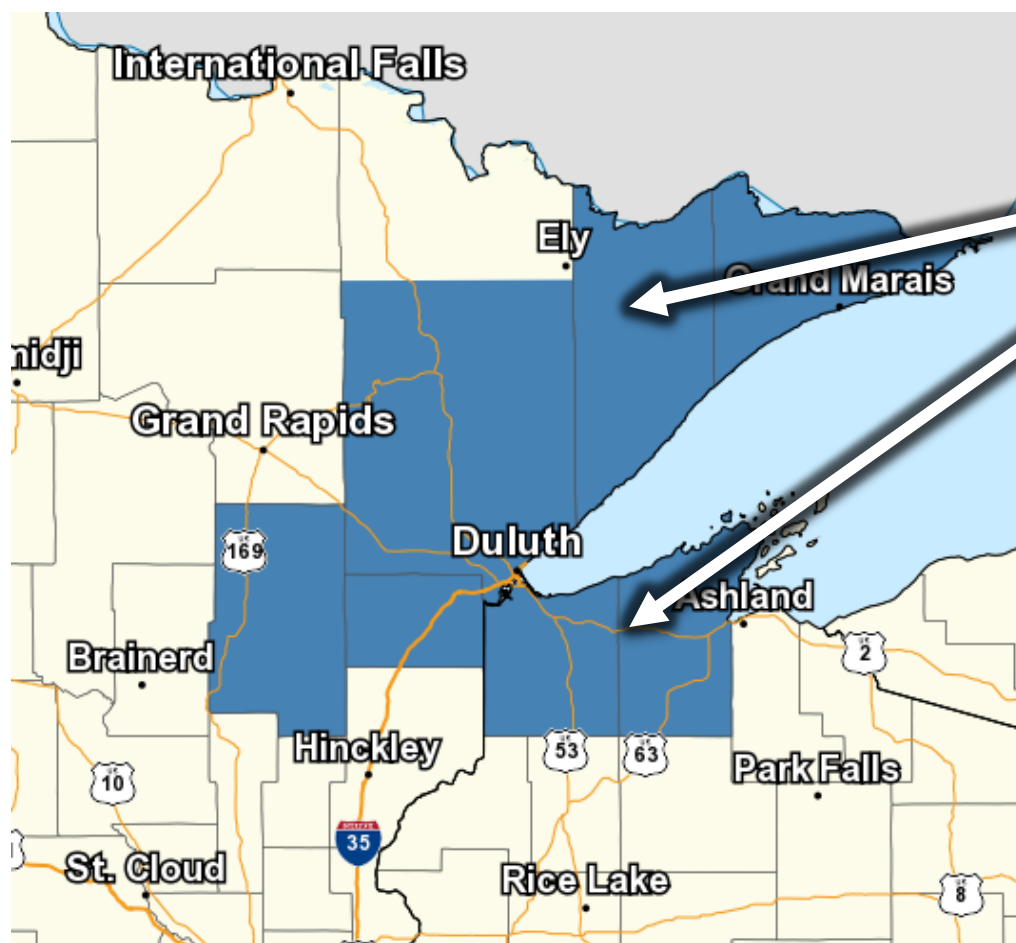



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**Winter Storm
Watch**

Message of the Day:

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- 3 to 6 inches of snow possible Saturday night in the Winter Storm Watch area, locally higher amounts along North Shore
 - Strong northeast winds Saturday evening into Sunday morning
 - May cause lakeshore flooding
 - Rainfall of over an inch and a half may cause localized flooding and lead to rises on area rivers and streams

Important Forecast Changes



Issued a Lakeshore Flood Watch.
Adjusted snowfall amounts slightly.

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Key Points



Hazards: Moderate to heavy rainfall, heavy wet snow, strong northeast winds, and possible lakeshore flooding. Minor flooding of area creeks, streams, and rivers are also possible.



Areas Impacted: All of northwest Wisconsin, the Minnesota Arrowhead, and portions of east-central Minnesota.



Timing & Duration: A rain/snow mix will move in late tonight and turn to all rain for most of Saturday, then switch over to mostly snow Saturday evening and continue into Sunday morning before diminishing and switching back to all rain Sunday afternoon. Northeast winds to increase Saturday afternoon and evening, remain strong overnight, then gradually diminish and become north Sunday morning.

