

Public Information Statement
National Weather Service Albany NY
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...National Weather Service Albany Transitioning to a New Format
for the Area Forecast Discussion Beginning December 15 2025...

Beginning with the afternoon issuance on December 15, 2025, the
National Weather Service Forecast Office in Albany, NY will
transition to a key message format for the Area Forecast
Discussion (AFD).

This strategic change aligns the AFD with an impacts-first
message philosophy, enabling our office to streamline
communication and reduce redundancy. This transition moves away
from a strictly chronological layout to focus on potential weather
impacts and hazards. By prioritizing key messages, we aim to
enhance clarity and eliminate duplication within the AFD.

A side-by-side comparison of the old format and the new format
can be found at: <https://www.weather.gov/erh/newAFD>. Please note
that the number of key messages will vary from 1 to 5 depending on
the weather expected during the upcoming 7 days.

The latest local AFD can be found at the following link:
<https://forecast.weather.gov/product.php?site=aly&issuedby=ALY&product=AFD>

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