



# Early Week Winter Storm

Sunday night into Monday night

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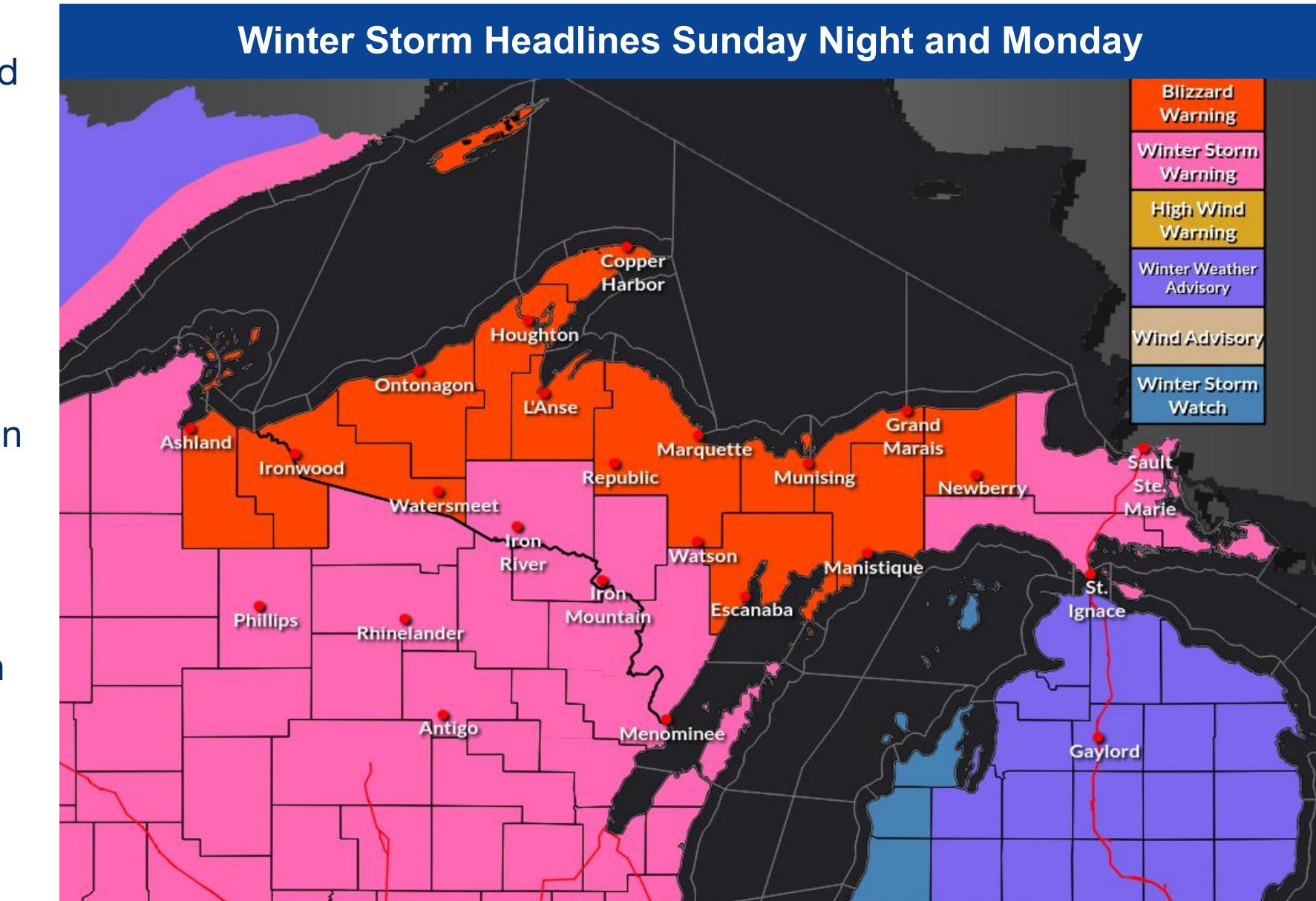
## Key Messages

- Heavy snow and very strong winds expected to spread across Upper Michigan Sunday night and Monday.
- **Near zero visibilities and blizzard conditions expected in some locations.** Power outages likely.
- Preceding freezing drizzle Sunday morning in the east may result in a light glaze of ice on untreated surfaces.
- Greater than 75% chance of one foot or greater in counties along Lake Superior with winds of 40 to 65 mph.

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## Important Updates

- Snow totals have increased slightly.



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Very Difficult to Impossible Travel Sunday night into Monday



## Sunday Morning

Light freezing rain or drizzle resulting in a glaze of ice in some locations



### Travel Impact Legend

- High (Red circle)
- Moderate (Orange circle)
- Low (Yellow circle)
- None (Green circle)



## Sunday Afternoon

Rain becomes all snow from west to east in the afternoon and evening.



## Monday Morning

Heavy snow and strong winds. Very strong winds in the Keweenaw and by Lake Superior



## Tuesday Morning

Lake effect snow will follow Monday night into Tuesday. Additional snowfall expected downwind of Lake Superior



## Monday PM

Widespread snow continues, but winds begin to lighten.



