



The Winter Side of this "Spring" System

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Travel Impacts & Meaningful Moisture Are Both Likely With This System Today & Tomorrow

Key Messages

- Heavy wet snow over the high country and portions of the plains
- Precipitation initially starts as rain for lower elevations, then will transition to snow by later this evening or tonight, depending on location
- Melting and freezing may be an issue later tonight into Saturday Morning

NEW

What Has Changed

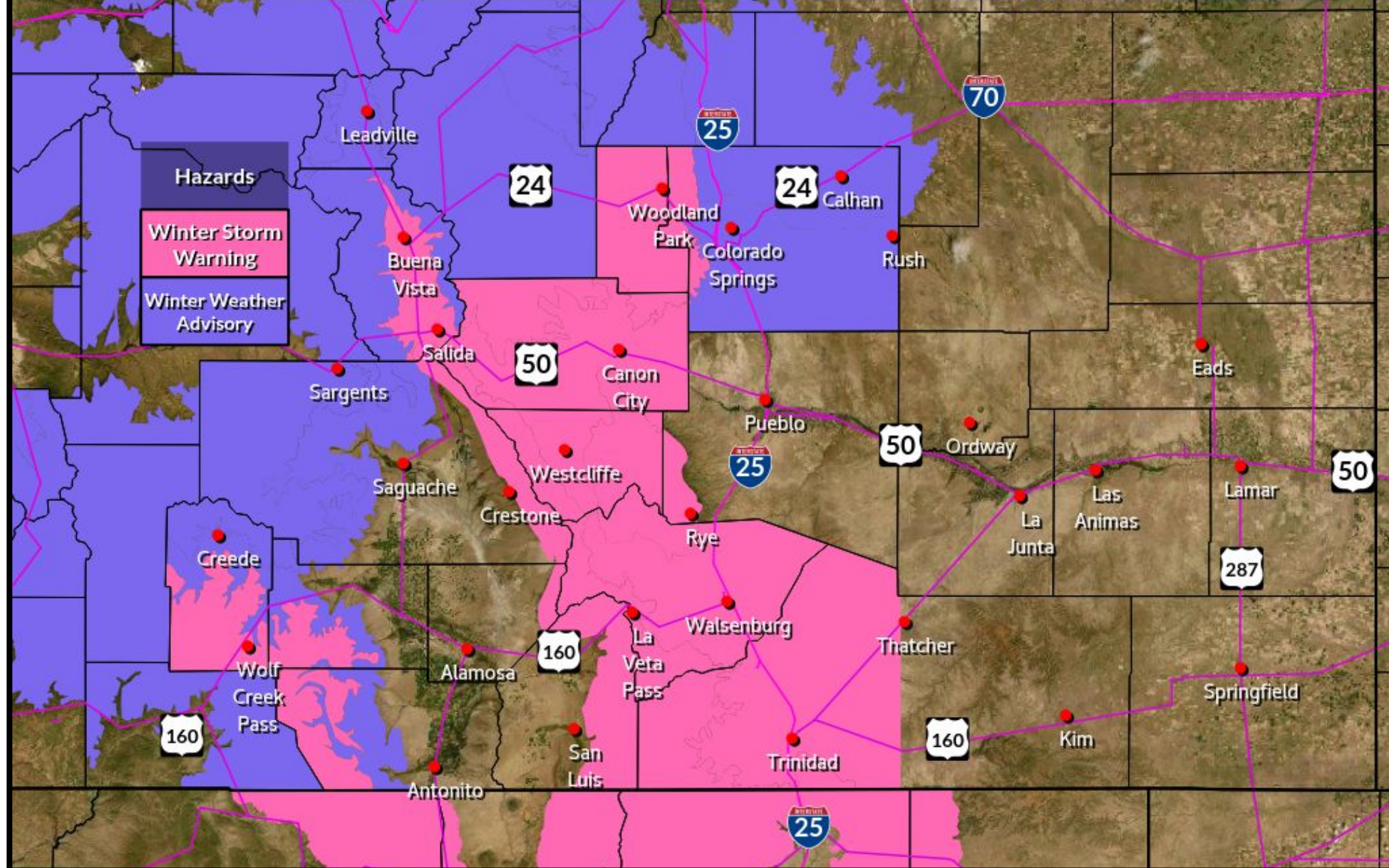
- Teller, Fremont, Middle Ark River Valley, Wet Mountain Valley, & southern I-25 corridor added to **Winter Storm Warning**.
- **Winter Weather Advisory** expanded into srn El Paso, central Lake and Saguache counties below 10K, Upper Rio Grande Valley

