



# High Wind Watch

March 12, 2026  
3:46 AM

Will go into effect from 5 AM EDT to 8 PM EDT on Friday, March 13th

## Key Messages

- A **High Wind Watch** has been issued for Friday March 13th. It will be in effect from 5 AM to 8 PM EDT.
- Southwest/west winds sustained between 25 to 35 mph with gusts as high as 60 mph.
- Additionally, an active weather pattern sets up for the later half of the weekend with a strong spring system moving through. There is potential for rain/storms Sunday, then much colder with snow and strong winds on Monday.



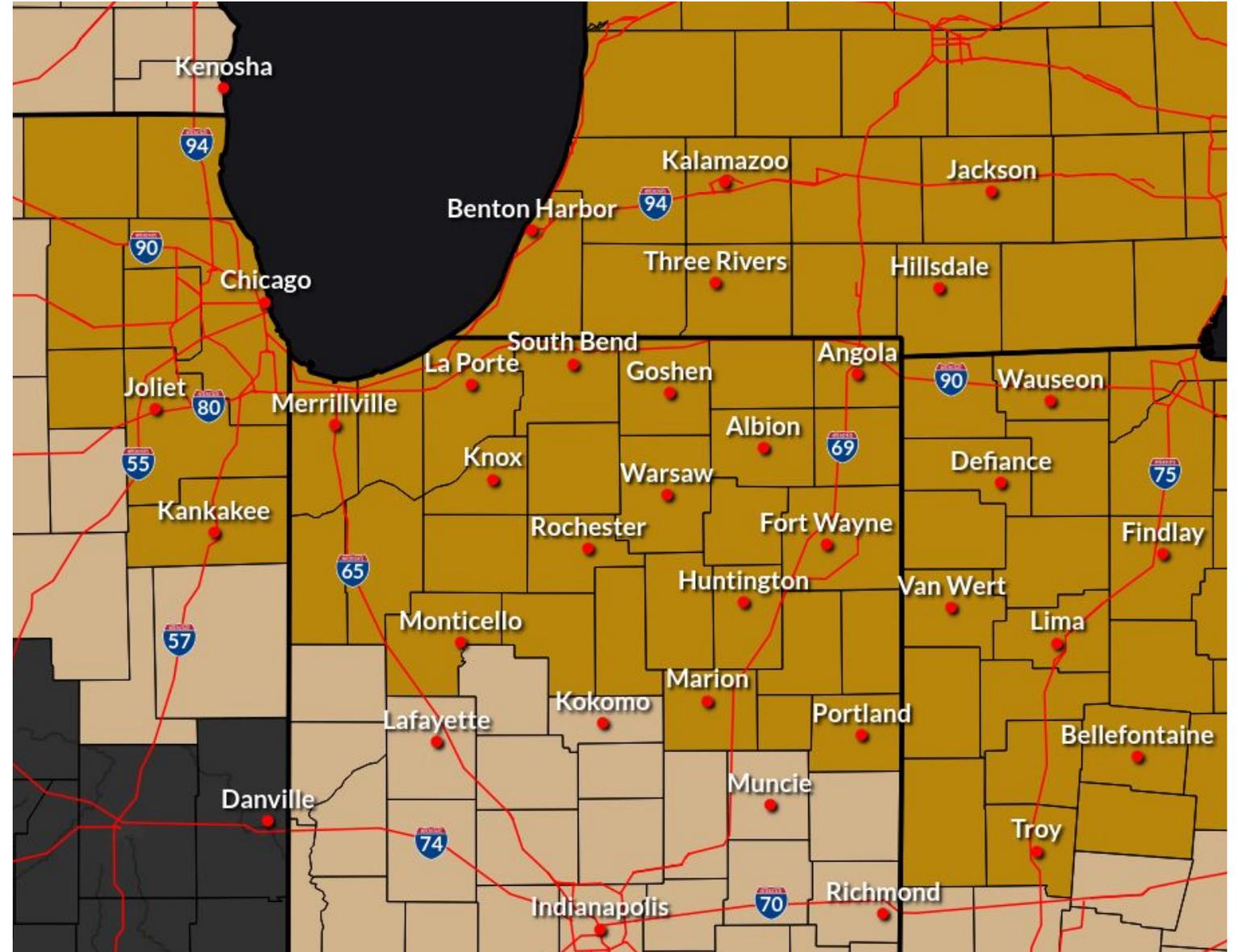
## Important Updates

- This is the first issuance for this event

## Next Scheduled Briefing

- This afternoon

## Wind Advisories & High Wind Watches for Friday





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High confidence in strong winds on Friday

