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**NYC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S LATEST 'PREP TALK' PODCAST:  
NYC SNOW PREP**

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**November 4, 2019** — Winter is coming, and with it, the threat of snowfall and other hazards. In recognition of Winter Weather Awareness Week, November 3 through November 9, the latest episode of “Prep Talk” features ranking uniformed four-star chief Edward Grayson, director of the bureau of cleaning and collection at the New York City Department of Sanitation (DSNY). Chief Grayson provides exclusive, behind-the-scenes insight into the City’s snow operations, including a new chemical that will be used this season to pretreat roads.

Chief Grayson discusses Alternate Side Parking decisions during snow emergencies, highlights resources for individuals to track plowing operations, and outlines comprehensive updates to the department’s operational procedures, from planning through “when the iron meets the asphalt.” New Yorkers are also encouraged to help their neighborhoods through the [snow laborer program](#). You can listen to the latest [episode](#) on [SoundCloud](#), [iTunes](#), and [Spreaker](#).

**Profile**

Chief Edward Grayson is the ranking uniformed four-star Chief at DSNY and serves as the director of the bureau of cleaning and collection. Chief Grayson oversees the City’s cleaning, collection and snow removal operations, servicing 23,000 public litter baskets, collection of over 12,000 tons of the City’s daily refuse and recyclables, and the salting and plowing of over 6,500 linear roadway miles in NYC.

**About Winter Weather Awareness Week**

Winter Weather Awareness Week provides the National Weather Service, emergency management, and public safety officials the opportunity to increase awareness of and response to winter weather hazards. The informative campaign underscores the importance of winter preparedness, providing safety checklists for winterizing your home and vehicle while educating individuals about different types of winter storms. For more information about how to prepare for the winter, visit [NYC.gov/EmergencyManagement](http://NYC.gov/EmergencyManagement) or call 311.

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