

**DATE:**

September 13, 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 12, 2016, through 0600 hours, September 13, 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 0550 hours – 159 customers  
**Telephone Outage Reports:** None

**SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:**

**OPEN:**

**COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE FIRE – Cumberland County, 9/12/16** – A three alarm commercial structure fire occurred at the Lafferty Lumber Company at 1100 Hummel Avenue in Lemoyne Borough. Fire crews from Cumberland, Dauphin and York counties responded. There are several buildings involved on the property. Another business (Vicious

Cycles) located next to the lumber mill was destroyed from the blaze as well. PP&L dropped the grid in the area but has since restored power. Units are still on scene putting out hot spots. There were no reported injuries.

**MISSING PERSON SEARCH – Bucks County, 9/7/16** – A search for a missing 21 year old suicidal female from Bensalem Township is being conducted at Tyler State Park, 101 Swamp Road in Newtown Township. The female's vehicle was found at Tyler Park with a suicide note. The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources is leading the search. The searches were continued over the September 11<sup>th</sup> weekend with negative results. Smaller searches will continue this week.

**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. Free tetanus shots were made available at several locations on September 7 and 8, 2016. Monetary and material donations have been received for victims. A distribution center has been opened in the closed East Side Fire Station for distribution of the donated items. SBA along with PEMA and County EMA toured the affected areas on 9/8/16 to continue efforts for obtaining SBA approval.

**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. 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 and outbound Liberty Tunnels are open. As of 9/10/16, the bridge is reported to remain closed until 9/19/16.

**CLOSED:**

**GAS LINE STRUCK – Franklin County, 9/12/16** - A landscape contractor struck a 1 inch gas line at the intersection of West North Street and Garfield Street, Waynesboro Borough. The incident caused an active leak and the fire department evacuated a 1 block radius including the Franklin County Head Start Daycare Center. UGI Gas responded and secured the leak. All residents and business were able to reoccupy their buildings.

**ROAD CLOSURE – Berks County, 9/12/16** – A Brenntag Northeast tractor trailer was rear end by a Reading Eagle dry freight truck closing State Route 61 in Hamburg Borough. The accident caused an unknown quantity of diesel fuel and other engine fluids to be spilled onto the roadway. Along with those fluids, approximately three pounds of sodium nitrate powder spilled from a torn 55 gallon bag. Emergency units responded and contained the spilled fluids with Oil-Dri and Brenntag hired Cura for clean-up.

**ROAD CLOSURE –Lycoming County, 9/12/16** – A double fatality accident closed U.S. Route 220 northbound near Quenshukeny Road in Woodward Township. U.S. Route 220

southbound was also restricted because of the accident and investigation. PennDOT established an effective detour. The roadway was closed for approximately five hours.

**MISSING PERSON SEARCH – Clarion County, 9/9/16** – A juvenile (female) was reported missing on 9/9/16. A search detailed was conducted with negative results. The incident was closed on 9/10/16. The search resumed on 9/11/16. The PA State Police reported the female was located deceased; the investigation continues.

**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:**

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

**24-hour Projected Weather Statewide:**

**National Weather Service, 0544 hours, 09/13/16**

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High pressure will reside off the Mid-Atlantic Coast today, helping to create a light, warming south to southwest breeze. Under mostly sunny skies, highs this afternoon should range from 80 to 85 degrees over most of the Commonwealth. The highest elevations of the north and west will hold in the upper 70s, while some of the valleys in South Central Pennsylvania will range from 88-90F.

After a mainly clear evening, clouds will increase from the northwest late tonight. The cloud cover and a light southerly breeze will mean milder low temps early Wednesday. Lows will vary from the mid to upper 50s in the north and west, to the lower 60s in the Southeast.

A weak cold front will push southeast across the region late tomorrow, followed by another area of high pressure building in for Thursday and Friday. Another cold front will push through sometime over the weekend, but it will only bring temperatures back to near normal.

### WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

None



### TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

