



Strong system brings wind and mountain snow on Wednesday

Next Update by 7:00 AM, Wednesday, May 18

KEY POINTS

- Active weather returns on Wednesday as a strong system sweeps through western WA.
- Strong winds expected along the WA coast and in the interior north of Everett.
- Heavy snow possible in the mountains with accumulations on the higher passes (like Stevens and Washington Pass).

WEATHER RISK OUTLOOK

Risk levels incorporate potential impacts from weather hazards and likelihood of occurrence.

Tue 5/17	Wed 5/18	Thu 5/19	Fri 5/20	Sat 5/21	Sun 5/22	Mon 5/23
	Wind Mountain Snow	Mountain Snow				
Risk Levels	Little to None	Minor	Moderate	Major	Extreme	

DETAILS

Lowlands



Wind

Impacts:

Gusty winds may cause localized power outages and tree limb damage. Temporary structures could be damaged.

Mountains



Snow

Impacts:

Snow-covered roads and minor travel delays possible across the Cascade passes.

- **Wednesday**
 - Strong south winds (gusts to 40-50 mph) expected along the WA coast and in the interior north of Everett.
 - Winds will peak late morning through early afternoon.
 - Heavy snow developing in the Cascades with snow levels around 4,000-4,500 feet. Accumulating snowfall at the higher Cascade passes like Stevens and Washington Pass.
- **Wednesday night**
 - Lowland winds easing.
 - Heavy snow continues in the Cascades with snow levels lowering to around 3,500 feet.
 - Accumulating snowfall possible on the higher passes like Stevens and Washington Pass.
- **Thursday**
 - Lingering mountain snow in the Cascades Thursday morning.

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