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Sidewalk Regulations Temporarily Waived

Westminster, Thursday, January 28, 2016 – Due to the historic nature of Winter Storm Jonas, county regulations requiring citizens to clear their sidewalks after the snow fall ends are waived. This storm produced in excess of 30 inches of snow throughout the county, much more than can be handled by normal snow removal operations.

In many cases, plowing has pushed snow back onto the sidewalks. Clearing of the streets is the priority; not only to ensure safe roads for driving, but also to ensure that school buses can safely stop in order to pick up and discharge students.

Road crews are unable to assist with clearing sidewalks as they continue to concentrate on fully opening up roadways and numerous other snow removal related operations and activities. For this one event, no citations will be issued for failing to clear sidewalks. However, we ask that citizens make every effort to clear as much of the snow from their sidewalks as possible. Throwing snow from the sidewalk into the street is still illegal and citations may be issued for these offenses.

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CARROLL COUNTY

The Americans with Disabilities Act applies to the Carroll County Government and its programs, services, activities, and facilities. Anyone requiring an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication or who has a complaint should contact The Department of Citizen Services, 410.386.3600 or 1.888.302.8978 or MD Relay 7-1-1/1.800.735.2258 as soon as possible but no later than 72 hours before the scheduled event.