

The Corporation of the **Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan**

MEDIA RELEASE

Declaration of Significant Weather Event

March 28, 2025

Environment Canada has issued a freezing rain warning with up to 30 hours of freezing rain forecast for our area. It is highly probable that we will be dealing with icy roads along with widespread power outages and downed trees.

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 Friday, March 28, 2025 until Monday, March 31, 2025.

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.