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Old Man Winter is finally moving into the area, and the system heading this way could be somewhat harsh, according to Seward County Emergency Management Director Greg Standard.

“It appears we are in for a very strong winter system this week,” Standard noted in a press release Tuesday afternoon. “Snow is predicted, but extreme cold may be the greater issue as temps fall into the single digits for several nights, with daytime highs only reaching the teens.”

Standard included several precautions in his release:

- “Now is the time to check on water lines, etc., which may be adversely affected by this extreme cold.

- “Check to make sure your heating equipment is ready to function and take care of any concerns now, before the cold weather arrives.
- “Be aware that vehicles may not start and run normally in these conditions, check with your service technician on steps to prevent problems.
- “Pets and livestock will need shelter and plenty of food and water when outdoors.
- “Persons working outdoors, will be affected by low temperatures and windchill, which may reach dangerous levels, as low as minus-3 degrees on Wednesday night.
- “Remain alert to changing conditions. Snowfall may produce slick/icy roadways, as well as diminished visibility at times.
- “Pick up needed supplies today, so you will not need to get out in the cold later on this week.

The forecast from SCEM

Tonight

A 30 percent chance of snow, mainly after 5 a.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 12. Wind chill values as low as -3. North northeast wind 14 to 16 mph.

Thursday

Cold temps coming

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A 40 percent chance of snow. Cloudy, with a high near 18. North, northeast wind 11 to 15 mph.

Thursday night

A 30 percent chance of snow. Cloudy, with a low around 9.

Friday

Partly sunny, with a high near 20.

Friday night

Mostly cloudy, with a low around 8.

Saturday

Partly sunny, with a high near 21.

Saturday night

A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 14.

Sunday

Cold temps coming

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Partly sunny, with a high near 28.