

December 25, 2022

A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR IAFALLO – CHRISTMAS WISHES & SNOWSTORM UPDATES

Good morning,

For all who celebrate, I wish you a Merry Christmas. I hope you're able to safely enjoy whatever celebration is possible given the stormy conditions.

I have several snowstorm-related updates to share. Please read them carefully.

- The Erie County-wide driving ban, including Lackawanna, remains in effect until further notice. PLEASE, STAY OFF THE ROADS! Those attempting to drive and then abandoning vehicles are creating dangerous obstacles for our snow removal crews.

- All main and most secondary roads have been plowed several times since the snowstorm began. However, because of severe drifting caused by high winds, streets may still appear snow-covered at times.

DPW crews are doing their best to manage the drifting under these challenging conditions. As to dead end streets, those are being addressed as quickly as possible with the holiday resources available.

- Snow piles accumulating on streets after plowing are temporary - they will be removed as soon as possible when conditions allow. To open streets after the heavy snow we've receive, snow piles are to be expected. It's the reality of the situation.

Please be patient - these and other snow removal issues will be addressed as fast as possible.

- Anyone who needs to be emergency evacuated from their home should call the Lackawanna Police Department at 716-822-4900. Do not attempt to drive on your own.

Further updates will be provided as necessary. Please stay home. Stay safe. And God bless.

NOTE: This message is also being sent this morning to those who signed up to receive the mayor's community update (robo) calls