

## Service Curtailment Notice for Tuesday, February 2, 2021

## \*\*\* FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE \*\*\*

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**Dover, NH** – Due to the winter storm that is predicted to hit later today and last through tomorrow, the decision has been made to curtail all service on Tuesday, February 2, 2021. "We have been watching the weather forecasts closely and, while we try to avoid having to shut down, we feel this is the most prudent decision we could make based on the predicted conditions," stated Rad Nichols, COAST Executive Director.

The expectation is that COAST will return to regular operations starting on Wednesday, February 3. When COAST resumes service, expect delays as storm cleanup may likely be affecting traffic.

Nichols commented further, "Please be patient as we do everything we can to get you safely to your destination. If you need to travel today, or after the storm, please be safe on your way to and from bus stops. Please do not wait for the bus on top of snowbanks. Find the nearest driveway opening; make sure you are visible to the bus operator and wave as the bus approaches. In low light conditions wave a lit cell phone or flashlight to make you more visible to the bus operator." COAST recommends wearing bright clothing, having reflectors and carrying a flashlight.

For updated information on COAST services, please tune in to area radio and television news outlets. COAST will also be using its website at <u>www.coastbus.org</u>, Facebook page at <u>www.facebook.com/COASTbus</u> and twitter account <u>@COASTbus</u> to provide additional updates.

The Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation (COAST) has provided public transit service to the Seacoast New Hampshire region since 1982. COAST is a public, non-profit transit system that relies primarily on federal and local government support to operate. COAST is governed by a board of directors representing the communities served, two regional planning commissions, and many local and state agencies.

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