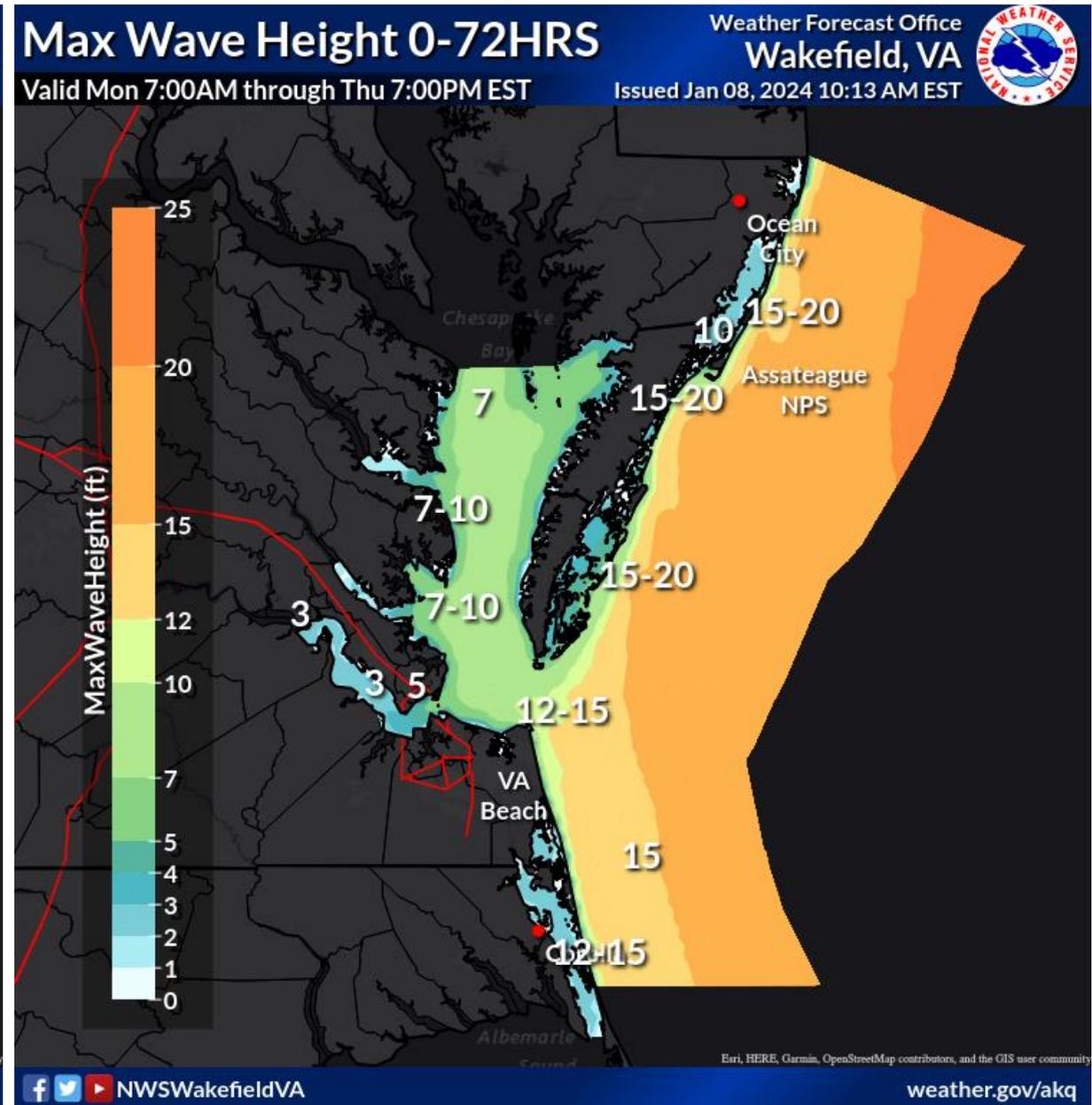
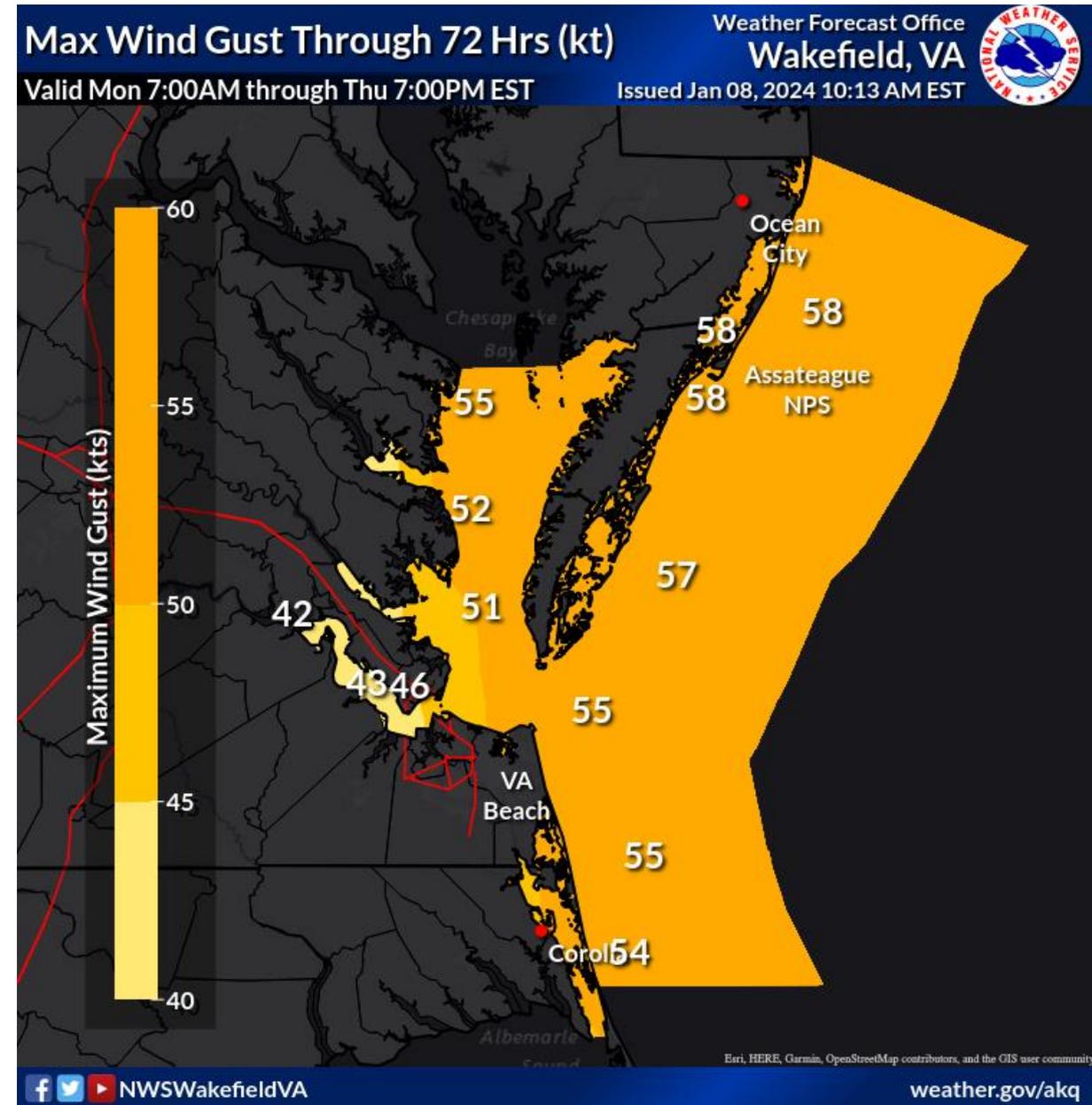
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Key Points:

