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PRESS RELEASE

NWS ISSUES WINTER STORM WARNING FOR COOS COUNTY; IMPACTS MAY BE FELT STATEWIDE

CONCORD, N.H. – The National Weather Service (NWS) is forecasting winter weather this afternoon into Tuesday night that will impact Tuesday’s morning and evening commutes. This storm is expected to bring mixed precipitation including snow, sleet, and freezing rain. Drivers are reminded to plan ahead and be prepared for poor road conditions.

A low-pressure system will track across the region today and tomorrow. This storm is expected to bring mixed precipitation including snow, sleet, and freezing rain with light snow and ice accumulations possible.

“We’re closely monitoring this storm as a difference of just a few degrees can alter the impact,” State Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director Jennifer Harper said. “Drivers are urged to slow down, allow extra time for travel, and leave plenty of space between vehicles.”

The NWS issued a Winter Storm Warning for Coos County from 1:00 PM today through 7:00 PM Tuesday, November 12. Heavy mixed precipitation is expected in Coos County with total accumulations of five to nine inches and ice accumulations of a light glaze.

The NWS issued a Winter Weather Advisory for Belknap, Carroll, Grafton, Merrimack, Strafford and Sullivan counties this afternoon through 7:00 PM Tuesday, November 12. Mixed precipitation is expected with total snow accumulations of up to two inches and ice accumulations around one tenth of an inch. The slippery road conditions are expected to impact travel late this afternoon through Tuesday.

Other parts of New Hampshire may see mostly rain before mixing to snow and sleet later in the day on Tuesday.

Harper provides these additional reminders:

- Slow down and move over for emergency vehicles.
- Do not crowd the plows or emergency crews.
- Clear all snow and ice off your car, including your roof, around lights, and license plates before traveling.

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- Bridges, overpasses, and exposed road areas are the most prone to icy conditions.
- Visit ReadyNH.gov to learn more preparedness tips to help you and your family stay safe.

Moving into the winter weather season, Director Harper encourages everyone to take time to plan ahead for disasters. The core steps toward preparedness is (1) make an emergency kit, (2) have a family emergency plan, and (3) stay informed by signing up for NH Alerts. Download templates and instructions for each of these preparedness steps online at ReadyNH.gov.

DEFINITIONS:

- A winter storm warning means significant amounts of snow, sleet and ice will make travel very hazardous or impossible.
- A winter weather advisory means that periods of snow, sleet or freezing rain will cause travel difficulties.

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