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MEMORANDUM

DATE:	November 1, 2023
то:	The Presidents PCAHA Member Associations/Leagues
FROM:	Carol McGregor PCAHA Executive Director
SUBJECT:	Travel in Adverse Weather Conditions – 2023-2024 Season

Participation in hockey during the winter includes driving on roads that may involve snow. Teams are to use common sense as a base when making travel decisions – not just on the fact that there is snow.

As a reminder for travel in adverse weather conditions, it must be a travel advisory (not weather advisory) from the Police/RCMP, the municipality or Environment Canada. The teams need to check DriveBC to confirm that they are affected by the "essential travel only" advisory on a route to/from the game.

Teams have to expect winter driving conditions during this time of the year. Most advisories are to expect winter driving conditions so we wouldn't postpone games. However, if it's a blizzard or whiteout conditions, we would postpone a game. Large accumulations in a short time, would also be a consideration in postponing.

It won't be a PCAHA District decision unless there is a travel advisory from police/RCMP for the whole Lower Mainland. It will be a decision by the respective teams and their League Manager, with input from the Managing Director as conditions can vary across the Lower Mainland. If the games are close or local, the conditions might be okay to play. Decisions need to be made in a timely manner so the home team can cancel on-ice officials.

It will require all teams to work together to complete the schedule. The deadline to have all first half season games completed remains Dec 23rd.