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NYC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ISSUES HAZARDOUS TRAVEL ADVISORY FOR WEDNESDAY EVENING COMMUTE

Sudden, intense period of moderate to heavy snow and strong winds could cause brief whiteout conditions

Hazardous travel conditions expected during the snow squall

December 18, 2019 — The New York City Emergency Management Department today issued a hazardous travel advisory for the Wednesday evening commute. The National Weather Service has issued a Snow Squall Warning — a sudden, an intense period of moderate to heavy blowing snow — in effect for New York City until 5:30 p.m. An arctic cold front will pass through the region. A strong but brief line of snow showers, or squalls, may accompany the front, lasting around 30 minutes to 1 hour. These squalls produce strong wind gusts may cause brief whiteout conditions, limiting visibility and making travel extremely dangerous. New Yorkers should plan for hazardous road conditions and are advised to exercise caution, turn on headlights, and drive slowly if you are traveling through a snow squall. Consider avoiding or delaying travel until the snow squall passes.

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