- Storm Warnings are in effect for the Bay and all coastal waters.
- SE winds increase to 30 kt gust 40 kt by noon Tue, then SE 40 kt gust 50 kt Tue evening through midnight.
- Waves on the Bay rapidly build to 7 to 10 ft Tue evening, 12 to 20 ft on the ocean.
- Outlook: Gale conditions persist until noon Wed with a WSW wind

For Port specific forecast information visit: https://www.weather.gov/akq/dss_port



Marine Wind Forecast Summary

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Sustained Wind

Maximum Wind Speed Forecast (kt)

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Cape Henry	16↙	25↙	39↙	42↗	33↗	28↗	27↗	19↗	15↗	12↗	12↗	10↗
Chesapeake Light	15↙	25↙	37↙	41↗	35↗	30↗	27↗	22↗	17↗	14↗	13↗	10↗
Chincoteague Shoal	14↙	22↙	34↙	43↗	38↗	30↗	28↗	21↗	16↗	13↗	14↗	12↗
Duck, NC	15↙	24↙	35↙	38↗	33↗	27↗	24↗	18↗	15↗	12↗	11↗	9↗
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HRBT	13↙	20↙	33↙	34↗	29↗	26↗	24↗	16↗	10↗	10↗	11↗	10↗
JRB	12↙	20↙	29↙	31↗	28↗	25↗	22↗	14↗	8↗	10↗	11↗	10↗
New Point Comfort	14↙	24↙	36↙	39↗	30↗	25↗	24↗	17↗	12↗	11↗	11↗	10↗
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Rappahannock Light	13↙	23↙	37↙	41↗	32↗	27↗	26↗	19↗	14↗	13↗	12↗	10↗
Tangier	13↙	23↙	37↙	43↗	32↗	27↗	25↗	19↗	15↗	13↗	12↗	11↗
Thimble Shoal	17↙	26↙	38↙	41↗	32↗	27↗	26↗	18↗	13↗	12↗	11↗	11↗

