

# **Performing a NWS Damage Survey in New York City**

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A severe weather outbreak occurred in New York City on Thursday, September 16, 2010. A line of severe thunderstorms produced 2 tornadoes and a macroburst that resulted in \$27 million dollars in property damage and 1 death. Learn about the challenges of performing a damage survey on Yom Kippur, Friday September 17; from arranging a police escort to coordinating aerial and ground surveys that ended with a significant press conference. And yes, the meteorology will also be discussed:

[http://www.erh.noaa.gov/okx/SOO/case\\_studies/09162010.html](http://www.erh.noaa.gov/okx/SOO/case_studies/09162010.html)

## **PRESENTER'S BIO**

Gary Conte, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, will deliver this presentation. He has worked as a Meteorologist for the National Weather Service (NWS) since 1979, for more than 30 years. Since 1993, he has held the position of Warning Coordination Meteorologist at the NWS New York NY Office, located in Upton, at Brookhaven National Lab on Long Island. Gary leads and manages the local warning and service programs for more than 18 million people. This includes advance notifications to and coordination with key customers and partners of potential high impact weather events that require preparation to save lives, protect property and enhance the national economy. As the local NWS Customer Service Representative, Gary is the "main" contact for Outreach. He also serves as a liaison to the local media and works forecast shifts.