# Bitter Cold Weather (Again) Monday Night into Wednesday January 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> 2014

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# **Purpose of Briefing**



- Briefing #1 (and only) for event
- Promote situational awareness for emergency management community & partners
- Provide guidance for planning efforts
- Briefing applies to Mount Holly service area – shaded in green on map





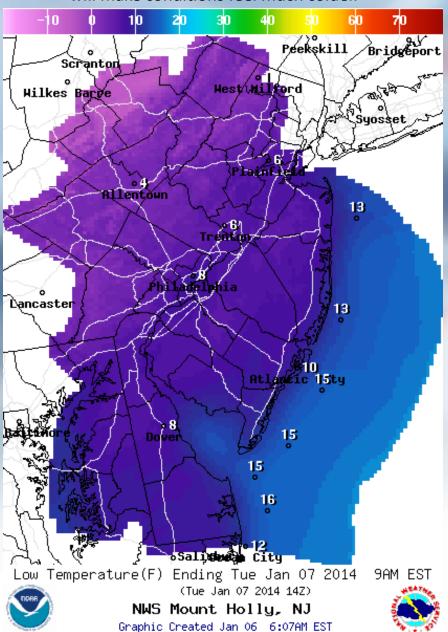
### **Executive Summary**

- An Arctic airmass will overtake the area after a cold front moves through the region this morning. The 7 AM temperature here at Mount Holly was 58 degrees, a full 58 degrees warmer than Saturday morning! Don/t get used to these warm temperatures...winter is coming back...TODAY!
- As temperatures drop below freezing...standing water will freeze which will once again cause hazardous road conditions...especially on untreated roads.
- Northwest winds gusting in the 25 to 35 mph range are expected late this morning through this afternoon. Even higher wind gusts in the 30 to 40 mph range are expected tonight through Tuesday morning. Winds will start to gradually subside Tuesday afternoon.
- The combination of strong winds and cold temperatures will create dangerous wind chill factors tonight and Tuesday. Wind chill factors Wind chill factors as low as 30 degrees below zero can be expected in the far northern portions of the Mount Holly CWA from tonight into Wednesday morning. Wind chill factors from zero to 20 below zero can be expected elsewhere. This could feel like the coldest outbreak for our area in several years.
- Unless significant changes occur in the forecast, this will be the only briefing package for this event.
- Monitor our website for updated information <a href="http://www.erh.noaa.gov/phi/">http://www.erh.noaa.gov/phi/</a>



January 7<sup>th</sup>

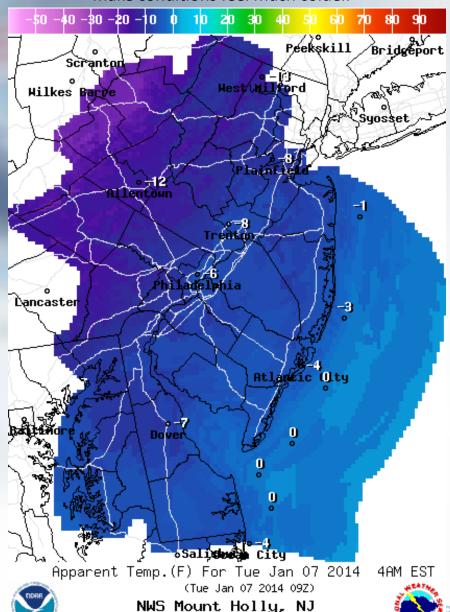
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Wind Chill Temperature Forecast for Tuesday Morning –

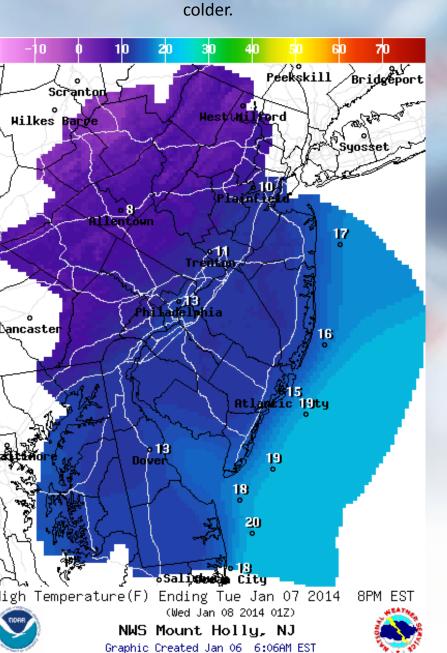
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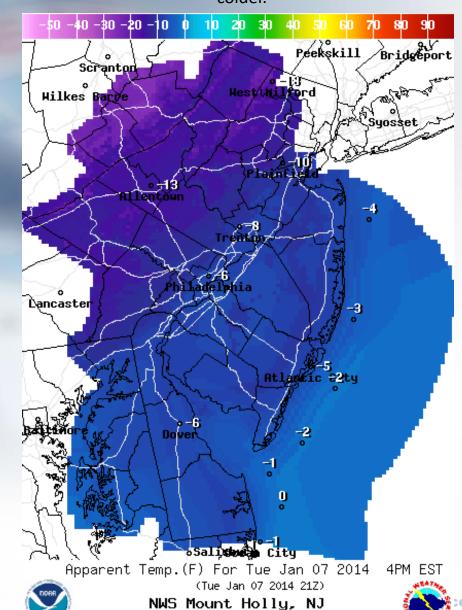


