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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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City of Sedalia: Potential for Winter Weather

While Sedalia has near spring-like conditions today, this weekend's forecast is predicting a return to more seasonal conditions. The National Weather Service has issued a Hazardous Weather Outlook for our area throughout this weekend. There is a slight chance for freezing drizzle and light snow to begin this evening (Feb. 9) and continue through late morning on Saturday. The freezing drizzle and snow is expected to change over to snow only and continue through noon on Sunday.

Should this weather system result in 2" or more of snow accumulation, the City will activate **EMERGENCY SNOW ROUTES** to allow the designated roadways to be easily cleared for emergency and other vehicles. Parking is prohibited along Emergency Snow Routes as Street Department plows need access to clear and open the roadways. The Street Department will work to keep these designated streets as clear as possible. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in keeping vehicles off Emergency Snow Routes. A map is available on the City's website at the following link that details which city streets are designated Emergency Snow Routes as well as those roadways within the city limits designated by the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT): http://www.cityofsedalia.com/filestorage/11407/11562/11569/11581/417_2013_Emergency_Snow_Route_Map.pdf.

Additionally, Union Pacific Railroad provides the following information about railroad crossings during winter travel:

- Do not stop going up a hill or when approaching a railroad crossing, which are often on an incline.
- Increase following distance 8 to 10 seconds. This will help decrease the likelihood of sliding into the rear end of another vehicle, an unexpected stationary object or a train occupying a rail crossing.
- If you become stalled on a Union Pacific Railroad crossing, exit your vehicle and call Union Pacific at 800-848-8715. This phone number is also posted on blue signs at every crossing. Tell the UP representative who answers the crossing identification number where the vehicle is stuck, also posted on the blue sign so they can alert any oncoming trains.

- For additional information regarding UP rail crossings, please contact Jeff DeGraff via e-mail at jdegraff@up.com or phone at 218-350-7771.

If you plan to travel, the City encourages you to check for current travel conditions at MoDOT's "Traveler Info Map" available at their website www.modot.org.

For questions about Emergency Snow Routes, please contact the Public Works Department at (660) 827-3000.

(Attach .pdf version of Emergency Snow Route map.)