



OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

**DATE:**

January 16, 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 15, 2017, through 0600 hours, January 16, 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 0530 hours, 131 customers  
**Telephone Outage Reports:** 263 - Sullivan

## **SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:**

### **OPEN:**

**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. 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. Emergency repairs to the collapsed section of the wall will begin next Tuesday (1/17/17). This is a temporary remedy to secure the site until the design and permit process is completed to permanently restore the creek walls. The project is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

**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:**

<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, 0540 hours, 01/16/17**

Clear to partly cloudy skies overnight, across all but the south-central counties of the state, allowed temperatures to dip well into the teens near and to the north of Interstate 80, while thicker clouds across the southern tier held readings there in the mid to upper 20s.

A gradual lowering and thickening of the cloud deck will occur from southwest to northeast during the day today, with light rain developing across southwestern Pennsylvania later in the day.

Temperatures today will be a bit milder, with highs this afternoon ranging from the mid and upper 30s across the northeast third of the state, to the upper 40s and lower 50s in the west.

As precipitation overspreads the remainder of Central and Eastern Pennsylvania tonight, the rain will change to a several hour period of light freezing rain. Mainly rain will fall across the southern third to half of the state, and any freezing rain will change back to periods of plain rain late Tuesday morning and continue for the rest of the day.

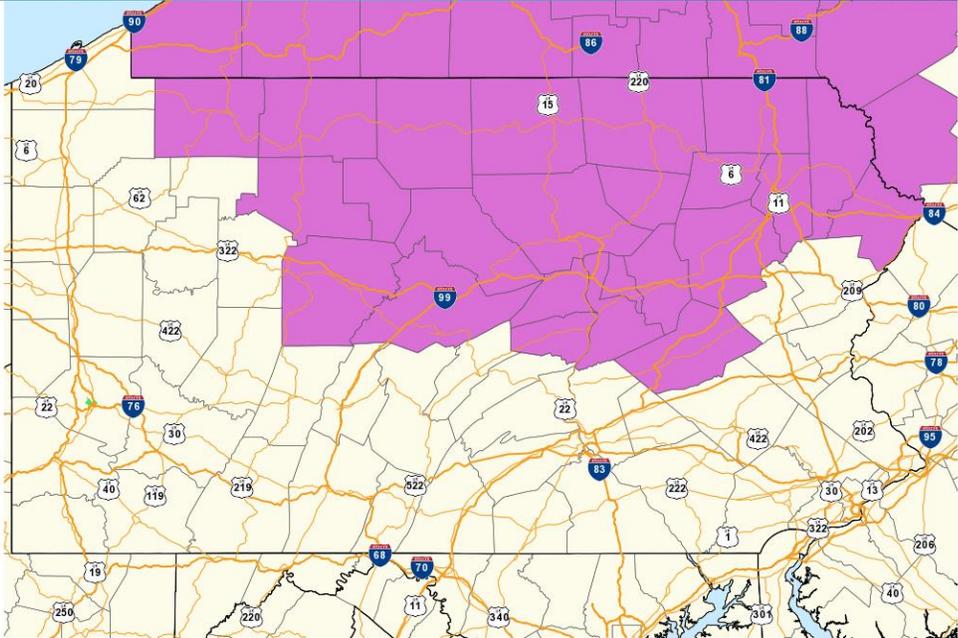
### **WATCHES AND WARNINGS:**

None

# Current Watches, Warnings, and Advisories

National Weather Service

Freezing Rain Advisory  
Flood Advisory



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