Winter Weather Highlights

Today and Tomorrow (4/18 - 4/19)

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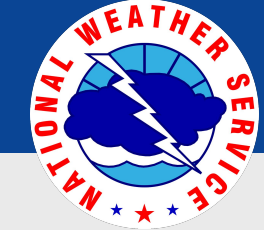
Next Scheduled Update

- Friday Evening



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Winter Weather Hazards

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Rain and Lesser Snowfall Amounts Expected over Lower Elevations as well



Timing & Duration:

Winter Storm Warnings

- The eastern San Juan, Wet, and Sangre de Cristo Mtns, the Rampart Range, Fremont county, the Upper Arkansas River Valley, Wet Mtn Valley, and the southern I-25 Corridor.

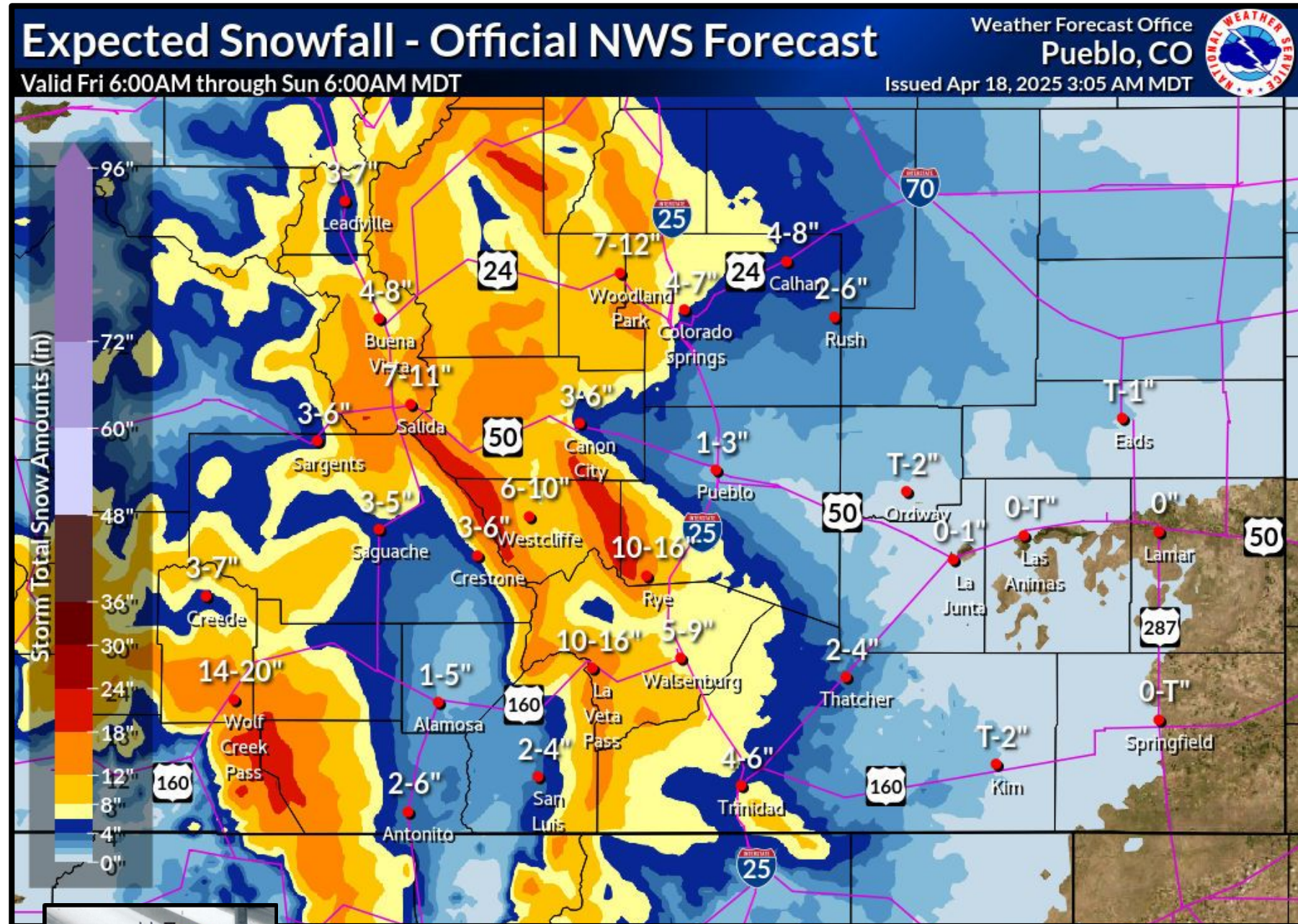
Winter Weather Advisories

- The La Garita mtns and Upper Rio Grande Valley, Western Saguache county along the ContDvd, the Central Mtns and Lake county.
- El Paso County.



Impacts

- Snow increases in coverage over and near the higher terrain through the day Friday, with widespread moderate to heavy snow ongoing Friday night through the day Saturday.
