

**DATE:**

November 9, 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 8, 2016, through 0600 hours, November 9, 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 0510 hours – 44 customers  
**Telephone Outage Reports:** None

**SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:**

**OPEN:**

**SINKHOLE – Lancaster County, 11/8/16** – A 30 foot sinkhole occurred at Pine Street and Park Avenue in Ephrata Borough. The sinkhole caused a water main and gas line break.

The sinkhole has continued to expand forcing two nearby apartment buildings to evacuate. An unknown number of residents are being assisted by the American Red Cross. It's expected to take three days to repair the hole and damage to the street.

**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. Clean up operations are underway.

**SEPTA STRIKE - Philadelphia County, 10/31/16** - Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA) Transport Workers Union (TWU) Local 234 City Transit Division was on strike. During the strike SEPTA City bus, trolley, trackless trolley, Market Frankford Line, and Broad Street Line/Broad Ridge Spur Line services were suspended. Customized Community Transportation (CCT), Paratransit, and the LUCY Loop were still operating. Regional Rail lines were not affected by the strike. The City of Philadelphia implemented a shuttle operation to assist with transporting City and quasi-City employees. The City of Philadelphia, Office of Emergency Management activated its Emergency Operations Center on 11/01/16 and was deactivated on 11/07/16. Partial service was restored Monday when the transit workers announced a tentative agreement before daybreak. All service was back to normal Tuesday morning, 11/08/16. Philadelphia will continue to monitor events.

**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:**

**PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, Statewide Event, 11/8/16** - The Commonwealth Response Coordination Center (CRCC) was activated in support of the General Election 2016. The CRCC was staffed with representatives from the Department of State, Pennsylvania State Police, the Governor's Office of Homeland Security, Auxiliary Communications Service, and the Office of Administration. Allegheny, Northampton, Susquehanna, and Westmoreland Counties were also activated at an enhanced level in support of the General Election. The

CRCC suspended activation at 2000 hours. The counties demobilized over the next several hours.

**FIRE ALARM – Dauphin County, 11/8/16** – A fire alarm activated in the State Records Center in Harrisburg City. The building was temporarily evacuated. The cause of the alarm activation was a water flow alarm.

**LIQUID PROPANE LEAK – Cambria County, 11/8/16** – A construction company struck a six inch liquid propane line at Admiral Peary Highway and Linx Lane in Jackson Township. A large quantity of gas was released causing the evacuation of 38 homes, within a five mile radius, to the Jackson Township Fire Station. Enterprise repaired the line and residents were allowed to return to their homes after approximately six hours.

**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:**

<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.

**Ohio:** No significant events at this time.  
**West Virginia:** No significant events at this time.

**24-hour Projected Weather Statewide:**

**National Weather Service, 0418 hours, 11/09/16**

Scattered showers continue to spread across Pennsylvania early this morning as a cold front begins its trek through central Pennsylvania. Shower activity should gradually diminish from west to east as the front passes. Expect frontal passage by mid to late afternoon. Gusty northerly winds will follow behind the front late this afternoon and throughout the early evening. Temperatures will be cooler, with highs ranging from the upper 40s along the New York border to the upper 50s throughout southeastern Pennsylvania.

**WATCHES AND WARNINGS:**

None



**TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:**

