



SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

SUBJECT: Very Cold & Possible Snow this Weekend

SITREP #: 2026-3.3

ISSUED: Friday, January 30, 2026 at 9:00 AM

WHAT HAS CHANGED

- The NWS issued a [Winter Weather Advisory](#) for Fulton County this morning in addition to several other metro Atlanta counties.
- They also issued a [Winter Storm Warning](#) for a large area of Northeast Georgia that does include Gwinnett, Forsyth, and Hall Counties.
- While it has not been released yet, we're anticipating the NWS add Fulton County and a few other metro counties into this Winter Storm Warning area.



Figure 1: Winter Storm Warning/Winter Weather Advisory Areas (NWS Peachtree City)

- Models have generally trended the same as yesterday, still with no consensus for accumulating snow totals for Atlanta.
 - In some models, they are showing trace to no snow while others suggest higher amounts.

- The NWS did decrease the official snow forecast for Atlanta from 1.2" to .9" but increased the reasonable worst-case scenario from 2" to 4".

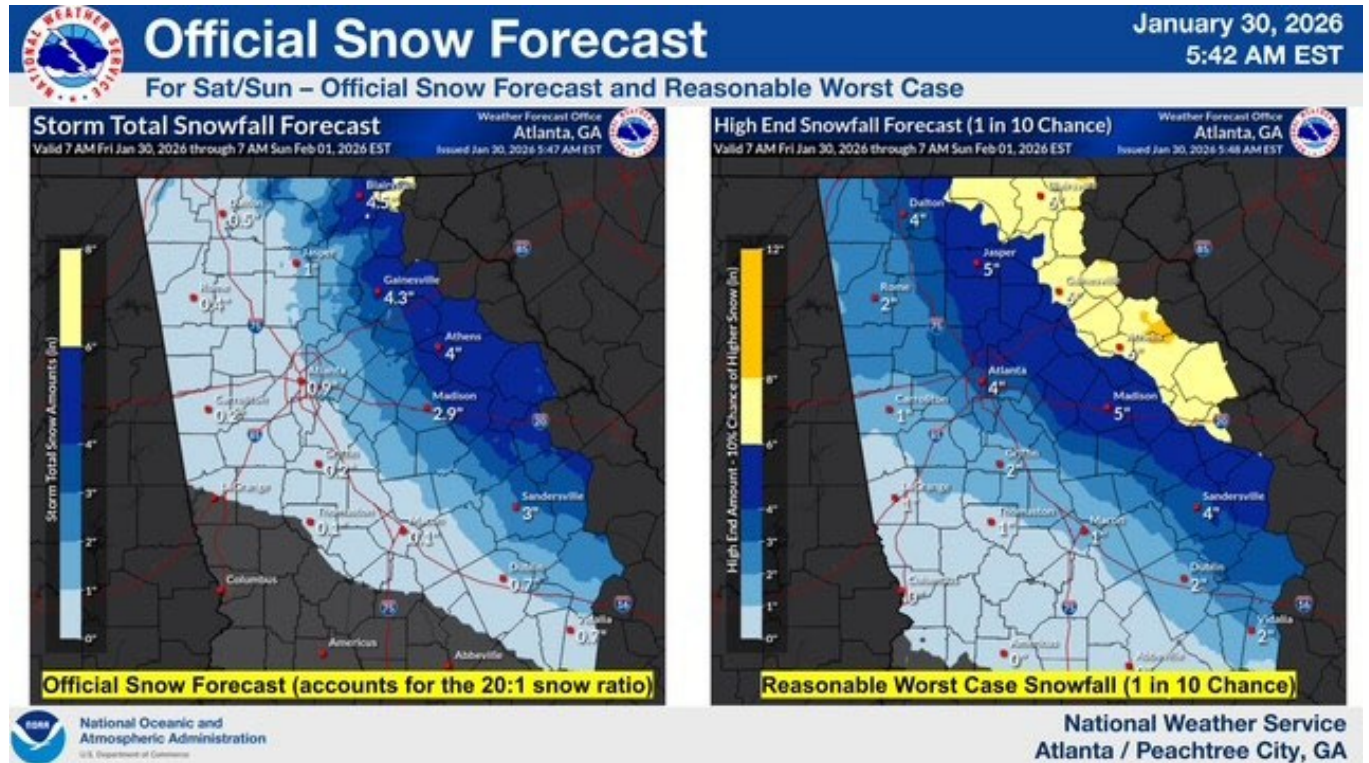


Figure 2: Snow Forecast for January 31 (Jan 30 at 0542) (NWS Peachtree City)

- We also expect extremely cold temperatures and dangerous wind chill values beginning Saturday morning and extending through Monday morning.



Very Cold This Weekend

North and Central Georgia

- Low temperatures as cold as the single digits and low teens are expected.
- Hazardous wind chill ("feels like") temperatures are likely, especially Saturday night into Sunday morning.
- A consecutive 48 to 60 hours of below-freezing temperatures could lead to an extended threat of pipe bursts and cold-related illnesses.
- Below-freezing ground temperatures will allow snow to instantly stick on roads.

Wind Chill Forecast (*F)															
	1/31 Sat				2/1 Sun				2/2 Mon				2/3 Tue		
	12am	6am	12pm	6pm	12am	6am	12pm	6pm	12am	6am	12pm	6pm	12am	6am	
Americus	38	23	25	17	9	4	23	29	20	17	37	42	31	26	
Athens	31	21	23	16	6	2	20	25	16	13	34	36	25	20	
Atlanta	27	15	14	9	2	-2	14	21	15	12	29	35	26	21	
Blairsville	24	11	11	3	-6	-10	11	17	8	10	28	32	24	19	
Canton	24	13	13	7	0	-5	13	21	13	11	29	34	27	25	
Carrollton	23	10	13	8	0	-3	17	25	17	13	32	37	27	23	
Columbus	34	19	21	15	8	4	23	30	21	22	37	42	31	26	
Dalton	21	10	11	9	2	-2	15	24	15	11	31	38	24	19	
Dublin	40	27	28	19	9	4	24	29	19	20	38	40	29	24	
Eatonton	35	23	25	16	7	3	22	26	18	14	36	41	28	24	
Gainesville	27	18	17	10	2	-2	16	20	13	10	31	33	23	19	
Griffin	29	16	17	11	3	0	17	24	16	12	33	37	24	18	
La Grange	28	14	15	10	4	-1	19	26	17	19	34	38	27	23	
Louisville	39	26	28	20	11	5	23	28	18	18	36	39	29	24	
Macon	37	25	25	18	8	3	23	28	18	15	37	41	30	25	
Marietta	22	12	12	6	-2	-5	12	19	13	10	27	33	23	19	
Rome	24	13	15	11	5	0	19	27	21	17	33	39	28	23	
Trenton	21	9	12	9	5	2	19	25	21	16	33	38	29	25	
Vidalia	42	30	32	21	11	5	24	29	19	14	37	41	28	22	



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Figure 3: Wind Chill Forecast for January 31-February 1 (Jan 30 at 0542) (NWS Peachtree City)

WEEKEND OPERATIONS/EVENTS

Several large events are scheduled this weekend as well as normal campus operations mid-semester. Event managers should continue working with us on the latest forecast information to make decisions about their events. Unit leadership should plan for some staff unavailability over the weekend due to travel issues. We are discussing with our leadership today on calling for Modified Operations.

NEXT STEPS

- The Georgia Tech Police Department Office of Emergency Management will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as necessary.
- Follow the GT Office of Emergency Management on twitter @gtpdalerts.
- For the latest forecast information, please visit the National Weather Service.