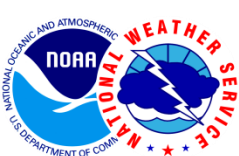
Impacts:

- Heavy rainfall Saturday night may produce localized flooding to basements and ponding on roads and around clogged storm drains
- Heavy, wet snow Saturday night, mainly from Aitkin county northeast through the Arrowhead, and Douglas and Bayfield counties in northwest Wisconsin
- Strong northeast winds with gale-force gusts possible on Lake Superior
- Lakeshore flooding possible along the nearshore areas of Lake Superior, particularly near Canal Park in Duluth east towards the Bayfield Peninsula



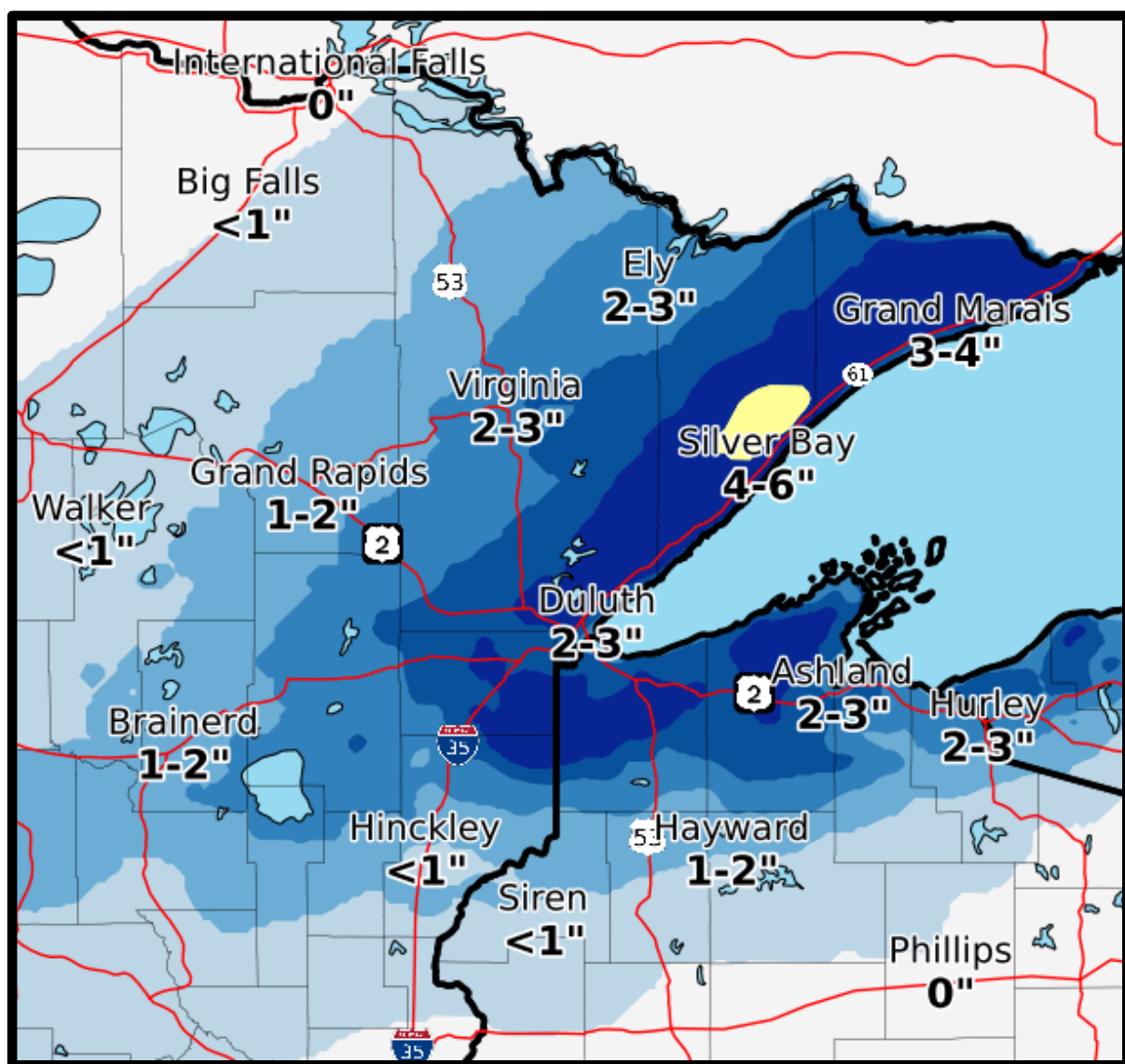
Certainty & Considerations: The timing of the system is still uncertain, as well as the amount of precipitation on the northern extent of the system. Snowfall and rainfall amounts may also change.





