



OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

DATE:

January 13, 2017

TO:

The Honorable Tom Wolf
Governor
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

FROM:

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TIME PERIOD:

This report covers the period 0600 hours, January 12, 2017, through 0600 hours, January 13, 2017.

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 0545 hours, 514 customers
Telephone Outage Reports: 263 - Sullivan

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

OPEN:

FLOODING – Erie County, 1/12/17 - Corry School District conducted an early dismissal of all grades due to flooding. Several roads in the district were impassible. The district was bringing resources in from other schools within the district to assist in the sheltering if needed. All students were transported to their homes or transported to another school to be picked up by their parents.

HIGH HAZARD DAM WARNING – Crawford County, 1/12/17 - The Clear Lake Dam in Spartansburg Borough activated their Emergency Action Plan. The dam was at 6" from over flowing the sides. Three homes with 5 residents are affected. Dam level was at 23" with warning notification at 18". It rose 6" in 1 hour. Crawford EOC partially activated with EMA Staff and local fire, EMS and PennDOT were notified. Crawford County deactivated their EOC. EMA Staff will monitor weather and emergencies overnight.

CREEK WALL COLLAPSE – Luzerne County, 12/09/16 – Approximately 50 feet of wall from the side of Solomon’s Creek collapsed in the area of 76 Brooke Street in Wilkes-Barre City. The incident is not life threatening. A site visit was conducted on 12/16 with the Army Corps of Engineers who offered technical assistance regarding needed repairs and how to get the flood risk management project into their Rehabilitation and Inspection Program. They also offered measures to take in the interim to reduce risk at the site. Governor Wolf has committed state funding to assist with the repairs.

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 now closed.

CLOSED:

None

DISASTER DECLARATIONS:

12/2/16 – A Major Disaster Declaration for Public Assistance (Cat A-G) was declared 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.

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:	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, 0516 hours, 01/13/17

A cold front will slide southeast and off the Mid Atlantic seaboard today as a large area of high pressure builds across the Upper Great Lakes. Colder air will slowly filter into the Commonwealth today into Saturday.

Temperatures will be nearly steady or slowly falling from daybreak readings today with afternoon highs under mostly cloudy skies ranging from 25 to 30 degrees across the northwest mountains, to the lower and mid-40s in the larger metro areas of southeastern Pennsylvania.

A shield of mid and high clouds streaming into the region from the Ohio Valley tonight will thicken-up and lower, followed by a wintry mix of precipitation spreading into southwestern Pennsylvania before daybreak Saturday.

As the precipitation moves northeast and into deeper sub-freezing air, it will fall as mainly periods of light snow near, and to the northeast of the Route 322 corridor.

Low temperatures tonight will range from the teens across the northern tier of Pennsylvania, to the mid-20s along the Mason Dixon line. High temperatures Saturday will be in the mid-20s over the north, and mainly in the upper 20s to lower 30s in most other locations throughout central and southern Pennsylvania.

Another area of high pressure will build east into the region for Sunday with some sunshine, seasonably cold temperatures, and a light northwesterly breeze. There is a potential for a light wintry mix to start the week early Monday. Milder conditions will work back into the area for the middle of next week.

WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

Flood Warnings have been issued for Allegheny, Armstrong, Clarion, Crawford, Venango, Westmoreland and Warren Counties.

