

DATE:

October 04, 2016

TO:

The Honorable Tom Wolf
Governor
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

FROM:

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TIME PERIOD:

This report covers the period 0600 hours, October 03, 2016, through 0600 hours, October 04, 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 0545 hours – 129 customers
Telephone Outage Reports: None

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

OPEN:

WATER MAIN BREAK – Erie County, 10/1/16 – A water main break occurred in the city of Corry, bringing their reservoir down 10 percent. A boil water advisory and conserve water notice are still in effect. Crawford County OEM delivered a water buffalo of non-potable water for residents. The city of Corry is coordinating with the Salvation Army for bottled

water needs of residents. Porta ponds have been set up at both Corry Hospital and Corry Manor to provide water for flushing toilets. Firefighting; the city has a plan in place to bring tankers in from nearby municipalities. Corry's EOC was activated for a day to coordinate efforts in the city, but has since demobilized. The break has been located and isolated. A ten foot section of an eight inch main was replaced. Schools in the Corry School District will be closed and Corry Hospital cancelled all elective surgeries today. Restaurants will remain closed until the Health Department authorizes reopening. Wegmans and Walmart have both donated bottled drinking water when an unmet need for additional drinking water was identified.

WATER MAIN BREAK / GAS LEAK – Northampton County, 9/30/16 – A water main break and gas leak occurred due to a large sinkhole on the 700 block of North New Street in Bethlehem City. PPL shut off power to more than 4,000 homes in the area for several hours. Residents on both sides of the block of North New Street between Garrison Street and North Street were evacuated. The evacuation affected an estimated 100 residents and 100 employees of local businesses. The American Red Cross is providing shelter to approximately two dozen residents. At least three homes have been condemned and more are being evaluated. Engineers are also evaluating the area for additional hollow spots under the ground. The 700 block of North New Street remains without water and gas service. All residents except those whose properties have been condemned were allowed to return to their homes. The estimated date of repairs being completed is 10/04/2016.

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. Monetary and material donations continue to be received by Connellsville Area Community Ministries for victims. A distribution center has been opened in the closed East Side Fire Station for distribution of the donated items. The Small Business Administration (SBA) has approved Fayette County a disaster area effective 9/20/16. The SBA has established a Disaster Loan Outreach Center (DLOC) at the Fayette EMS base in Connellsville which opened on 9/22/16 at 10 a.m. The Greater Connellsville Flood Recovery Center will open on 10/3/16 at 202 North Pittsburgh Street in Connellsville City.

CLOSED:

MISSING PERSON – Lebanon County, 10/02/16 - Cornwall Police advised Lebanon County 911 at 1200 hours that they were notified on 10/2/2016 at approximately 1500 hours that they had a subject walk away from the Philhaven Green Pastures facility, 283 South Butler Road, West Cornwall Township. On the morning of 10/3/2016 Cornwall Police were contacted by the facility requesting to start a search due to the subject not returning to the facility. Individual is a 55 year old male and an inpatient at the facility. Subject left the facility between 1200 and 1300 hours on 10/2/2016. His direction of travel was unknown when he left the facility. He is also required to take daily medications due to blood clots in the lungs. The person was located at 1316 hours on 10/3/16.

ROAD CLOSURE – Mercer County, 10/3/16 - A tractor trailer rolled over closing Interstate 376 westbound from exit: PA-208 (#5) to exit: PA-18 (#2) in Shenango Township. The box trailer was carrying milk products. A detour was in place taking traffic off at PA-208 near the Lawrence County line. The right lane was opened three and a half hours later with the entire road being opened almost ten hours later.

ROAD CLOSURE – York County, 10/3/16 - A fatal vehicle accident involving a motorcycle closed US Route 30 eastbound between Apple Way and Roosevelt Avenue, York City. The accident investigation had the roadway closed for three hours.

DISASTER DECLARATIONS:

9/20/16 - The U.S. Small Business Administration issued SBA disaster declarations (#14857 and #14858) for Fayette, Greene, Somerset, Westmoreland, and Washington counties for damages during the flash flooding event on 8/28/16. The effective date is 9/20/16 and termination date for applications is 11/21/16. Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) application termination date is 6/20/17.

8/30/16 – The County of Fayette issued a Declaration of Disaster for the county due to the impact from the 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. **Declaration extended during September Borough meeting.**

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 for Disaster Home Loans and Disaster Business Loans has passed. 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:

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, 0510 hours, 10/04/16

Clear skies gave way to widespread fog across much of central and western Pennsylvania overnight with many areas reporting dense fog in the pre-dawn hours. Pre-dawn temperatures were fairly uniform, ranging from the upper 40s over higher elevations of the Alleghenies to the mid-50s over the southeast.

Fog will last through mid-morning before lifting and giving way to at least partial sunshine for most areas. Easterly flow will bring an increase of low clouds across eastern and central areas by late morning and early afternoon, but it will remain dry. Highs will range from the upper 50s and 60s across higher terrain and the far north to the lower 70s over the southeast and southwest.

High pressure centered over New England will keep fair weather over the Commonwealth through Wednesday. Onshore flow around the surface high will nudge southward bringing a decrease in low cloudiness over Pennsylvania. Expect areas of fog to develop once again late tonight and last through mid-morning Wednesday giving way to partly sunny skies. High temperatures will range from the upper 60s to around 70.

Hurricane Matthew is forecasted to approach the southeastern Atlantic coast on Thursday or Friday and have a potential lift up along the Mid-Atlantic coast early this weekend.

WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

None



TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