## Advisory Details



5 AM to 8 PM EDT Friday, March 13th



Wind gusts as high as 60 mph possible

## Impacts



Secure outdoor objects-like trash bins or outdoor decorations



Tree limbs could be blown down and scattered power outages are possible



Driving high profile vehicles may be challenging (N-S oriented roads)

## Wind Gust Forecast

	5am	6am	7am	8am	9am	10am	11am	12pm	1pm	2pm	3pm	4pm	5pm	6pm	7pm	8pm
Angola	41↑	44↑	45↑	45↑	45↑	45↑	45↑	46↑	46↑	47↑	47↑	47↑	46↑	44↑	41↑	38↑
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# Strong Spring System Sunday & Monday

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Monitoring chances for rain/storms Sunday, followed by very cold air, strong winds, and snow for Monday



## What We Know

- A strong low pressure system will lift into the Midwest and Great Lakes on Sunday
- Mild with rain/storms possible on Sunday, followed by very cold air, strong winds, and snow for Monday
- Winds will be strong on both Sunday and Monday



## Still in Question

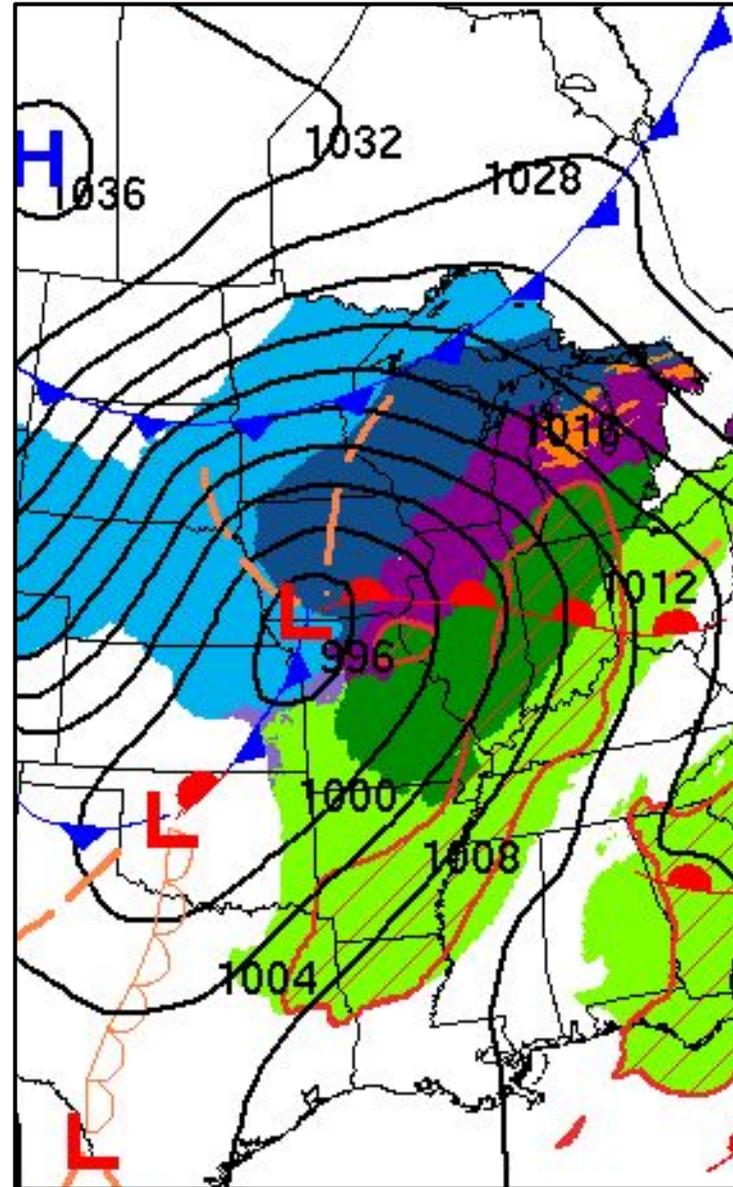
- How strong storms may be Sunday evening
- How quickly cold air filters in on Monday
- How much snow falls on Monday
- Strength of the surface low pressure



