



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: July 4, 2012

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

This is the fifth 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 have been reported; one in Allen County involving a motorcyclist and one in Licking County involving an elderly male. These two are neither confirmed deaths, nor has it been determined that they are directly storm- or heat-related. A Clark County motorcycle accident that occurred on Friday during the storm was determined not to be storm-related.

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 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 approximately 209,000 homes and businesses without power throughout the state, down from 329,000 outages from yesterday's report.

State-level agencies are responding to open missions related to debris removal, water/ice delivery and distribution, and generators to maintain functioning infrastructure.

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 Wednesday, July 4th through Thursday, July 5th. Additional thunderstorm activity will be possible across the region Saturday July 7th into Saturday night. At least an isolated severe thunderstorm threat will be possible Wednesday and Thursday across the region. The main threats will be wind and large hail. The greatest severe weather threat for Wednesday will be across northeastern Ohio. The greatest threat on Thursday will be across southern Ohio, northern Kentucky, and southeast Indiana.

Heat: Hot and humid weather will continue through Saturday resulting in continued elevated heat index values. Air temperatures in the 90s to around 100 can be expected through Saturday, July 7th. Heat index values will also be in the 90s to around 100 degrees through Saturday. 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)

All primary roadways are open in the state, we are showing 8 roadways as closed with 3 restricted, all of which can be monitored at www.buckeyetraffic.org.

ODOT completed a water transport mission from Delaware County to Noble County overnight, transporting 3 pallets from Nutter Farms Lane in Delaware to Faith Baptist Church in Belle Valley, Ohio.

ODOT has five more water transport missions that it is working on in coordination with ESF-7 Logistics and Resource Support. FEMA will also be assisting in efforts. Water will be transported from DSCC in Columbus to Guernsey, Van Wert, Washington, Marion, and Montgomery counties. ODOT is mobilizing forces for the transport.

ESF 2 – Communications

ESF 2 has completed the mission request for MARCS radios in Washington County requested by the County EMA office to communicate with local power co-op workers. Ohio EMA has deployed a 12 radio cache of handheld radios and 6 portable chargers to Washington County 0800 July 4. They arrived at 10:30 am

MARCS System Report:

Currently there are 6 towers in site trunking (5 voice sites and 1 data sites) A total of 33 sites are operating on generator. The five sites are: Five Points(Perry County), Union Furnace (Vinton County), Athens (Athens County), White Eyes (Coshocton County), Zanesville South (Muskingum County).

ESF 3 – Engineering and Public Works

ESF-3 is currently managing debris missions in Allen, Logan, Licking, Hancock, Van Wert counties. The Muskingum County mission will begin after the holiday. Missions for chippers are ongoing in Clark, Lawrence, and Gallia counties.

Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)

- Allen - 1 back hoe, 1 skid loader w/grapple, 4 dump trucks, 6 personnel. All counties 0 crews working and on call for the Holiday break.
- Logan - Crews on call for the Holiday break.
- Licking - Crews on call for the Holiday break.
- Hancock - ODOT District 1 continues to be on site assisting the City of Findlay with brush removal efforts. This will likely continue through the rest of the week including the July 4th holiday. 1 skid loader w/grapple 4 dumps 16 personnel and will be adding bucket truck. Additional mission requests for additional resource(s) are being coordinated with the local EMA contact Lee Swisher.
- Van Wert - Crews on call for the Holiday break. Work will resume Thursday with 1 back hoe, 1 loader, 3 dumps and 7 ODOT personnel will be working in the village through the end of the week. Brush collection will begin in the Village of Convoy on Thursday, July 5th. Resources - 1 dump truck, 1 chipper and 3 ODOT personnel. Additional mission requests in the villages of Middlepoint and Scott are being coordinated with the local EMA contact Rick McCoy, but are undecided at this point.
- Muskingum - ODOT district 5 will assist after the holiday with debris cleanup Woody debris removal from the curb sides in Springfield Twp and in Newton Twp.
- Clark - One chipper has been delivered and another is scheduled for delivery on Thursday 7/5/12.
- Lawrence - ODOT will support the 2 chippers from District 9 and the end of the week or first of next week.
- Gallia - ODOT District 10 will be assisting with 2 chippers at the end of the week or first of next week.

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)

Public Drinking Water

As of late yesterday afternoon (7/3/12) 10 more systems reported storm related issues bringing the total to 33 systems on the OEPA Water Advisory Board. 32 of these systems are community and 1 is a transient non-community.

