





South Carolina Department of Transportation

Winter Storm Report as of 12:00 PM January 4, 2018

Statewide Summary – Wintry precipitation has ended in all areas of the state. Crews in the Lowcountry and Pee Dee regions continue to plow snow and apply deicing materials as appropriate. Roads and bridges throughout these areas are covered in snow and ice. There are several closures due to icy conditions. Crews from Districts 2, 3, and 4 have been reassigned to coastal areas to assist in the snow removal operations.

Motorists are strongly discouraged from any travel east of I-95 and I-95 (South of I-26) today as conditions are hazardous.

Roads are expected to re-freeze this evening creating hazardous conditions tonight and Friday morning.

In addition to possible icy conditions, motorists should also watch for slow moving SCDOT equipment applying deicing materials.

The following employees and equipment have been active and the following materials already applied to the roadways.

1051	Maintenance employees actively involved with road operations on the overnight shift
4,884	Tons of Salt (cumulative total)
410	Tons of Sand (cumulative total)
49,271	Gallons of calcium chloride
200,950	Gallons of salt brine
335	Snow removal equipment units in use

Engineering District 1 – Deicing operations continue in Lee County focusing on I-20 eastbound and westbound. Sumter County is monitoring I-95 temps and conditions, while focusing their crews on US-521 and US-15, US-378 and 261 intersection and other reported icy spots.



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Engineering District 2 – No winter storm response activity in District 2. Crews were deployed to coastal counties to assist.

Engineering District 3 – No winter storm response activity in District 3. Crews were deployed to coastal counties to assist.

Engineering District 4 – Deicing operations continue in Chesterfield County along primary and major secondary routes in the southeastern sections of the county; mainly south and east of SC 151 and US 52. Crews from Lancaster, Chester and District Operations have been mobilized to assist county crews. Temperatures are still below freezing but are expected to rise to the upper 30s during the afternoon hours.

Engineering District 5 – I-95 in Darlington, Dillon and Florence is in good condition and there are no travel issues at this time. I-20 in Darlington and Florence is in passable condition and efforts are ongoing to improve the condition of this road. Most primary routes and nearly all secondary routes in District 5 are covered with snow and ice. Crews continue to apply melting materials in combination with plowing to clear these roads in priority order. With temperatures not expected to rise fast today and drop into the teens tonight, we anticipate staying on 24 hour operations.

Engineering District 6 – Crews are focused on maintaining the interstate and key primary routes and bridges. The majority of roads throughout the district have icy conditions and some primary and secondary routes remain covered by snow. A few road and bridge closures in District 6 remain in effect on primary and secondary roads. I-526 in Charleston has opened back up to traffic. I-95 in Jasper and Colleton Counties are periodically having ice issues causing delays. All spot issues are being addressed and traffic is flowing, though sometimes slow. District 6 is currently operating 24 hours with assistance from Districts 2, 3 and 4 personnel. There are currently sunny skies with above freezing temperatures in District 6.

Engineering District 7 – District 7 interstates are in very good condition with some patches of ice in Clarendon County. Crews are currently targeting ice on primary routes. With temperatures rising to just above the freezing point we are giving a strong effort in the hardest hit counties (Hampton, Orangeburg and Clarendon) to reclaim the primary system before the freezing temps return overnight.

SHEP – The State Highway Emergency Program (SHEP) is operating in the affected areas with additional units deployed to the coastal region. The State Traffic Management Center is staffed and operational 24 hours a day.

Customer Service Center – The Customer Service Center is operating under extended hours. Over the past 24 hours, the Customer Service Center has answered over 800 calls.

Road conditions are continuously updated at: <http://www.scdot.org/getting/winterweather.aspx>
Road closures are continuously updated at <http://dbw.scdot.org/RoadConditions/default.aspx>
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