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Officials close state offices in Portland; Salem remains open

Salem, Oregon— The Oregon Department of Administrative Services announces the closure of state agencies in the Portland metro area, including Wilsonville, on Monday, Dec. 22, 2008. The closure is due to hazardous road conditions.

State government offices in the Salem area will remain open today. However, officials encourage employees to use judgment when deciding their personal situation regarding travel.

The closure in Portland affects all nonessential state government services, and reflects a concern for the safety of state employees and the need to minimize traffic on streets and roadways. The action does not affect state employees who provide critical services, such as law enforcement and those who work for ODOT in road maintenance, or 24/7 operations.

DAS advises all affected state employees to report to their jobs as usual on Tuesday, Dec. 23, unless officials issue a new weather-related closure notice. Employees who are uncertain of whether to report should monitor the DAS Web site or news media for weather news and announcements from state officials. State employees may also call (503) 373-0850 for recorded announcements.

Employees should refer questions about recording time and use of leave to their agency's human resource personnel.

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