Hard Hat Weather

Storm records for plow & salt crews · laporteweathernow.com/hardhat/snow

Sample. This is what lands in a plow company's inbox the morning after a storm. The storm (Jan. 30-31, 2026), the airport readings and the two measured reports are real; the lot and its evening call are an example.

From	Hard Hat Weather <laporteweathernow@gmail.com>
Subject	Storm record: Franklin St lot, 6.3 in. of snow (1/30-1/31)
Sent	Saturday, January 31, 2026, 8:41 AM

Storm record for Sample Snow Co.: 6 AM Friday, January 30 to 6 AM Saturday, January 31

Franklin St lot (Franklin St, Michigan City, IN)

- Snow at the lot: 6.3 in. It reached your plow amount (2 in.) by about 11 PM Fri.
- Snow fell 6-7 AM Fri. and from 7 PM Fri. to 4 AM Sat.; heaviest 3-4 AM Sat. (1.9 in.).
- Temperature at the Michigan City airport (KMGC): 12-21°F over these 24 hours.
- After it stopped: it stayed below freezing, so nothing melted and refroze.
- Measured nearby: 6.0 in. at Michigan City (Weather Service storm report, 4:15 AM Sat.); 6.0 in. 1 WSW Michigan City (storm report, 7:50 AM Sat.).
- Calls we sent: Evening call 6:02 PM Fri. (text and email): "PLOW. About 5 in. of snow, mostly 9 PM-5 AM. Salt after."

How this record is made: the snow total is NOAA's National Snowfall Analysis for the lot's 2 km square, for the 24 hours ending 6 AM Sat. (the analysis takes in the morning's measured reports). The hours come from NOAA radar and the nearest airport's hourly reports. It's an estimate, not a certified measurement: narrow lake-effect bands can be off by inches, which is why the measured reports nearby are listed. The calls are copied from our log with the time each one went out.

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