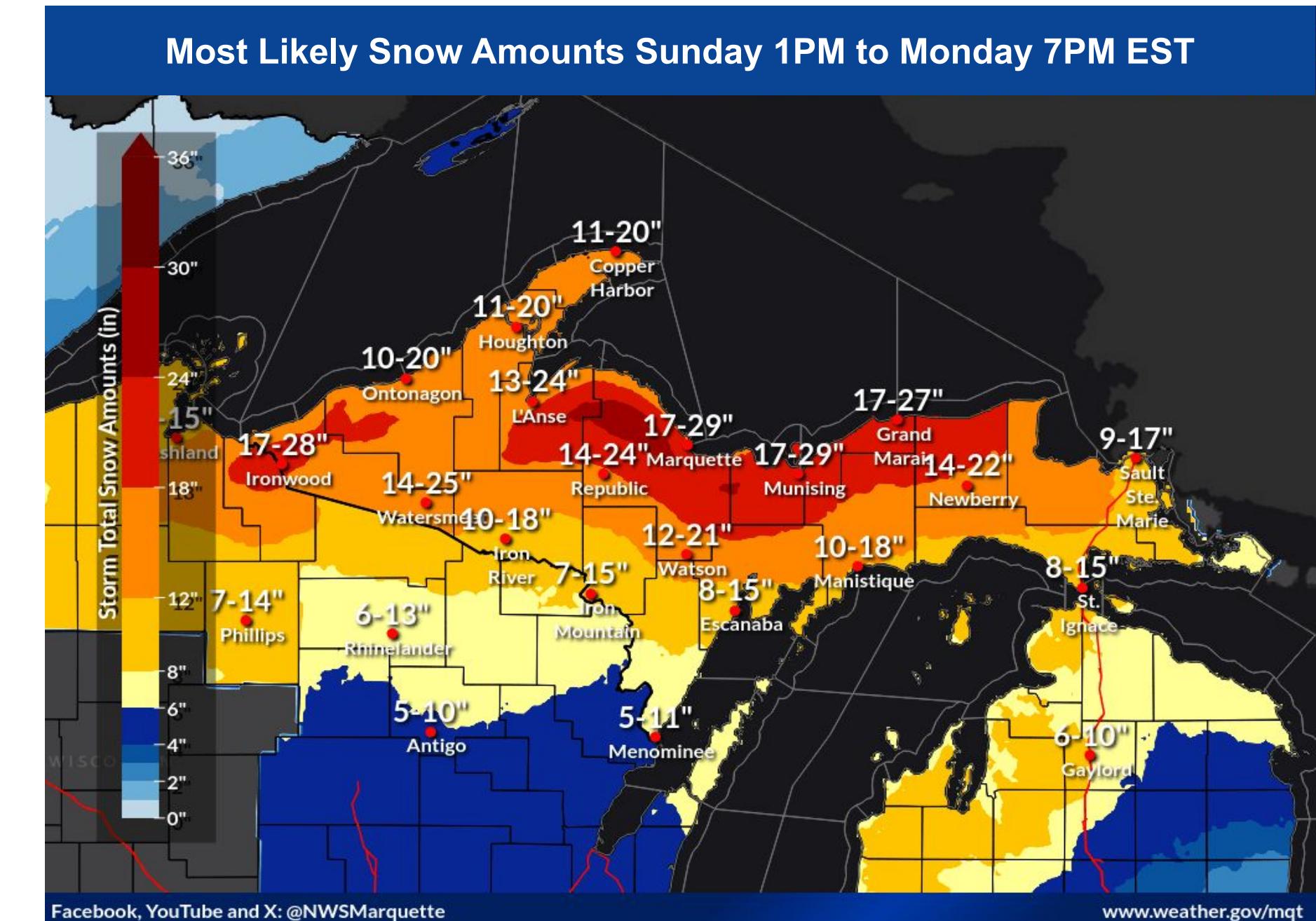
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## Potential Snow Amounts and Character

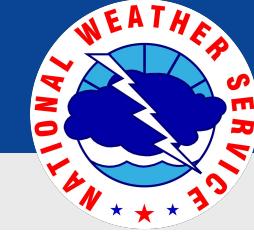
### Overview

- Rain will transition to snow from west to east Sunday afternoon and evening.
- 1 to 2 inch per hour rates are expected in the higher terrain of Marquette and Baraga counties Sunday night.
- At least 1 inch per hour snowfall rates expected in all other counties bordering Lake Superior.
- Wet snow is expected initially but will become fluffier and more susceptible for blowing around.