- Wet, slushy and snow packed roads Friday night and Saturday leads to hazardous travel.
- Wet, heavy snow could cause tree damage.



Check Road Conditions at:

www.cotrip.org

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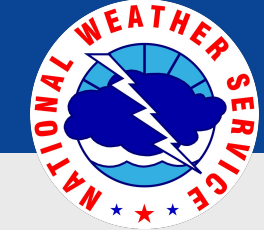
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Weather Forecast

	4/18 Fri			4/19 Sat			4/20 Sun
	6am	12pm	6pm	12am	6am	12pm	6pm 12am
Alamosa	15%	30%	60%	75%	75%	70%	30%
Buena Vista	65%	80%	90%	80%	70%	60%	20%
Cañon City	65%	85%	90%	90%	75%	45%	20%
Colorado Springs	60%	85%	85%	80%	65%	35%	20%
Crestone	35%	70%	85%	90%	80%	65%	30%
Del Norte	20%	30%	65%	85%	90%	85%	25%
Eads		40%	50%	50%	30%	20%	25%
La Junta		60%	70%	65%	50%	30%	35%
Lamar		40%	45%	30%	25%	20%	35%
Leadville	80%	85%	90%	75%	65%	60%	40%
Pueblo	25%	75%	85%	85%	65%	40%	25%
Salida	65%	85%	90%	90%	75%	60%	25%
Springfield		25%	30%	30%	25%	30%	50%
Trinidad	20%	65%	80%	80%	75%	70%	55%
Walsenburg	25%	80%	90%	90%	85%	65%	45%
Woodland Park	85%	95%	95%	85%	70%	55%	25%

