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## PRESS RELEASE

### LATE SEASON SNOWSTORM EXPECTED TO IMPACT PARTS OF NH

CONCORD, N.H. – The National Weather Service in Gray, Maine, issued Winter Storm Warnings and Winter Weather Advisories for parts of New Hampshire starting 6 a.m. Saturday through 1 a.m. Sunday. The New Hampshire Department of Safety’s Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management and the New Hampshire Department of Transportation remind residents and visitors to be prepared and to avoid traveling if possible.

- Coos, Grafton and Sullivan counties and the northern portion of Carroll County have a Winter Storm Warning in effect from 6 a.m. Saturday to 1 a.m. Sunday. Heavy snowfall is expected with total snow accumulations between 6 and 10 inches. Wind gusts of up to 40 mph are expected.
- Belknap, Cheshire, Hillsborough and Merrimack counties and the southern portion of Carroll County have a Winter Weather advisory in effect from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday. Total snow accumulations are expected to be between 2 and 5 inches. Wind gusts of up to 35 mph are expected.

“Strong winds are expected with this late season snowstorm bringing the potential for power outages,” said New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director Jennifer Harper. “Take time now to prepare your family. Be prepared to stay home and appropriately stock your emergency kit in case you lose power. Stay away from downed power lines.”

If you lose power, be sure to report the outage to your utility provider:

Eversource .....	1-800-662-7764
Liberty.....	1-855-349-9455
NH Electric Co-Op .....	1-800-343-6432
Unitil.....	1-888-301-7700

Plan on slippery road conditions. Travel will be difficult at times due to low visibility and snow covered roads.

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603-271-2231, 1-800-852-3792, Fax 603-223-3609  
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“This storm is anticipated to bring significant snowfall to northern New Hampshire,” said NHDOT Commissioner Victoria Sheehan, “as well as a mix of rain and snow throughout the rest of the state. Snowfall will be followed by strong winds, which can create additional driving hazards. Please consider deferring travel until after the storm, allowing our DOT crews time to clear roads. If you must travel, please check your route before you go. Drive for conditions, going slow and leaving yourself ample time to reach your destination safely. Leave space between your vehicle and others. And please don’t crowd our plows.”

Director Harper and Commissioner Sheehan provide these additional winter weather reminders:

- Visit [ReadyNH.gov](http://ReadyNH.gov) to learn more preparedness tips to help you and your family stay safe.
- Monitor National Weather Service radio or broadcast weather reports to keep track of changing conditions.
- Slow down and move over for emergency vehicles.
- Never crowd the plow.
- 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.

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*NOTE: According to the National Weather Service, a Winter Storm Warning indicates that heavy snow of at least 6 inches in 12 hours, or at least 8 inches in 24 hours, is expected. It can also be issued if sleet accumulation will be at least half an inch. A Winter Weather Advisory is issued when snow of 3 to 5 inches in 12 hours, sleet accumulations up to 1/4 inch, freezing rain in combination with sleet and/or snow, or blowing snow is expected.*