



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 3, 2012

Information in this Situation Report is current as of 5:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 3, 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 Wednesday, July 4.**

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

FATALITIES

There is one confirmed storm-related fatality for this incident: 70-year-old female reported as a confirmed fatality in Muskingum County due to a barn collapse affected by the June 29th storm.

Two unconfirmed fatalities involving two separate motorcycle accidents during the time of the storm have been reported; one in Clark County and one in Allen County. The Clark County accident was determined not to be storm-related, the other is still being investigated. Another unconfirmed fatality in Licking County involving an elderly male may have been heat-related, but no other information was available at the time of this report.

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 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 3:00 p.m., there were 329,000 homes and businesses without power throughout the state, down from 488,500 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 8:02 p.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 (27) – Allen, Athens, Clark, Coshocton, Fairfield, Franklin, Gallia, Guernsey, Hancock, Hardin, Highland, Hocking, Lawrence, Licking, Logan, Marion, 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

Thunderstorm Potential: The chance for thunderstorms will continue across the region Tuesday, July 3rd through Thursday, July 5th. Severe thunderstorms will be possible Tuesday across northern Ohio. Elsewhere across the region the severe threat is isolated. The main threats will be wind and large hail. Isolated severe threats will also be possible on Wednesday with storms that develop. The main threats will again be wind and large hail.

Heat: Hot and humid weather will continue through Thursday resulting in continued elevated heat index values. Air temperatures in the 90s can be expected through Thursday, July 5th. Heat indices in the middle 90s to around 100 degrees are expected to continue for the region through Thursday. Until the widespread power outages have been reduced significantly, Heat Advisories may be issued based on impact and not heat index criteria alone for portions of central and southern Ohio.

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

ESF 1 – Transportation

Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)

ODOT continues to work on debris clearing missions along state system routes and is restoring roadways as power lines are removed. ODOT currently identifies 10 roadways closed, 3 restricted and 4 rest areas closed. As always the latest updates are available by checking www.buckeyetraffic.org.

ODOT has accepted a water transport mission from Kroger in Delaware and is in the process of delivering to the Miamisburg Senior Center (Montgomery County). This mission should be completed by 5:00 p.m. today.

ESF 2 – Communications

MARCS

Currently there are 10 towers in site trunking (8 voice sites and 2 data sites). Since this morning 5 sites have been restored to the network.

A total of 35 sites are operating on generator power (3 sites have regained commercial power since the 10:00 briefing). Fuel contractors are reporting that fuel tanks are at least 60% full. This enough fuel for the tower sites to operate for approximately 1 week based on current load requirements.

ESF 3 – Engineering and Public Works

ESF-3 is currently managing debris missions in Allen, Logan, Hancock, Licking, and Van Wert Counties.

Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)

Allen - ODOT continues to work missions in Allen Co. with 1 backhoe, 1 loader w/grapple, 5 dumps and 6 personnel.

Logan - By the end of the day today we will have cleared debris from a total 16 city blocks in Bellefontaine. Removing hanging limbs, chipping and loading/hauling away debris. Assets include bucket truck, 1 dump truck and chipper, 1 front end loader, 4 dump trucks, 14 employees.

Hancock - ODOT continues to work Findlay Debris mission in Hancock County. Equipment used 1 skid loader w/grapple, 1 track hoe w/grapple 4 dumps and 16 personnel. Also providing one bucket truck.

Licking - ODOT Licking County- 3 crews / 22 people – Power restored to 1 Outpost , 2 Outpost no power, Trucks, saws, skid steers, bucket truck, chippers.

Van Wert - ODOT Van Wert Ohio City Debris - Currently ODOT has 1 back-hoe, 1 loader, 4 dumps and 10 ODOT personnel to operate and gather brush. ODOT will assist to remove woody debris from the curbside from the following villages: Convoy State Route (SR) 49 and 12 streets; Middlepoint, 30 streets; and Scott 12 streets. They have exhausted their local resources. Contact was made with JR Jerkins and a contract will be established for a TG400 tub grinder and operator directly.

Clark County / City of Springfield & Springfield Township - The City of Springfield and Springfield Township have both requested use of ODOT chippers. Montgomery County currently has a chipper en route to the City of Springfield and Darke County will be delivering a chipper Thursday morning

Lawrence - ODOT will support the 2 chippers from District 9

Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR)

ODNR is currently working with Ohio Department of Corrections (ODRC) on crews to help with Debris at Hocking Hills, Lake Hope, Lake Alma, Forked Run and Salt Fork State Parks starting after the 4th of July.

