



**STATE OF OHIO**  
**Emergency Operations Center**  
**SITUATION REPORT**

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Governor John Kasich  
**FROM:** Ohio Emergency Management Agency  
**SUBJECT:** Franklin County Nitrate Response – June 2015  
**DATE:** June 15, 2015

This is the Situation Report for Monday, June 15, 2015. Information is current as of 4:15 p.m.

**INCIDENT SYNOPSIS**

On Tuesday, June 9, 2015, the Columbus Division of Water issued a nitrate advisory for certain populations receiving water from the Dublin Road Water Plant. The identified population included infants below the age of six months and or individuals that are pregnant or are breastfeeding. The advisory will remain in effect until further notice. The affected area includes portions of west, central, and southwest Columbus, as well as Grandview Heights, Grove City, Hilliard, Lincoln Village, Marble Cliff, Upper Arlington, Urbancrest, and Valleyview. On Wednesday, June 10, 2015, the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) was partially activated. The scheduled hours of operation are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Ohio EMA has coordinated with the Ohio Department of Transportation and the Ohio Department of Health to deliver bottled water for local distribution. The Ohio EMA remains in contact with the Ohio Department of Health, Ohio EPA, local public health, officials from the city of Columbus, and the Franklin County EMA to ensure there are no unmet needs.

As of June 15<sup>th</sup>, the nitrate level still remains above the advisory level. A table of sample results reported by the Columbus Department of Public Utilities is provided below (all readings in mg/L):

	6/8/2015	6/9/2015	6/10/2015	6/11/2015	6/12/2015	6/15/2015
Finished Water Dublin Road Plant	10.8	11.7	10.7	11.4	11.8	10.5*
Raw Water into Plant	11.9	12.0	12.0	11.7	12.7	11.0*
Griggs Reservoir	12.0	12.0	12.7	12.3	Not Available**	Not Available**
O'Shaughnessy Dam	14.0	14.6	15.1	13.2	Not Available**	Not Available**

\* Preliminary results (verification anticipated by June 16<sup>th</sup> report).

\*\* Sample collection not completed due to Lab re-certification.

**LOCAL ACTIONS**

The two points of distribution (PODs) that have been managed by Columbus Public Health (CPH) and Franklin County Public Health (FCPH) will have ceased operations at 6:00 p.m. today (June 15<sup>th</sup>). Identification of water needs will be served through the 211 system and through partners that serve populations most likely to be in need (WIC, Food Pantries, Community Resources Centers, etc.). Both CPH and FCPH are coordinating local public information messaging regarding the use of 211 as an entry point for those who need water.

As of this report, summary water distribution information is as follows:

	<b>Received</b>	<b>Distributed</b>	<b>On-hand</b>
<b>Columbus Public Health (CPH)</b>	6/8 – 14 6/9 – 12 6/11 – 15 <b>Total: 41</b>	22.5 pallets at POD 8 pallets to WIC centers	POD: 10.5 pallets WIC: 6 pallets
<b>Franklin County Public Health (FCPH)</b>	6/8 – 6 6/9 – 25 6/10 – 19 6/11-12 6/12 – 19 6/14 – 1 6/15 – 34 <b>Total: 116</b>	67 pallets at POD 35 pallets to partners for distribution	14 pallets

Franklin County Emergency Management and local public health continues to estimate needs for additional bottled water and make resource requests as needed. At this time, no county resource requests are anticipated for Tuesday (June 16<sup>th</sup>).

**STATE ACTIONS**

The State of Ohio has coordinated the delivery of 157 total pallets of water to support the response to this event.

**SITREP DATA/BRIEFING**

This is the fourth Situation Report for this incident.

**HOURS OF OPERATION**

The State EOC Assessment Room will close at 5:00 p.m. today and will open at 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, to continue monitoring and coordination efforts for this incident.