



STATE OF OHIO
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SITUATION REPORT

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MEMORANDUM

TO: John R. Kasich, Governor
FROM: Ohio Emergency Management Agency
SUBJECT: Statewide Severe Weather – June 29, 2012
DATE: July 2, 2012

Information in this Situation Report is current as of 5:00p.m. on Monday, July 2, 2012.

In response to the “Statewide Severe Weather – June 29, 2012” event, the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) Assessment Room was activated at Crisis Action Level 1 (CAS-1) on Friday, June 29, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. and elevated to CAS-2 at 7:00 a.m. (opening Operations Room and Joint Information Center) on Saturday, June 30, 2012.

CAS-2 briefings were held at 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. today. **The next CAS-2 briefing will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 3.**

This is the third Situation Report for this incident. The SEOC Assessment Room will be staffed 24 hours until further notice to monitor the current event.

FATALITIES

A 70-year-old female is reported as a confirmed fatality in Muskingum County due to a barn collapse.

Two unconfirmed fatalities involving two separate motorcycle accidents precipitated by the storm have been reported; one in Clark County and one in Allen County.

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

A line of fast-moving, severe thunderstorms with powerful winds swept across the state from west to east late in the afternoon of Friday, June 29, 2012, leaving widespread damage, downed utility poles and electrical wires, and hundreds of thousands without power. National Weather Service reported winds up to 80 miles per hour during the height of the storm system. There is the potential for scattered storms and systems over the next several days.

Extreme heat combined with prolonged power outages has created a great concern for Ohio's residents, especially our elderly and medically fragile populations. The SEOC continues to monitor conditions, and coordinate statewide response, working with state, local and federal partners.

As of 3:00p.m., there were 488,500 homes and businesses without power throughout the state, down from 578,326 outages from yesterday's report.

State-level agencies are responding to open missions related to debris removal, water/ice, and generators.

DECLARATIONS

Federal – A Federal Emergency Declaration was received at 8:02p.m. on June 30, 2012. Specifically, FEMA is authorized to provide emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to direct federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program at 75 percent federal funding. This assistance is for all 88 counties in the State of Ohio.

State – Governor Kasich issued a statewide declaration on Saturday, June 30.

County (25) – Allen, Athens, Clark, Coshocton, Fairfield, Franklin, Gallia, Guernsey, Hancock, Highland, Hocking, Lawrence, Licking, Logan, Meigs, Monroe, Noble, Paulding, Perry, Putnam, Ross, Union, Van Wert, Washington and Wyandot.

Local (8) –

Village of Ottawa & Columbus Grove (Putnam County)

Village of Roseville & Shawnee (Perry County)

Village of Benton Ridge (Hancock County)

Village of Aberdeen (Brown County)

City of Bellefontaine (Logan County)

City of Gahanna (Franklin County)

WEATHER

Weather Forecast

Thunderstorm Potential: Widely scattered thunderstorms possible across the region late Monday afternoon and evening, July 2nd. The chance of thunderstorms will continue across the region Tuesday through Wednesday, July 4th. An isolated severe thunderstorm is possible this evening, July 2nd. However, the chance for severe thunderstorms increases Tuesday through Wednesday, July 4th. Main threat over the next the days is for damaging winds, with a lesser chance for large hail.

Heat: Hot and humid weather will continue through Wednesday resulting in continued elevated heat index values. Air temperatures in the mid 90s, are expected through Wednesday, July 4th. Heat indices up to 100 degrees or so are expected to continue for SE and E Central Indiana, most of the southern half of Ohio, and northern Kentucky through Wednesday. Hot and humid weather is expected to persist through Wednesday. Until the widespread power outages have been reduced

significantly, Heat Advisories may be issued based on impact and not heat index criteria alone for the southern half of Ohio, SE Indiana, and northern Kentucky.