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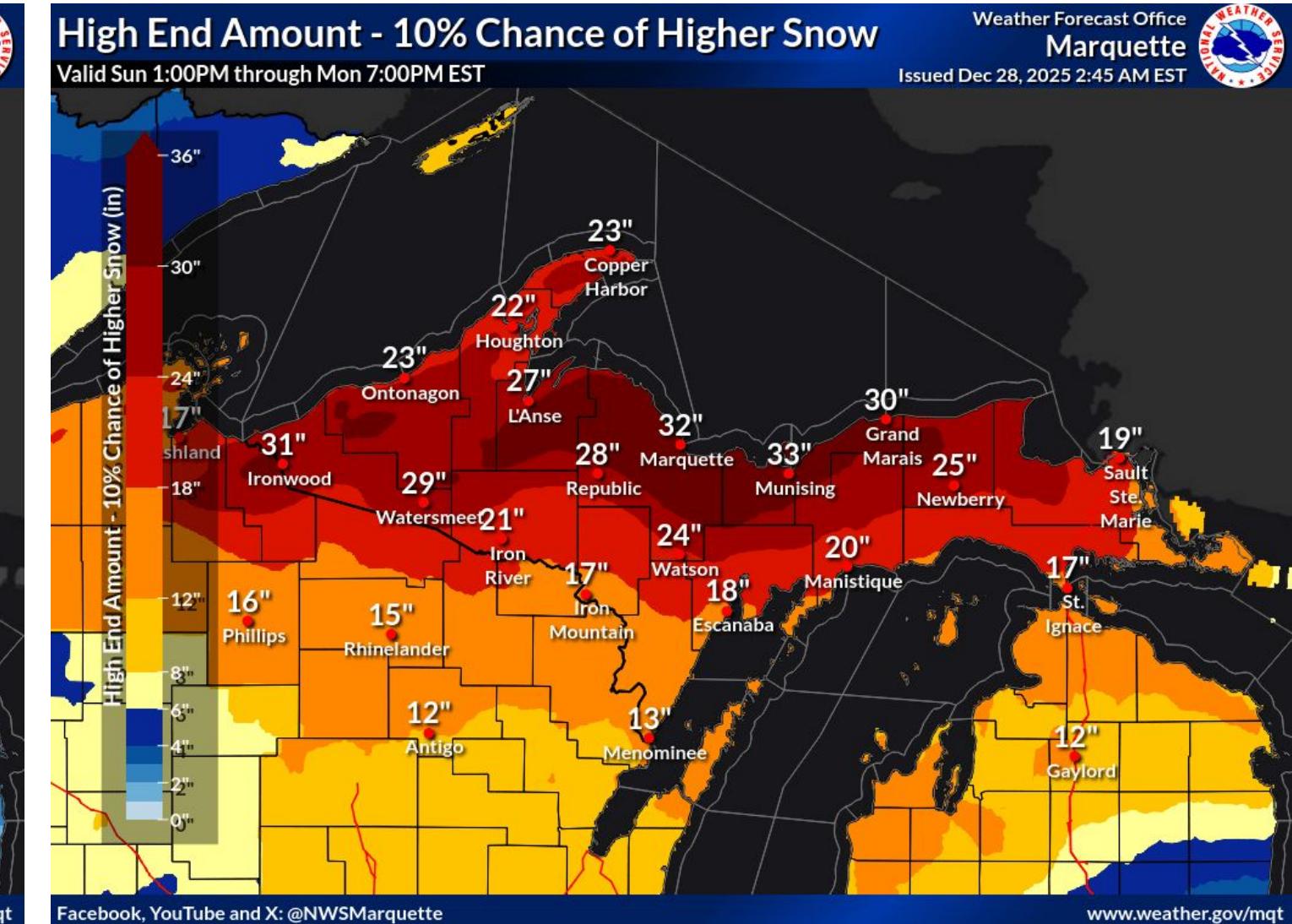
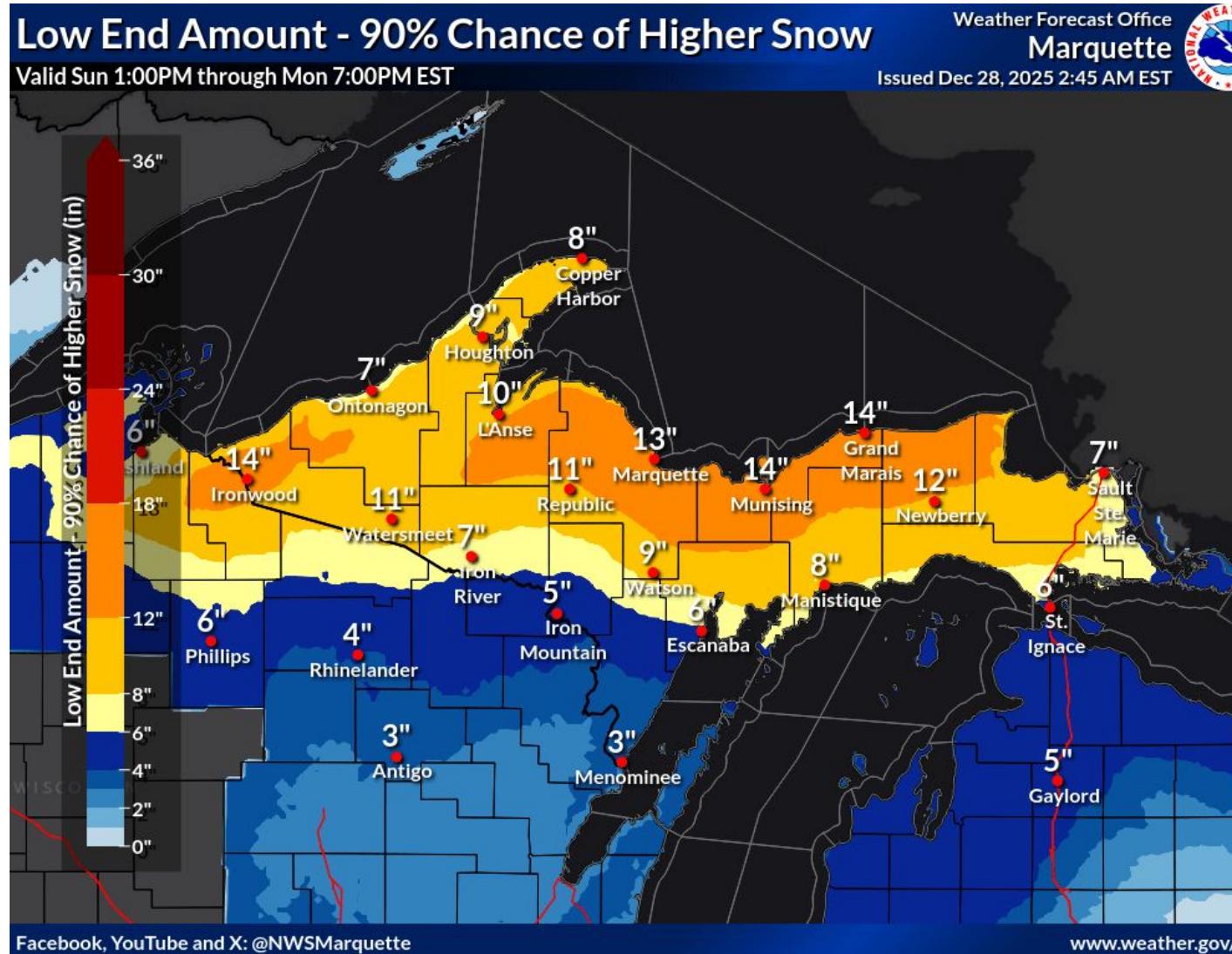
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## Best and Worst Case Snowfall Amounts



