

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; Winter Salt Week serves as an opportunity to educate Wisconsin communities on smart salting practices, including effective application methods and environmental considerations; and

*WHEREAS*; according to Wisconsin Salt Wise, even a small amount of salt—just one teaspoon—can pollute five gallons of water to a level that is harmful to freshwater ecosystems, and the process of removing salt from water is costly and challenging; and

*WHEREAS*; reducing the overuse of deicing salt not only protects Wisconsin's freshwater resources but also minimizes damage to infrastructure and property and reduces harm to aquatic plants and animals; and

*WHEREAS*; raising awareness about alternatives to traditional salt, such as brine and sand, and the responsible use of salt is essential to protecting both public safety and Wisconsin's environmental conservation efforts; and

*WHEREAS*; Wisconsinites can make meaningful contributions to salt pollution reduction by learning about smart salting practices and utilizing trained service providers; and

*WHEREAS*; this week, the state of Wisconsin encourages all Wisconsinites to do their part in practicing and promoting the responsible use of salt and learning about winter maintenance strategies that enhance and protect the health of Wisconsin's freshwater resources;

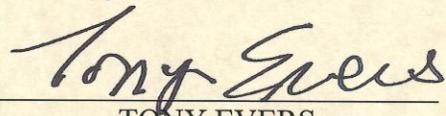
*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim January 26 – 30, 2026, as

## WINTER SALT WEEK

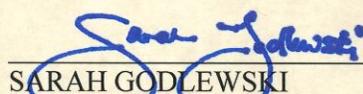
throughout the State of Wisconsin, and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 5th day of January 2026.

  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State