

DATE:

October 15, 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 14, 2016, through 0600 hours, October 15, 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 0530 hours – 2,176
Telephone Outage Reports: None

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

OPEN:

EMAC MISSIONS – HURRICANE MATTHEW, 10/5/16 - PA Hart helicopter and ground crew were demobilized from South Carolina and returned to Pennsylvania on 10/11/16. PA-

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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 - Berks County, 10/15/16 - State Route 422 west was shut down at North Monocacy Creek Road for four hours due to a pedestrian accident at 395 Benjamin Franklin Highway (SR 422), Amity Township. An accident reconstruction team was sent to the scene to investigate.

AIRCRAFT INCIDENT - Westmoreland County, 10/14/16 - A single engine Cessna aircraft flipped over while performing touch and go landings at Arnold Palmer Airport (LBE) in Unity Township. There was one passenger on board who was transported to a local hospital with head injuries. The FAA was notified.

ROAD CLOSURE / PEDESTRIAN STRUCK - Delaware County, 10/14/16 - US Route 1 north was closed between Valley and Pennell Roads in Middletown Township for approximately five hours due to a pedestrian being struck by a vehicle.

NATURAL GAS LINE LEAK - Allegheny County, 10/14/16 - A 4 to 6 inch gas line broke at Our Lady of Hope Cemetery located at 1898 Bakerstown Road in Frazer Township. Homes along Bakerstown Road between Windy Pines Lane and Sportsman Lane were evacuated for 45 minutes. Personnel from the Huntley and Huntley Gas Company responded to complete repairs.

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:	MEMA is standing up to level III between 0800 to 1600 until 10/17/16 for Fleet Week.
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, 0602 hours, 10/15/16

High pressure will slide off the east coast today, allowing a milder southerly flow to develop. Under mostly sunny skies, highs will range from around 60 in the Poconos to the low 70s along the Ohio border. Lows tonight will range from around 40 over the Pocono Mountains, to the low 60s on the Lake Erie shore.

A dying cold front approaching from the Great Lakes could spread a few showers into Northwest Pennsylvania late Sunday. Otherwise, expect a partly sunny and very mild day, as a southwest flow ahead of the front pushes temperatures into the 70s over much of Pennsylvania.

WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

Frost Advisories are in effect until 0900 today in the following counties: Adams, Berks, Bucks, Chester, Clinton, Columbia, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Juniata, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Lycoming, Mifflin, Montgomery, Montour, Northampton, Northumberland, Perry, Schuylkill, Snyder, Union, and York.

