

Poor road conditions force suspension of Welland Transit; WellTrans continues to operate

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Welland, ON – The significant snowfall and corresponding poor road conditions have forced the Welland Transit's suspension. However, WellTrans, the City's transit service that provides public transportation to Welland residents who require accessible door-to-door transportation, continues to operate.

Though WellTrans is still making pickups, it is possible they will not be able to access every destination. Residents accessing the service can call 905-735-1700 x3102 for more information.

"With the amount of snow, the roads aren't clear or safe enough to continue running at this time," said Edward Zahra, transit manager. "We decided to suspend transit service so regional and city crews can get the roads ready for us to resume."

As morning routes began on January 17, delays due to road conditions immediately began building up. Safety for operators and their passengers is critical; suspending operations until road and weather conditions ensure a greater degree of safety remains in place.

The anticipated resumption time for service is around noon. However, staff will reassess weather and road conditions before buses begin running, and poor conditions could push this time back.

The City of Welland continues to provide updates to its operating services during this snow event and can be readily accessed on its website (www.welland.ca) and social media (www.twitter.com/welland and www.facebook.com/cityofwelland).

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