



Media Advisory

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Prince George's County Prepares for Emergency Weather Conditions with Snow and Ice Dry Run Exercise

LARGO, MD – Prince George's County's Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPW&T) will conduct a Snow and Ice Dry Run exercise on Friday, October 27, 2023, beginning at 6:00 a.m.

In the previous winter season, DPW&T staff were not required to respond to significant winter weather conditions. This year, our staff is proactively preparing for what could potentially be a more active winter season. In efforts to prepare for the upcoming season, DPW&T staff is committed to inspecting our roadways for any safety hazards or impediments as well as informing our residents of any communication updates.

The Dry Run is a crucial exercise to test emergency procedures before winter weather arrives. It involves over 400 DPW&T employees, including engineers, administrative staff, project coordinators, and bus drivers, as well as crews from other County agencies that collaborate on snow and ice operations. These personnel handle various roles such as snowplow drivers, safety inspectors, supply monitors, and customer service representatives.

During the Dry Run, drivers familiarize themselves with their assigned routes, time their runs, and identify any hazardous road conditions. The Department conducts safety inspections on all vehicles and assesses operational procedures and communication systems to make necessary improvements.

For additional information, you can contact Paulette Jones at (240) 712-0298. You can also find more details on the DPW&T website (<http://dpwt.mypgc.us/>) or follow us on social media at @PGcountyDPWT.

WHO:

DPW&T Staff

WHAT:

Prince George's County Dry Run Exercise in Preparation of Emergency Weather Conditions

WHEN:

Friday, October 27, 2023, 6:00 a.m.

WHERE:

TRIP Center, 8414 D'Arcy Road, Forestville, MD

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