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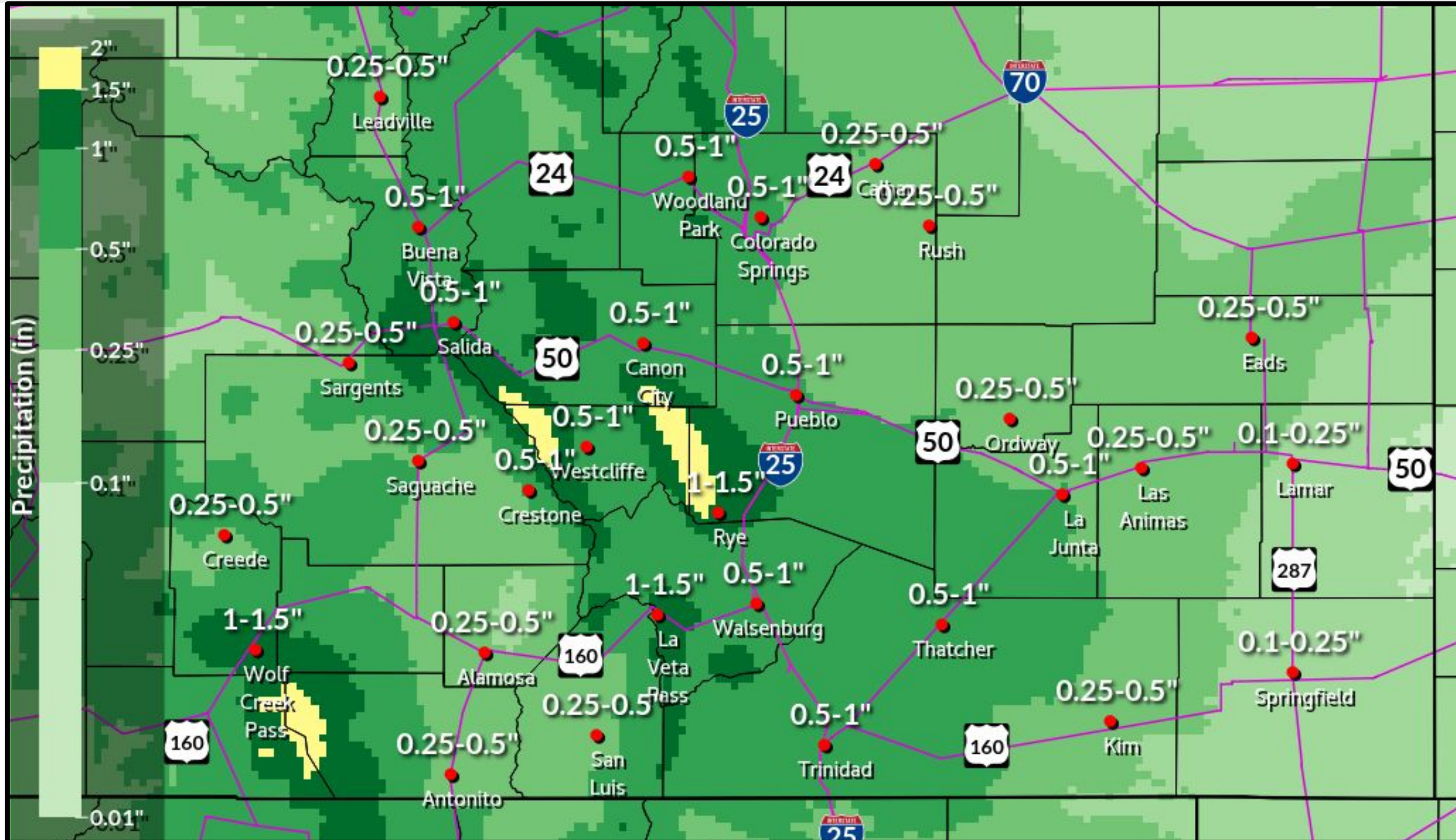
- Rain +
- Wintry Mix +
- Snow +



Liquid Equivalent Forecast

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Melt all the snow and this is the liquid forecast, also serves as a rain forecast for places not expecting snow



WILDFIRE SAFETY

- Properly discard cigarettes.
- Keep vehicles off of dry grass.
- Avoid activities with open flames or sparks.
- Avoid power equipment that creates sparks.
- Obey burn bans.
- Evacuate if fire/smoke is heading your way.
- Evacuate if ordered to do so by local officials.



Winter Travel

Road Trip Safety Tips

- SHARE YOUR TRAVEL PLANS WITH FRIENDS OR FAMILY
- PACK AN EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT
- WINTERIZE YOUR VEHICLE
- CHECK ROAD CONDITIONS
- GET THE WEATHER FORECAST



STRONG WIND Can Impact Travel

Strong wind can be a hazard to high-profile vehicles

weather.gov/wind

WINTER DRIVING FOCUS ON SAFETY

Prevent a bad situation from getting worse.
If you're involved in an accident, try to pull your vehicle off the road and use hazard lights, flares, reflectors or flashlights to warn other drivers. **STAY OFF THE ROAD**, dial 911, and wait for the police to arrive. These actions can help prevent multi-vehicle crashes in winter weather.

Avoid risky driving behavior.
Always avoid risky behavior such as texting or phone calls, speeding, or drug/alcohol use. These activities are always dangerous, but the risk is much higher in winter weather.

Wear your seatbelt.
Accidents happen more frequently with wet and icy roads. Always wear your seatbelt and ensure everyone in your vehicle does the same, including young children in proper car seats.

