



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## **WINTER-WEATHER SAFETY & CONVENIENCE TRAVEL TIPS**

PARK CITY, UTAH (December 16, 2016) – The National Weather Service has issued a Winter Weather Advisory through 8:00 p.m. this evening. Snowfall is expected to continue through 11:00 a.m. Saturday morning. Park City Municipal reminds residents to use caution while driving during hazardous weather conditions. During a winter storm, roadway capacity diminishes 30%-40%. Below are some safety and convenience tips to ensure safe travel in and around Park City.

- **Road Conditions and Travel Information**
  - Follow us on Twitter (@ParkCityGovt) for up-to-the-minute road conditions and transportation updates
  - Stay tuned to KPCW for traffic updates 91.7fm in Park City, 88.1 in Coalville and Kamas, and 91.9 in the Heber Valley.
  - Go to <http://commuterlink.utah.gov/> and click on Park City to see webcams from local state highways and I-80
- **Errands**
  - Rethink unnecessary trips, especially during morning and evening commute times.
  - “Trip chain” your errands: do everything at once, rather than leaving the house multiple times.
- **Commuting**
  - Carpool and take transit, especially during peak times.
  - Adjust travel times to off-peak times (8-10, 3-5), which means leaving a little earlier and/or later.
  - Business owners: think about allowing non-essential employees to work from home.
- **Transit**
  - Download our app (MyStop) to get up-to-the-minute bus info: <http://www.parkcity.org/departments/transit-bus>
  - Winter Bus Schedule is in effect
    - Increased service on Brown line
    - Increased afternoon service on Lime route
- **Safe Driving Tips**
  - Watch carefully for snow removal equipment.
  - Avoid quick starts, stops and fast turns. Accelerate, brake and steer smoothly and gradually.

- Reduce speed. Speed limits are based on normal road and weather conditions, not winter road conditions.
- Do not slam on brakes. Apply steady pressure on ABS-equipped vehicles and pump the brakes if necessary on non-ABS vehicles.
- Keep additional distance from other vehicles.
- Do not pass without good distance and sight clearance.
- Use extra caution on bridges, ramps, overpasses and shaded areas- they may freeze first.
- If vehicle begins to skid, steer in direction of slide and slowly remove foot from accelerator.
- Be aware of black ice.
- If parked or stuck in snow, leave window slightly cracked for ventilation and make sure vehicle exhaust system is clear of snow.

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