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA)

EPA has a subject-matter expert in the SEOC coordinating outreach and support to affected Public Water System (PWS) facilities. There are several boil alerts ongoing for facilities that lost pressure in their distribution system, including Muskingum Co., Crooksville in Perry Co., Leax in Athens Co., and Highland Co. Any water system that has lines in their distribution system that become depressurized will issue boil alert for that specific service area, so we may see more boil alerts before power is restored to all facilities.

Ohio EPA current drinking water advisories for June 29, 2012 storm event are available at <http://wwwapp.epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/Advisories/advisories.html>. This list will be updated the morning and afternoon of 7/3/12 and not on 7/4/12. The list will be updated in the morning of 7/5/12.

ESF 6 – Mass Care

Shelter Status Update (As of 1300 hours)

13 shelters open reporting an afternoon population of 175.

County	Location	Type	Population
Defiance	First Church of Christ	Overnight	5
Fairfield	Cross Roads Event Center (First UMC)	Overnight	23
Franklin	Peace Lutheran Church	Overnight	2
Guernsey	Prichard Laughlin Civic Center	Overnight	0
Hocking	Central Elementary	Overnight	35
Lawrence	First Baptist Church of Ironton	Overnight	2
Lawrence	Chesapeake Nazarene Church	Overnight	0
Licking	Cherry Valley Elementary	Overnight	29
Muskingum	Salvation Army	Overnight	2
Perry	Crooksville High School	Overnight	30
Pike	Waverly City Schools	Overnight	4
Scioto	Shawnee State University	Overnight	19
Van Wert	Van Wert High School	Overnight	24
		TOTAL	175

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

County	Location	Status
Delaware	Vineyard Church	Stand-by/Alert
Marion	Marion County Red Cross	Stand-by/Alert

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

County	Location
Clinton	Wilmington Municipal Building
Coshocton	Coshocton Senior Center
Coshocton	Coshocton Red Cross
Darke	Tri-Village Rescue
Franklin	John Bishop Park
Franklin	Dodge Recreation Center
Franklin	Far East Recreation Center
Franklin	Gahanna Senior Center
Franklin	Worthington Community Center
Franklin	Dublin Community Center
Franklin	Bexley Public Library
Franklin	Madison Twp. Community Center
Franklin	Plain Twp. Fire Department
Gallia	Gallia County Health Department
Gallia	Gallia County Senior Center
Guernsey	Faith United Methodist Church
Guernsey	Lore Community Center

County	Location
Guernsey	Liberty Vol. Fire Department
Guernsey	Senecaville Fire Department
Guernsey	Antrim Vol. Fire Department
Guernsey	Cambridge Senior Center
Hancock	Hancock County Humane Society
Hardin	Hardin County Community Building
Knox	Knox County Salvation Army
Lawrence	South Point Fire Department
Licking	Licking County Aging Center
Licking	West Licking Fire District
Logan	Bellefontaine YMCA
Marion	Marion Red Cross
Montgomery	Miamisburg Senior Adult Center
Montgomery	Kettering Recreation Complex
Montgomery	Vandalia Recreation Center
Montgomery	Greater Dayton Recreation Center
Montgomery	Lohrey Recreation Center and Belmont Pool
Montgomery	Northwest Recreation Center
Montgomery	Moraine Payne Recreation Center
Montgomery	Moraine Civic Center
Morgan	Morgan County Senior Center
Morrow	Morrow County Senior Center
Muskingum	Christ's Table
Muskingum	Muskingum County Center for Seniors
Paulding	Village of Payne Fire Department
Paulding	Paulding County EMA
Pickaway	Pickaway County Red Cross
Pickaway	Ashville Public Library
Ross	Ross County Red Cross
Shelby	Sidney Middle School
Vinton	Vinton County Middle School
Warren	Mason Community Center

ESF-6 Mission Report

ESF-6 has been coordinating efforts with LifeCare Alliance to provide volunteers for delivery of meals. There has been an increased need for delivery due to power outages and not being able to leave additional meals with residents. Today, the Ohio National Guard dispatched 24 teams of 2 people to provide delivery services for the Meals on Wheels program. There have been 8 additional volunteers coordinated from Ohio VOAD and Catholic Columbus Diocese through ESF-6 that are onsite assisting. ESF-6 has coordinated with several entities to contact 614-444-MEAL to volunteer. The Director of LifeCare Alliance, Chuck Gehring has reported that they have received an overwhelming response with volunteers willing to come out to assist through the weekend. ESF-6 will continue to receive reports daily to ensure needs are being met.

