



Delayed Start Notice for Thursday, March 8, 2018

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Dover, NH – Due to the winter storm bearing down on the Seacoast of New Hampshire the decision has been made to delay the start of service on Thursday, March 8, 2018. “We have been watching the weather forecasts all day and 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 begin to return to regular operations starting at 9:00 AM. Details on COAST’s startup are as follows:

- Route 1 Will start northbound at 9:40 AM from the Dover Transportation Center
- Route 2 The first southbound bus will start at 9:05 AM from the Dover Transportation Center
The second southbound bus will start at 9:25 AM from the Lilac Mall
The first northbound bus will start at 9:38 AM from the Dover Transportation Center
- Route 6 Will start southbound at 9:55 AM from the Old Fire Station on Main St. in Farmington
- Route 7 Will start southbound at 10:39 AM from the Downtown Gazebo in Newmarket
- Route 33 The first outbound bus will start at 10:05 AM from the Dover Transportation Center
- Route 40 The first inbound trolley will start at 9:30 AM from the Fox Run Mall
The first outbound trolley will start at 9:50 AM from Market Square
- Route 41 The first inbound trolley will start at 9:01 AM from Hillcrest Estates
The first outbound trolley will start at 10:07 AM from Market Square

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Connection No Clipper Connection buses will operate in the AM. Clipper Connection services will operate in the PM.

When COAST resumes service, expect delays as storm cleanup may likely be affecting traffic. Nichols commented, “Please be patient as we do everything we can to get you safely to your destination. If you need to travel after the storm, please be safe on your way to and from bus stops. Do not wait for the bus on top of snow banks! 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 www.coastbus.org, Facebook page at www.facebook.com/COASTbus and twitter account [@COASTbus](https://twitter.com/COASTbus) 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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