



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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TRAVEL WARNING

HAZARDOUS ROAD CONDITIONS

County Executive Joanie Mahoney has issued an Onondaga County Travel Warning for Wednesday, January 13th effective at 12 AM and extending until 12 PM. Onondaga County is expecting the first significant snow accumulation of the season.

This travel warning does not restrict travel. It is a warning to motorists that hazardous driving conditions may exist, particularly in the northern half of Onondaga County.

Heavy lake effect snow is expected to begin overnight in the northern part of the county and shift south over the City of Syracuse, impacting the morning commute. Snowfall rates are forecast by the National Weather Service to reach 2-3" per hour with storm totals of 12 to 18 inches for Onondaga County and the City of Syracuse.

Additionally, winds gusts could reach 35 mph throughout the storm causing decreased visibility and hazardous driving conditions.

Please pay attention for future notices in case the situation worsens.

Precautionary/preparedness actions

The expected winter storm event will create severe winter weather conditions. Significant amounts of snow are forecast that will create dangerous travel conditions.

For the safety of all residents, the general public is encouraged to consider the need to be on the roads during the above timeframe and to use extreme caution while traveling in or around Onondaga County.