

DATE:

December 08, 2016

TO:

The Honorable Tom Wolf
Governor
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

FROM:

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TIME PERIOD:

This report covers the period 0600 hours, December 07, 2016, through 0600 hours, December 08, 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 0554 hours – 124 customers
Telephone Outage Reports: None

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

OPEN:

ADVERSE WEATHER – Statewide, 10/21/16 – Heavy rain over a short time resulted in flash flooding in numerous north central counties. Preliminary estimates from Centre,

Lycoming and Sullivan counties indicate damage in the range between \$10 and \$14 million. On November 17, the Governor of Pennsylvania 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. A Major Disaster Declaration for Public Assistance (Cat A-G) was received on December 2, 2016 for Bradford, Centre, Lycoming and Sullivan counties. In addition, all areas in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are eligible for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. The Disaster Loan Outreach Centers (DLOC) in both Centre and Lycoming Counties are scheduled to close at 1500 today.

CLOSED:

MANDATORY WATER RESTRICTIONS – Cumberland County, 12/1/16 - The Borough of Carlisle contacted the DEP Safe Drinking Water Program (SDW) to inform them they had issued mandatory water use restrictions due to a problem in the system that flooded their finished water pump station. They were unable to pump any water from the filter plant into distribution. On 12/7/2016, Carlisle Borough advised that the water restrictions were removed and the utility is operating at normal capacity.

MISSING PERSON – Montgomery County, 12/6/16 – A search was conducted for an 81 year old black male who went missing and was last seen at his home on 12/5/16 at 1200 hours on the 2300 block of Adams Court in Montgomery Township. The male had failed to return to his residence and was thought to be confused. Police believed this person was at special risk of harm or injury. Pennsylvania State Police reported the individual was located and returned to his home.

SCHOOL HAZMAT – Allegheny County, 12/7/16 - Two students became ill after being exposed to a substance in a test tube brought in by another student at Penn Hills Charter School located at 2501 Main Street in Penn Hills Municipality. The two patients were transported to Forbes Regional Hospital. The room where the incident occurred was isolated and the school was evacuated. The HAZMAT was contained. Penn Hills Police conducted an investigation and determined the test tube contained anti-coagulated blood.

ROAD CLOSURE – Monroe County, 12/7/16 – A two tractor trailer crash with roll over closed Interstate 380 North at Mile Marker 12.5 in Coolbaugh Township. A two hundred gallon diesel fuel spill resulted from the accident. One vehicle was carrying wine and the other carried U.S. mail. The roadway was closed for three hours for accident clean-up.

DISASTER DECLARATIONS:

12/2/16 – A Major Disaster Declaration for Public Assistance (Cat A-G) was received on December 2, 2016 for Bradford, Centre, Lycoming and Sullivan counties. In addition, all areas in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are eligible for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. The designation is FEMA-4292-DR.

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:

Delaware:	No significant events at this time.
Maryland:	No significant events at this time.
New Jersey:	No significant events at this time.
New York:	New York State Emergency Operations Center will be activated on Thursday and Friday for Lake Effect Snows.
Ohio:	No significant events at this time.
West Virginia:	No significant events at this time.

24-hour Projected Weather Statewide:

National Weather Service, 0615 hours, 12/08/16

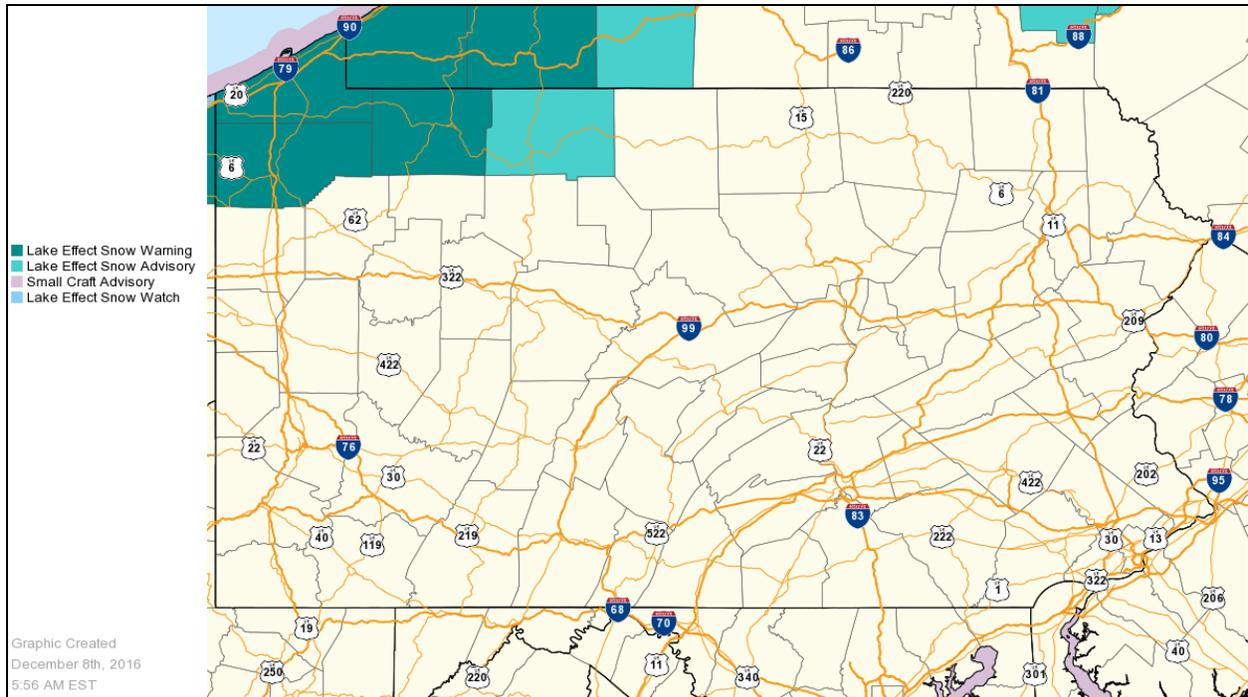
A cold front will push southeast across Pennsylvania today. Cold air flowing over the relatively warm waters of the Great Lakes will generate Lake Effect snow showers across the northwest corner of the state this afternoon. Elsewhere, clouds will give way to increasing sunshine and breezy conditions across the southeast half of the state today. Highs will range from the upper 20s across the northwest corner of the state, to the mid-40s across the Lower Delaware Valley.

Lake Effect snow will continue to fall mostly over the northwest corner of Pennsylvania tonight and Friday. However, a few snow showers could fall even into the eastern half of the state on Friday. Significant accumulations will be confined to areas immediately downwind

of Lake Erie, while at least light accumulations are likely across roughly the northwest half of the state. The air mass overspreading the state tonight and Friday will be the coldest so far this season, with temperatures 5-10 degrees below average and a gusty wind will make it feel even colder.

WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

A Lake Effect Snow Warning is in effect until 1600 Saturday for the following counties: Crawford, Erie, and Warren.



TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

The last scheduled Tropical Weather Outlook of the 2016 Atlantic hurricane season was issued on 11/30/2016. Routine issuance of the Tropical Weather Outlook will resume on June 1, 2017. During the off-season, Special Tropical Weather Outlooks will be issued as conditions warrant.