

# Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

## 2014-02-12&13 Winter Weather

### Situation Report #3

1900 13 February 2014

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**Summary:** A winter storm has brought over 20 inches of wet snow, sleet, and freezing rain throughout much of the state. This wintry mix created hazardous driving conditions and power outages. Governor McAuliffe declared a state of emergency on February 11; [Executive Order #7](#). **New information is in bold.**

#### State Actions:

- Executive Branch State agencies in the Richmond Metropolitan area were closed today.

#### Local Declarations as of 1700 (21)

- Charlotte County
- Chesterfield County
- **Cumberland County**
- Fauquier County
- Franklin County
- **Frederick County**
- Goochland County
- Greene County
- Halifax County
- Henrico County
- King William County
- Lunenburg County
- **Montgomery County**
- **Orange County**
- **Page County**
- Pittsylvania County
- Prince Edward County
- Radford City
- Rockbridge County
- Smyth County
- **Winchester City**

#### Local EOCs Status as of 1700 (23)

- Albemarle County
- Arlington City
- Charlotte County
- Fairfax City
- Fairfax County
- Franklin County
- Fredericksburg City

- Greene County
- Halifax County
- Henrico County
- **Herndon, Town of**
- King William County
- Loudon County
- Manassas City
- **Manassas Park**
- Nelson County
- **Page County**
- Pittsylvania County
- Prince William County
- Richmond City
- Rockbridge County / Lexington City
- Stafford County
- **Winchester City**

#### VDEM/VEOC

- Response Operations as of 0800 February 12. A WebEOC event, 2014-02-12/13 Winter Weather, created.
- VDEM continues to coordinate and/or participate in situational awareness conference calls.

#### ESF # 1 Transportation

- Road segment impacts as of 1700 February 13
  - Interstates – **126**
  - Primary – **808**
  - Secondary – **15**
- **Amtrak will operate on normal schedule on Friday, February 14. Long distance trains to and from the south continue to be disrupted.**
- **Several runways at Dulles International Airport have reopened to arrivals and departures.**
- **Reagan National Airport has reopened.**
- **Port of Richmond is closed and plans to reopen at 0800 on Friday, February 14.**
- **VA Inland Port will remain closed through tomorrow and reopen at 0800 on Monday, February 17.**
- **MetroRail system will resume normal schedule on Friday, February 14.**
- **VRE will decide on resuming status at 0400 on Friday, February 14.**

#### ESF # 6 Mass Care

- Shelters:
  - **City of Richmond has two (2) Shelters on standby.**

#### ESF #7 Logistics/Resource Support

- Number of Missions: **5**
  - Completed/Delivered/Demobilized: **1**
  - Accepted/Tasked/In Transit/In Use: **4**
  - Withdrawn: **2**

### **ESF # 8 Public Health**

- OCME reports two incident related fatalities:
  - Northern Region – 1 (motor vehicle accident)
  - Central Region – 1 (motor vehicle accident)
- **Provided 2 Public Health Nurses per site at City of Richmond shelters.**

### **ESF # 13 Public Safety**

- **Open Calls - 137**
  - Accidents – **1,095**
  - Disabled Vehicles – **1,115**
  - Personal Injury – **59**
  - State Owned Vehicle – **21**
  - Property Damage – **1,013**

### **ESF #12 Energy**

- No significant power outages reported.
- Power outages may continue to fluctuate through the night.

### **ESF # 15 Public Affairs**

- **The Joint Information Center was staffed today with public information officers from VDEM, VDH and VDOT to handle media inquiries, post public information to social media and a storm blog, and coordinate release of public information with other state agencies and the Governor's Press Office. More than 25 media inquiries from state, national and international outlets including CNN, Japanese News, Wall Street Journal and Univision have been answered, several in Spanish.**
- **Social media use skyrocketed with VDEM's Facebook increasing from 13,000 to 17,000 followers in two days. Instagram was used for the first time to post short brief videos about VEOC responsibilities and post to social media.**

### **ESF # 16 Military Affairs**

- Number of missions:
  - Completed/Delivered/Demobilized: **7**
  - Accepted/Tasked/In Transit/In Use: **6**
  - Withdrawn: **2**
- Authorized CAP: 300
  - Deployed: Currently have pre-deployed forces to 14 Armories throughout the Commonwealth.
  - Number of persons on state active duty: **299**
  - Title 32: 32

### **ESF # 17 Volunteers and Donations**

- **Volunteer Fairfax has 4 wheel driver/vehicles available for transport within the County.**
- Three 6-person chainsaw teams on standby.

## Weather Forecast

- **Southwest Virginia**

**Tonight:** 10% Chance of snow before 7 p.m., then becoming partly cloudy. Low temperatures in the low 20s. Southwest wind around 10-15 mph, with gusts up to 20 mph.

**Friday:** Patchy fog before 7a.m. Increasing clouds, with a 70% chance of rain after 3p.m. High temperatures in the upper 30s. Southwest winds around 10-15 mph, with gusts up to 20 mph. [NWS Morristown](#)

- **West Central Virginia**

**Tonight:** 30% chance of snow before 7 p.m., then gradual clearing. Lows in the low to mid 20s. West winds 15 to 20 mph.

**Friday:** Increasing clouds, with a 30% chance of rain showers after 4 p.m. High temperatures near 40 degrees. West-southwest winds 9-11 mph. [NWS Blacksburg](#)

- **Northwest & Northern Virginia**

**Tonight:** 100% chance of snow, freezing rain, and sleet – transitioning to all snow after 7 p.m. Little or no ice accumulation expected; new snow and sleet accumulation of 1-3 inches possible. Low temperatures in the upper 20s. West winds 14 to 20 mph with gusts up to 30 mph.

**Friday:** Mostly sunny. High temperatures in the upper 30s. Southwest winds around 8 mph. [NWS Sterling](#)

- **Central Virginia**

**Tonight:** 100% chance of snow, mainly before midnight. Additional snow accumulation of one to three inches possible. Low temperatures in the low 20s. Winds 10-15 mph, gusts around 20 mph.

**Friday:** Mostly cloudy. Highs in the low 40s. 60% chance of evening snow and wintry mix. Winds 10-15 mph, gusts up to 20 mph. [NWS Wakefield](#)

- **Eastern Virginia**

**Tonight:** 90% chance of rain and snow mix. Lows in the low 30s. Winds 15-20 mph, gusts around 25 mph.

**Friday:** Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 40s. 60% chance of evening rain. Winds 15-20 mph, gusts around 25 mph. [NWS Wakefield](#)

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