

...SIGNIFICANT WEATHER...

Dec 31st - Jan 1st Major Snowstorm:

A strong and unusually cold storm system moved across northern and central Arizona from the early morning hours on New Year's Eve through New Year's Day. This storm brought heavy snow accumulations to the high country, with significant snow even at some lower elevation areas that rarely experience such conditions. The storm had a major impact on travel during a very busy holiday period. Portions of Interstate highways 17 and 40 were closed at times due to traffic accidents caused by slick roads. The interstate 40 closure in western Arizona was a lengthy one with many people stranded. Closures were also reported on U.S. Highway 93, and Highway 87 south of Payson.

Here are the storm total snowfall amounts from this storm:

LOCATION	STORM TOTAL SNOWFALL / INCHES /
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...Apache County...

McNary	7.7
5 NW Vernon	6.0
Alpine	5.0
St. Johns	4.0
Concho	4.0
Window Rock	3.0
Tsaile	2.4

...Coconino County...

Mountaineer	20.0
Mormon Lake	18.0
Flagstaff Airport	17.3
Kachina Village	16.0
Oak Creek Canyon	14.5
Williams	14.0
Forest Lakes	14.0
Doney Park	14.0
Bellefont	12.2
Parks	12.0
Grand Canyon S Rim	7.0
Page	4-6
Bright Angel R.S.	5.0
Phantom Ranch	0.9

...Gila County...

9 NE Payson	15.0
Pine	14.5
Tonto Village	13.5
Payson	12.0

...Navajo County...	
4 ESE Pinetop	10.0
Linden	9.5
Show Low	9.0
Heber-Overgaard	8.0
Kayenta	6.0
3 W Snowflake	4.0
13 E Snowflake	3.5
Winslow	3.0
...Yavapai County...	
10 S Ash Fork	12.0
Jerome	11.0
Sedona	9.8
1 SW Cottonwood	7.0
2 E Rimrock	7.0
Prescott (West Side)	7.0
Cottonwood	5.0
Camp Verde	5.0
Prescott (Sundog)	4.0
Chino Valley	4.0
Cornville	3.5
1 S Prescott Valley	3.0
Yarnell	3.0

Jan. 13th & 14th Light to Moderate Snow:

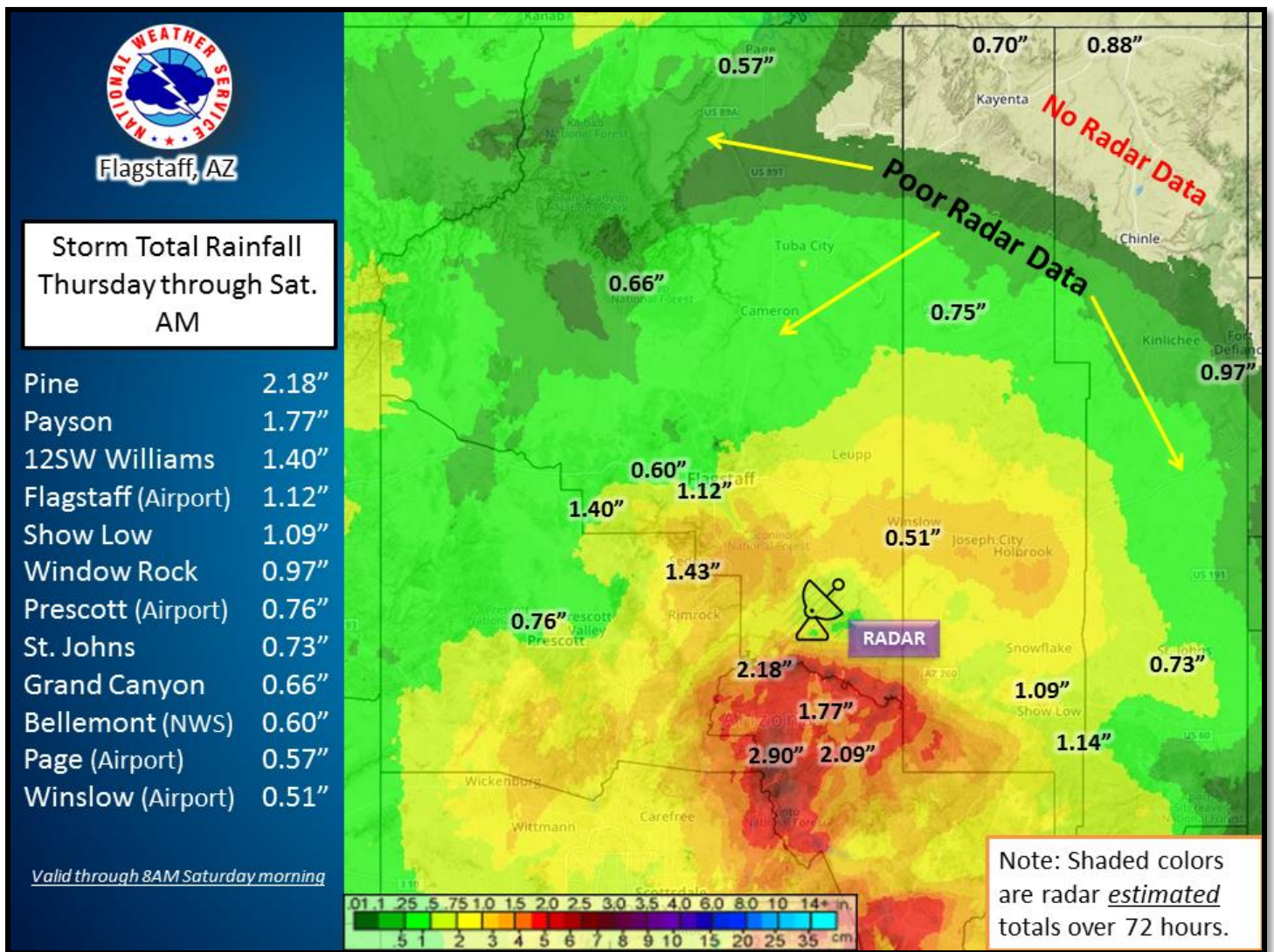
LOCATION	STORM TOTAL SNOWFALL /INCHES/
...Apache County...	
Springerville	4.0
2 N McNary	3.0
Concho	0.5
...Coconino County...	
Arizona Snowbowl	8.0
Sunset Crater N.M.	7.0
Flagstaff	6.4
Bellefont	5.1
Walnut Canyon N.M.	4.6
Forest Lakes	4.4
Williams	3.0
Kachina Village	2.2
1 N Jacob Lake	2.0
...Navajo County...	
Heber-Overgaard	3.0

Show Low Airport	3.0
Navajo N.M.	2.5
Pinetop-Lakeside	2.4
2 W Taylor	1.2
Snowflake	1.0
Shumway	0.5

...Yavapai County...
 Prescott Trace To 1.0

Jan. 29th - 31st Widespread Rain, Very High Elevation Snow:

A very moist, subtropical air mass moved into the southwest bringing widespread rainfall to much of the region for the last few days of January. This relatively warm storm system resulted in mostly rain with some accumulating snow over only the highest mountain tops and portions of northeastern Arizona. Below is a graphic depicting storm total rainfall amounts, followed by a couple of snow reports that were received.



Snow Reports (Jan. 29th – 31st event):

Grand Canyon N. Rim 6.0"
Window Rock 4-5"

Record High Temperatures:

Jan. 25th:

CITY (PERIOD OF RECORD)	NEW HIGH	PREVIOUS RECORD/YEAR
PRESCOTT AIRPORT (1948 - 2015)	68	68 (TIED) IN 1975