90% chance for at least this much snowfall

10% chance for at least this much snowfall



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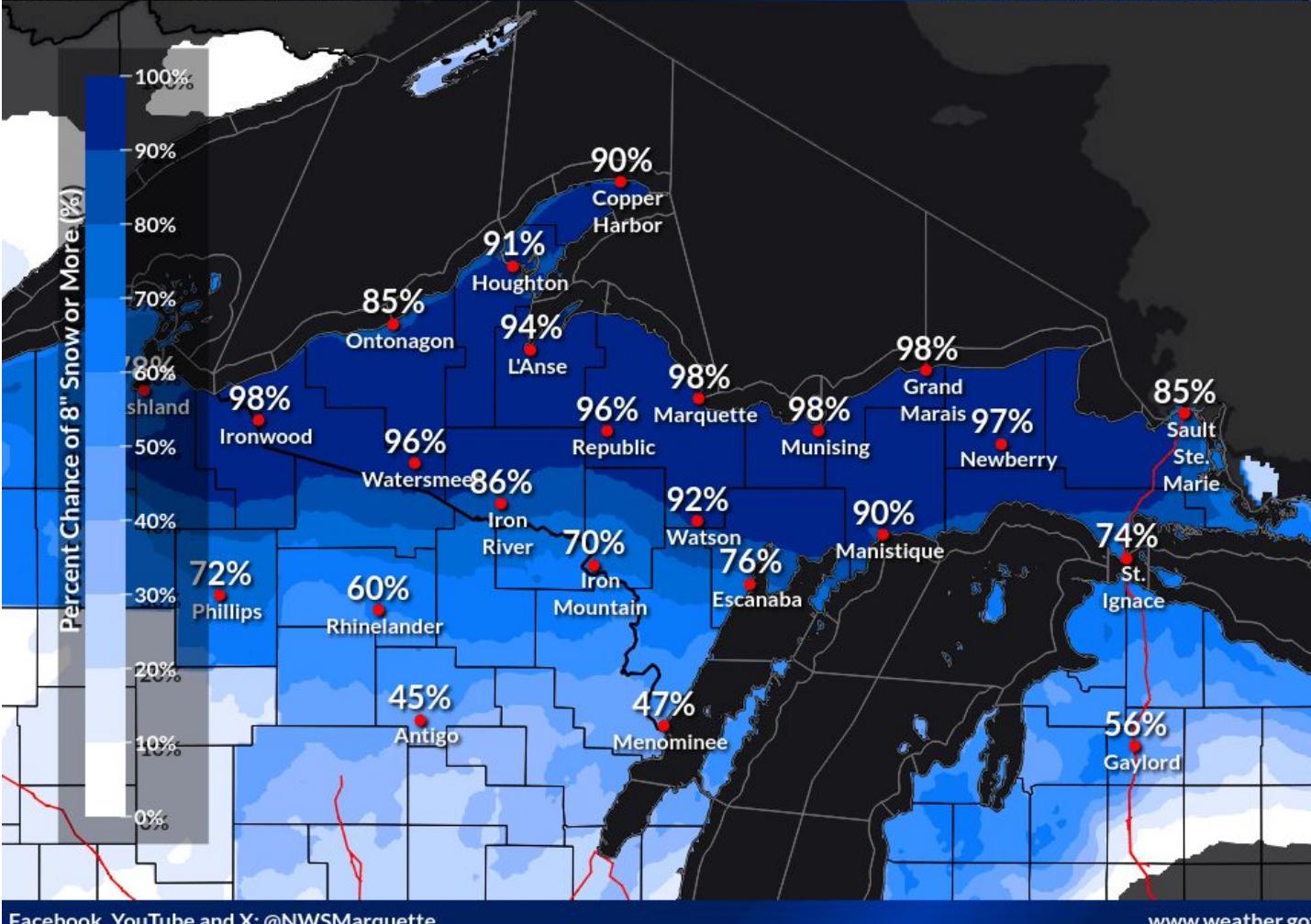
# Snow Probabilities

Current probabilities of 8 and 12 inches

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## Percent Chance of 8" Snow or More