Drought: Longer term dryness now leading to "Agricultural Drought" conditions across much of Indiana, Kentucky, and Ohio. Indiana/western KY, and western OH seeing the worst conditions but all areas have been deteriorating rapidly. Areas of "Moderate Drought" have expanded rapidly and "Severe Drought" also expanded from Indiana and western Kentucky eastward. Municipality burn ban/restrictions and fire potential should continue to be monitored, especially with the upcoming July 4th holiday. Transient clusters of storms will locally improve conditions for certain areas, but heavy/widespread rains that would have impact on larger scale drought issues not currently anticipated.

Fire Danger: Dangerous fire weather conditions can come with drought conditions. The region has seen an increase in humidity and decrease in winds since late last week. Wildfire growth conditions should have decreased since last Thursday. Winds will increase again by Wednesday, July 4th. Very dry fine fuels (grasses and shrubs/brush) are expected to continue to be receptive to burning. Many counties/cities/townships have instituted burn bans across Indiana, western Ohio, and parts of Kentucky. This threat for small fires will likely be a daily issue until substantial rain returns to the region.

STATE LEVEL DISASTER ASSISTANCE ACTIONS BY EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION (ESF)

ESF 1 – Transportation

Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)

ODOT continues to restore roadways as power lines are removed. There are two state routes closed due to debris. See www.buckeyetraffic.org for the latest information.

ODOT completed a transport mission for water (18 pallets) from DSCC in Franklin County to the Knox County area. There is another transport mission to Vinton County.

ESF 2 – Communications

MARCS

There are now only 8 voice sites awaiting TELCO repair (earlier today There were 15 sites awaiting repair). Those voice sites are: Five Points, Bradner, Pedro, Rarden, Union Furnace, Athens, White Eyes, Zanesville South.

These 8 sites are available for local radio use only due to the TELCO outage. They cannot be used for communicating out of the range of the tower. Generator fuel top-offs were ordered earlier today for any site that has run any period of time during this event (June 29 thru today) and fuel providers have been reporting delivery confirmation via phone.

There are 57 towers running on generator.

911 Centers Report

All 911 centers are operational.

General Information

A report of critical telephone circuits was sent by the ESF 2 desk to the National Communications System and the FCC for assistance in expediting restoration.

Amateur radio volunteers set up a radio net in Ohio from the SEOC. A relay was conducted from Columbus to Jackson to Ironton to provide an information path.

The National Weather Service transmitter in Otway, Ohio is down. This affects south central Ohio. Restoration of phone and power to the site will be necessary to bring it back online.

ESF 3 – Engineering and Public Works

Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)

ODOT is involved with conducting or supporting six debris removal missions.

Licking County – 3 crews/ 23 people, all roads open, trucks, saws, bucket truck, skid steers. Power restored to facility. 1 Outpost power restored, 2 Outpost does not have emergency power.

Logan County will be assisting the City of Bellefontaine with debris removal. ODOT is providing Bellefontaine with 1 bucket truck, 1 dump truck with chipper, 1 end loader, 4 dump trucks and 13 employees.

Richland County Belleville – ODOT completed the mission this afternoon. Utilized 3 dumps, 8 chippers, 10 crew members and hauled 9 loads of debris.

Hancock County City of Findlay – Currently ODOT has 3 loaders, 2 skid loaders, 1 track-hoe w/grapple bucket and 9 trucks to haul and 18 ODOT personnel operating and gathering brush.

Allen County Lima – Currently ODOT has 1 loader and 2 dumps and 3 operators.

Van Wert Ohio City – Currently ODOT has 1 back-hoe, 1 loader, 4 dumps and 10 ODOT personnel to operate and gather brush

Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR)

ESF-3 has reached out to State Parks, State Wildlife Areas, State Natural Areas and State Forests to see if there is a need for Corrections assistance on debris removal.

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA)

Public Drinking Water:

Ohio EPA continues to monitor Public Water Supplies (PWS) with a Subject Matter Expert (SME) in SEOC. We did reach out through County EMAs on the Director's call today at 1:00p.m., reminding them that any PWS issues be identified to us through the field desk. We provided an

update to the list of PWSs with boil alerts (facilities where at least a portion of their distribution system lost pressure). These will be in effect until samples are analyzed to demonstrate that water is safe for consumption. This list was also provided to ESF-8 desk to advise local health districts.

