

## Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - December 2006

<u>Location</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Deaths &amp; Injuries</u>	<u>Property &amp; Crop Dmg</u>	<u>Event Type and Details</u>
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### OKLAHOMA, Panhandle

<b>CIMARRON (OK-Z001)</b>	12/19/06 00:00 CST	0	0	Heavy Snow
	12/20/06 12:00 CST	0	0	

<b>CIMARRON (OK-Z001), TEXAS (OK-Z002)</b>	12/19/06 00:00 CST	0	900K	Ice Storm
	12/20/06 12:00 CST	0	0	

A strong upper low moved from southern California into eastern New Mexico and southeastern Colorado. This system produced snow...sleet and freezing rain across the Oklahoma panhandle. A State of Emergency was declared for Texas county where nearly one million dollars in damage were attributed to the winter storm. Roughly fifty thousand cubic yards of downed trees and tree limbs were removed in Texas county. Seven thousand customers were without power according to officials at the Tri-County Electric Cooperative with damage estimated at four hundred thousand dollars. Another forty-seven thousand dollars in damage was reported by the Panhandle Telephone Cooperative with about one hundred Oklahoma panhandle residents without telephone service in the Guymon area. No injuries were reported.

<b>CIMARRON (OK-Z001)</b>	12/28/06 18:00 CST	0	0	Heavy Snow
	12/30/06 18:00 CST	0	0	

<b>TEXAS (OK-Z002)</b>	12/28/06 18:00 CST	0	0	Ice Storm
	12/30/06 18:00 CST	0	0	

<b>TEXAS (OK-Z002)</b>	12/28/06 18:00 CST	0	7M	Winter Storm
	12/30/06 18:00 CST	0	0	

<b>CIMARRON (OK-Z001)</b>	12/29/06 16:36 CST	0	4M	Blizzard
	12/30/06 18:00 CST	0	0	

A strong and vigorous upper low moved across the Rockies and brought strong winds and heavy snow to the Oklahoma panhandle. No fatalities were reported...however one woman was injured in Cimarron county when she became stranded in her home and had to be transported to a hospital in Boise City. State of Emergencies were issued for both Cimarron and Texas counties. The worst hit area was near the Oklahoma and Colorado state line in the vicinity of State Highway 287 where twenty families were stranded in four feet of snow and snow drifts of twenty feet! Western Cimarron county was hard hit as rescue teams were able to dig five families out of the snow around the Wheelless area and rescue drivers whose car batteries would not start. The Oklahoma National Guard assisted in hay drops for cattle that were stranded by the heavy snow. The Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives reported about twenty thousand customers were without power.

### TEXAS, North Panhandle

<b>DALLAM (TX-Z001), MOORE (TX-Z007), OLDHAM (TX-Z011)</b>	12/19/06 00:00 CST	0	0	Heavy Snow
	12/20/06 12:00 CST	0	0	

<b>DALLAM (TX-Z001), SHERMAN (TX-Z002), HANSFORD (TX-Z003), OCHILTREE (TX-Z004), HARTLEY (TX-Z006), MOORE (TX-Z007), HUTCHINSON (TX-Z008), ROBERTS (TX-Z009), OLDHAM (TX-Z011), POTTER (TX-Z012), CARSON (TX-Z013), DEAF SMITH (TX-Z016), RANDALL (TX-Z017), ARMSTRONG (TX-Z018)</b>	12/19/06 00:00 CST	0	391K	Ice Storm
	12/20/06 12:00 CST	0	0	

A strong upper low moved from southern California into eastern New Mexico and southeastern Colorado. This system produced snow...sleet and freezing rain across the Texas panhandle. Interstate 40 was closed west of Amarillo from Soncy Road to the New Mexico state line from 7 PM CST on December 19 until 8 AM CST December 20 due to the potentially icy conditions. Interstate 27 between Amarillo and Canyon had dry stretches and icy patches which created havoc for drivers. A Xcel Energy spokesman reported that fifteen hundred residents were without power and downed tree limbs were to blame in Amarillo. Also...one thousand five hundred and

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seventy-five residents in Borger were without power and five hundred and sixty-five customers were without power in Miami. There were no reports of fatalities which were attributed to the icy weather...however there were a few injuries reported due to the icy weather.

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**DALLAM (TX-Z001), SHERMAN (TX-Z002)**

	12/28/06 18:00 CST	0	0	Heavy Snow
	12/30/06 18:00 CST	0	0	

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**DALLAM (TX-Z001), HARTLEY (TX-Z006)**

	12/29/06 16:36 CST	0	0	Blizzard
	12/30/06 18:00 CST	0	0	

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**MOORE (TX-Z007), POTTER (TX-Z012), RANDALL (TX-Z017)**

	12/29/06 18:00 CST	0	100K	Ice Storm
	12/31/06 06:00 CST	0	0	

A strong and vigorous upper low moved across the Rockies and produced heavy snow and blizzard conditions along with freezing rain to the western and central Texas panhandle. Five people were killed as a result of the winter storm and about one thousand seven hundred and seventy customers were without electricity in Dumas...Dalhart...Hartley...Sunray...Etter...Texline...Bushland...and Cactus. About one thousand customers were without electricity in Spearman...Vega...Adrian...and Wildorado. Motorists had to be rescued after becoming stranded by the heavy snow near Texline with four foot high snow drifts. Major roads and highways were closed due to the heavy snow including Interstate 40 west of Amarillo...U.S. Highway 87 north out of Dalhart...U.S. Highway 54 west out of Dalhart...and U.S. Highway 287 north out of Stratford. Three people were killed in Randall county involving a car and train accident with two people injured in the accident. Two other people were killed in separate car accidents with four people injured in both Potter and Randall counties...however one of those four injured on December 29, 2006 died exactly one month later on January 29, 2007 from her injuries.