

DUTCHESS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SIGNIFICANT WINTER WEATHER EVENT

*Based on the latest information obtained through a
conference call with the National Weather Service.*

The National Weather Service has issued a Winter Storm Watch for Dutchess County and surrounding areas effective until 1am Wednesday. This advisory will become a Winter Storm Warning tomorrow at 1pm.

Snow is expected to arrive in Dutchess County starting tomorrow (Monday) morning as early as 7am or as late as 10am. Snow will be heaviest Monday night through Tuesday afternoon with peak snowfall rates reaching 2-3 inches per hour, with brief bursts of over 3 inches per hour possible. This is expected to be a dry consistency snow creating visibility issues with zero visibility possible Monday night through Tuesday morning. Blowing and drifting snow is likely.

North winds of 10-20 mph are expected over the entire area and some wind gusts of up to 30 mph could impact Dutchess County.

As of this afternoon, the majority of Dutchess County is expected to receive 18-24 inches of snow. Areas in southeastern Dutchess County, in and around the Town of Pawling, could receive 24-36 inches.

Snow is expected to taper off on Tuesday afternoon with just a few lingering snow showers and flurries through Tuesday night.

The Dutchess County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) will execute a partial activation beginning tomorrow morning. The EOC will remain staffed for this weather event. Further information about EOC staffing will be provided in a future email.

The Dutchess County Office of Emergency Management will continue to monitor forecast updates and weather conditions.