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Wind Gusts

Maximum Wind Gust Forecast (kt)

	1/9 Tue				1/10 Wed				1/11 Thu			
	12am	6am	12pm	6pm	12am	6am	12pm	6pm	12am	6am	12pm	6pm
	CBBT	20↙	33↙	51↙	53↗	45↗	37↗	34↗	24↗	18↗	15↗	15↗
Cape Henry	20↙	31↙	49↙	54↗	41↗	35↗	34↗	24↗	19↗	15↗	15↗	13↗
Chesapeake Light	19↙	31↙	48↙	56↗	44↗	38↗	35↗	28↗	21↗	18↗	16↗	13↗
Chincoteague Shoal	18↙	28↙	45↙	56↗	48↗	38↗	36↗	27↗	20↗	16↗	18↗	15↗
Duck, NC	19↙	30↙	47↙	53↗	42↗	36↗	35↗	23↗	19↗	16↗	14↗	12↗
Fenwick Shoal	13↙	24↙	40↙	55↗	53↗	35↗	35↗	25↗	18↗	18↗	19↗	18↗
HRBT	16↙	26↙	44↙	45↗	40↗	35↗	34↗	21↗	13↗	13↗	15↗	13↗
JRB	16↙	27↙	41↙	42↗	39↗	35↗	32↗	19↗	11↗	14↗	15↗	14↗
New Point Comfort	18↙	31↙	49↙	51↗	41↗	34↗	32↗	22↗	16↗	14↗	14↗	13↗
Parramore Banks	19↙	29↙	44↙	56↗	46↗	36↗	35↗	27↗	20↗	16↗	18↗	14↗
Rappahannock Light	16↙	29↙	48↙	52↗	42↗	34↗	33↗	24↗	18↗	16↗	15↗	13↗
Tangier	16↙	29↙	49↙	54↗	42↗	34↗	32↗	24↗	19↗	16↗	15↗	14↗
Thimble Shoal	21↙	33↙	50↙	53↗	43↗	35↗	33↗	23↗	16↗	15↗	14↗	14↗

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Marine Wave Forecast Summary

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Wave Height Forecast (feet)

