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MEDIA RELEASE

Winter Storm Warning – Impacting Rock County

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The National Weather Service has issued a **Winter Storm Warning** for Rock County, beginning today at 3:00 pm. The forecast indicates 5 – 7 inches possible, with the storm ending around 12:00 pm Saturday in the Rock County area. The storm will be followed by bitter wind chills Saturday night between -10 and zero.

Citizens should plan for a significant amount of moderate to heavy snow, wind gusts as high as 25 mph, and cold temperatures. Travelers should anticipate blowing and drifting snow that will create hazardous travel conditions throughout the duration of the storm.

The Rock County Sheriff's Office cautions citizens to avoid unnecessary travel, and exercise extreme caution if traveling during this incoming storm.

If you must travel, please consider the following:

- Pack an emergency kit for your vehicle, including:
 - Blankets, sleeping bags
 - Extra clothing and outerwear including hats and gloves
 - Flashlights with extra batteries
 - First-aid kits
 - Shovels, booster cables and windshield scrapers
 - Bottled water, non-perishable food, and manual can opener
 - Cell phone chargers
 - Sand or cat litter for traction
 - Have supplies available for the number of occupants travelling
- Wear your seatbelt at all times.
- Fill your gas tanks and snow blowers ahead of the storm.
- Turn on your headlights when traveling during a snow storm.
- Allow yourself extra time getting where you need to go.
- Take your time and give yourself space from vehicles around you.

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