



STATE OF OHIO

Emergency Operations Center

SITUATION REPORT

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TO: John R. Kasich, Governor
FROM: Ohio Emergency Management Agency
SUBJECT: Statewide Severe Weather – March 2, 2012
DATE: March 12, 2012

This is the tenth Situation Report for this incident. Information in this Situation Report is current as of 3:30 p.m. on Monday, March 12, 2012.

A CAS-1 briefing was held at 10:00 a.m. today. The SEOC Assessment Room will close at 5:00 p.m. today. The next CAS-1 briefing is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday. SEOC Assessment Room hours of operation on Tuesday are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Friday, March 2

- The National Weather Service confirmed seven tornadoes touched down in Adams, Brown, Clermont, Pike, and Scioto counties during the evening hours.
- The storms resulted in three (3) fatalities in Clermont County: James Prater, 54 and Bill Adkins, 58, both of Bethel; and Carol Forste, 64, Village of Moscow Councilwoman. No additional storm-related fatalities are anticipated in Ohio.
- Clermont County, especially the village of Moscow, suffered the most extensive damage of all the areas affected.
- The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) Assessment Room was activated at 4:00 p.m. to monitor the event.

Saturday, March 3

- The State Emergency Operations Center elevated to a Crisis Action Level 1 (CAS-1) at 10:00 a.m.
- Governor Kasich visited the village of Moscow and New Richmond High School (shelter/press conference site). Governor Kasich enacted a state declaration of emergency for Clermont County.
- The Governor authorized implementation of the Ohio State Disaster Relief Program (OSDRP) for assistance to Clermont County in two categories: 1. Emergency Protective

Measures, and 2. Debris. In addition, the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) funds, administered by the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services, are available to eligible low-income families with children in Clermont County.

Tuesday, March 6

- Two Joint FEMA/State Individual Assistance Preliminary Damage Assessment (Joint IA PDA) teams surveyed the impacted areas in Clermont County.
- Emergency Support Function (ESF) 3 agencies accepted three missions for debris removal in Clermont County; two missions in the Village of Moscow and another in Franklin Township.

Friday, March 9

- President Obama denied Governor Kasich's request for a federal declaration in Clermont County. The Governor has applied for disaster relief through the Small Business Administration, which, if approved, will provide low-interest loans to eligible homeowners and renters affected by the recent storms.

FATALITIES

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Local media reported that a fourth person, Bessie Baldwin, 99 of Tiffin Township (Adams County) died as the result of injuries from the storm. No official statement on cause of death has been released by Christ Hospital.

DECLARATIONS

State: Governor Kasich issued a declaration for Clermont County on Saturday, March 3.

County: Clermont County

OHIO EMA FIELD OPERATIONS

Two Ohio EMA Field Liaisons are in Clermont County. The Clermont County EOC is open until 5:00 p.m. today. One Ohio EMA liaison representing EOC Logistics is on-site at the debris staging area to track resources deployed.

WEATHER

Temperatures around with state will be well above average for this time of year, with highs in the 60s this afternoon. There is a possibility of isolated thunderstorms, but should begin to dry up later today. Some lingering clouds are possible tonight. Expect dry and partly cloudy conditions tomorrow. Temperatures will reach into the 60s and 70s this entire week.

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

ESF 3 – Engineering and Public Works

Clermont County Debris Management Support

Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Ohio National Guard (ONG) and Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSHP)

Mission #1 Moscow, Ohio

This mission will resume later in the week to take debris directly from the right of way to landfills. ESF-3 plans to take the debris directly to landfills to increase the efficiency of this operation.

Mission #2 Franklin Township

ODOT crews resume this mission tomorrow with crews from New Richmond Outpost and Milford Outpost Clermont County. ODOT expects this mission will be completed tomorrow, but are prepared for an additional half-day on Wednesday. The estimated time to completion is contingent on no additional debris being hauled into the right of way.

Mission #3 Moscow Debris Pile

The debris mission to remove the staging area piles continued in Moscow. It is estimated that 45% of the existing pile was hauled away. Projected assets to work on this mission on Tuesday include 3 contracted semi-sized dump trucks, 14 ODOT dump trucks, 5 ODNR dump trucks, 2 Ohio National Guard dump trucks and 9 trucks from the Adams – Clermont Solid Waste District.

The OSHP Post in Batavia will assist ODOT with traffic control and the mission to move debris from the area of Moscow during today's operation period.

ESF 6 – Mass Care

American Red Cross

The shelter located at St. Peter Catholic Church, 1192 Bethel-New Richmond Rd, New Richmond closed on Saturday, March 10, 2012; there were no overnight stays at this shelter.

American Red Cross Service Center closed today at noon. The center was located at Washington Twp. Hall, 2238 State Route 756, Moscow, Ohio. A total of 28 cases consisting of 65 clients were seen at the service center for housing assistance.

Of the 28 needing housing assistance

- 15 of those cases were families needing housing, but not requesting rent or deposit assistance. Many of those needing housing were making repairs to their homes, staying with family or friends or deciding whether to move elsewhere.
- 4 cases were insured and are working with their insurance companies.
- 3 cases requested rent or deposit assistance from the Red Cross
- 6 cases did not provide a reason for assistance

The American Red Cross will continue following up with these clients.

Donations

Feeding and bulk item distribution has ended. Throughout the event period the ARC distributed 5297 bulk items and served 4439 meals/snacks.

Ohio VOAD

Ohio VOAD is currently managing the donations center, the Volunteer Reception Center, and is staffing phones for the Volunteer and Family Urgent Needs Line in Clermont County. The Volunteer and Family Urgent Needs Line is 513-735-8521 and will be answered out of the Clermont County EOC by VOAD volunteers.

ESF 14 – Recovery

Ohio Emergency Management Agency (Ohio EMA)

The State of Ohio has requested a Small Business Administration declaration for emergency assistance. Ohio EMA is preparing for the implementation of the State Individual Assistance Program.

BRIEFING/SITREP DATA

All agencies should email their briefing reports to: eocassmt@dps.state.oh.us.

The next CAS-1 briefing is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday March 13, 2012.