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DSNY Issues 'Winter Operations Advisory' for Wednesday, January 25th at 7:00 a.m.

NO plowable snow expected; DSNY preparing to run Salt Spreaders to address limited accumulation

The New York City Department of Sanitation has issued a Winter Operations Advisory for Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 7:00 a.m. A Winter Operations Advisory is the Department's "lower level" winter weather message, as opposed to the "higher level" Snow Alert.

Precipitation is expected to begin as wet snow as early as 7:00 a.m. in parts of the City, with between one-half (0.5) inch and one (1) inch of accumulation possible before the precipitation changes over to rain later in the day. However, the exact timing of this changeover is highly variable, and, given the substantial amount of moisture in this particular storm system, there is a very remote but existent possibility of more snow.

As such, the Department is filling Salt Spreaders and smaller equipment, and New York's Strongest will be salting the streets and treating bike lanes to prevent accumulation. The Department is prepared to deploy plows in every sector in the extremely unlikely event of roadway accumulations over two inches.

## Other service updates:

- Residents should continue to follow their normal collection schedule for trash, compost and recycling. Delays are not expected.
- Alternate Side Parking regulations and parking meters will operate as normal.

The Department is coordinating with other City agencies on snow clearing protocol in accordance with each agency's written snow plan. All relevant city agencies have been notified and the Department will continue to monitor forecasts as the snow event approaches.

All winter weather information and information about the City's response to the storm can be found by visiting the City's Severe Weather website at <a href="www.nyc.gov/severeweather">www.nyc.gov/severeweather</a> or by calling 311. New Yorkers are also encouraged to sign up for Notify NYC, the City's free emergency notification system. Through Notify NYC, New Yorkers can sign up to receive phone calls, text messages, and emails alerts about severe weather events and emergencies. To sign up for Notify NYC, call 311, visit <a href="www.nyc.gov">www.nyc.gov</a> or follow @NotifyNYC on Twitter.

Find information on Sanitation snow operations along with residents' responsibilities during and after snow at nyc.gov/snow.

## **About the New York City Department of Sanitation**

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) keeps New York City clean, safe, and healthy by collecting, recycling, and disposing of waste, cleaning streets, attacking the scourge of illegal dumping, and clearing snow and ice. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of more than 2,000 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms, 705 salt spreaders, and several dozen bike lane operations machines. Under the Adams Administration, the Department is aggressively cleaning more parts of the City than ever before, including over 1,000 long-ignored areas spread across every neighborhood. With the highest wintertime uniformed headcount in 20 years, DSNY is more equipped than ever to remove snow and ice from the approximately 19,000 lane-miles of City streets.