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## PRESS RELEASE

## NWS ISSUES WINTER STORM WARNING FOR PARTS OF NH

CONCORD, NH – New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management reminds residents and visitors of New Hampshire to be prepared for a winter weather event that will impact the state Monday afternoon into Tuesday.

The National Weather Service (NWS) in Gray, Maine issued a Winter Storm Warning for portions of Grafton, Carroll, Sullivan, Merrimack, Belknap, Strafford, Cheshire, Hillsboro, and Rockingham counties from 4:00 P.M. today through 4:00 A.M. on Tuesday. Heavy, wet snow is expected, with total snow accumulations of up 8 inches in parts of the state.

"Travel only if absolutely necessary," NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director Jennifer Harper said. "If you must travel, remember to clear snow and ice from your vehicle, slow down, allow extra time for travel, and leave plenty of space between vehicles."

Due to heavy, mixed precipitation, power outages and tree damage is likely. If you lose power, be sure to report the outage to your utility provider every 24-hours until your service is restored.

New Hampshire Utility Provider Telephone Numbers:

Eversource	1-800-662-7764
Liberty Utilities	1-855-349-9455
NH Electric Co-Op	
Unitil	1-888-301-7700

If you see downed power lines, stay away and call 9-1-1.

Harper provides these additional reminders:

- Slow down and move over for emergency vehicles.
- Do not crowd the plows or emergency crews.
- 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.

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