



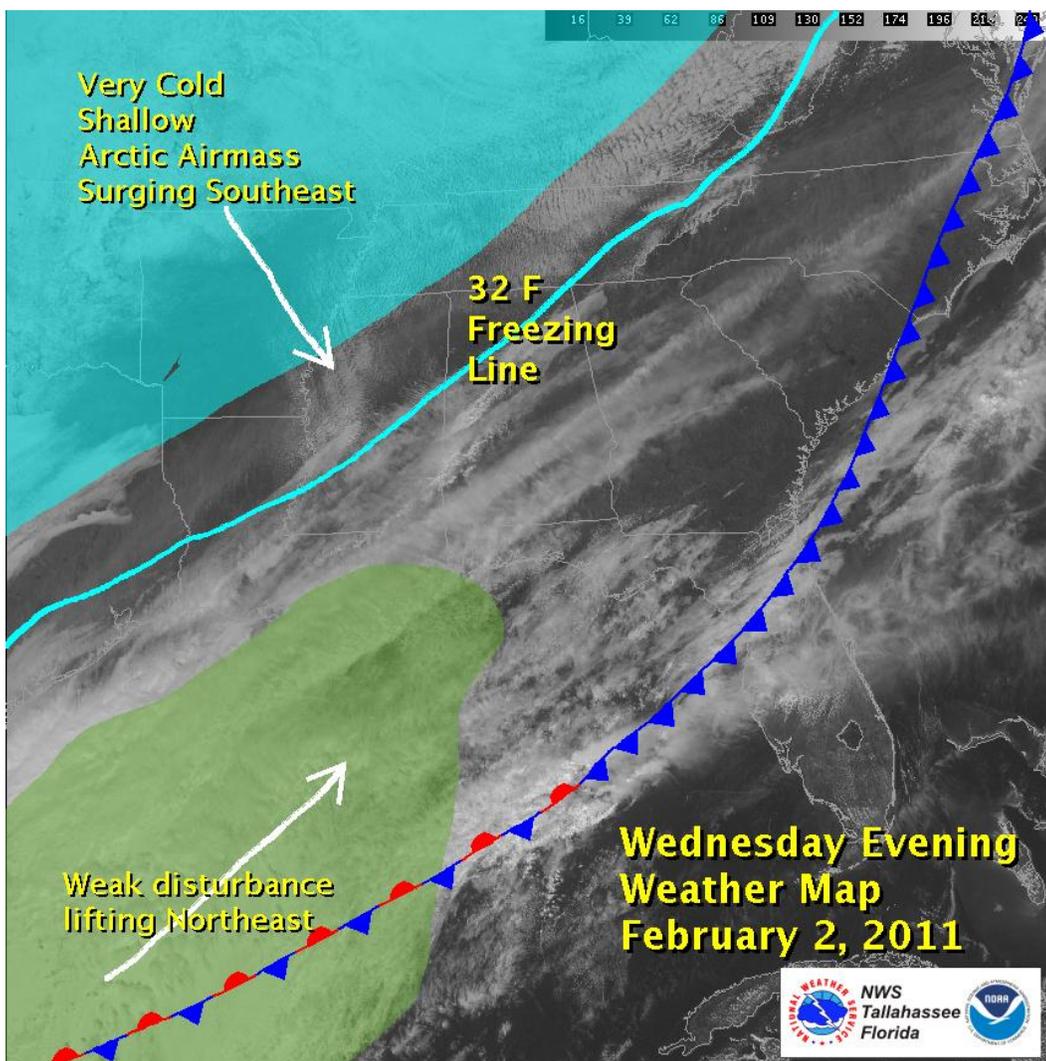
# National Weather Service Tallahassee, Florida



In this update:

- Light Freezing Precipitation Possible Early Thursday Morning along and north of a line from Elba, AL to Dawson, GA

Overview:

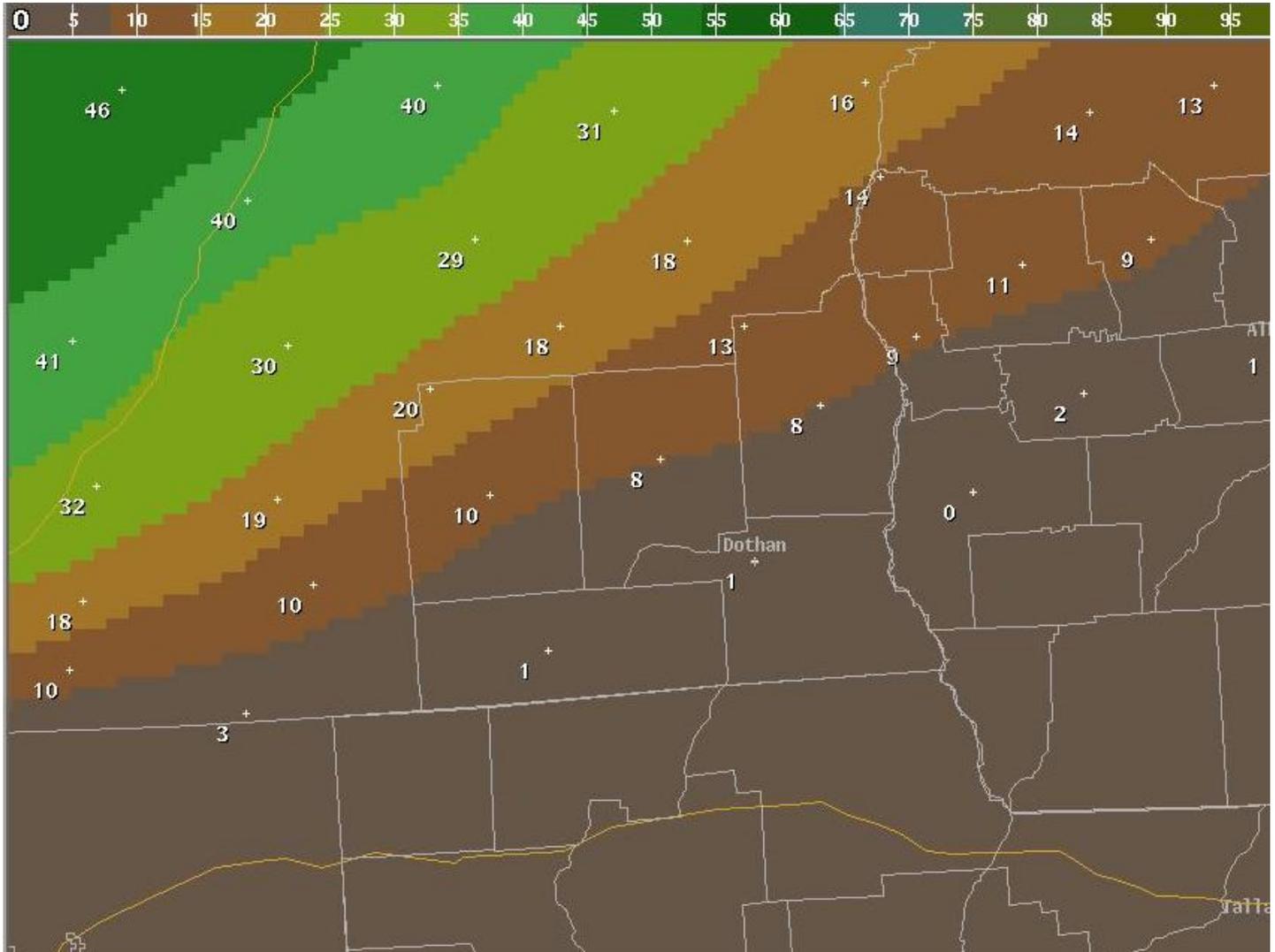


A very cold arctic airmass will surge southward toward the Gulf coast later this evening. A weak disturbance will develop along a stalling frontal boundary across the Central Gulf of Mexico. As this disturbance generates precipitation across the Central Gulf Coast, the southeastward moving shallow surface cold airmass will gradually transition some of the precipitation to freezing rain early on Thursday morning. This change over to freezing precipitation will be most likely across our far northern areas in Southeast Alabama and Southwestern Georgia.

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Based on several of our computer models, the best chance of wintry weather looks to be across Southwestern Alabama and into Southeastern Mississippi. However, if the colder airmass arrives in our region faster than expected, or the precipitation spreads further eastward than currently predicted, chances of wintry precipitation will increase significantly.