- 2 systems were reporting no water due to power outage affecting approximately 375 users.
- 30 systems are reporting boil alerts. Affecting approximately 179,110 users.
- 1 has issued a voluntary water conservation measures. Affecting approximately 2,000 users.

The Ohio EPA Water Advisory Board at: <http://www.wapp.epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/Advisories/advisories.html> was not updated today and will not be updated until tomorrow morning (7/5/2012).

Waste Water Treatment Plants

Seven Waste Water Treatment Plants are experiencing non-routine problems in Lawrence, Guernsey, Washington, and Gallia Counties. Numerous WWTPs have lost power for a period of time, but they did not lose solids and did not have any overflows. Most, if not all of these facilities are back up and operating. There are a few that continue to be operated on back-up power supplies.

Debris

Muskingum County requested assistance with debris removal that consisted of “not only yard waste.” ESF-3 requested additional information regarding the type of waste stream requiring removal. Once the information is received, Ohio EPA will provide technical assistance for proper waste management.

ESF 6 – Mass Care

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

There were 9 shelters open reporting an overnight population of 99.

County	Location	Type	Population
Fairfield	Cross Roads Event Center (First UMC)	Overnight	13
Franklin	Peace Lutheran Church	Overnight	7
Guernsey	Prichard Laughlin Civic Center	Overnight	8
Hocking	Central Elementary	Overnight	24
*Lawrence	First Baptist Church of Ironton	Overnight	0
*Lawrence	Chesapeake Nazarene Church	Overnight	0
Licking	Cherry Valley Elementary	Overnight	19
Muskingum	Salvation Army	Overnight	2
Perry	Crooksville High School	Overnight	7
Scioto	Shawnee State University	Overnight	9
Van Wert	Van Wert High School	Overnight	10
		TOTAL	99

* Not able to verify

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

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County	Location
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
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

One mission is in progress. ESF-6 is tracking efforts with LifeCare Alliance for the Meals on Wheels delivery. Current status is that LifeCare Alliance has met their volunteer needs. ESF-6 will continue to monitor through Sunday.

Ohio Department of Aging (ODAge)

ODA has heard from a number of sources (resident service coordinators) that some seniors that have lost perishable food do not have the resources to purchase additional food. We also learned that sources of free food and commodities (food banks) in some communities are depleted. ODAge shared this need with ESF Mass Care partners. ODAge has also, distributed ODJFS Disaster Assistance release to Area Agencies on Aging, senior centers, resident service coordinators and others. The State Ombudsman visits to Adult Care Facilities in Fairfield County found no problems to report.

The State Ombudsman in the Youngstown area found no affected facilities after yesterday's weather.

ODAge received a report about an older man in Van Wert who wouldn't leave home with his wife when his son went to get them. The Ombudsman and Area Agency on Aging investigated, and the man was referred to the county EMA for assistance.

Ohio's "Knock and Talk" outreach was featured on the FEMA internet blog at <http://blog.fema.gov/>

ESF 8 – Public Health and Medical Services

Ohio Department of Health (ODH)

ESF-8 is working two missions at this time, including health and wellness checks, and coordinating assistance for staff at the Van Wert County American Red Cross. There are no updates for these missions today.

Long Term Care Facilities: Fourteen (14) of the seventeen (17) long term care providers that Department of Quality Assurance has been monitoring report that power has been restored. Three (3) continue to operate on generator power with air conditioning running. No resource needs reported. No new complaints have been received on the complaint hotline

Request to Provide Epidemiological Information: The SEOC Information & Planning Section requested ODH provide information about hospital and other health providers that it tracks regarding heat-related illnesses and carbon monoxide (CO) exposure.

Ohio National Guard (ONG)

As part of the LifeCare Alliance support mission, ONG delivered 1,100 meals and 100 fans to those in need.

ESF 12 – Energy

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO)

As of 3:00 p.m. there were approximately 209,000 total outages remaining in Ohio.

AEP

- Approximately 187,000 outages as of 3:00 p.m.
- 480,000 (70%) so far have been restored
- Columbus Area has approximately 44,000 customer outages
- 95 % restoration estimated by Saturday (7/7)
- 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 500 outages remain
- Expect 100% restoration by Thursday (7/5) evening
- DP&L has provided 6 free ice stations
- No critical facilities impacted
- Local cooling centers have power

Duke

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

FirstEnergy

- Approximately 750 outages remain
- Majority of remaining outages to be restored by Wednesday evening (7/4)

Rural Electric Cooperatives

- Approximately 20,500 outages remain with varying restoration estimates, but a majority today through Saturday (7/7)

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. Thursday, July 5, 2012.