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NEWS RELEASE

STORM TO IMPACT NEW HAMPSHIRE, AFFECT THURSDAY COMMUTES

CONCORD, N.H. - The National Weather Service in Gray, Maine, has issued a Winter Storm Warning and Winter Storm Advisories for New Hampshire from 7 p.m. Wednesday through 7 p.m. Thursday. The New Hampshire Department of Safety's Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) and the Department of Transportation (DOT) urge residents and visitors use caution during the storm.

- Coos County and Northern Carroll and Northern Grafton counties are under a Winter Storm Warning with total snow accumulations expected between 7 and 12 inches.
- Cheshire, Hillsborough and Rockingham counties are under a Winter Storm Advisory with total snow accumulations between 2 and 4 inches and up to an inch of sleet expected.
- Belknap, Merrimack, Strafford and Sullivan counties and Southern Carroll and Southern Grafton counties are under a Winter Storm Advisory with total snow accumulations between 3 and 5 inches and around half an inch of sleet expected.

A Winter Storm Warning means take action; confidence in the winter storm's impact is high and the storm is imminent or ongoing.

"As another significant storm moves into New Hampshire, make sure you are prepared," said HSEM Director Robert Buxton. "You can take simple preparedness steps to keep you and your family safe. Restock your winter emergency kit and stay informed by listening to local weather reports and signing up for NH Alerts."

This storm is expected to create hazardous driving conditions and have an impact on the Thursday morning and evening commutes. Avoid driving if possible.

"Plan ahead if you must travel during winter weather," said DOT Commissioner Bill Cass. "Expect snow to accumulate on the roads between plow runs and travel at appropriate speeds for the conditions. Please leave extra time to reach your destination and leave extra room between you and other vehicles. And please don't crowd the plow."

Director Buxton and Commissioner Cass provide these additional winter weather reminders:

- Visit [ReadyNH.gov](https://www.ReadyNH.gov) to learn more preparedness tips to help you and your family stay safe.
- Consider working or schooling from home so that crews can safely clear the roads.
- Slow down and move over for emergency vehicles.
- Clear all snow and ice off your car, including your roof, around lights, and license plates before traveling.
- Bridges, overpasses, and exposed road areas are the most prone to slippery conditions.
- Find the latest road conditions at [newengland511.org](https://www.newengland511.org).
- Plan two ways out of your home in case of emergency.
- Clear the driveway and front walk from ice and snow. This will provide easy access to your home.

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