Valid Sun 1:00PM through Mon 7:00PM EST



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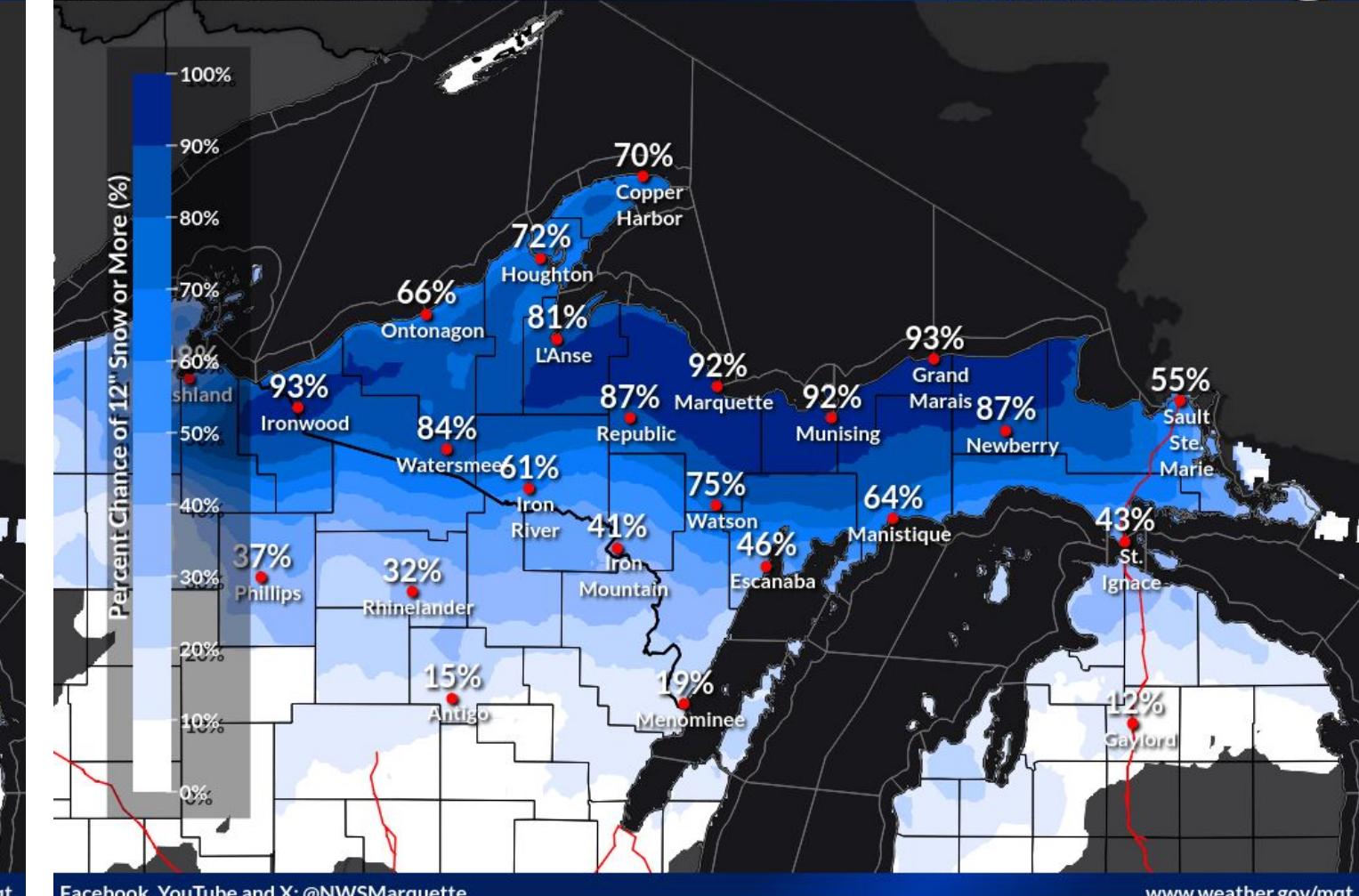
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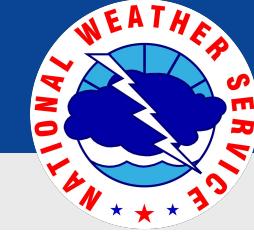
