



STATE OF OHIO

Emergency Operations Center

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: June 30, 2012

Information in this Situation Report is current as of 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 30, 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.

An initial CAS-1 briefing was held at 9:00 p.m. on June 29, 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 Sunday, July 1.**

This is the first Situation Report for this incident. The SEOC Assessment Room will be staffed 24 hours through Sunday, July 1, 2012 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.

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 State Emergency

Operations Center continues to monitor conditions, and coordinate statewide response, working with state, local and federal partners.

As of mid-afternoon, approximately 984,206 homes and businesses are without power throughout the state, up 27,291 outages from earlier this morning.

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

DECLARATIONS

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

County (17) – Athens, Clark, Fairfield, Gallia, Guernsey, Hancock, Highland, Lawrence, Licking, Meigs, Monroe, Noble, Paulding, Putnam, Ross, Van Wert, and Washington.

Local (8) –

Village of Ottawa & Columbus Grove (Putnam County)

Village of Roseville & Shawnee (Perry County)

Village of Forest (Hardin County)

Village of Benton Ridge (Hancock County)

Village of Aberdeen (Brown County)

City of Bellefontaine (Logan County)

WEATHER

Weather Forecast

A few showers and storms are still possible this evening in southern Ohio. There is a slight risk for severe weather tonight. If storms can become severe, damaging winds would be the biggest threat this evening. A few storms are possible along the Ohio River for tomorrow once again with temperatures in the low 90s across the state. There is a better chance for thunderstorms on Monday some of those storms could once again produce some damaging wind gusts. Temperatures will cool slightly by mid to late next week with another chance of storms on the 4th of July.

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

ESF 1 – Transportation

Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)

Debris removal missions continue in areas where power lines are not restricting this action. ODOT currently show 25 closures of secondary routes which can be viewed on www.buckeyetraffic.org.

Two mission requests are completed today: Union County to provide Detour signs on US 33. The second mission, DMS signs in Richland on IS 71 at SR 97, was cancelled as power was restored as crews were mobilizing for the request.

No pending outside agency requests at this time. ODOT will continue to clear on system roadways until all are restored.

ESF-1 has accepted two new missions:

- Provide chippers to Lawrence County (District 9)
- Debris removal support in Findlay (District 1)

ESF 2 – Communications

2-1-1 Center

All 27 regional 211 centers are operational.

Seventy-six MARCS towers are on generator power. Fuel should last for 2-3 days. There are teams filling tanks; 17 towers are in site trunking due to T1 outages. While in site trunking, communications will be limited to local range of the towers.

Franklin County's BSSA vehicle provided 12 MARCS radio cache and returned to Columbus. Marion is operating on MARCS and its own system (when it is operating). A talk-group, Ecomm-21, is set aside for Marion County to communicate with SEOC and general use comm desk.

Cellular Service

Verizon reports 5 towers out in the entire state with minimal impact. Locations are unknown.

Verizon is establishing charging centers in Athens, Defiance, St. Clairsville, and Parkersburg, WV, which will serve Marietta.

ESF 3 – Engineering and Public Works

Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR)

Power is restored to both Deer Creek and Lake Loramie State Parks. South Eastern ODNR assets still remain without power.

ODNR Forestry cleared all primitive camping sites. Forestry reports minimal damages.

It is estimated that the majority of services offered in the state parks facilities will run out in a soon due to the lack of power. At this point none of the facilities have been identified as critical for life support or health and safety issues.

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA)

Agency personnel from the Public Drinking Water program are in contact with affected facilities to provide advice and technical support to prepare for potential depressurization in case they run out of fuel or the elevated storage tanks run out.

The city of Athens Public Water System is back at full capacity. Power is restored to the area surrounding the Polk Hollow booster station in Ross County. No report provided on the village of Aberdeen public water system. A mission request has been submitted for generator.

A few counties have reported some open burning of debris. EPA coordinated with agency PIO on news release for proper disposal through local EMA.

EPA subject matter experts will coordinate and provide technical support with debris management workgroup.

ESF 4 – Fire

State Fire Marshal's Office (SFM)

SFM has reached out through EMAs and Fire Response Plan partners regarding concerns of water supplies for firefighting. No concerns are reported at this time.

ESF 6 – Mass Care

American Red Cross

Shelter Status Update as of 6/30/12

County	Location	Type	Population
Allen	Liberty Elementary School	Overnight	0
Allen	Forest Park United Methodist Church	Overnight	0
Guernsey	City Park Armory	Overnight	1
Hancock	Hancock County Agency on Aging	Overnight	15
Hardin	Hardin County Community Building	Overnight	0
Logan	Masonic Temple	Overnight	0
Montgomery	Fairhaven Church	Overnight	0
Scioto	Shawnee State University	Overnight	0
Van WERT	Van Wert High School	Overnight	1

Cooling Centers – 27 cooling centers currently being 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
Fairfield	Fairfield Red Cross
Franklin	John Bishop Park
Franklin	Dodge Recreation Center
Franklin	Far East Recreation 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
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
Muskingum	Christ's Table
Muskingum	Salvation Army
Muskingum	Muskingum County Center for Seniors
Pickaway	Ross County Red Cross
Pickaway	Ashville Public Library
Vinton	Vinton County Middle School
Washington	New Matamoras Elem. School

Ohio Department of Aging

ODA has reached out to their local offices and have not received any requests for assistance.

