

DATE:

September 07, 2016

TO:

The Honorable Tom Wolf
Governor
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

FROM:

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TIME PERIOD:

This report covers the period 0600 hours, September 06, 2016, through 0600 hours, September 07, 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: 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 0525 hours – 641 customers
Telephone Outage Reports: None

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

OPEN:

NURSING HOME POWER OUTAGE - Allegheny County, 9/7/16 - A garbage truck pulled down power lines on the property at the North Hills Health and Rehabilitation Center, 194 Swinderman Road in Pine Township causing a power outage to the facility. This is a 55 bed nursing home. The facility is currently operating on their backup generator.

ADVERSE WEATHER – Fayette County, 8/28/16 – Heavy rains caused flood damage to residences and businesses in several areas in Fayette County. Most of the flooding occurred in the area of Connellsville. Pennsylvania American Water lost a water main. Two water buffaloes have been placed in the area to assist residents. A resource request was submitted for DEP assistance with mosquito spraying and well testing, as well as DOH assistance with tetanus shots. Damage assessment is ongoing by the county EMA and PEMA Western Area. The Fayette County Volunteers Active in Disaster (VOAD) held two Multi-Agency Resource Center events to provide resources to those affected by the storm. PA Department of Human Services representatives attended. Personnel from (Region 13) PA Task Force 1 were sent to assist at the Connellsville Church of God with flood damage/collapsed foundation wall. A meeting with PennDOT and county/local officials was held on the status of road repairs in the affected areas.

BRIDGE FIRE – Allegheny County, 9/2/16 - The Liberty Bridge construction tarps on the bridge and the construction area under the bridge caught on fire in the City of Pittsburgh. Traffic over the bridge was stopped in both directions. The trapped queue was cleared and emergency detours enacted, due to visible structural damage to the bridge. The Coast Guard initially stopped river traffic underneath the bridge, but it has since resumed. All bridge traffic will continue to be detoured until the bridge re-opens. Temporary repairs on the bridge began on Sunday, September 4. It is estimated the temporary repairs will be completed by Monday, September 12. The inbound Liberty Tunnel will be opened to traffic the morning of September 6, the outbound Liberty Tunnel and McCardle Roadway will remain open during repairs.

CLOSED:

CHEMICAL SPILL - Westmoreland County, 9/6/16 - A 200 gallon container of toluene (UN #1294) leaked at DNP Imagingcomm America (SARA Facility ID# 14276), 1001 Technology Drive in East Huntingdon Township. A 200' by 150' area within the facility was covered with one-half inch of product. The facility was evacuated of an unknown number of employees. The neighboring Westmoreland County Community College Advanced Technology Center was also evacuated. Cleanup was handled by a private contractor.

VEHICLE ACCIDENT - Lycoming County, 9/6/16 – US 15 was closed in both directions for approximately four and a half hours due to a motor vehicle accident.

DISASTER DECLARATIONS:

8/30/16 – The County of Fayette issued a Declaration of Disaster for the county due to the impact from the severe weather.

8/29/16 – The Supervisors of Connellsville Township issued a Declaration of Disaster for the Township due to the impact of severe weather.

8/29/16 – The Township Council Members of Fairfield Township issued a Declaration of Disaster for the Township due to impacts from flooding.

8/28/16 – The Township Supervisors of Donegal Township issued a Declaration of Disaster for the Township due to impacts from heavy rains/flooding.

8/17/16 – The Borough Council Members of Donora Borough issued a Declaration of Disaster for the borough, due to severe weather.

8/10/2016 – The Borough Council Members of Albion Borough issued a Declaration of Disaster Emergency for the borough, due to a drought/water emergency.

7/25/2016 – The Mayor of Dunmore Borough issued a Declaration of Disaster Emergency for the borough, due to severe weather.

7/19/2016 – The U.S. Small Business Administration issued a SBA disaster declaration for Fayette, Greene, Somerset, Washington and Westmoreland counties for damages during the flooding event on June 17, 2016. The effective date is 7/19/16 and termination date for applications is 9/19/16. Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) application termination date is 4/19/17.