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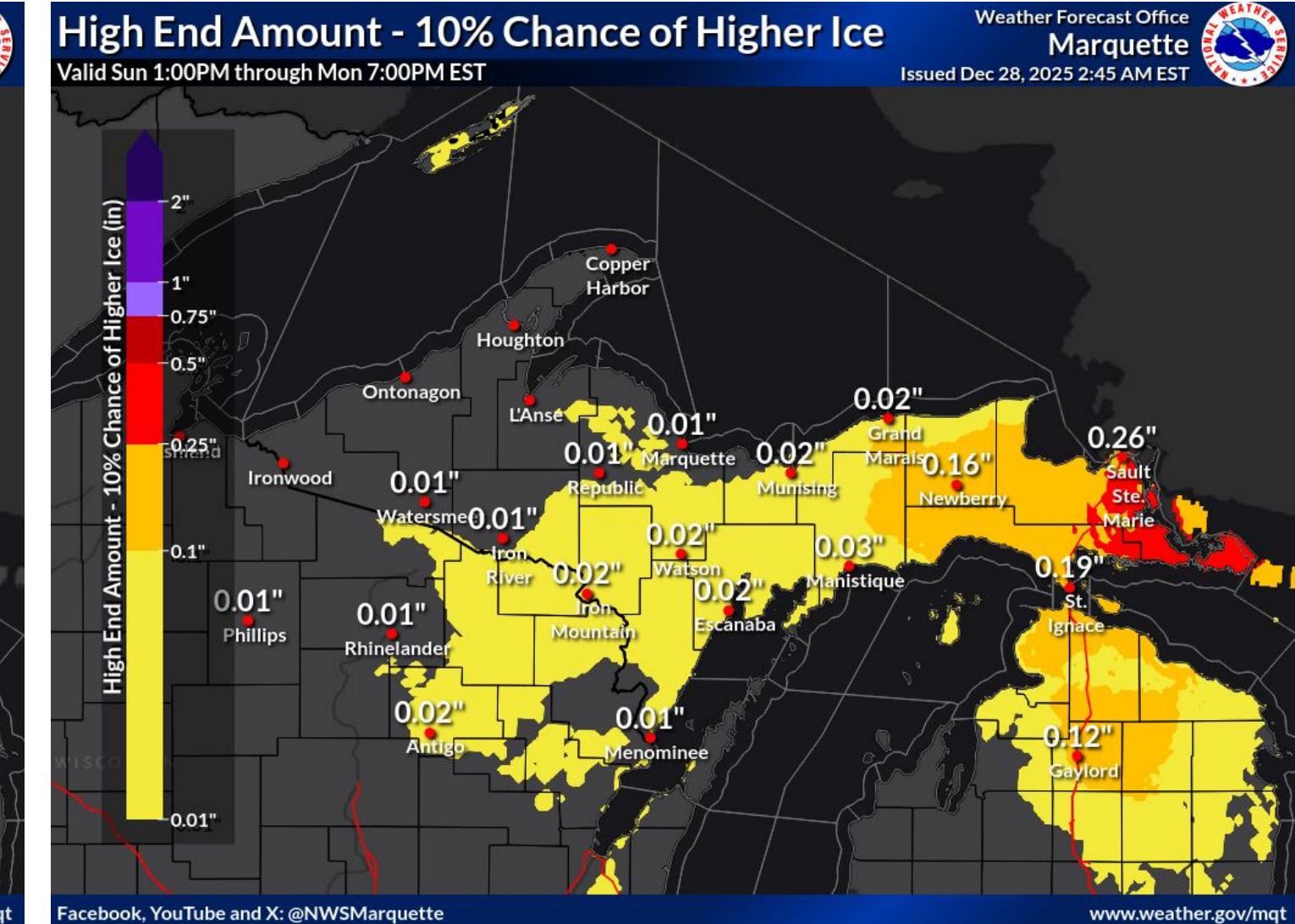
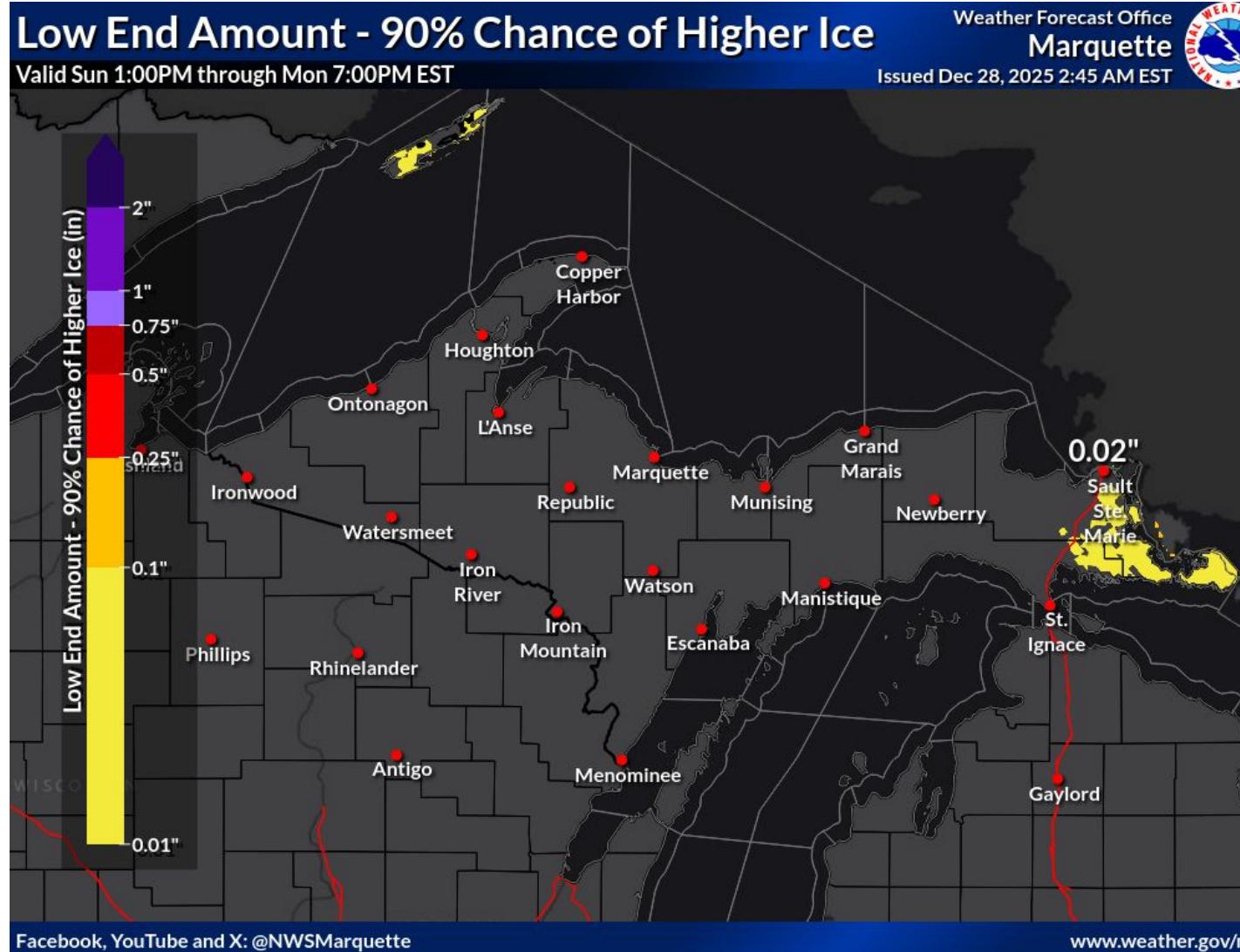
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## Best and Worst Case Ice Amounts