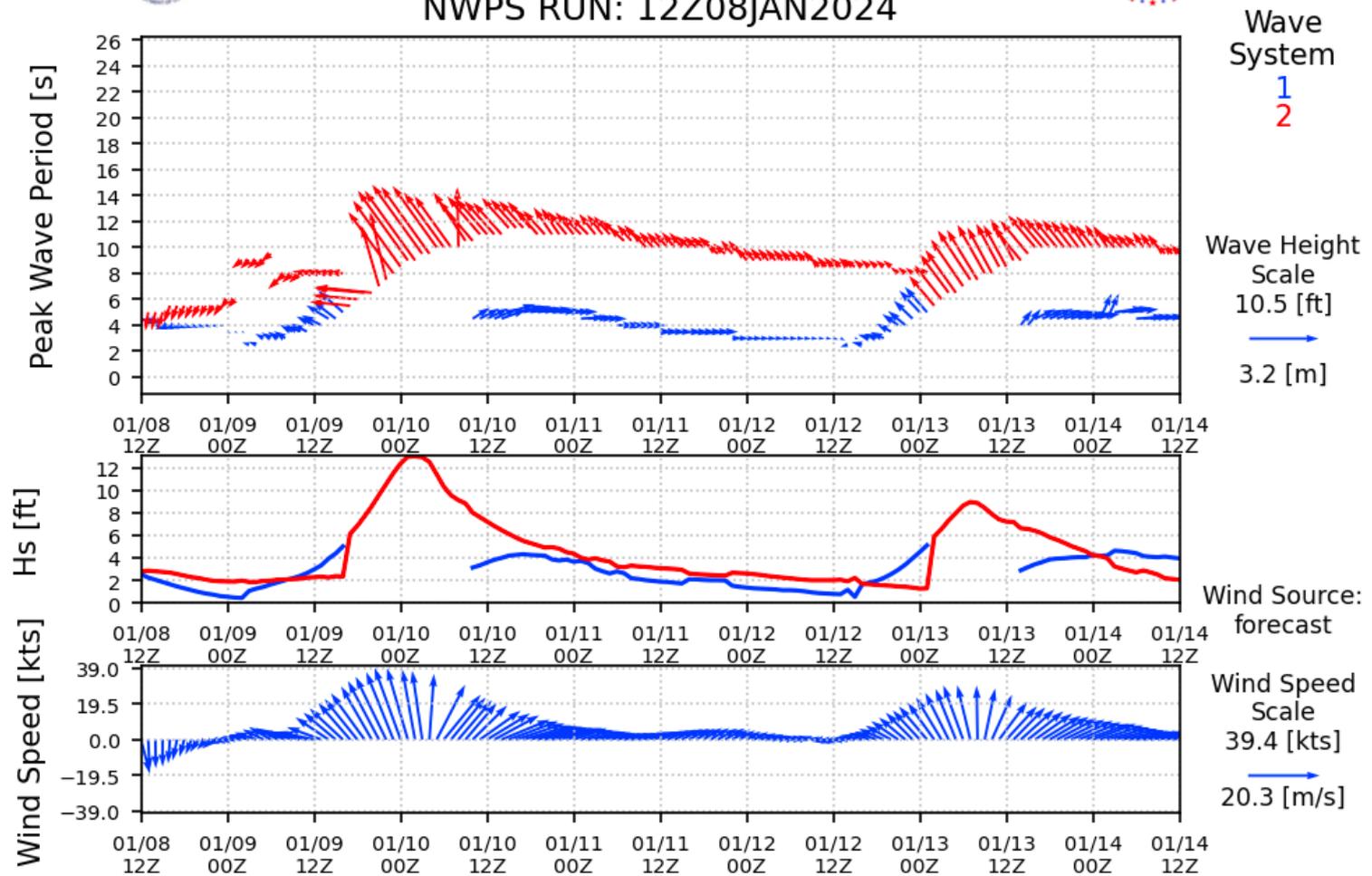
	1/9 Tue				1/10 Wed				1/11 Thu			
	12am	6am	12pm	6pm	12am	6am	12pm	6pm	12am	6am	12pm	6pm
CBBT	3.0	4.0	8.0	9.0	7.0	6.0	6.0	4.0	3.0	3.0	2.0	2.0
Cape Henry	3.0	6.0	10.0	12.0	10.0	7.0	6.0	5.0	4.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Chesapeake Light	4.0	6.0	12.0	16.0	14.0	10.0	9.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	4.0	3.0
Chincoteague Shoal	3.0	5.0	10.0	15.0	14.0	12.0	8.0	7.0	5.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Duck, NC	3.0	6.0	10.0	12.0	11.0	7.0	6.0	5.0	4.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Fenwick Shoal	3.0	4.0	9.0	16.0	16.0	12.0	9.0	8.0	6.0	5.0	4.0	4.0
HRBT	2.0	3.0	5.0	5.0	4.0	4.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
JRB	1.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
New Point Comfort	2.0	4.0	7.0	8.0	5.0	4.0	4.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Parramore Banks	3.0	6.0	11.0	14.0	13.0	10.0	8.0	6.0	5.0	4.0	4.0	3.0
Rappahannock Light	2.0	3.0	7.0	8.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	2.0	1.0
Tangier	2.0	3.0	6.0	7.0	6.0	5.0	4.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	2.0	1.0
Thimble Shoal	3.0	4.0	7.0	8.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	3.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

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Cape Henry Wave Detail



Gerling-Hanson Plot for 44096 (284.19°, 37.023°)
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Summary of Greatest Impacts

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Key Messages

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- Strong low pressure and a cold front will track from the Appalachian Mountains Tuesday and move off the Mid-Atlantic coast Tuesday night.
- Moderate to heavy rain and strong winds are expected across the area Tuesday morning through Wednesday morning.
- Rain will begin from southwest to northeast Tuesday morning, exiting the region late Tuesday night. The heaviest rain will occur between 5 pm and midnight.
- Winds increase through the day Tuesday and are expected to peak Tuesday evening into Tuesday night.
- There is a risk for strong to severe storms across northeast North Carolina and Southeast Virginia Tuesday evening. Strong, damaging wind gusts are the main threat, but there is also a potential for tornadoes.
- There will be the potential for localized power outages from wind and flooding from rainfall in addition to tidal flooding.





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