

**DATE:**

November 30, 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 29, 2016, through 0600 hours, November 30, 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:** Interstate 81 south - Susquehanna  
**Power Outage Reports:** As of 0515 hours – 1,343 customers  
**Telephone Outage Reports:** None

**SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:**

**OPEN:**

**ROAD CLOSURE - Susquehanna County, 11/30/16** - Interstate 81 south is closed between the PA 92-Lenox (# 211) and PA 374 (#206) exits in Lenox Township due to a

tractor trailer fire. The fire is out and cleanup is in progress. A Red Detour is in effect and the trapped queue has been released. Visibility is limited due to heavy fog. PennDOT is on scene assisting with directing traffic.

**FIREFIGHTER FATALITY – Fayette County, 11/27/16** - A 16 year old junior firefighter was accidentally shot and killed at the Republic Fire Station in Redstone Township. The firefighter was participating in a work detail at the fire station. Several EMS companies and police departments responded to the scene. The Pennsylvania State Police are conducting an investigation. The fire station is out of service for the next 72 hours. Mutual aid companies will cover the station's area of responsibility.

**SINKHOLE – Lancaster County, 11/8/16** – A 20 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 be evacuated. Nineteen residents were initially displaced and were being assisted by the American Red Cross. Six residents from the apartments located on the 200 block of the W. Pine Street building have been allowed to return. The Park Avenue apartment must have its foundation inspected to determine if it is safe for residents to return home. The inspection will not be performed until after the utilities are stabilized sometime next week. The sinkhole is approximately 100' x 60' with a cavern at least 60' deep. A Declaration of Disaster has been issued by the borough effective 11/8/16. Construction work on the site is still in progress. Geophysical surveying results are complete and have been presented to the borough. A Right of Entry was granted and the Borough now has the property owner's permission to access right of way to perform work. A structural engineer will perform an inspection on the apartment building today, 11/29/16. Residents may be able to move back in on Wednesday, 11/30/16.

**ADVERSE WEATHER – Statewide, 10/21/16** – Heavy rain over a short time resulted in flash flooding in numerous north central counties. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) provided emergency permits and water test kits in affected municipalities. Lycoming County 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 in the range between \$10 and \$14 million. PEMA supported a Multi-Agency Recovery Center in Centre County on November 3, 2016. Support included the following agencies: PA Department of Health, IRS, PEMA Hazard Mitigation, PA Department of Insurance, and DEP. As of 11/1/16, Sunoco Logistics 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 regulations. Current water monitoring results confirmed safe drinking water supplies. Air quality tests detect no hazardous levels. As of 11/2/16, all county EOCs have stood down. The Governor of Pennsylvania has requested a Major Disaster Declaration for Public Assistance (Cat A-G) for four counties and Hazard Mitigation statewide due to severe storms and flooding that occurred. On November 21, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) approved disaster assistance for Centre and Lycoming counties, as well as the contiguous counties of Blair, Bradford, Clearfield, Clinton, Columbia, Huntingdon, Mifflin, Montour, Northumberland, Potter, Sullivan, Tioga, and Union.

**CLOSED:**

**SCHOOL BUS CRASH - Allegheny County, 11/29/16** - An East Allegheny County School District bus was involved in an accident at the intersection of 5th Avenue and Westinghouse Avenue in North Versailles Borough. One child and one adult were injured. One patient was transported to an area hospital. It is not known if the transported patient was the child or the adult.

**MISSING PERSON – Sullivan County, 11/28/16** – A search was conducted for an 83 year old female who was last seen at her residence on Pennsylvania Avenue in Eagles Mere Borough. She was located uninjured after approximately 10 hours.

**DISASTER DECLARATIONS:**

11/21/16 - The U.S. Small Business Administration issued SBA disaster declarations (#14987 and #14988) for Centre and Lycoming counties for damages during the severe flooding event on 10/21/16. In addition, contiguous counties of Blair, Bradford, Clearfield, Clinton, Columbia, Huntingdon, Mifflin, Montour, Northumberland, Potter, Sullivan, Tioga, and Union counties are also eligible. The effective date is 11/18/16 and termination date for applications is 01/17/17. Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) application termination date is 8/18/17.