Debris Management:

Ohio EPA also reached out to County EMAs on the Director's call, reminding them that technical assistance and support on debris missions, including on-site support for siting temporary debris management sites in affected counties where necessary. Otherwise, Ohio EPA continues to coordinate with ESF-3 partners on debris missions as needed.

ESF 6 – Mass Care

Shelter Status Update (As of 1:00p.m.)

There were 10 shelters open reporting 210 overnight stays last night.

County	Location	Type	Population
Allen	Forest Park Methodist Church	Overnight	5
Defiance	First Church of Christ	Overnight	5
Fairfield	Cross Roads Event Center (First UMC)	Overnight	33
Guernsey	City Park Armory	Overnight	1
Hancock	Hancock County Agency on Aging	Overnight	53
Hocking	Central Elementary	Overnight	28
Licking	Cherry Valley Elementary	Overnight	22
Pike	Waverly City Schools	Overnight	3
Scioto	Shawnee State University	Overnight	15
Van Wert	Van Wert High School	Overnight	45

4 shelters are reporting as stand-by/alert status.

County	Location	Status
Delaware	Vineyard Church	Stand-by/Alert
Franklin	Peace Lutheran Church	Stand-by/Alert
Marion	Marion County Red Cross	Stand-by/Alert
Perry	Crooksville High School	Stand-by/Alert

35 cooling centers are currently reported as open with varying hours of operation.

County	Location
Butler	Old Jail Facility
Clinton	Wilmington Municipal Building
Coshocton	Coshocton Red Cross
Darke	Tri-Village Rescue
Darke	EUM Church
Fairfield	Fairfield Red Cross
Franklin	John Bishop Park
Franklin	Dodge Recreation Center
Franklin	Far East Recreation Center
Franklin	Gahanna Senior Center
Gallia	Gallia County Senior Center
Guernsey	Cambridge Senior Center
Guernsey	City Park Armory

Hocking	Laurelville Church of God
Knox	Kenyon Athletic Complex
Knox	Fredericktown Presbyterian Church
Knox	Mt. Vernon Fire Department
Licking	Licking County Aging Center
Licking	West Licking Fire District
Logan	Solid Waste District Office
Marion	Marion Red Cross
Montgomery	Fairhaven Church
Morgan	Morgan County Senior Center
Morrow	Morrow County Senior Center
Muskingum	Christ's Table
Muskingum	Salvation Army
Muskingum	Muskingum County Center for Seniors
Pickaway	Ross County Red Cross
Pickaway	Ashville Public Library
Ross	Ross County Red Cross
Vinton	Vinton County Middle School
Warren	Mason Community Center
Washington	New Matamoras Elem. School
Washington	Waterford High School
Washington	Lookout Park

American Red Cross Feeding Updates

More reports will be available tomorrow on feeding:

- Athens - 60 water, 55 snack
- Vinton - 36 water, 25 soda, 17 snack
- Perry - 30 subway meals
- Hocking - 16 meals
- Licking - 500 meals
- Coshocton - 80 meals, 60 snacks

Ohio Department of Aging (ODA)

ODA is working with Ohio National Guard on the Knock & Talk, checking on elderly during the event. They are mobilizing students to assist as well. This is part of the Wellness Checks. ODA is focusing on western and southeast to meet needs.

The Salvation Army

Coshocton

The Salvation Army Corps located at 219 N. 4th Street, Coshocton, OH has taken in 3 assisted living homes. A total of 25 residents with staff stayed during the day on Sunday and three critical persons stayed overnight.

Marietta

The Salvation Army located at 136 Front St., Marietta, Ohio served 195 meals on Sunday. They will continue to serve food to the community on Monday, July 2.

Newark

The Salvation Army facility at 250 East Main St., Newark, Ohio is operating with their own built -

in generator system. They served dinner on Saturday night, and breakfast, lunch and dinner on Sunday. Approximately 611 people have been served. They are opened as an emergency cooling station and their regular 60 bed homeless shelter is still in full operation

Portsmouth

The Salvation Army is providing feeding from canteen and/or Corps building located at 1001 9th St. as needed.