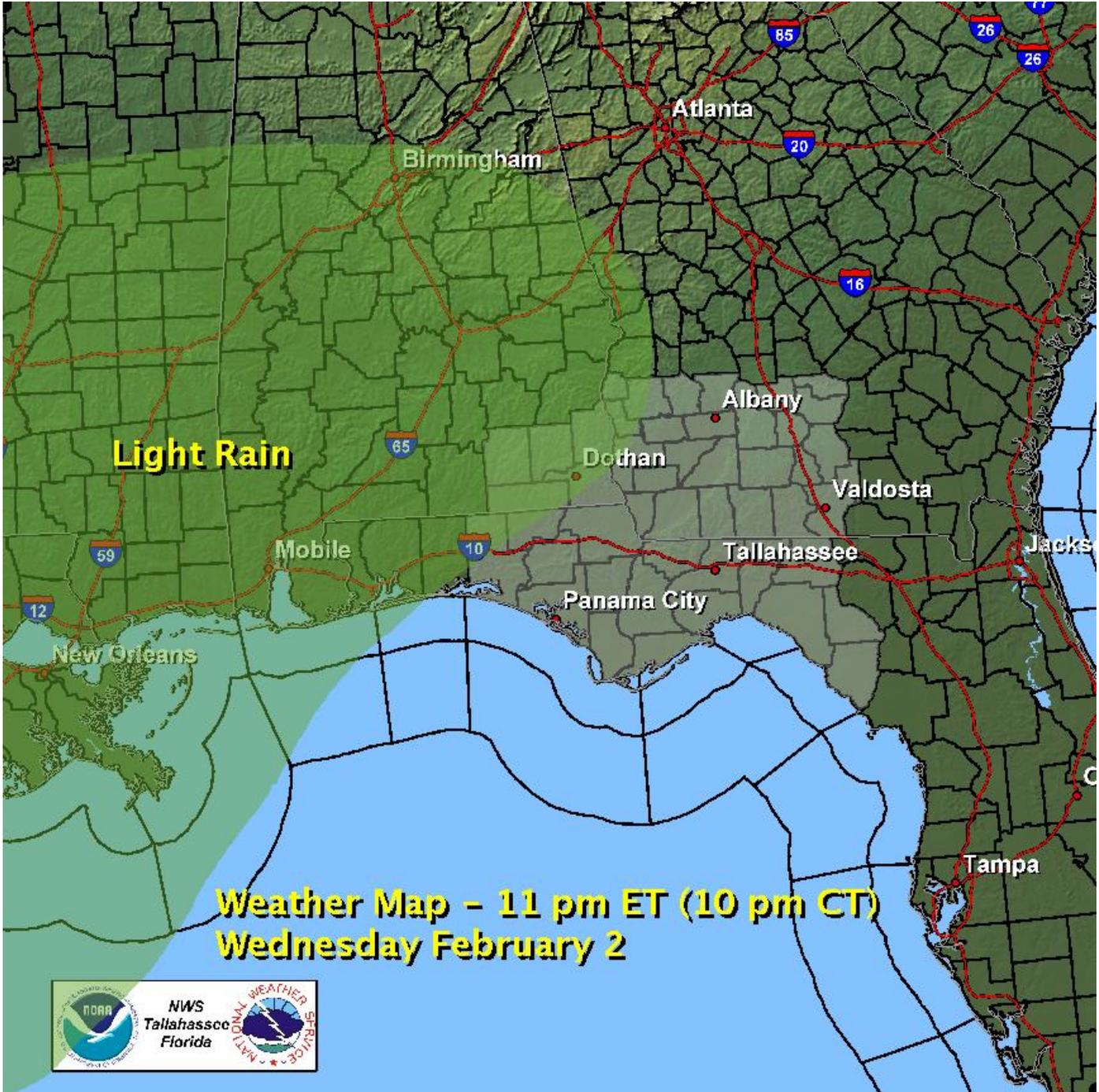
Our current probability of freezing precipitation is shown below:



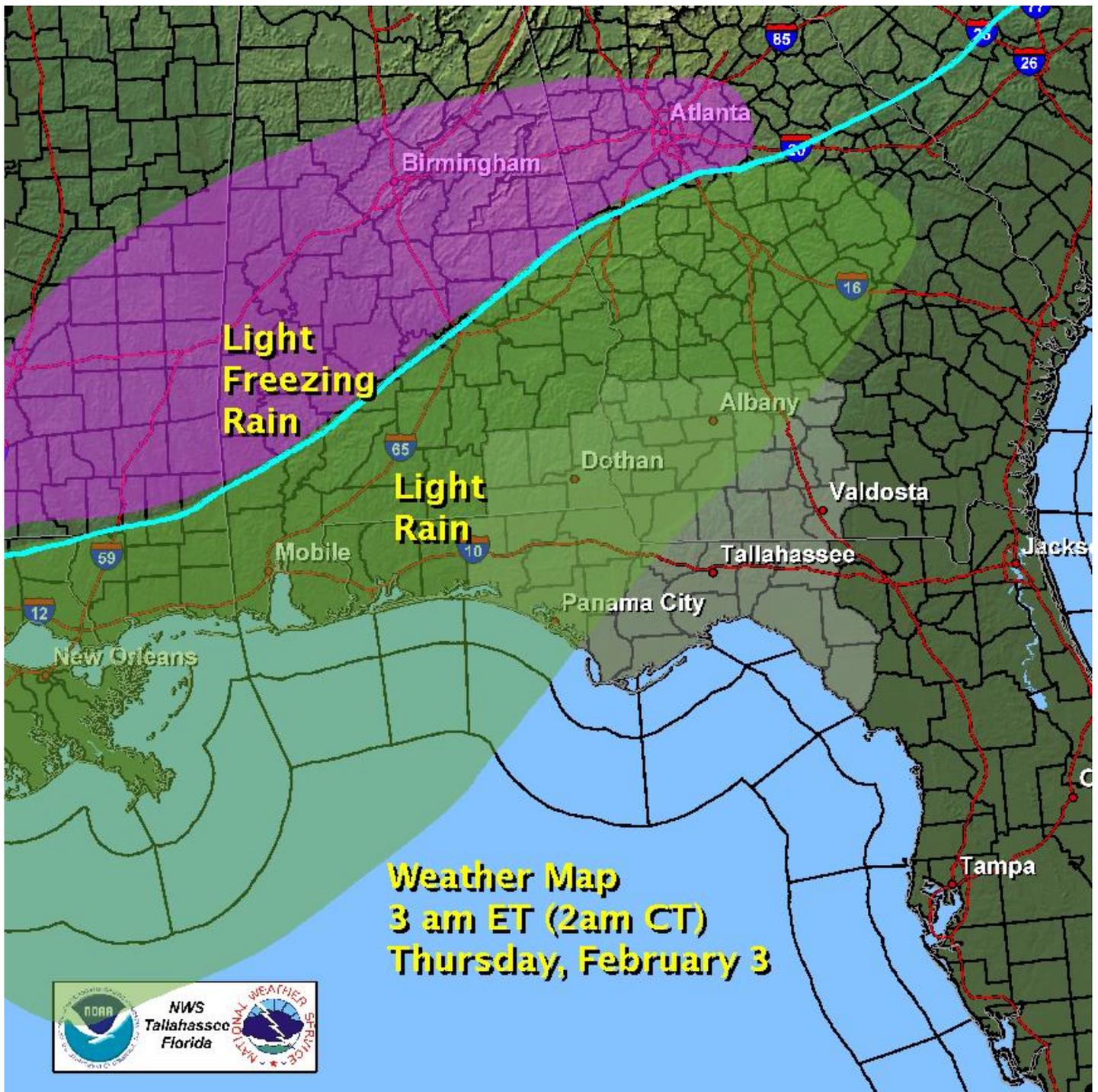
As you'll notice on the image above, the greatest potential of freezing precipitation is generally along and north of a line from Elba, Alabama to Dawson, Georgia. Even then, the probabilities are relatively low (in the 10 to 20 percent range). Additionally, because precipitation amounts are expected to be light, total accumulation of ice in these areas is expected to be less than one tenth inch. This is significantly less than the previous winter weather event on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

Timing Graphics:

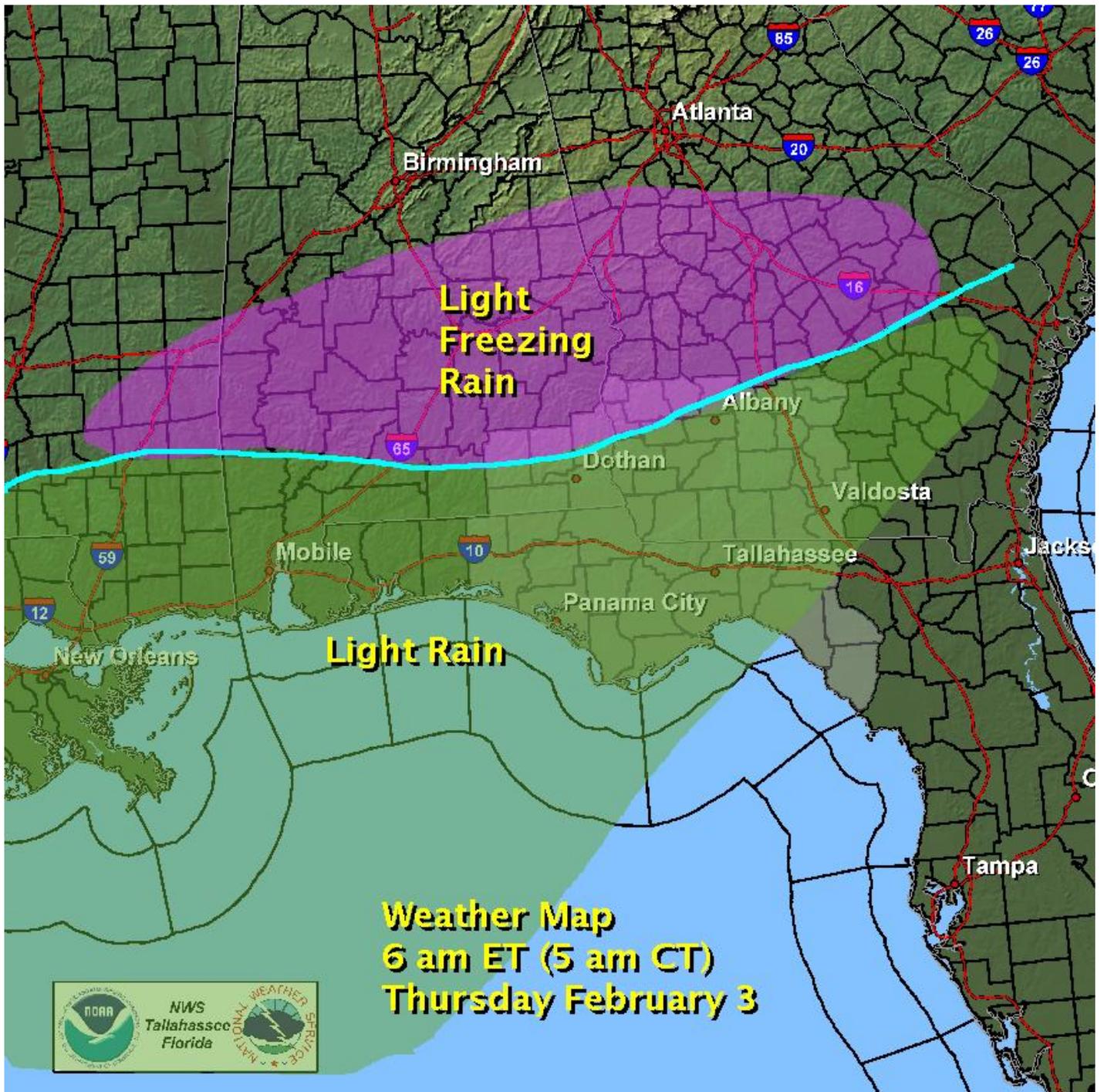
11 pm ET (10 pm CT) Wednesday Night



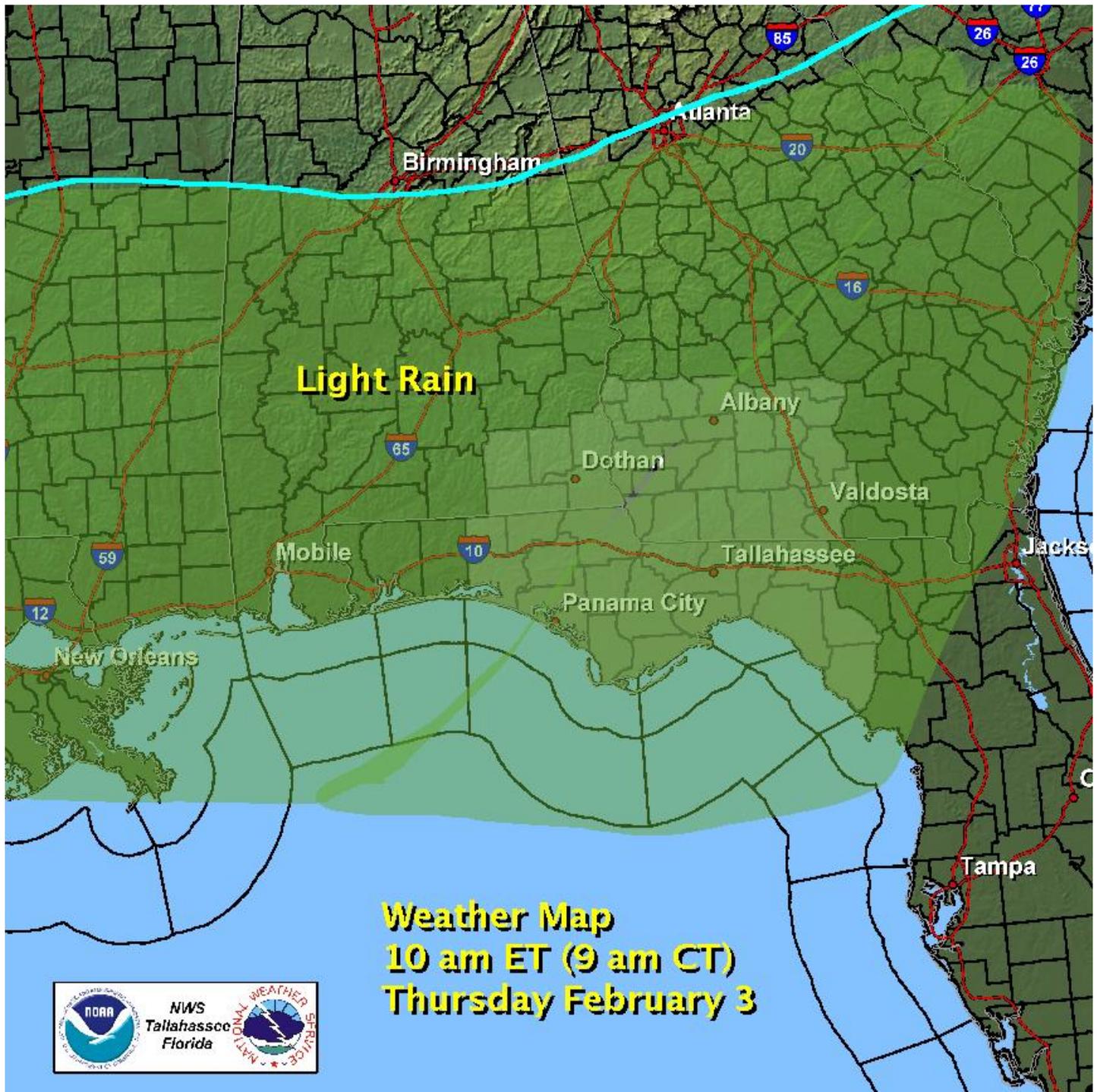
3 am ET (2 am CT) Thursday Morning



6 am ET (5 am CT) Thursday Morning



10 am ET (9 am CT) Thursday Morning



Summary:

\*\* A brief period of wintry precipitation will be possible early on Thursday morning across far northern portions of our area, primarily along and north of a line from Elba, Alabama to Dawson, Georgia.

\*\* Any accumulations are expected to be light, generally less than one tenth of an inch and confined primarily to elevated surfaces or bridges and overpasses.

\*\* No computer model currently indicates this system being anywhere near as significant as the previous wintry precipitation event on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

\*\* No advisories or warnings are currently in effect for our region. We will continue to closely monitor this storm's progress and assess later this evening the need for any warnings or advisories.

If you have any questions, please give our office a call at 850-942-8833 or on our toll free line at 800-598-4562 and ask to speak to a meteorologist. We are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You can also reach us on our Southern Linc phone at 1\*77\*284.