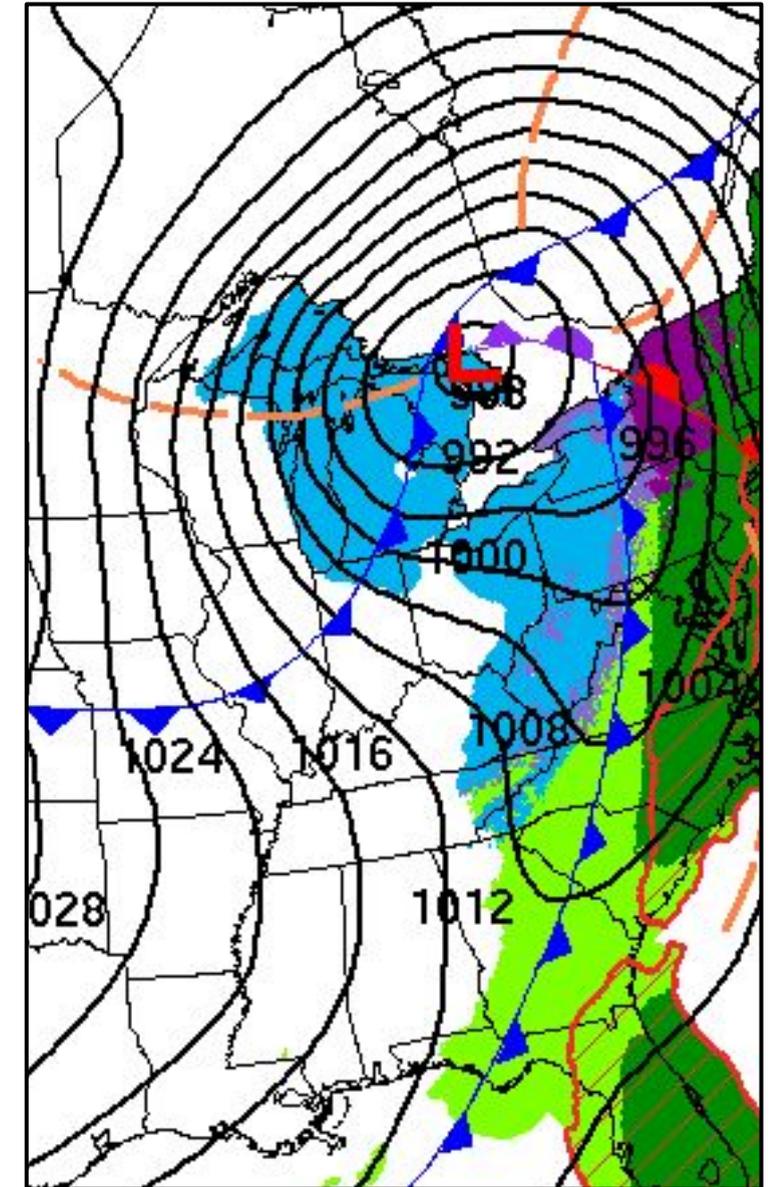
## What Can You Do Now

- Monitor the forecast for updates on our social media pages and in our webpage at [weather.gov/iwx](http://weather.gov/iwx)

### Sunday



### Monday



# ACTIVE MARCH WEATHER PATTERN CONTINUES

Windy Friday with gusts as high as 60 mph possible. Very active Sunday into Monday with a strong spring system...in a 24 hr window, storms, strong winds, rapidly falling temperatures, and snow will all be possible

## THURSDAY



Sunny and noticeably cooler

**Highs:**  
41°-47°

**Lows:**  
32°-40°

**Precip:**  
0%

## FRIDAY



Windy with scattered rain before midday

**Highs:**  
43°-53°

**Lows:**  
25°-30°

**Precip:**  
20-60%

## SATURDAY



Low chance for rain/snow mix during the day

**Highs:**  
40°-47°

**Lows:**  
31°-41°

**Precip:**  
10-20%

## SUNDAY



Mild with rain/storms, much colder with rain/snow mix at night

**Highs:**  
54°-68°

**Lows:**  
23°-30°

**Precip:**  
60-90%

## MONDAY



Cold and windy with lake effect snow possible

**Highs:**  
26°-37°

**Lows:**  
12°-18°

**Precip:**  
40-80%

## TUESDAY



Lingering lake effect snow showers in the morning

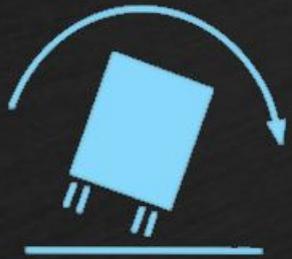
**Highs:**  
25°-29°

**Lows:**  
14°-20°

**Precip:**  
20-40%



# ***DRIVING DURING STRONG WINDS***



Maintain a safe distance from high-profile vehicles



Look out for fallen/falling trees, powerlines, or debris



Keep a firm grip on the wheel with both hands



Use caution on bridges and overpasses