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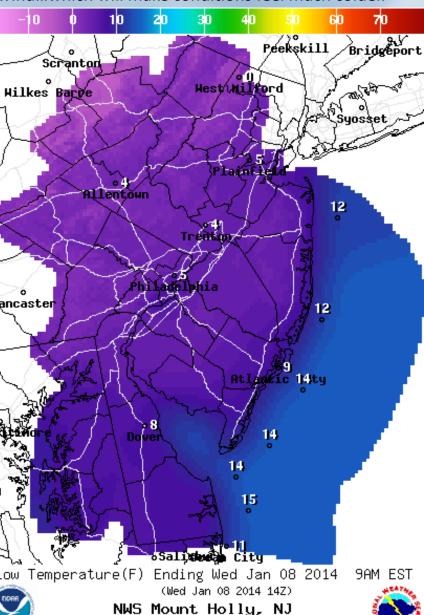
Wind Chill Temperature Forecast for Tuesday
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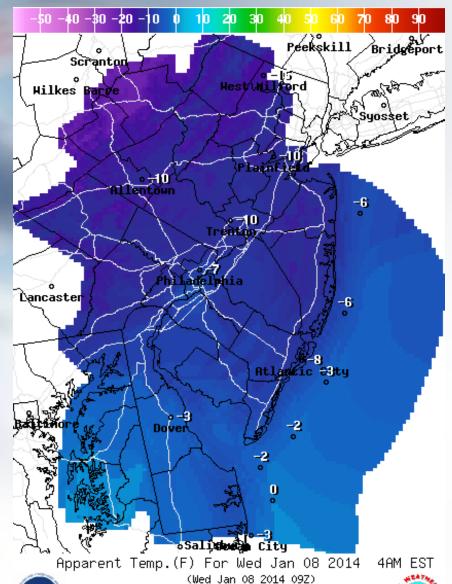


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Wind Chill Temperature Forecast for Wednesday

Morning – January 8<sup>th</sup>.

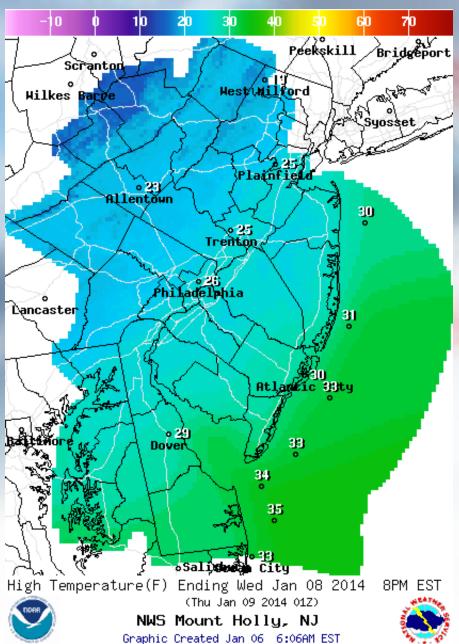
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#### High Temperature Forecast for Wednesday – January 8th







# Combined impacts

- Please keep in mind 'combined impacts'.
- Roadways where temperatures are above freezing will freeze over late this afternoon and evening as temperatures drop.
- Roadway chemicals lose effectiveness as temperature get colder. Many locations will be in the single digits or below by early Tuesday morning.
- Water pipes may freeze & burst with the very cold temperatures expected both Tuesday and Wednesday mornings.
- With strong northwest winds, blowout tides could occur in the Delaware Bay and the tidal sections of the Delaware River. Blowout tide conditions may be approached along the Atlantic Coast too. Low tides on Tuesday through Wednesday morning need to be monitored.



## Questions?

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