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Jersey City Prepares for Winter Storm; Crews Working Overnight with 2500 Tons of Salt, Alternate Side Parking Suspended and Senior Lunch Sites Closed Tomorrow

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Steven M. Fulop and the Office of Emergency Management are monitoring and preparing for the storm that could bring several inches of snow to Jersey City tonight into tomorrow.

The JCIA will deploy 65 pieces of equipment - plows & spreaders - and will have 80 people working the overnight storm. Crews pre-treated roadways yesterday with liquid salt brine to prepare for storm & JCIA has 2,500 tons of salt ready to go at two locations.

OEM is advising all residents and commuters to refrain from driving due to treacherous road conditions beginning this evening, Thursday, 1/2, through tomorrow afternoon, Friday, 1/3.

In addition, residents should stay indoors when at all possible. Gusting winds and cold temperatures are expected to produce wind chills ranging from -5 to -20 degrees Farenheit.

As a result, all senior centers will be closed tomorrow and will not be hosting lunch. These include Berry Gardens, 92 Danforth Avenue; Boyd McGuiness, 2555 Kennedy Boulevard; Grace Senior Center, 39 Erie Street; Lafayette Living Center, 463 Pacific Avenue; Ocean Towers, 425 Ocean Avenue; Olga Rodriguez Senior Center, 358 Montgomery Street; Villa Borinquen (PACO), 398 Grove Street; Joseph Connors Senior Center, 28 Paterson Street; and Maureen Collier Senior Center, 335 Bergen Avenue.

Home Delivered Meals Program will be in effect Friday, 1/2 and will be delivering meals from 11am-2pm. For more information, contact Jerome Colwell, Project Coordinator, at (201) 547-6808 or (201) 547-6809

While alternate side parking for street sweeping is suspended for tomorrow, Friday, 1/3, currently garbage pickup and recycling will continue as scheduled until further notice.

Residents should review the snow ordinances at right and refrain from shoveling snow into the street. Residents are also reminded to NOT PARK within 25 feet of an intersection. Doing so only hampers the efforts of crews plowing and salting the streets. All vehicles parked within 25 feet of an intersection will be ticketed and towed.

Municipal Offices will have a delayed start of 10am on Friday, 1/2/14.

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