90% chance for at least this much ice

10% chance for at least this much ice



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## Potential Wind Gusts

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- Northerly winds increase Sunday afternoon, becoming very strong overnight into Monday. Winds by Lake Superior and in the Keweenaw may gust 50 to 65 mph.
- The combination of these strong winds and heavy snow could make **driving impossible** in some locations. Drifts on roadways and very low visibilities will add to the danger. Blizzard conditions are possible.
- **Power outages** are expected.
- Snow will be wet initially Sunday evening, but become drier or fluffier as the night and Monday progresses

### Wind Gust Forecast

	12/28			12/29			12/30			Maximum							
	Sun	Mon	Tue	3pm	6pm	9pm	12am	3am	6am	9am							
Ironwood	18 ↘	23 ↘	29 ↘	32 ↘	37 ↘	38 ↘	35 ↘	33 ↗	30 ↗	26 ↗	23 ↗	18 ↗	16 ↗	15 ↗	15 ↗	18 ↗	38
Ontonagon	18 ↗	24 ↗	32 ↗	38 ↘	44 ↘	44 ↘	40 ↘	35 ↗	32 ↗	30 ↗	28 ↗	23 ↗	21 ↗	18 ↗	17 ↗	20 ↗	44
Watersmeet	14 ↗	16 ↗	21 ↗	25 ↘	30 ↘	32 ↘	31 ↗	29 ↗	26 ↗	23 ↗	20 ↗	16 ↗	15 ↗	14 ↗	13 ↗	16 ↗	32
Iron River	14 ↗	16 ↗	23 ↗	30 ↘	37 ↘	40 ↗	39 ↗	37 ↗	33 ↗	30 ↗	28 ↗	24 ↗	22 ↗	18 ↗	15 ↗	16 ↗	40
Houghton	23 ↗	29 ↗	41 ↗	49 ↘	59 ↘	61 ↘	58 ↘	46 ↗	40 ↗	41 ↗	39 ↗	35 ↗	30 ↗	25 ↗	22 ↗	25 ↗	61
L'Anse	17 ↗	21 ↗	32 ↗	39 ↘	47 ↘	49 ↘	46 ↘	37 ↗	32 ↗	33 ↗	33 ↗	28 ↗	24 ↗	21 ↗	18 ↗	21 ↗	49
Iron Mountain	15 ↗	17 ↗	23 ↗	29 ↘	37 ↘	41 ↗	44 ↗	43 ↗	39 ↗	33 ↗	29 ↗	25 ↗	22 ↗	20 ↗	17 ↗	18 ↗	44
Copper Harbor	22 ↗	31 ↗	44 ↗	53 ↗	61 ↗	64 ↗	62 ↗	55 ↗	48 ↗	49 ↗	47 ↗	41 ↗	38 ↗	33 ↗	26 ↗	25 ↗	64
Ishpeming	14 ↗	17 ↗	24 ↗	30 ↘	38 ↘	41 ↘	41 ↘	37 ↗	33 ↗	31 ↗	29 ↗	25 ↗	23 ↗	20 ↗	16 ↗	17 ↗	41
Menominee	16 ↗	18 ↗	23 ↗	26 ↘	35 ↗	39 ↗	40 ↗	38 ↗	35 ↗	31 ↗	28 ↗	24 ↗	23 ↗	20 ↗	17 ↗	18 ↗	40
Marquette	14 ↗	22 ↗	32 ↗	43 ↘	55 ↘	60 ↘	58 ↘	48 ↗	44 ↗	45 ↗	43 ↗	37 ↗	35 ↗	30 ↗	22 ↗	20 ↗	60
Escanaba	15 ↗	18 ↗	23 ↗	30 ↘	41 ↘	47 ↘	47 ↗	41 ↗	37 ↗	38 ↗	36 ↗	31 ↗	29 ↗	25 ↗	20 ↗	18 ↗	47
Munising	13 ↗	16 ↗	24 ↗	32 ↗	45 ↘	52 ↘	53 ↘	49 ↗	47 ↗	45 ↗	43 ↗	38 ↗	36 ↗	32 ↗	25 ↗	22 ↗	53
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Grand Marais	17 ↗	23 ↗	31 ↗	40 ↗	53 ↘	59 ↘	61 ↘	60 ↘	58 ↗	58 ↗	55 ↗	49 ↗	46 ↗	41 ↗	35 ↗	30 ↗	61
Newberry	16 ↗	17 ↗	20 ↗	23 ↗	33 ↘	40 ↘	44 ↘	41 ↗	41 ↗	38 ↗	35 ↗	31 ↗	29 ↗	26 ↗	22 ↗	22 ↗	44

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## Temperature Forecast

Sunday morning temperatures could support pockets of freezing drizzle or freezing rain. This could result in a light glaze of ice.

Temperatures will begin in the low to mid 30s as snowfall begins Sunday afternoon. Temperatures will fall below freezing Sunday evening, then stay there through the event.

	Temperature Forecast																Maximum			
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	Sun		Mon		Tue															
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Menominee	35	35	35	36	35	35	34	32	28	23	21	22	20	18	16	14	12	10	12	17
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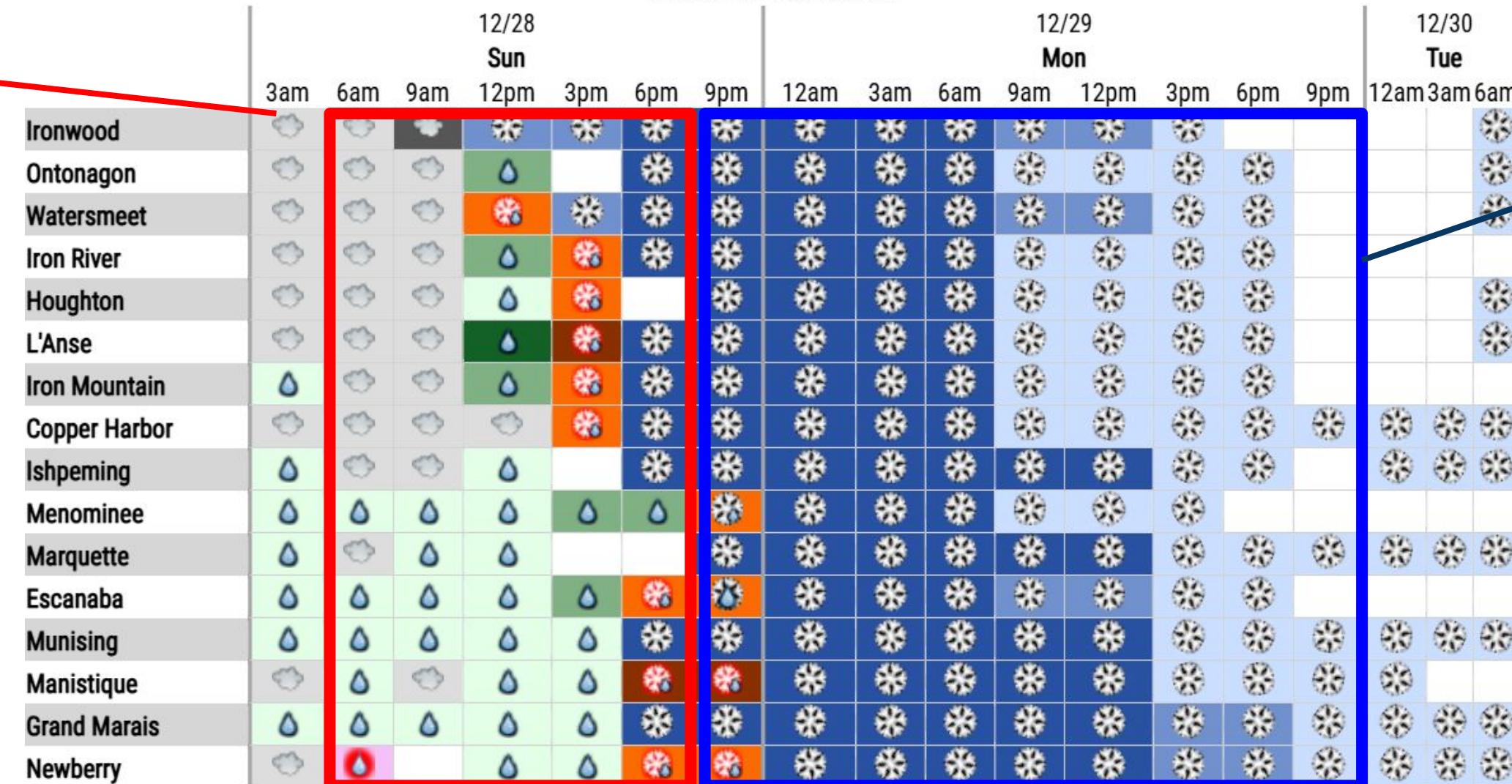


