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## Update from Cambridge Fire Department Public Works Teams Working Around the Clock

Cambridge, Ontario. December 24, 2008...While snow conditions are top of mind for residents and media and the latest report from Environment Canada suggests that this is the first time in 35 years that most of Canada will have a white Christmas, the City of Cambridge wishes to share a few reminders for your safety:

Cambridge Fire Department is stressing the importance of citizens to remember to **clear fire hydrants** to ensure they are easily discernible in the event of an emergency.

"We need help in keeping fire hydrants visible and available for use if needed. We are asking the public to help us find and access the hydrants that we will need to fight fires in their homes and businesses and those of their neighbours," says Fire Chief Terry Allen. The City would also like to remind people to keep gas metres and valves clear of snow and ice to support our utilities partners.

### **Every Piece of Road Maintenance Equipment Deployed**

Road maintenance continues to be a priority for the City of Cambridge. Crews began before dawn this morning clearing the roads. "Every available piece of equipment is on the streets tackling the record snow fall," says Phil Dechene, Director of Public Works. "Staff who originally planned to take a holiday during this time is back at it working to clear the roads," he says.

"We know that many residents have planned to do last minute errands for the holidays. We appreciate their patience and ask that residents avoid parking on streets that have not been plowed to allow snow removal operations to be unhampered," adds Dechene.

The City of Cambridge wishes you and your family a safe and happy holiday season.

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