11/8/16 – The council of the Borough of Ephrata, Lancaster County has issued a Declaration of Disaster that is effective immediately for damage caused by the street collapse at Pine and Park Streets.

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.

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.

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.
<b>Ohio:</b>	No significant events at this time.
<b>West Virginia:</b>	No significant events at this time.

**24-hour Projected Weather Statewide:**

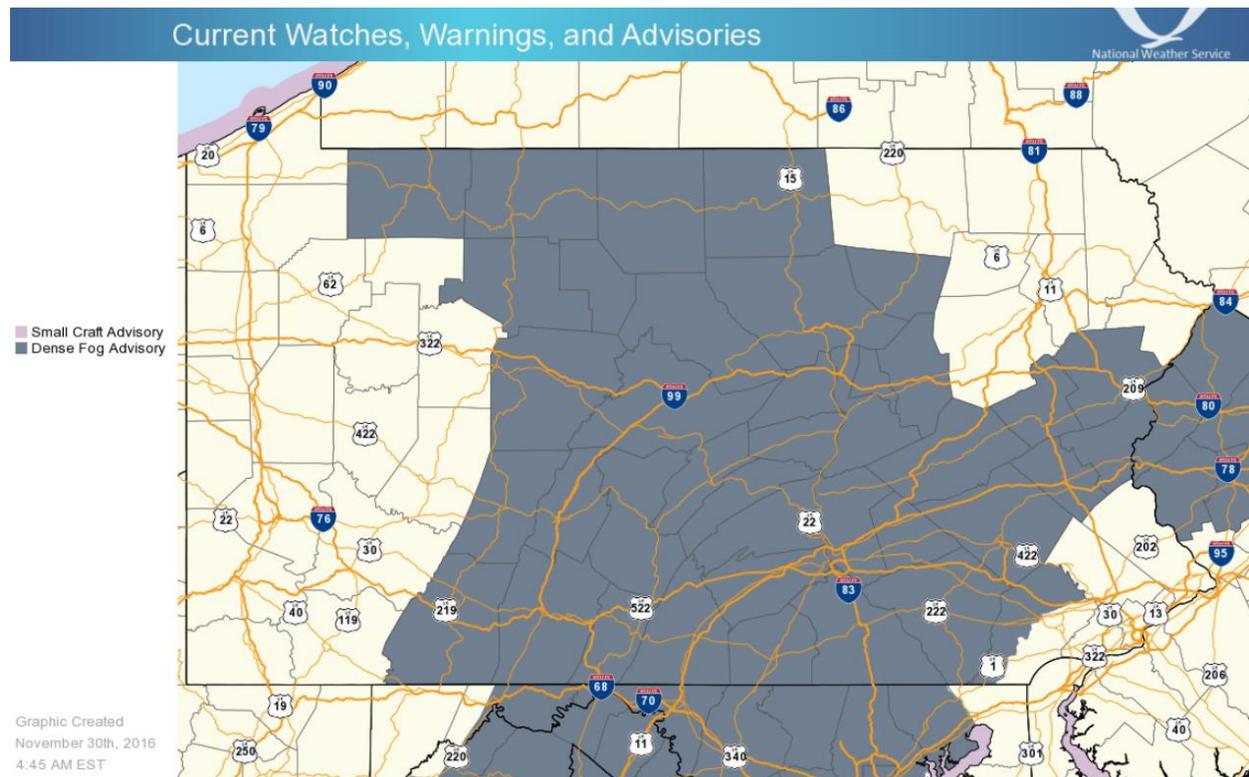
**National Weather Service, 0548 hours, 11/30/16**

As a Cold front approaches from the southwest, showers will spread over the state this morning. Today will be a wet but mild day across the Commonwealth. The heaviest rain should fall across eastern Pennsylvania. Rainfall amounts in excess of an inch is possible. Showery bands of rain will be possible this afternoon, especially in the lower Susquehanna Valley. High temperatures will range from the low 50s across northeastern Pennsylvania to the mid-60s across the southeastern Piedmont.

This system will quickly pull east of the region Wednesday night, with a chilly northwesterly flow returning for Thursday. Lows tonight will range from the upper 30s in the Northwest to the low 50s in the Southeast.

**WATCHES AND WARNINGS:**

None



**TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:**