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Snowfall Forecast (Saturday night through Sunday morning)

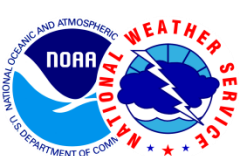


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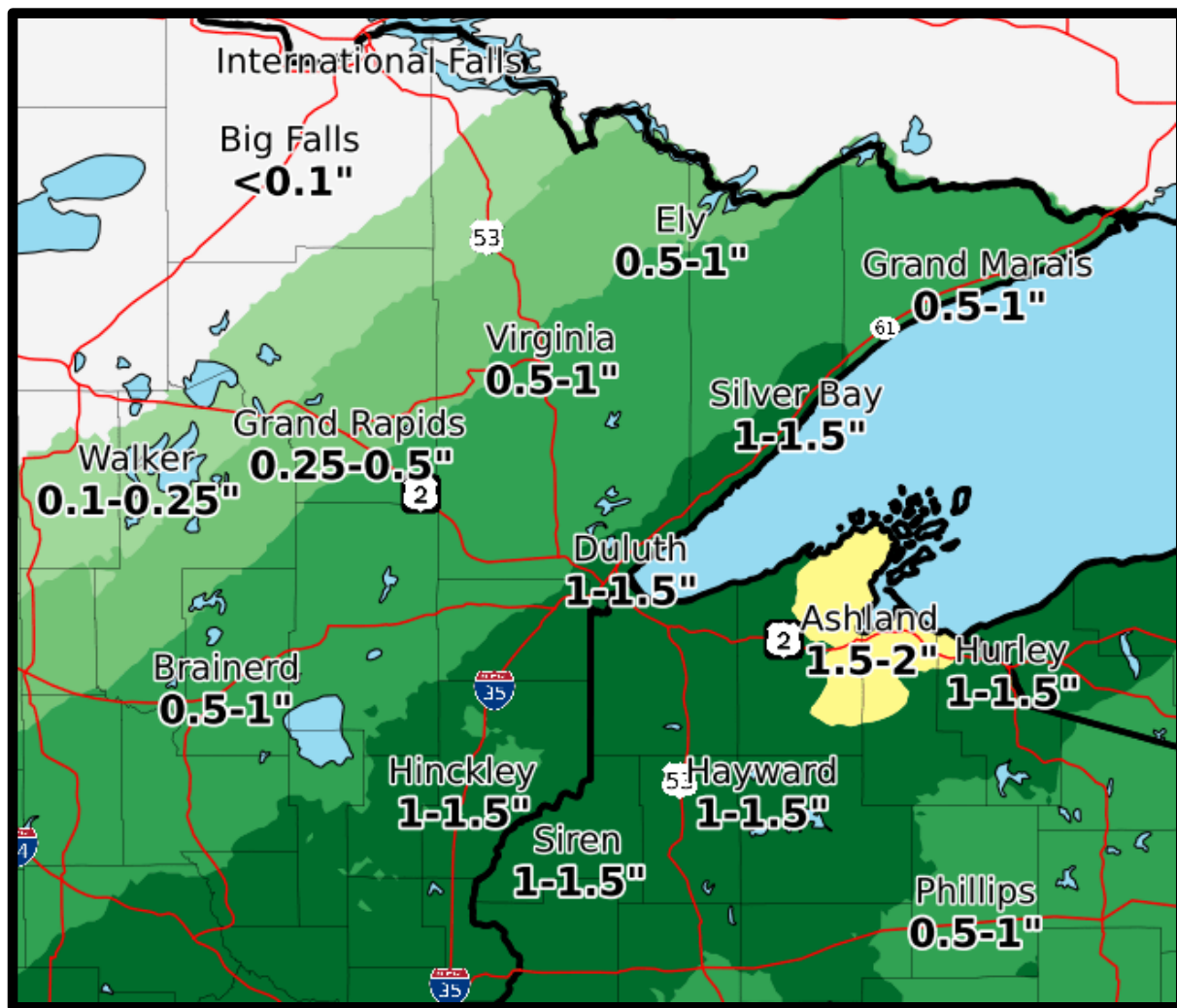
Worst Conditions
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Snow Ends
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Rainfall Forecast