Van Wert

The Salvation Army provided feeding at middle school shelter on Saturday and Sunday. County EMA has asked canteen to begin mobile hydration to surrounding communities and about possibility of transporting water for farm animals. Salvation Army will begin transporting water to shut-ins and homes in isolated areas on Monday morning, and is looking into potential options for farm animals.

Zanesville

The Salvation Army has partnered with the Red Cross for cots and have set up a shelter in their gym 515 Putnam Ave., Zanesville, OH. They have been established as a cooking and feeding station, serving 3 meals a day to the community. Their regular emergency homeless shelter is still in full operation.

Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS)

ODJFS has reached out to the County Director Association to assist us in identifying the needs of county JFS offices.

Again ODJFS is targeting the heaviest impacted counties due to the limited emergency/disaster relief funding. ODJFS is just beginning to receive request from JFS county directors (approximately 5) this morning as anticipated.

Food Assistance:

ODJFS will be seeking a waiver from the USDA Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) to issue mass food assistance replacements to SNAP recipients in majorly affected counties. This action is being completed in consultation with the 45 affected counties who demonstrated more than 20% power outage as of 12:30 p.m. on July 1, 2012. Benefits to be replaced would be prorated at 15% of the monthly allotment due to the date of the storm within the month. Ultimately, negotiations with FNS may result in a higher threshold of power outage for the mass replacement and/or a lower prorated allotment. However, individuals adversely affected in the remaining counties will continue to follow current policy for replacement benefits to meet their needs. July food assistance benefits are being issued per regular operations.

TANF Emergency Assistance:

ODJFS will be making available TANF funds to provide disaster assistance to eligible families and non-TANF funds to serve eligible elderly or disabled individuals impacted by the recent severe weather. These benefits will be issued locally through the county departments of job and family services (CDJFS) through Disaster-related Prevention, Retention and Contingency (PRC) plans. State staff are consulting with county directors in the impacted counties and working to secure funding. Official guidance to approved counties will be issued.

Ohio Department of Mental Health

ODMH is working with the Department of Aging to coordinate checks of residential care facilities (ACF's) in the declared counties. A spreadsheet of locations has been shared with county behavioral health boards and status information as reported by the Area Agencies on Aging in each region. The ODMH Medical Director prepared an information booklet on heat and psychotropic medications that has gone out to all behavioral health boards for distribution to community providers and to share with residents and identified community recovery sites. The Putnam County board alerted that they have been without power since Friday and their land lines are down.

Ohio VOAD

The Lutheran Disaster Response debris removal team is working in Licking County and Southern Baptists are in Logan County. VOAD is on standby for Franklin Co. debris removal.

ESF 8 – Public Health and Medical Services

Ohio Department of Health (ODH)

Ohio Department of Health (ODH) continues to monitor public health and medical services across the state.

Nine of the 10 nursing homes ODH has been monitoring in Athens and Washington counties have power restored. One home, in Coolville, remains on emergency power. Contact with the administrator this morning indicated there were adequate supplies on hand. ODH continues to monitor Arcadia Nursing Center from the original list of 10 in Washington and Athens Counties. Seven new providers to the monitoring list were added based on reports from the ombudsman, local health department call, and facilities (self-reported). The seven providers are operating under generator power with no resource concerns reported. Three new hotline complaints were received for providers in the Columbus area. Surveyors will go on-site today. These providers will be added to the monitoring list for distribution once on-site surveys commence.

Overall, hospitals have power; Paulding County Hospital is using generators for their air conditioning, but it is on power for all other services. Two hospitals are closed: Waverly UCC, which will possibly reopen today, and the Regency hospital in Columbus. Hospitals in various areas are reporting some communication difficulties, mainly with MARCS radios and some phone systems. Some hospitals are providing shelter for oxygen dependent residents.