Ohio VOAD

Ohio VOAD is currently delivering a generator to a food bank in Noble County that does not have power and is at risk of losing perishable food items.

Ohio Department of Job and Family Services

ODJFS has indicated that they have limited emergency funding available and would only be able to assist in the hardest impacted areas if assistance was requested.

Ohio Department of Mental Health (ODMH)

The Department of Mental Health Hospital Appalachian Behavioral Healthcare in Athens, Ohio, has a 650 gallon fuel tank capacity for their generator. ODMH has made arrangements with the hospital site in Columbus Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare to transfer 150 gallons of diesel fuel to ABH for their generator. This is a short term resolution and ODMH will coordinate with DAS for longer termed fuel needs. County ADAMHS Boards (Alcohol Drug Addiction Mental Health Services Boards) have been contacted regarding the incident to alert providers in working with consumers in the local community.

Salvation Army (SA)

SA is currently providing canteen services at the shelter located in Van Wert County.

ESF 8 – Public Health and Medical Services

Ohio Department of Health (ODH)

ODH has requested an updated bed count from hospitals across the state. The agency continues to distribute information to Local Health Departments regarding this event.

ODH is coordinating with Ohio Hospital Association on possible support needed in Southeast Ohio.

ESF 9 – Search & Rescue

Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR)

Blue Rock State Park (Muskingum County) in Blue Rock has evacuated all campers and visitors to the facility and is to be considered closed at this point.

ESF 12 – Energy

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO)

As of 4:00 pm today, utilities report the following outage updates:

Duke has 65,000 customer outages. Restoral time is still estimated to be multi- day, but is expecting better estimates by tonight.

AEP has 595,000 homes and businesses without power, with 208,000 of those are in the Columbus area. Restoral estimate is multi-day.

DP&L has 85,000 homes and businesses without power. Restoral time is multi-day, but will have a better estimate this evening. All 15 known cooling areas now have power.

First Energy (Ohio Edison in Springfield and Mansfield) has a total 18,000 without power: 10,000 in Springfield and 5,000 in Mansfield.

ESF 13 – Law Enforcement

Ohio State Highway Patrol

As a follow up to an inquiry about 911 Center backups, OSHP reports each county has a backup 911 site. There is also a 911 Resolution Center (1-877-888-5622 or 1-888-243-1911), and/or the OSHP Communications Center available to assist in the District 6 area for emergency situations.

OSHP reports some state routes still closed and one oversized load standing by for the power company to remove downed power lines in Champaign County.

The Patrol is coordinating with PUCO to get Rural Cooperative repair trucks from PA to OH and WV to assist with power restoration.

ESF 15 – Emergency Public Information and External Affairs

Ohio Emergency Management Agency

Four press releases have been issued from the State Joint Information Center (JIC). In addition a variety of media interviews have been conducted highlighting the efforts of the State Emergency Operations Center.

Governor John R. Kasich, General Ashenurst, Ohio National Guard (ONG), and Nancy Dragani, Ohio EMA, were interviewed today by Channel 10TV on the efforts related to the request for an Emergency Declaration and the ONG program to check on the elderly.

The JIC is working with ODH, Aging and ONG on talking points that will be used during and in the response to the elderly welfare checks.

Twitter continues to be a source of both information gathering and dissemination of emerging topics and issues. Follow @Ohio_EMA and use hash tags #severeweather #OHwx.

The Joint Information Center will be activated at 8:00 a.m. tomorrow.

OTHER AGENCY REPORTS

Ohio Board of Regents

Two institutions, OSU Newark/COTC and OSU Lima/Rhodes State, both remain closed today.

OSU's Don Scott Field airport reports major damage. Damage includes an overturned aircraft, major damage to animal barns at the nearby farm operations area, and other damage to hangars and airport operations buildings.

Ohio University reports it was able to provide a 1.5 M watt generator to the Athens water treatment plant. The generator is operational and the plant is operating on generator power.

Ohio National Guard

The Ohio National Guard (ONG) is currently working on 2 missions. The wellness mission is being planned in conjunction with the county EMA's where soldiers will be conducting the checks. The logistical mission is being planned in conjunction with ESF 7 and FEMA's agreement with Defense Supply Center Columbus, (DSCC).

Private Sector Outreach

The State Emergency Operations Center Private Sector coordinated with Wal-Mart to locate closed Wal-Mart and Sam's Club stores and with Wal-Mart and Target on fulfilling resource requests.

BRIEFING/SITREP DATA

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

The next CAS-2 briefing is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Sunday, July 1, 2012.