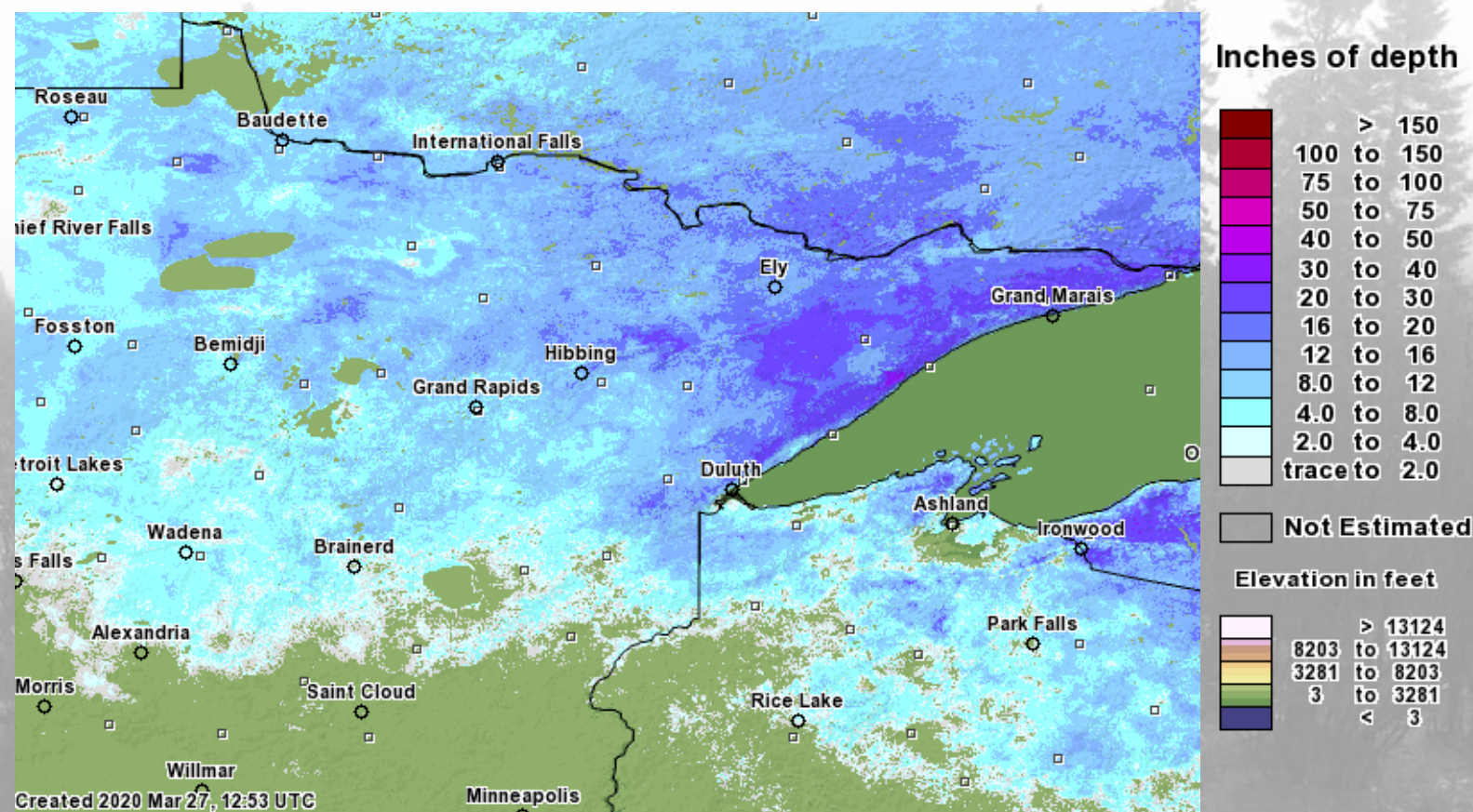
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Rain Begins
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Worst Conditions
Saturday afternoon
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Rain Ends
Sunday
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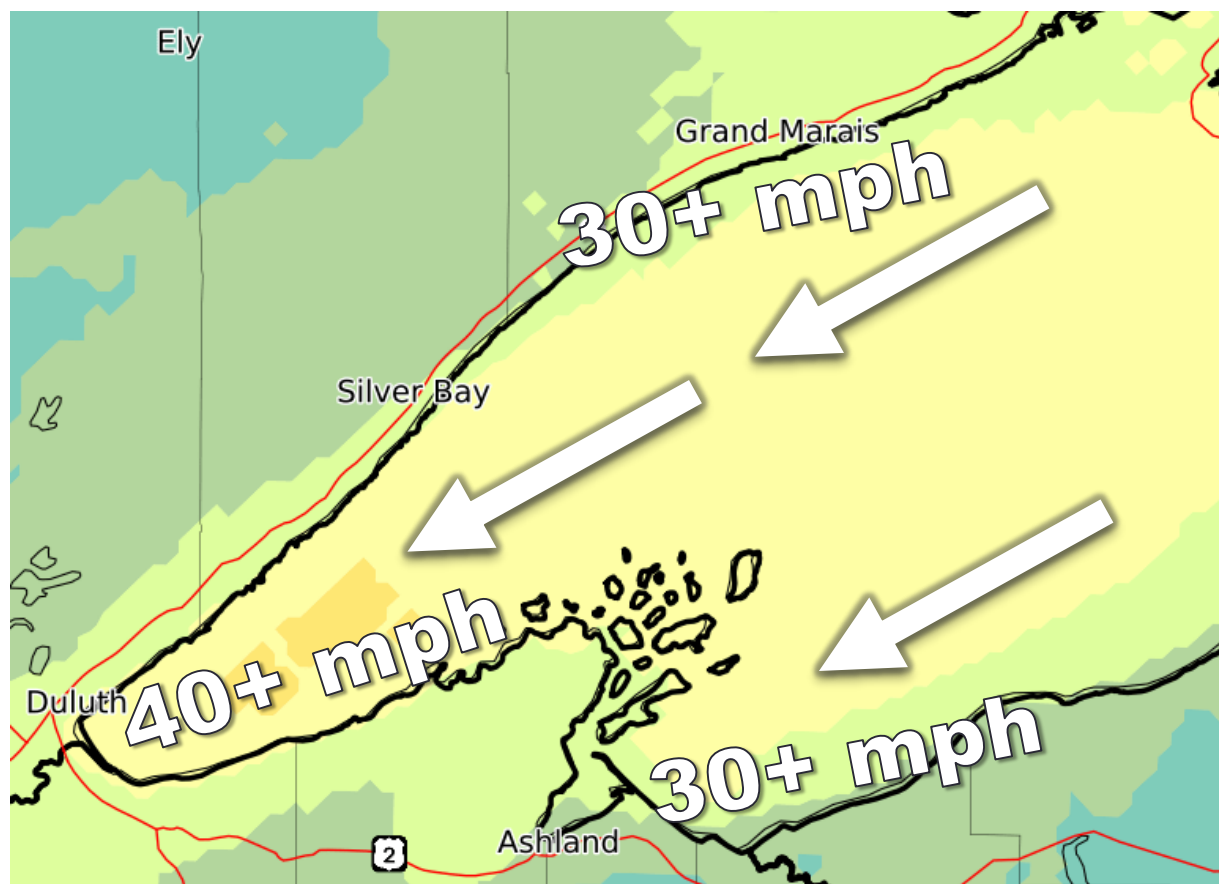
- Rainfall may cause localized flooding, as it is falling on melting snowpack. Some of the precipitation will fall as snow.
- Watch for:
 - Basement flooding
 - Ponding of water on roads, especially around storm drains
 - Eventual rises on rivers, creeks, and streams