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:

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| 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, 0500 hours, 09/7/16

Post-tropical Storm Hermine continues to meander just east of New Jersey and south of Long Island while slowly weakening. A muggy and unseasonably warm day is in store for the entire state with high temperatures 10 to 15 degrees above normal for early September. Highs will range from the lower 80s in the Laurel Highlands to near 90 degrees in the valley locations of the southeast.

A weak warm front over the region will provide a focus for scattered showers and perhaps a thunderstorm this morning in the Alleghenies and northern mountains. Additional showers and thunderstorms will pop up in the heat of the afternoon. Some of the storms in the central mountains and Susquehanna Valley could make gusty winds.

Scattered showers will linger into late evening, but coverage will decrease. Partly to mostly cloudy skies tonight will keep the temperatures from falling below the upper 60s.

Thursday will be partly to mostly sunny in the southeast, but mostly cloudy in the northwest. Showers and thunderstorms can be expected over the northwest as a weak cold front slips into the state from the north late in the day. A stray shower or two may occur in the southeastern piedmont. Highs will be back into the 90s for the southeastern third of the state, and mid to upper 80s elsewhere. The heat index may near 100 in the urban locations of the southeast.

WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

None

Eastern North Pacific

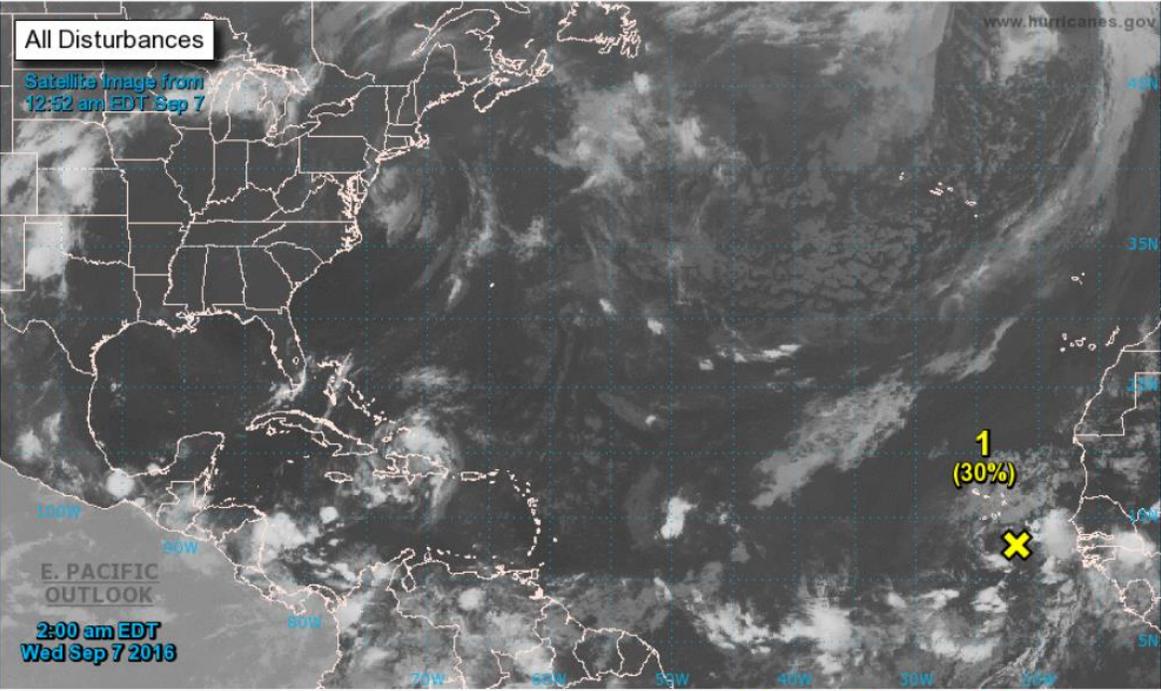
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Disturbances: ALL [1]



Two-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida



Current Disturbances and Two-Day Cyclone Formation Chance: < 40% 40-60% > 60%
Tropical or Sub-Tropical Cyclone: Depression Storm Hurricane
 Post-Tropical Cyclone Remnants

[View 5-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook](#)