Ohio Department of Aging

The Ohio Department of Aging and Ohio Department of Health developed and distributed tool kits to provider organizations (e.g., senior centers, home delivered meal providers) to use in their outreach efforts. The kit includes: general safety fact sheet, information on power outages and private water/sewer systems, a door hanger with heat safety information and CDC brochure with heat safety information.

State Ombudsman office heard from someone from out of town whose grandmother was out of communication. Staff went to the woman's house and identified need for help. Request was made to Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) for an assessment for services. Individual is blind, in her 90's, living alone. *Knock and talk* is working. State Ombudsman office received confirmation of a wellness check in Lawrence County. On Saturday, they contacted the sheriff after a woman's daughter (in the military in Utah) called because she couldn't reach her mother and uncle (disabled veteran). Both were fine.

ODAge staff researched information about replacement medications and forwarded information to JIC today.

Two long-term care facilities were reported to ODH by the Ombudsman yesterday and ODH is monitoring. One facility was having a large generator installed. Some residents relocated. ODAge staff is putting the word out about LifeCare Alliance's need for delivering meals starting on Tues. 7/3 through Sunday 7/8.

ODAge continues to monitor aging networks needs and response to the emergency. The AAAs and the providers we have had contact with report that they are checking in on their clients and are delivering services (e.g., home delivered meals, transportation). At this point in time those that we have contacted have not had issues with fuel.

OSU students will be heading out with the guard for "knock and talk" today. National Church Residences identified a list of low income senior congregate sites without power. Those have been passed along to EMA.

Autumn Health Care (nursing home) in Newark has residents in hall with fans. The generators not strong enough to run air conditioning units. Using flashlights for restrooms. State Ombudsman communicated issue to ODH.

State Ombudsman making visits to Fairfield County group homes that could not be reached by phone. ODMH is also trying to make contact

Ohio Department of Mental Health

ODMH had received a report that Fairfield County communications were down and were concerned about the adult care facilities in the county. Working with the Fairfield County EMA and ODAg, ODMH was able to contact several of the sites. Bill Gilliam Operations Director related that they are actively contacting all of the group homes, nursing facilities and residential sites. Bill said that they are making contacts wherever they have information. A list of the sites and contact information was provided to the Fairfield County EMA.

Beverly Laubert at Aging is working through the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) Ombudsman Deb Moore to make contact with residents. Residential State Supplement (RSS) Administrator Ellie Jazi also contacted Fairfield County sites and confirmed with operators they are safe and have no issue at Dalan House, and Stimmels. Terry Russell, director Ohio Adult Care Facility was also contacted and reported they've initiated there Alert program for sites and that operators are reporting any issues to their office.

Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS)

ODJFS is making available TANF and non-TANF funds to the counties most severely impacted by the severe weather, as determined by the degree of power outage that occurred. Forty-five counties had at least a 20% power outage as of 12:30 p.m. on July 1, 2012 reported through the Ohio Emergency Management Agency.

The 45 counties are: Allen, Athens, Auglaize, Belmont, Brown, Butler, Champaign, Clermont, Clinton, Coshocton, Fairfield, Franklin, Gallia, Greene, Guernsey, Hamilton, Hancock, Highland, Hocking, Jackson, Knox, Lawrence, Licking, Logan, Meigs, Mercer, Miami, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Paulding, Perry, Pike, Preble, Putnam, Ross, Scioto, Shelby, Van Wert, Vinton, Warren, Washington, and Wyandot.

Due to the extent of the declaration and the limited funding available, the initial amount for each county has been reduced from prior disaster programs. Each of the 45 counties will be allocated **\$30,000 in TANF funds** to provide disaster assistance to eligible families and **\$7,500 in non-TANF funds** to serve eligible elderly or disabled individuals impacted by this weather. ODJFS will monitor utilization closely and possibly adjust amounts based on identified need.

ESF 8 – Public Health and Medical Services

Ohio Department of Health (ODH)

ODH is currently working two mission requests, both in Van Wert County. ODH continues to coordinate with the Ohio National Guard, Department of Aging, and Ohio EMA in regards to the feasibility of conducting Health and Welfare Safety interviews in the Village of Scott (population of 400+). An alert for Medical Reserve Corp volunteers (nurses, RNs, LPNs and EMT) to perform basic health assessment and first aid services for the ARC shelter was sent out to all the local coordinators in the northwest Ohio region.