Lakeshore Flooding Watch Issued

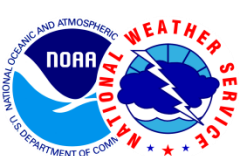


- Waves of 6 to 10 feet will crash on the shores of Lake Superior, Saturday night, which could produce flooding and damage along the lake shore.
- **Stay off break walls and other shoreline structures or you could be swept away!**
- Winds/waves will gradually diminish Sunday morning

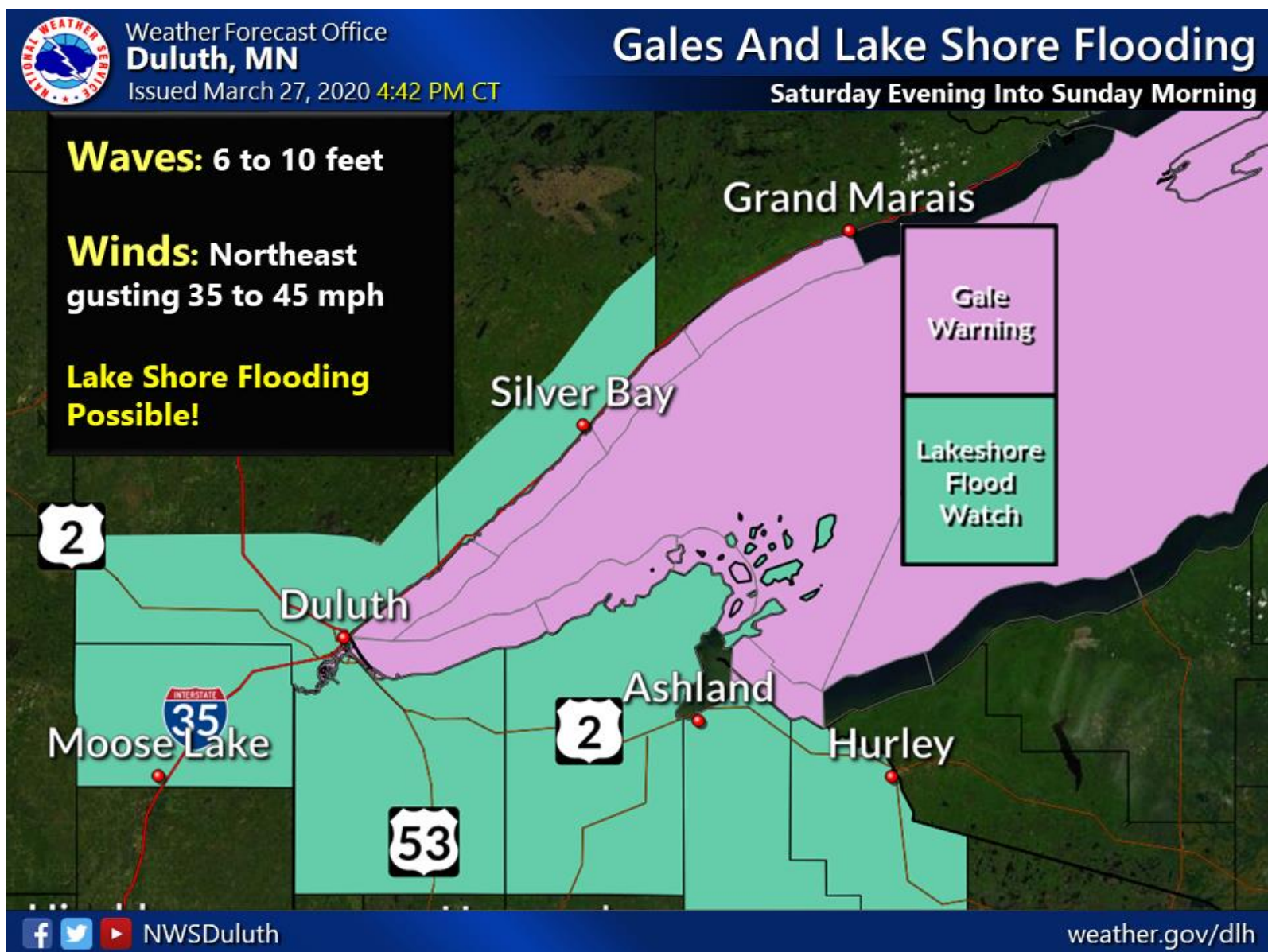
Lake Levels: remain high on Lake Superior, but not as high as the October 2019 storm.



Wind Gusts (mph) and Wind Direction Saturday night



Lakeshore Flooding Watch Issued



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Winter Hazard Definitions

A **Winter Storm Watch** is issued when conditions are favorable for significant winter weather conditions within the next 48 hours. Time to prepare!

A **Lakeshore Flood Watch** is issued when conditions are favorable for lakeshore flooding. Time to prepare!

Winter Weather Preparedness

- Winterize your car, and be sure to include a winter driving safety kit!
- Restock your emergency kit at home with batteries, food, water, etc.
- If you have a generator, make sure it is working – and **NEVER** run a generator in an enclosed space like a garage!



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