

DATE:

November 11, 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 10, 2016, through 0600 hours, November 11, 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 0525 hours – 252 customers
Telephone Outage Reports: None

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

OPEN:

POLICE OFFICER SHOOTING – Washington County, 11/10/16 – Two Canonsburg Police Officers were shot while responding to a domestic dispute call at 120 Woodcrest Road

in Canonsburg Borough. One police officer was transported to Canonsburg Hospital and the other was flown to a trauma center in Pittsburgh. The surrounding area was evacuated while an active search was in progress for the actor. All evacuees were directed to the Canonsburg Middle School where the Red Cross and Salvation Army set up operations for the evacuees and first responders. A media release has been received from the Washington County Coroner's office. The officer succumbed to his injuries at the Canonsburg Hospital. The other officer is in stable condition at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh. The shooter killed himself and his girlfriend. The investigation is still on going.

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. Nineteen resident are now displaced whom are being assisted by the American Red Cross. As of 11/10/16 the sinkhole has grown to approximately 100' x 60' with a cavern at least 60' deep. The Mayor of Ephrata has verbally declared a State of Emergency for that area of town and has since signed a declaration. It will be submitted to PEMA on Friday when all members of Borough Council have co-signed.

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:

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 operational. 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. Operations are back to normal business.

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, 0417 hours, 11/11/16

A weak cold front will drop southeastward across the commonwealth today. A stray light rain shower will be possible across northern and western Pennsylvania, mainly this morning. A northwest wind will become breezy, with high temperatures ranging from the mid-40s across the northwest mountains to the low 60s in Philadelphia.

High pressure will bring fair and dry conditions overnight and into the weekend. Overnight lows tonight will range from the mid-20s across the north to around freezing near Philadelphia. Highs Saturday will average in the chilly 40s.

WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

None



TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

