

DATE:

October 14, 2016

TO:

The Honorable Tom Wolf
Governor
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

FROM:

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Director, PA Emergency Management Agency

TIME PERIOD:

This report covers the period 0600 hours, October 13, 2016, through 0600 hours, October 14, 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 – Deployed to Lumberton, NC

PA-Task Force 2 (PA-TF2) - Search & Rescue - Mission Capable

INFRASTRUCTURE STATUS:

Major Road Closures: None
Power Outage Reports: As of 0535 hours – 70 customers
Telephone Outage Reports: None

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

OPEN:

EMAC MISSIONS – HURRICANE MATTHEW, 10/5/16 - The State Meteorologist is deployed to Florida to provide meteorological support for response and recovery operations.

PA Hart helicopter and ground crew were demobilized from South Carolina and returned to Pennsylvania on 10/11/16. PA-Task Force 1 has transitioned from a Type 1 FEMA US&R Task Force to a Type 3 FEMA US&R Task Force; 35 members have demobilized and are back in the Commonwealth; PA-Task Force 1 (Type 3) relocated to Lumberton, North Carolina and have been assigned to assist the community of Fair Bluff in the southeastern portion of North Carolina. All of the squads are actively performing the requested search of an approximately 1 square mile area that has been hit very hard with flooding from the Lumber River. There is an estimated 900 residents and they believe at least 300 had evacuated previously. Water levels receded and some residents came back, and the water levels rose again. The State Meteorologist returned from Florida Tuesday, 10/11/16.

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. The County Declaration expired at midnight 10/4/16 for the flooding event. The County EMA will continue to assist in the long-term recovery activities.

CLOSED:

ROAD CLOSURE – Delaware County, 10/13/16 – A pedestrian was struck by a vehicle on US Route 1 northbound in Middletown Township. The road was closed and a detour was established for the accident investigation. The road remained closed for five hours.

SCHOOL VAN ACCIDENT – Allegheny County, 10/13/16 - A multi-vehicle accident involving a school van carrying a special needs student occurred at Steuben and Wabash Streets in the City of Pittsburgh. Medics checked three patients including the student. Medic 4 transported the student to a local hospital in stable condition.

MISSING PERSON - York County, 10/12/16 – A search was underway for a missing elderly male with Alzheimer's in Carroll Township. The search area included approximately 30 acres of woods adjacent to the missing man's house. Local emergency units were assisting with the search. The York County Sheriff's Office K-9 team was brought in to aid in the search. Additional manpower and K-9 teams were also requested from Cumberland County Search and Rescue and Lancaster County's PA Wilderness SAR team. The male was found eleven hours later. He sustained unknown injuries and was transported to a local hospital.

WILDERNESS SEARCH AND RESCUE – Centre County, 10/13/16 - Three hikers went missing in the Rothrock State Forest in Harris Township. They were not heard from since 1500 Wednesday afternoon. Centre County EMA requested the assistance of the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center's Cell Forensic Team to aid in locating the missing hikers. In addition, the county reported that search teams with bloodhounds, along with Department of Conservation and Natural Resources personnel were all on scene. A State Police helicopter was also requested. The students were located with no medical issues Thursday morning at 0820 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.

8/10/2016 – 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, 0507 hours, 10/14/16

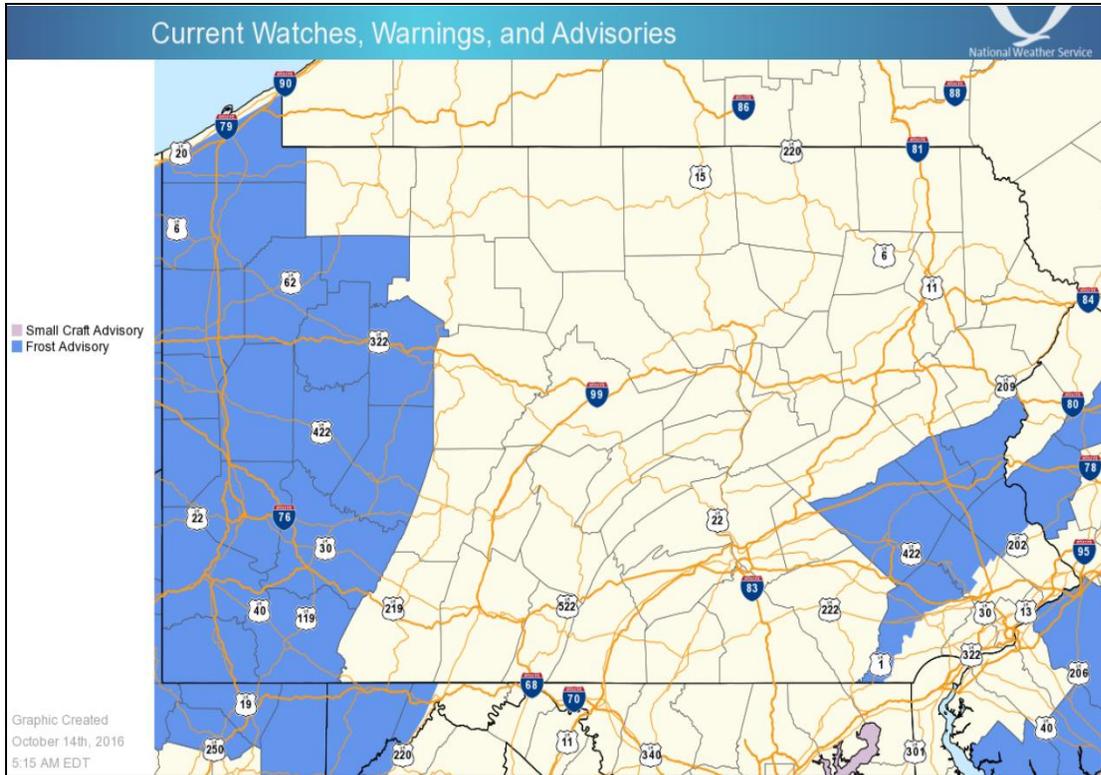
High pressure over Pennsylvania will provide the state with abundant sunshine and light winds today. High temperatures will range from the upper 50s to low 60s.

Clear and cool conditions are expected tonight with lows in the 30s over most of the state. The high pressure system will push off the coast on Saturday, allowing a milder southerly flow to overspread the region. Under mostly sunny skies, highs should range from around 60 over the Pocono Mountains, to the low 70s along the Ohio border.

A dying cold front working across the Great Lakes will bring increasing clouds and the chance of showers across northwest Pennsylvania on Sunday. Partly cloudy and dry weather is expected elsewhere. Highs Sunday will range from the upper 60s to low 70s.

WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

None



TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

