

DATE:

July 23, 2016

TO:

The Honorable Tom Wolf
Governor
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

FROM:

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TIME PERIOD:

This report covers the period 0600 hours, July 22, 2016, through 0600 hours, July 23, 2016.

STATUS REPORT: (as of 0600 hours)

THREAT STATUS:

National Terrorism Advisory System:

There are no current alerts.

CRCC STATUS:

Commonwealth Resource Coordination Center (CRCC) Activation: None

County EOC Activations:

CAPABILITIES STATUS:

PA All-Hazards Type-3 Incident Management Team – Mission Capable
PA-Task Force 1 (PA-TF1) – Urban Search & Rescue – Conditional Status for Federal Response Secondary to DNC - Effective 22 July 0800 hrs – 29 July 2000 hrs.
PA-Task Force 2 (PA-TF2) - Search & Rescue - Mission Capable

INFRASTRUCTURE STATUS:

Major Road Closures: None
Power Outage Reports: As of 0515 hours, 231 customers
Telephone Outage Reports: None

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

OPEN:

STRUCTURE FIRE – Allegheny County, 7/19/16 - An apartment fire occurred at Hilltop Parkview Manor Apartments on Duquesne Place Drive in Duquesne City. The fire started in the kitchen of an apartment before spreading, causing 24 units to be displaced. The Red

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Cross responded to assist 66 residents including 40 children, displaced from the fire. Norfolk Southern rail traffic in the vicinity of the apartment complex was suspended for three hours and has been restored. During firefighting operations, seven firefighters were transported to the hospital for various injuries. There is an ongoing investigation.

WATER MAIN BREAK – Mercer County, 7/22/16 - Aqua Water is experiencing a 24" water main break in Sharon and Farrell Cities. A PennDot project was in operation and the area had some deep excavations. The remaining soil was washed away due to heavy storms that went through the area and the the 24" line broke. Repairs are expected to be completed by morning. DEP has been contacted and they are expected to issue a BWA (Boil Water Advisory) until midday Sunday or Monday. There are 20 to 25K customers at low pressure or without water.

CLOSED:

ROAD CLOSURE/VEHICLE ACCIDENT - York County, 7/22/16 - Interstate 83 south was closed between the US 30 east - Arsenal Road exit (#21) and the PA 462 east - Market Street exit (# 19A) due to a single vehicle accident with fatality in Springettsbury Township. The north and south bound on ramps from US 30 to Interstate 83 south were also closed. The roadway was closed for a little more than four hours for accident reconstruction and debris removal.

DISASTER DECLARATIONS:

6/2/2016 – The Commissioners of Clearfield County have issued Declarations of Disaster Emergencies for Lawrence Township, Clearfield Borough, and Clearfield County due to severe weather and flooding.

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.

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, 0553 hours, 07/23/16:

A relatively weak cold front over the Lower Great Lakes will drift slowly southeast into northern Pennsylvania late this morning, before sagging south to near the Mason Dixon line this evening.

Hot and humid air streaming northeast from the Ohio River Valley will interact with the front. However, a deep layer of dry air aloft and rather warm temperatures in the mid levels of the atmosphere will help cap off anything more than a few isolated showers later this afternoon, mainly across Southern Pennsylvania.

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The high temperature this afternoon will vary from the mid 80s over the Laurel Highlands to the upper 90s in the Philadelphia metro area. The combined heat and humidity will reach dangerous levels in southeastern Pennsylvania over this weekend.

A ridge of high pressure will slide across the state tonight and Sunday with light wind. Clear skies and more comfortable temperatures tonight will be followed by yet another sunny, hot and dry day for Sunday.

Lows tonight could dip into the upper 50s throughout the perennial cold mountain valleys in northern Pennsylvania while readings settle to between 65 and 70 degrees in the south.

WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

There is an Excessive Heat Watch in effect until 1800 on Monday July 25th for the following counties: Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton, and Philadelphia.



TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

