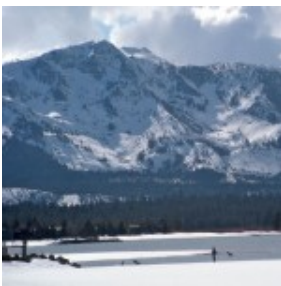


Blizzard warning issued for Lake Tahoe

A blizzard watch is in effect from Tuesday morning through that evening.

A cold front will pass through the Lake Tahoe Basin and Alpine County, according to the National Weather Service.

Expect southwest winds of 20 to 30mph, with gusts up to 50mph in the lower elevations and ridge gusts near 100mph. Winds may be combined with heavy snow to create blizzard conditions.



Mount Tallac will be covered in more snow this week.

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Snow accumulations of a foot or more above 7,000 feet and up to 8 inches below 7000 feet are possible, with the largest amounts along and west of Highway 89.

There is a potential for snow combined with winds more than 35mph that may lower visibilities to less than one-quarter of a mile. Possible whiteout conditions could make travel dangerous, the Weather Service warns.