



Bethel: Update on Winter Storm Juno

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The National Weather Service (NWS) has issued a BLIZZARD WARNING for our area beginning Monday, Jan. 26th at 1:00pm through Wednesday, Jan. 28th at 12:00am. Blizzard conditions are dangerous, involving heavy blowing and drifting snow, high winds and often zero visibility. The heaviest snowfalls are expected to begin in the early hours of Tuesday, Jan. 27th and will continue throughout the day. Bethel Public Schools are on the early dismissal schedule today and will be closed on Tuesday, Jan. 27th. Wednesday and Thursday schedules have not yet been determined.

The NWS is predicting 15” to 23” for this area. Bethel residents are strongly urged to heed the following precautions:

- Please end all local travel by 9:00pm this evening, in accordance with Gov. Malloy’s previously announced travel ban on all state highways.
- Please be aware of Bethel’s wintertime roadside parking ban and ensure all vehicles are removed from all public streets and roadways for the duration of the storm.
- Most importantly, plan to shelter indoors and do not travel. NWS is calling this a potentially life threatening storm.
- The utility providers are not expecting widespread power outages, but local outages are always possible. In addition to having a few days worth of food and water, as well as blankets, flashlights and fresh batteries, please double check prescription medications to ensure you have sufficient supply.

Please monitor local news outlets for updates.

Additional items recommended to have on hand in your home during winter emergencies (courtesy of NBC News):

- High-energy foods like dried fruit, canned products and items that do not need to be refrigerated
- Manual can opener
- Bottled water
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Heating fuel
- Matches and candles
- Smoke detector and fire extinguisher
- First-aid supplies
- Portable radio
- Extra blankets
- Books, puzzles, games and magazines