Twenty-eight (28) long-term care providers were identified for monitoring during the power outages. ODH Division of Quality Assurance continues to monitor 16 providers who remain without power. Four heat-related complaints have been received at the ODH provider complaint hotline, which have resulted in on-site inspections.

ODH Division of Quality Assurance is preparing information regarding the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) 1135 waiver process.

The ODH Surveillance group reports that since Friday (6/29) Ohio has observed 19 emergency department visits related to carbon monoxide exposure/poisoning. It's unclear if these visits are related to the use of generators due to power outages since there is not enough statistical trending data available at this time.

Ohio National Guard (ONG)

The Ohio National Guard conducted Knock and Talk operations in various sites in Franklin County today. 181 ONG personnel knocked on the doors of 2,250 residences, making 34 referrals and no 911 calls. ONG also worked with LifeCare Alliance to deliver meals and fans to those in need.

ESF 12 – Energy

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO)

As of 3:00 p.m., approximately 329,966 outages remain in Ohio.

AEP

- Approximately 289,000 outages as of 3:00 p.m.
- 391,000 (58%) so far have been restored
- Central Ohio (Franklin, Delaware, and Licking Counties) has approximately 122,000
- Franklin County has approximately 89,000 customer outages
- 95 % restoration estimated by Saturday (7/7); remaining 5%, approximately 3,400 customers, have unknown location and restoration date
- AEP recently released a ‘Media Advisory’
- Due to transmission system constraints caused by ongoing high temperatures and current transmission system outages. AEP Ohio has implemented emergency operating procedures in the greater Columbus metropolitan area.
- AEP Ohio is asking all customers in the Columbus area to conserve electricity this afternoon from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

DP&L

- Approximately 5,200 outages remain
- Continue to be ahead of schedule; surpassed 95% restoration goal this morning; expect 100% restoration by Thursday (7/5) evening
- All local cooling centers have power and DP&L have provided 6 free ice stations
- No critical facilities impacted

Duke

- 100% of storm status outages were restored by 4:30 am Tuesday, July 3

FirstEnergy

- Approximately 6,000 outages remain
- Slight increase from afternoon storms across the northeastern portion of the state
- Majority of remaining outages to be restored by Wednesday evening

Rural Electric Cooperatives

- Approximately 29,000 outages remain
- The majority of outages are projected to be restored by July 5. The Southeast corner of Ohio will be restored by Friday, July 6.

- Currently, there are three substations out-of-service within the service territory of the Ohio rural electric cooperatives, impacting a total of 2450 customers. These include:
 - Substation: Autoville
 - County: Putnam
 - Costumers Impacted: ~ 600
 - Estimated Restoration Date: July 15th
 - Substation: Miller City
 - County: Putnam
 - Customers Impacted: ~ 1,150
 - Estimated Restoration Date: No estimate available
 - Substation: Latty
 - County: Paulding
 - Customers Impacted: ~ 700
 - Estimated Restoration Date: July 6th

All of the above listed substations are served by AEP transmission lines. The customers within the areas have been notified of the estimated restoration times

Summary of outages in Ohio:

Provider/Service Territory	Outage	Outage (%)	Total Members
AEP Ohio	284,200	19.50%	1,457,643
Dayton Power & Light	5,173	1.00%	516,739
Duke Energy Ohio	239	0.03%	702,164
FirstEnergy	11,761	0.57%	2,068,078
Ohio Rural Electric Cooperatives	28,593	7.58%	377,345
Total	329,966		5,121,969

ESF 15 – Emergency Public Information and External Affairs

The Joint Information Center (JIC) has sent out two more press releases: 1. BWC – Caution on hiring repair companies. 2. Insurance – Claim Tips. The JIC continues to receive calls from people who do not receive ODJFS help currently, but are looking for funds to reimburse for food or generators, etc. Reporters continue to request information on the student wellness check. Questions are being diverted to Jennifer Seidel of Dept. of Aging. There has been interest from national press such as USA Today and CBS Evening News, both asking for number of cooling stations and status of outages.

The JIC will be staffed tomorrow from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

OTHER AGENCY REPORTS

Board of Regents

One University System of Ohio institution, Hocking College, remains closed today due to lack of power. All other institutions are operating normally.

Shawnee State University continues to operate a community shelter at their James A. Rhodes Athletic Facility.

Ohio University (Athens) continues to provide generators to the community through the Athens County EMA.

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. Wednesday, July 4, 2012.