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Sunday morning precipitation may include freezing rain/drizzle if surface temperatures are cold enough. As the day progresses, rain becomes more likely before mixing with snow in the evening.

## Weather Forecast



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- Rain +

- Fz Rain +

- Wintry Mix +

- Snow +

- Fog +



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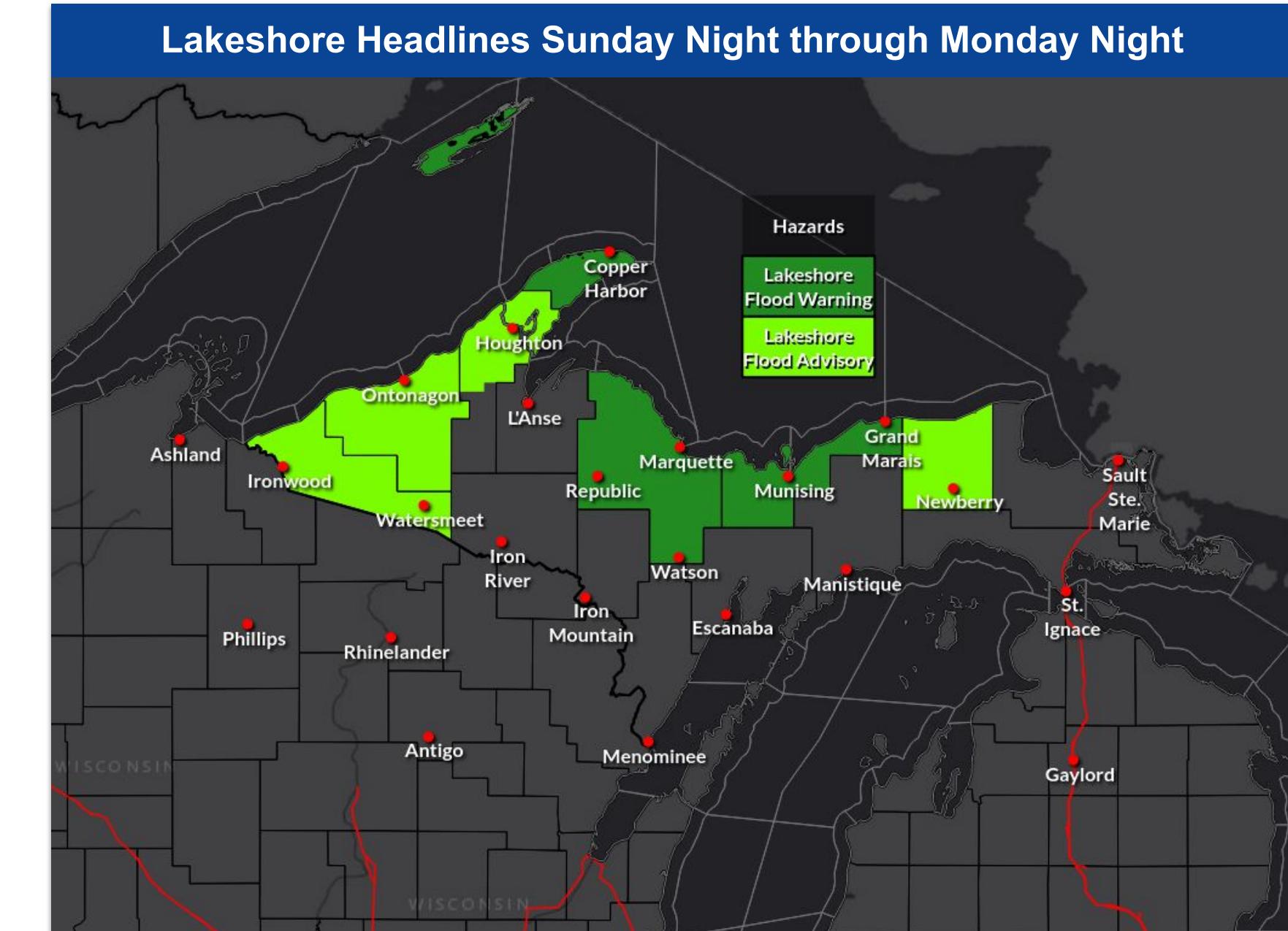
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## Potential Lakeshore Flooding

### Overview

- Strong northerly winds will create very large waves on Lake Superior.
- These large waves will increase the risk of lakeshore flooding and beach erosion. Lakeshore Flood Advisories and Warnings are in effect for Sunday night through Monday night.
- Largest waves are expected between Big Bay and Grand Marais, where lakeshore areas could experience 20+ foot waves.



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# Additional Information

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**The next briefing is scheduled by 5 PM EST**  
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## Additional Resources

### Marquette Forecast Office Webpage

Office website that enables a user to type in or click on a location for a forecast.

### Winter Safety

Variety of winter safety information, including graphics for sharing on social media.

### NWS Probabilistic Precipitation Portal

Office website includes point and plan view probabilistic information across CONUS.

### NWS Winter Storm Severity Index

CONUS view of potential winter storm impacts.

## Ice and Snow, Take it Slow



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