

Edward Morgan in Snow Magazine!

“It’s difficult to put last seasons usage into historical context says **Edward Morgan, CEO of Chemical Equipment Labs in Marcus Hook PA**. “The comparison of sales and production is difficult to answer due to the lack of product and the logistical obstacles.” he say. “We, as well as other salt and ice melt producers / providers, saw an increase of 400 percent compared to previous average years.”

Many initial forecasts for Winter 2014-2015 call for a repeat performance from Mother Nature.

Morgan goes on to say – ” Over the last 100 years a cycle materializes, and based upon history, we get three years of heavy winters, three years of average winters and a mild winter here and there. Last year was the begging of the three-year heavy-winter cycle in our estimation.”

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The Surprising History of Road Salt

Fascinating article on the history of road salt that we ran across in **National Geographic magazine**:

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This winter has been unusually severe across much of the United States, requiring transportation agencies to put down large amounts of salt to melt snow and ice on roadways.

Last year, U.S. officials applied about 17 million tons of salt to roads, says Lori Roman, the president of the Virginia-based [Salt Institute](#), an industry group. Roman says the totals are on track to be higher this year.

Ron Wright, who manages snow and ice removal for the state of Idaho and co-founded the industry group [Pacific Northwest Snowfighters](#), says this winter has left transportation departments scrambling for salt, especially in the East and Midwest. However, Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel [insists](#) that the Windy City will have [enough road salt](#) to meet the challenge of this winter, as has New York Governor Andrew Cuomo.

Much sought after this winter, salt is a fascinating commodity.

Read the full [road salt article](#) here