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A freeze warning is in effect for:

- Lake, Osceola and Clare Counties from midnight tonight until 9 AM Saturday

Affecting towns such as:

- Baldwin, Reed City, Evart, Harrison, Clare and surrounding locations

A frost advisory is in effect for:

- Newaygo, Mecosta, Isabella, Montcalm and Gratiot Counties from midnight tonight until 9 AM Saturday

Affecting towns such as:

- Newaygo, Fremont, Big Rapids,
- Mt. Pleasant, Alma, Ithaca, Greenville and surrounding locations

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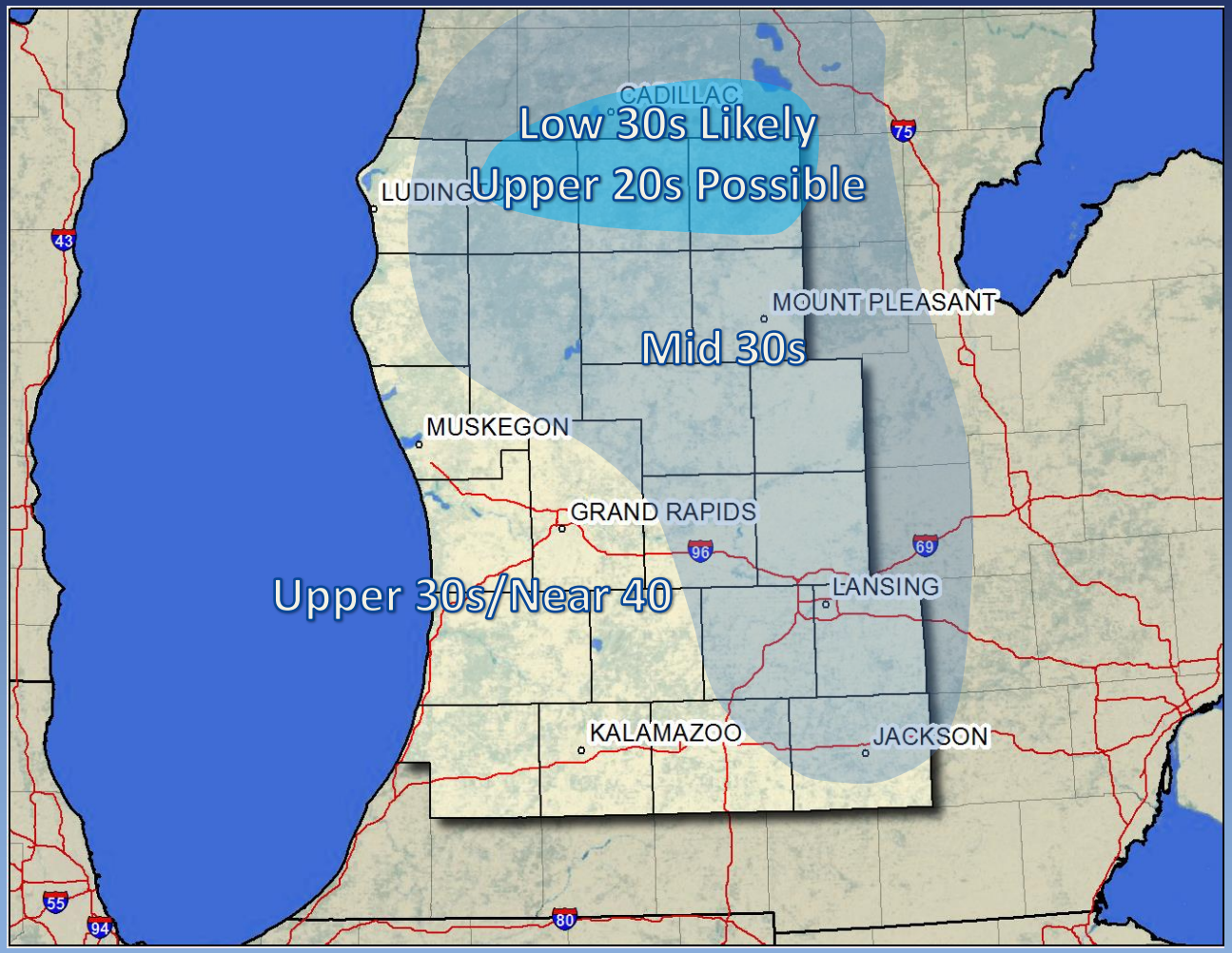
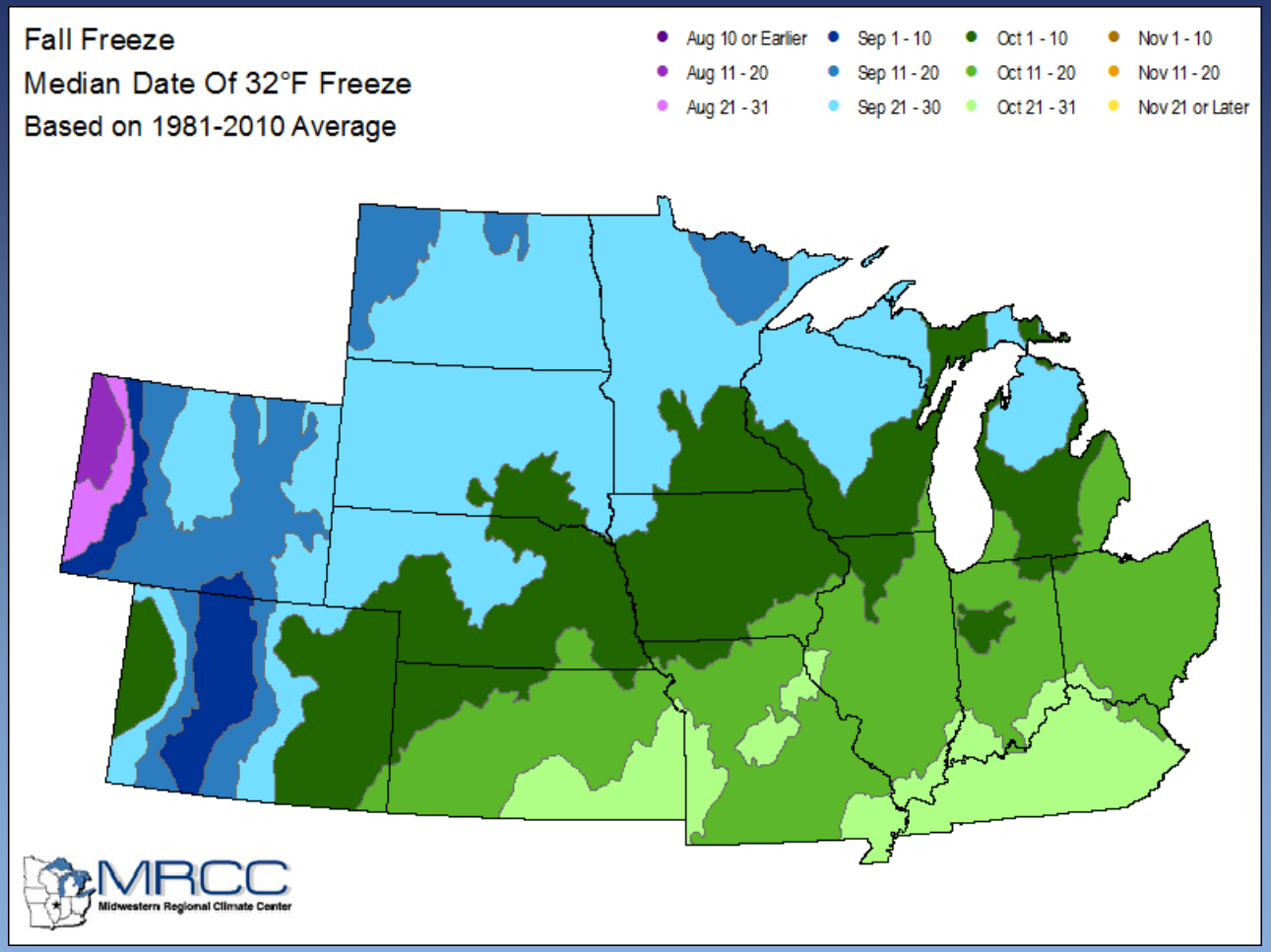


The first area wide significant frost of the season is likely tonight, while a few locations along and north of Highway 10 have a freezing potential. Winds will calm and temperatures will primarily settle into the 30s. However, locations along and north of Highway 10 have the greatest threat for freezing conditions. Elsewhere, temperatures will be slightly warmer.

It is advised to cover tender vegetation, as temperatures will moderate again over the weekend, meaning that the growing season may not yet be over.

What is the average first 32° reading?



This question comes to mind now that some 32° readings are becoming more likely tonight and into Saturday morning. Referring to the median date of the first 32° reading, areas in North Central Lower Michigan would experience their first freeze somewhere between September 21st-30th. Most other locations would not see their first 32° reading until at least October 1st-10th, with far Southwestern and portions of Southeastern Lower Michigan falling between October 11th-20th. In this sense, if we record a 32° reading in the forecast area, we'd being doing so at least one week ahead of schedule.