



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 22, 2015

This is the Situation Report for Monday, June 22, 2015. Information is current as of 2:30 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 vulnerable population includes infants below the age of six months and individuals that are pregnant or are breastfeeding. The advisory was renewed and 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 to support information sharing and response coordination. The scheduled hours of operation for nitrate continue to be 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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

As of June 22^h, the nitrate level in finished water has fallen below the advisory level threshold. A table of sample results reported by the Columbus Department of Public Utilities is provided below (all readings in mg/L):

	6/18/2015	6/19/2015	6/20/2015	6/21/2015	6/22/2015
Finished Water Dublin Road Plant	9.0	9.4	7.8	5.2	4.9
Raw Water into Plant	11.0	5.1	5.0	4.7	4.7

The advisory was lifted by Columbus Public Utilities shortly after 1pm on Monday, June 22.

LOCAL ACTIONS

The 2-1-1 system continues to be the contact point for citizens who need water. One call for assistance was received from the weekend through the time of this report.

Franklin County Public Health will be working with Franklin County EMA on a plan for the demobilization of palletized water that was not distributed during the event. Franklin County EMA will coordinate any support requests through Ohio EMA.

STATE ACTIONS

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

SITREP DATA/BRIEFING

This is the ninth Situation Report for this incident.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Ohio EMA preparedness program staff continues to coordinate nitrate information and response during normal business hours.

Approved by: Andrew D. Elder, Preparedness Chief