



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN

Public Notice - Significant Weather Event

The Township of Matachewan is declaring a **Significant Weather Event** under the provisions of the Minimum Maintenance Standards for Municipal Highways, O.Reg 239/02, March 15, 2026 at 7:00pm.

Due to Orange Level **Winter Storm Warning** Issued by Environment Canada and forecasted snowfall accumulation amounts, delays are expected in the plowing and clearing of the Township streets, municipal facilities and walkways. Public Works resources will be deployed as conditions allow.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding. Public and staff safety remains our priority. An additional notice will be issued once the Significant Weather Event has ended. Stay safe.

Issued by Environment Canada - Winter Storm Warning in effect for: Matachewan, ON

ORANGE WARNING WINTER STORM

12:56 PM EDT Sunday 15 March 2026

Impact Level: Extreme

Forecast Confidence: High

A major winter storm is expected to affect the area.

What to expect:

- Tr... snow accumulations of 40 to 80 cm.
- Near zero visibility in heavy snow and blowing snow.
- Northeasterly wind gusts of 40 to 60 km/h.
- Risk of freezing rain and ice pellets.

When:

Through Monday night.

Additional information:

Snow will develop from Chapleau through Timmins this afternoon. Precipitation will primarily be rapidly accumulating snowfall, however, there is a chance that freezing rain or ice pellets could mix in for areas along a line from Sault Ste. Marie to Kirkland Lake, reducing their total snowfall amounts. Travel on Highways 11, 17, and 101 will be significantly impacted.

Travel will likely be extremely hazardous and some routes will likely be impassable. Road closures are possible. Prolonged, widespread utility outages are likely. Roofs are at an increased risk of collapse under the weight of snow.

All travel and outdoor activities should be avoided.

Please continue to monitor alerts and forecasts issued by Environment Canada. To report severe weather, send an email to ONstorm@ec.gc.ca or post reports on X using [#ONStorm](https://twitter.com/ONStorm).