



In response to a freezing rain warning in effect in our area, the Township of Greater Madawaska has declared a Significant Weather Event that will impact travel and services throughout the municipality. This declaration is made pursuant to Ontario Regulation 239/02, *Minimum Maintenance Standards for Municipal Highways*.

This declaration suspends the standard timelines required for municipalities to meet their winter maintenance objectives until the municipality declares the Significant Weather Event has ended. In each case, during the course of a declared Significant Weather Event, the standard for addressing winter maintenance is to monitor the weather and to deploy resources to address the issue starting from the time that the municipality deems it appropriate to do so. When the municipality has declared the event has ended, the standard timelines for winter maintenance activities will resume.

The Township of Greater Madawaska wishes to note that the declaration of a Significant Weather Event is not notice of a reduced level of service or a road closure. The declaration is to notify the public that due to the current or forecasted conditions, caution is to be observed when travelling on Township of Greater Madawaska's roads and that it may take longer than usual to bring the condition of the roads back to a state of repair due to the heavy snowfall.

A notice will follow once the Significant Weather Event declaration has ended.

**ENVIRONMENT CANADA WARNING IN EFFECT:  
ALERTS IN EFFECT**

**Freezing Rain Warning**

Issued at 06:06 Thursday 09 February 2023  
Freezing rain expected today.

Hazard:  
Freezing rain, with ice accretion of 2 to 5 millimetres.

Timing:  
Beginning this afternoon and ending tonight.

Discussion:  
Precipitation may begin as snow or ice pellets this afternoon before transitioning to freezing rain. A prolonged period of freezing rain is expected for the Ottawa River Valley. Freezing rain is expected to change over to rain tonight.

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Surfaces such as highways, roads, walkways and parking lots may become icy and slippery.

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

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