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## Expect 5" to 6" of snow today

Mayes County is expected to receive 5 inches to 6 inches of snow today on top of slush from overnight mixture of rain, sleet and snow, according to Johnny Janzen, director of Mayes County Emergency Management.

"The main concern will be wind," said Janzen, noting that snows will be heaviest in the eastern portion of the county. "We are expecting wind gusts to 25 mph, which will cause some heavier tree limbs to fall. We may get additional power outages as this occurs."

Power outages were experienced Thursday night in Pryor, Adair and Salina.

"The outages last a few hours and, at this time, all power has been restored," said Janzen.

"Roads are in pretty good shape," he added. "In the northern half of the county they are at least partially covered on the main highways and county roads are completely covered. However, they had enough snow mix to keep them passable. In the southern part of the county most of the roads are just wet with a minor

amount of slush."

Janzen said ice coverage in the trees and power lines is heavier in the southern half of the county.

"Some of the trees are starting to hang and we are seeing some limbs laying on the ground in a few areas," he said.

Schools all over the state, including Mayes County, closed today (Jan. 29) based upon weather reports that kept promising worse and worse as the week went on, and the Mayes County Courthouse also closed for business.

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