
STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER
Daily Summary Report

DATE:

May 17, 2016

TO:

The Honorable Tom Wolf
Governor
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

FROM:

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TIME PERIOD:

This report covers the period 0600 hours, May 16, 2016, through 0600 hours, May 17, 2016.

STATUS REPORT: (as of 0600 hours)

THREAT STATUS:

National Terrorism Advisory System:

There are no current alerts.

EOC STATUS:

State EOC Activation: None

County EOC Activations: None

CAPABILITIES STATUS:

PA All-Hazards Type-3 Incident Management Team – Mission Capable
PA-Task Force 1 (PA-TF1) – Urban Search & Rescue – Mission Capable
PA-Task Force 2 (PA-TF2) - Search & Rescue - Mission Capable

INFRASTRUCTURE STATUS:

Major Road Closures: None
Power Outage Reports: As of 0505 hours, 222 customers
Telephone Outage Reports: 10 customers in Lycoming County

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

OPEN:

9-1-1 TELEPHONE OUTAGE - Clarion County, 5/3/16 - Windstream customers of the 275 telephone exchange in New Bethlehem Borough, Clarion County were unable to reach 9-1-1. One critical care facility was affected in Clarion County; Edgewood Heights Personal Care Home. Clarion County sent an EAS advising residents to reach out to their local fire departments or use a cell phone for emergencies. Service has been restored, but Clarion County is continuing to monitor the situation.

GAS WELL EXPLOSION - Westmoreland County, 4/29/16 - A gas well explosion occurred on State Route 22 in the area of State Route 819 in Salem Township destroying one house and damaging three other homes. One person was transported for injuries caused by the explosion. The pipeline was one of four parallel lines running through the area. Evacuated personnel have returned to their homes. DEP is monitoring the air and plans to test surface water in the area. As of 5/10/16, State Route 819 remains closed between Beaver Run Road and Route 22. Work at the site has been progressing slowly due to the weather. A community meeting was held on May 11.

CLOSED:

SCHOOL BUILDING FIRE - Bradford County, 5/16/16 - A structure fire was reported at the Northeast Bradford JSHS at 526 Panther Lane in Orwell Township. Fire Command reported a fire was contained to the chimney. The school was evacuated for a short time with no injuries reported.

ROAD CLOSURE - Pike County, 5/16/16 - A vehicle accident closed I-84 eastbound at at Mile Marker 51, in Westfall Township. A detour was established at Exit 46 onto US 6. One fatality was reported with a five mile trapped queue and a four mile backlog. I- 84 West also had a lane restriction.

DISASTER DECLARATIONS:

3/23/16 - The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency announced that federal disaster aid has been made available to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to supplement commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area affected by the severe winter storm which occurred January 22-23, 2016. The designation is FEMA-4267-DR.

The President's action makes federal funding available to Commonwealth and local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations on a cost-sharing basis for emergency work and the repair or replacement of facilities damaged by the severe winter storm in Adams, Bedford, Berks, Blair, Bucks, Chester, Cumberland, Dauphin, Fayette, Franklin, Fulton, Juniata, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton, Perry, Philadelphia, Schuylkill, Somerset, Westmoreland, and York counties.

CONTIGUOUS STATE EVENTS OF POTENTIAL INTEREST TO PENNSYLVANIA:

Delaware:	No significant events at this time.
Maryland:	No significant events at this time.
New Jersey:	No significant events at this time.
New York:	No significant events at this time.
Ohio:	No significant events at this time.
West Virginia:	No significant events at this time.

24-hour Projected Weather Statewide:

National Weather Service, 0514 hours, 05/17/16:

Areas of steady light rain will spread across central and southern Pennsylvania this morning. Most of the steadier light rain will exit off to the southeast of Pennsylvania this afternoon leaving a cloudy sky with scattered showers across mainly the northern part of the state in the vicinity of a southward drifting cold front.

The high temperature today will range from the low to mid 50s across the mountains of northern and western Pennsylvania to the mid 60s in the greater Philadelphia area.

A few showers will linger over the region tonight and early Wednesday followed by some breaks of sunshine for later Wednesday morning and Wednesday afternoon. Lows early Wednesday will be in the upper 30s across the northwest mountains and mid to upper 40s throughout the remainder of central and southern Pennsylvania.

Dry and milder conditions will follow for Thursday and Friday as an area of high pressure builds southeast from the upper Great Lakes region. Winds will be fairly light over the next several days.

WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

None



TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

NOTE: The Tropical Weather Outlook is issued by the National Weather Service from June 01 through November 30 with special Outlooks issued at any time as conditions warrant.