

SEVERE WEATHER CANCELATION PROCEDURES



Safety is always our first priority and especially so when weather and road conditions are less than ideal. As such, the District Manager monitors road conditions and makes recommendations on traveling in these conditions. If it is necessary to cancel a service, determination will be made by 4:00 a.m. the morning of and the District Manager will notify dispatch, appropriate staff and the radio station (KJDY).

We have identified our considerations, protocol and procedures for dealing with adverse weather conditions in this memorandum. Weather can be unpredictable; however, **safety** is our top priority.

Our leading indicators will be weather watch and warnings issued by the National Weather Service (NWS) and TripCheck for all of the areas that we serve: Central Oregon, Northeastern Oregon, Southeastern Washington and Eastern Oregon.

- A **weather watch** is issued by NWS when the risk of hazardous weather event has increased. We will continue to monitor conditions and reports to determine when conditions are becoming unsafe to travel, and if and when we may need to discontinue public transit service.
- A **weather warning** is issued by the NWS when a hazardous weather event is occurring, is imminent or has a very high probability of occurring. Under these conditions, we will make the determination if some or all of our routes will become unsafe to travel on and will discontinue operations until conditions improve. As much advance notice as possible will be given prior to discontinuation of any or all of these schedule routes or Dial-A-Ride service.
- Bus routes will be canceled that have scheduled routes on the roads that are closed by ODOT State office or Oregon State Police.

We advise our passengers to have a backup plan for transportation in the event that bus routes need to be canceled due to severe weather conditions or in the event of an unforeseen emergency.

GDTD will post on social media (Facebook and Twitter) and our website grantcountypeoplemover.com of any cancellation(s).