

DATE:

November 5, 2016

TO:

The Honorable Tom Wolf
Governor
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

FROM:

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TIME PERIOD:

This report covers the period 0600 hours, November 4, 2016, through 0600 hours, November 5, 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: Philadelphia EOC activated at 0524, 11/01/16 in response to the SEPTA Transit strike in Philadelphia. They demobilized at 2050 last evening, but will reactivate on Monday, November 7.

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 0515 hours – 944 customers
Telephone Outage Reports: None

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

OPEN:

WATER MAIN BREAK - Philadelphia County, 11/4/16 - A break in a 60 inch water main occurred on the 2800 block of Fox Street at the East Falls Shopping Center in Philadelphia City. The parking lot and stores in the shopping center were flooded. Approximately 75 people were evacuated immediately. Another 60 people sheltered in place until water craft arrived to evacuate them. CSX rail lines were also flooded and a freight train that was parked on the tracks was moved out of the area. Water department representatives have shut off the water and the flood water has receded. There were no injuries reported.

SEPTA STRIKE – Philadelphia County, 10/31/16 - As of 0001, 11/01/16, Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA) Transport Workers Union (TWU) Local 234 City Transit Division is on strike. The City of Philadelphia, Office of Emergency Management activated its Emergency Operations Center as of 0524, 11/01/16. The hours of activation will be 0500 hours to 2100 hours, Monday through Friday which will provide enhanced coordination around the morning and evening rush hours. The SEPTA City bus, trolley, trackless trolley, Market Frankford Line, and Broad Street Line/Broad Ridge Spur Line services are suspended. Customized Community Transportation (CCT), Paratransit, and the LUCY Loop will continue to operate. Regional Rail lines are not affected by the strike. The City of Philadelphia has implemented a shuttle operation to assist with transporting City and quasi-City employees. Call volume for Fire and Police are at normal levels. Hospitals continue shuttle operations. No issues reported. There are no updates on negotiations.

ADVERSE WEATHER – Statewide, 10/21/16 – Heavy rain over a short time resulted in flash flooding in numerous north central counties. Sunoco is continuing to make repairs to several sections of pipeline that have been washed out in Lycoming County. The County EOCs will be staffed during normal business hours while damage assessments are being conducted. PEMA staff will be conducting damage assessments in the affected areas starting 10/24/16. DEP is providing emergency permits in those areas until Friday and has also provided water test kits. Lycoming County has reached out to all of their municipalities to collect Disaster Declarations, DAP-19 forms and Equipment Usage Lists. Preliminary estimates from Centre, Lycoming and Sullivan counties indicate damage was more extensive than originally thought, with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) estimating damage in Lycoming and Sullivan counties between \$10 million and \$14 million. The Lycoming County EOC was operational from 0830 to 1630 hours on October 28, 2016. PEMA is supporting a Multi-Agency Recovery Center in Centre County on November 3, 2016. Support to include the following agencies: PA Department of Health, IRS, PEMA Hazard Mitigation, PA Department of Insurance, and the PA Department of Environmental Protection. As of 11/1/16, Sunoco Logistics have continued work on the pipeline by beginning hydro testing on an area south of the damaged section. Water for the hydro testing is being brought in and removed by truck and is recycled in coordination with DEP. Current water monitoring results confirm safe drinking water supplies. Air quality tests detect no hazardous levels. As of 11/2/16, all county EOCs have stood down. Recovery efforts are still underway.

CLOSED:

None

DISASTER DECLARATIONS:

10/21/16 – Lycoming County has issued a Declaration of Disaster as a result of the storms that dropped up to eight inches of rain in the region beginning on 10/20/16. Eight municipalities have issued a Declaration of Disaster (Montoursville Borough, Plunketts Creek, Eldred, Cascade, Gamble, Hepburn, McIntyre and Fairfield Townships).

10/21/16 – Sullivan County has issued a Declaration of Disaster as a result of the storms that dropped up to eight inches of rain in the region beginning on 10/20/16.

10/21/16 – Centre County issued a Declaration of Disaster as a result of the storms that dropped up to eight inches of rain in the region beginning on 10/20/16.

10/20/16 – The Supervisors of Dunbar Township of Fayette County issued a Declaration of Disaster Emergency for the township, due to the results of the storms that dropped up to eight inches of rain in the region beginning on 10/20/16.

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, 0534 hours, 11/05/16

High pressure over the Ohio Valley will build across the northeast states over the weekend. Abundant sunshine will occur over the southern half to two-thirds of Pennsylvania today, while an area of stratocumulus clouds drifts south from New York and across the northern mountains of Pennsylvania.

The cloud cover will expand south tonight and cover the central mountains at times. Nothing more than a brief sprinkle is possible between Interstate 80 and the New York border this afternoon and tonight.

High temperatures today, Sunday and Monday will be well into the 50s to lower 60s. Lows tonight and Sunday night will be mainly in the 30s to lower 40s.

WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

None



TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

