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PRESS RELEASE

NWS ISSUES FLOOD WARNINGS AND WIND ADVISORIES FOR PARTS OF NH

Concord, NH – The National Weather Service in Gray, ME issued a flood warning for Belknap, Carroll, and Grafton counties through Tuesday.

NWS issued a flood warning for Grafton County from 5:40 P.M. today until 8:40 A.M. Tuesday morning, in Carroll County from 7:16 P.M. today until 5:20 P.M. Tuesday afternoon, and in Belknap and Grafton counties from 1:24 A.M. to 11:15 A.M. on Tuesday.

“A flood warning is issued when flooding is imminent or occurring,” HSEM Director Jennifer Harper said, “Residents should remain alert and heed any evacuation requests or other warnings from local public safety officials.”

Minor flooding is expected for the Pemigewasset River in Woodstock and in Plymouth and the Saco River in Conway.

Wind Advisories are in effect for Cheshire, Hillsborough, Merrimack, Strafford, and Sullivan counties until 7:00 P.M. and in Rockingham County until 10:00 P.M. tonight. Wind gusts could reach from 30 to 50 MPH. Gusty winds could blow around unsecured objects. Tree limbs could be blown down and a few power outages may result.

Report power outages to your electric utility:

- Eversource1-800-662-7764
- Liberty Utilities.....1-855-349-9455
- NH Electric Co-Op1-800-343-6432
- Unitil.....1-888-301-7700

Stay clear of downed power lines and assume they are live. Report downed power lines to 9-1-1.

Harper also offered the following recommendations:

- Monitor local conditions, particularly in areas that have flooded before
- Turn around, don’t drown. Do not drive through floodwaters on roadways.
- Adjust speeds for road conditions – even ponding on roadways can be hazardous.
- Use extra caution when driving, especially if operating a high profile vehicle.

Office: 110 Smokey Bear Boulevard, Concord, N.H.
Mailing Address: 33 Hazen Drive, Concord, N.H. 03305
603-271-2231, 1-800-852-3792, Fax 603-223-3609
State of New Hampshire TDD Access: Relay 1-800-735-2964

- Secure outdoor objects.
- Check on the welfare of elderly or handicapped relatives or neighbors.
- Know what to do and have the things you need to stay safe; go to ReadyNH.gov to learn more.

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