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Subject: SCDOT Winter Storm Evening Report

Attachments: Winter Storm Report (09-Dec-18 1600).pdf



Statewide summary: winter weather impacted the upstate overnight and throughout the morning today dropping up to seven inches of snow in some areas. Snow transitioned to sleet and freezing rain generating some ice accumulations. Much of the precipitation has ceased, but there is a significant concern regarding the potential for wet roads to refreeze overnight. Heavy snow and ice accumulations combined with windy conditions have contributed to a significant number of fallen trees. Crews are actively engaged in snow and ice removal operations as well as tree removal operations. Additional assistance crews were deployed today from the midlands to the upstate to assist. Contract wreckers remain staged along I-85 and I-77 and have responded to fourteen assistance calls through midday today. A full operations report is attached.

Travel: interstate conditions are improving but most roads along the I-85 corridor to North Carolina remain partially covered with snow and ice. There are approximately 50 weather related road closures at this time due to fallen trees in the roadway. Unnecessary travel is discouraged. If travel is necessary, motorists in the upstate should use extreme caution, reduce speed, and expect hazardous conditions, including the possibility of black ice. Motorists should watch for fallen trees as well as slow moving SCDOT equipment performing treatment operations.

The SCDOT Customer Service Center is continuing to operate 24 hours a day: 1-855-GO-SCDOT (1-855-467-2368).

Traffic Conditions – Check for the most up to date traffic information through the SC DOT 511 mobile app or <https://www.511sc.org/>.

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