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## **PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT – Significant Weather Event**

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**April 19, 2019**

**For Immediate Release**

**Greater Madawaska.** In response to the rainfall warning, in the area the Township of Greater Madawaska is declaring a **Significant Weather Event**. The rainfall will affect travel as road ways are becoming impassable. This declaration is made pursuant with Ontario Regulation 239/02, *Minimum Maintenance Standards for Municipal Highways*.

The declaration is to notify the public that due to the current and forecasted conditions, caution is to be observed when travelling on roads maintained by the Township of Greater Madawaska. It may take longer than usual to bring the roads to optimal conditions. The Township is advising residents to use extreme caution when travelling as the Municipality may not be able to meet the maintenance standards for the roads.

### **ENVIRONMENT CANADA WARNING IN EFFECT:**

Rain, heavy at times is expected. The frozen ground has a reduced ability to absorb this rainfall. Periods of rain will continue tonight into Saturday. Additional rainfall amounts of 20 to 35 mm are likely by Saturday evening.

The additional precipitation is the result of the second low pressure system tracking northeastward over the region from the Southern Plains States.

Localized flooding in low-lying areas is possible. Heavy downpours can cause flash floods and water pooling on roads.

Please continue to monitor alerts and forecasts issued by Environment Canada. To report severe weather, send an email to [ONstorm@canada.ca](mailto:ONstorm@canada.ca) or tweet reports using [#ONStorm](https://weather.gc.ca/warnings/report_e.html?on13).

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