

Declaration of Significant Weather Event

March 28, 2025

The Township of Douro-Dummer has declared a significant weather event in response to Environment Canada's storm warning, in accordance with Ontario Regulation 366/18, section 16.9, as amended by O. Reg. 239/02 (Minimum Maintenance Standards for Municipal Highways). 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.

Under the Municipal Act, a significant weather event may be declared when hazardous conditions, either forecasted or occurring, pose a potential danger to road users.

This declaration suspends standard road maintenance timelines until the event is officially declared over. During this time, the municipality will monitor conditions and deploy resources as appropriate. Once the event ends, normal maintenance timelines will resume.

The purpose of this declaration is to inform residents that, due to current and forecasted conditions, travel on Township-maintained roads may be hazardous, and road, parking lot, and sidewalk conditions may take longer than usual to improve. Motorists and pedestrians are urged to exercise caution and avoid non-essential travel until conditions improve.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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