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NYC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ISSUES HAZARDOUS TRAVEL ADVISORY FOR WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON COMMUTE

Intense burst of moderate to heavy snow and strong winds could cause brief whiteout conditions this afternoon

Hazardous travel conditions expected into the evening commute

January 30, 2019 — The New York City Emergency Management Department today issued a hazardous travel advisory for the Wednesday afternoon commute. The National Weather Service has issued a Special Weather Statement for a line of snow showers and/or possible snow squalls — an intense burst of moderate to heavy blowing snow — in effect for New York City this afternoon. An arctic cold front will pass through the region this afternoon into the early evening hours. A line of snow showers and/or squalls that will last around 30 minutes to 1 hour will accompany this front. This intense burst of snowfall combined with strong wind gusts may cause brief whiteout conditions, limiting visibility and making travel extremely dangerous. New Yorkers should plan for hazardous travel during the evening commute and are advised to take mass transit where possible, delay travel or safely exit highways or roadways before the snow squall arrives. A quick coating to around an inch of snow is possible with this front.

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