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SNOW UPDATE

DATE: October 29, 2009

TIME: 11:00 AM

Crews have been out all night. All sites have been serviced at least once. Sites serviced earlier in the day were clean again during the overnight.

At 6:00 AM the majority of our crews took a break for food and some much needed rest.

Heavy equipment took an earlier break and returned to work at 6:00 AM. Two plow trucks have remained on duty (by alternating rested drivers) throughout the morning.

At noon, all plows will return to service. Shovel crews will immediately follow.

It is normal for a storm like this one to produce flurries for a number of hours, and then intensify just before leaving the area. We expect that to happen today with flurries until the evening rush hour, heavier snow until about 10:00 PM, and then clearing and cold overnight.

This means we will likely clean all sites two more times before the end of the storm.

During the overnight, we did not have much success using snow blowers. Sidewalks are still warm causing a layer of slush at ground level. When the snow blower's auger mixes this wet slush with the colder, overlying snow, it creates a frozen ball of snow that clogs the machine.

We will try using them again this afternoon.

Thank you,

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