

Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan

MEDIA RELEASE

Declaration of Significant Weather Event

February 12, 2025

Environment Canada has issued a Winter Storm Warning for our area. Heavy snow and wind is expected with this system, beginning on February 12 and ending later in the day on Feb 13th. Winds are expected into Friday, after the system passes. Another potential storm is forecast to impact the area with snow and wind in the Saturday and Sunday timeframe. Travel will be impacted throughout the Township during this time.

The Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan is declaring a "Significant Weather Event" in accordance with the Township's level of service policy and O. Reg 366/18 section 16.9 amending O.Reg 239/02 from Wednesday, February 12, 2025 @4:30 pm until Monday, February 19, 2025 @4:30 pm.

This declaration will suspend the standards timelines required for municipalities to meet their winter maintenance objectives until the municipality lifts the declaration. During a declared significant weather event for winter maintenance activities, weather conditions will be monitored and the deployment of resources will commence from the time the municipality deems it appropriate to do so. When the municipality lifts the declaration for the event, the standard timelines for winter maintenance activities will resume.

Note: The significant weather event declaration only addresses the timelines and does not reduce the standard level of service provided by the municipality. The declaration is notification to Township residents that during this time motorists should travel in accordance to road conditions.