Paulding and Knox County Health Departments are closed due to power outages. The Ohio Department of Health facilitated a call with local health departments today at noon. Director Ted Wymyslo led the call. ODH staff from Immunization, Long Term Care and Nursing Homes, Children with Medical Handicaps, Women Infants and Children (WIC), and Environmental Health shared information and public health reminders. Each of the eight public health regional planning regions reported out – and while power outages are severe in some places, and at least two health departments are closed (Paulding and Knox) they are not in need of resources. The affected counties all reported working with their local emergency managers.

ESF 10 – Hazardous Materials

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA)

Ohio EMA reminds counties that any releases from transformers need to be reported to Ohio EPA Spill Hotline at 1-800-282-9378.

ESF 12 – Energy

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO)

As of 3:00 pm on 7/2/12, the following outages are being reported.

AEP: 394,500 (418,000 @ 10:00am on 7/2) Estimated total restoral by 7/8/12

Duke: 3,800 (7,000 @ 10:00am on 7/2). Estimated total restoral by midnight 7/3/12.

- Storms came through this morning and caused more problems
- Mutual assistance assets have arrived and are being deployed
- Estimated restoration time is midnight Tuesday
- More storms are expected tonight

DP&L: 23,000 (31,000 @ 10:00am on 7/2). Estimated total restoral by 7/4/2012.

- Three locations distributing free ice
- Two more being planned
- Requesting County EMAs advise of hazards with generators (CO)

First Energy: 9,400 (34,000 @ 10:00am on 7/2) Estimated total restoral by 7/4/2012

- Mansfield restoral time 11pm, 7/1
- Marion/Springfield restoral time 11pm 7/2

Ohio Cooperatives: 57,800 (66,000 @ 10:00am on 7/2) no estimated restoral time

Total Outages for Ohio: 488,500 (527,000 @ 10:00am on 7/2)

Note: Totals reflect the impact of both storm systems which hit Ohio on 6/29/12 and 7/1/12.
A difference of 38,500

Petroleum sector issues:

Lima product terminal and Marietta product terminal lost power as a result of the storms that rolled through Ohio the afternoon of June 29. Those facilities had power restored on July 1st by 5:30p.m. and 8:00p.m., respectively.

Additionally, two additional product terminals have been impacted at Heath and Canton, believed to be as a result of the additional storm that passed through on July 1st. The Heath product terminal has been restored to power as of 10:30am on July 2nd, and the Canton product terminal is continuing to be assessed.

ESF 14 – Recovery

Ohio Emergency Management Agency

ESF 14 continues to monitor the event. The Disaster Recovery Branch will actively begin working damage assessment for the public assistance side beginning the week of July 9.

ESF 15 – Emergency Public Information and External Affairs

Press Release #8 on open burning was sent out today. Press release #9 will be sent today concerning boil alerts.

The Joint Information Center has reached out to State Fire Marshal's Office regarding fire safety during the Fourth of July Holiday.

Fusion Center will continue with the social media from 8 am until 11 pm for the rest of the week to include Wednesday.

Message on food safety went out via twitter since anyone who has lost power since Friday will need to dispose of food.

Public inquiry calls are being diverted to the JIC concerning clarify the assistance FEMA is providing with generators and water and other random calls, which resulted in 40 public inquiries calls fielded by the JIC.

Six news interviews were conducted by the joint information center. One is scheduled for 7:00 a.m. with CNN.

OTHER AGENCY REPORTS

Board of Regents

Six University System of Ohio institutions remain closed today. All closures are due to power conditions, not damage issues. The institutions closed are:

Ohio State University – Lima Branch
Ohio State University – Newark Branch
Rhodes State College
Central Ohio Technical College
Hocking College
Rio Grande Community College

No additional damage is being reported as a result of the severe storms on July 1. Shawnee State University, in cooperation with Scioto County EMA, is operating a community shelter at their James A. Rhodes Athletic Facility. Ohio University continues to provide generators to the community through the Athens County EMA.

The Board of Regents sent a letter to all University System of Ohio presidents in an effort to increase the knock-and-talk efforts for Ohio at-risk populations.

BRIEFING/SITREP DATA

All agencies should email their briefing reports for the daily Situation Report by 2:30 p.m. to: eocassmt@dps.state.oh.us.

The next CAS-2 briefing is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 3, 2012.