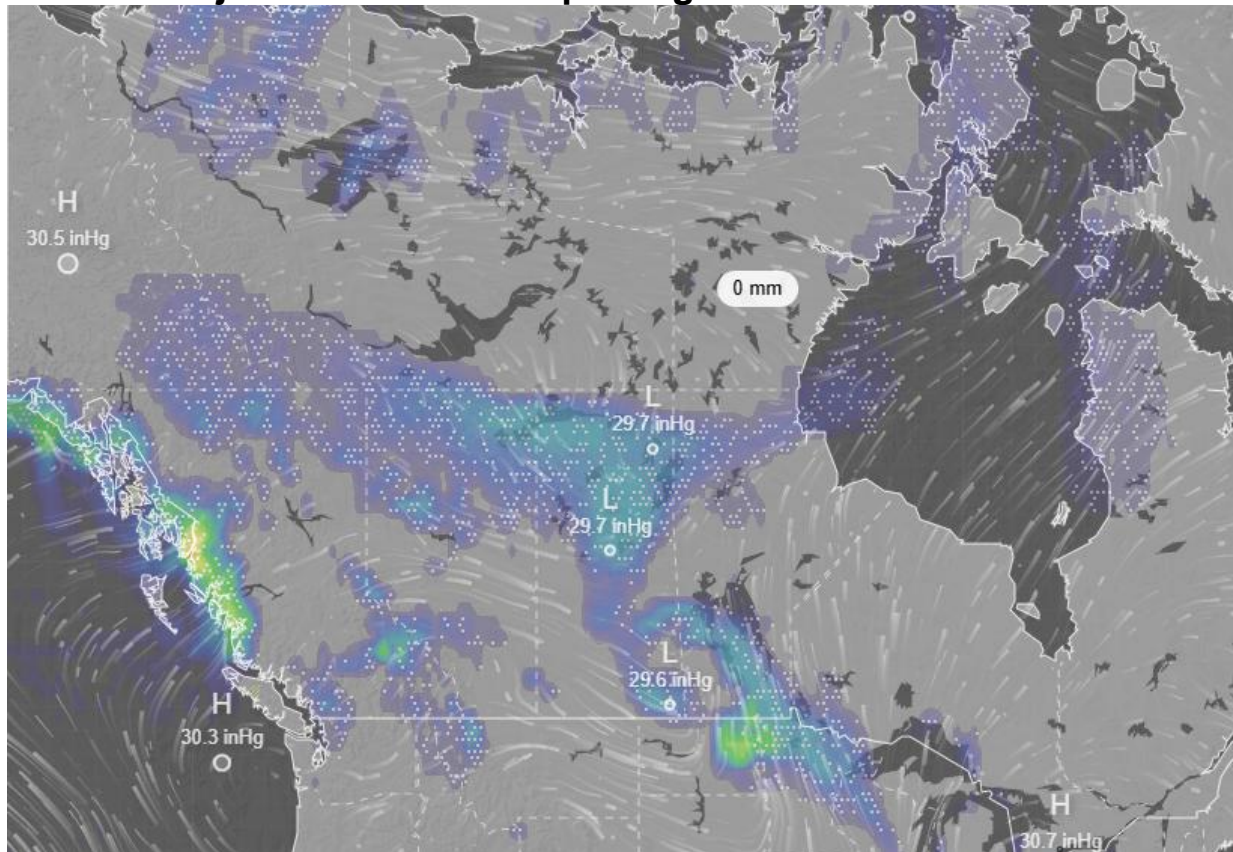




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Major Winter Storm Impacting Coastal British Columbia



Valid: 15–27 January 2026

Affected Areas

Coastal British Columbia (Vancouver Island, Sea-to-Sky Corridor, North Shore Mountains, Bella Coola area), with spillover into the Canadian Rockies

Hazard Types

Heavy snowfall, strong winds and gusts, high avalanche risk in mountainous terrain, blowing snow, reduced visibility, travel disruptions.

Hazard Summary

A persistent Pacific storm track is impacting coastal British Columbia, with the most significant effects in the Coast Mountains. Peak impacts are expected between 15–20 January, when successive storm waves will produce locally heavy snowfall of approximately 20–50 cm, particularly in coastal and high-elevation areas. Strong onshore flow will generate wind slabs and instability in the deep snowpack (200+ cm in spots), increasing hazards in backcountry and along mountain routes.