

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC) Virginia Emergency Support Team (VEST)

Situation Report #11
2015-09-29 Severe Weather
06 October 2015 – 3:00 p.m.
New information in red

Summary:

A cold front combined with the effects of Hurricane Joaquin passing along the east coast caused heavy rain and flooding throughout much of the Commonwealth beginning 29 September. Heavy rain, ranging between 1 and 10 inches caused flooding of rivers, streams, and low lying areas. Tidal flooding also occurred along coastal areas for several days.

Contiguous States and FEMA Region III

Governor of South Carolina, Nikki Haley, signed an Executive Order declaring a state of emergency in South Carolina in anticipation of heavy rains, potential flooding, and the possibility that Hurricane Joaquin may affect South Carolina. On Saturday, 3 October, President Barack Obama signed South Carolina Emergency Declaration beginning 1 October, 2015. **The President signed a Major Disaster Declaration for South Carolina on Monday, 5 October.**

State Actions

Governor McAuliffe declared a state of emergency on September 30, 2015 at 5:04 p.m.

VEST/VDEM/VEOC

- A WebEOC incident, 2015-09-29 Severe Weather, has been created **but is no longer be the default incident in WebEOC.**
- **VEOC – Level 3 (Orange) – Partial Response Operations**
- Total VEOC Missions **(58)**

ESF # 1 Transportation

- As of 1200 on October 6: **0** Interstates closed, **1** Primary roads closed, **23** Secondary road closed (**primarily in the Salem and Staunton Districts**)

ESF #5 Emergency Management

- **Continue to track and monitor deployed resources.**

ESF #7 Logistics/Resource Support

- Total Missions **(16)**
- Process procurement documentation for resources requested during the augmentation.
- Continue to monitor potential EMAC mission requests from South Carolina.

ESF #8 Public Health

- OCME confirmed two storm related fatalities from motor vehicle accidents.

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ESF #9 Search and Rescue

- **Scheduled 3 reconnaissance flights scheduled with Civil Air Patrol for October 6:**
 - Coastal areas of Virginia Beach and shoreline
 - Floyd and Patrick Counties
 - Montgomery County and Roanoke River Basin

ESF #14 Recovery and Mitigation

- **Initial Damage Assessments received from 12 localities:**
 - Augusta County
 - Bath County
 - Chincoteague, Town of
 - Floyd County
 - Fredericksburg, City of
 - Hampton, City of
 - Isle of Wight County
 - Lancaster County
 - Martinsville, City of
 - Pittsylvania County
 - Pulaski County
 - Salem, City of

ESF #17 Volunteer and Donations

- **Two 2-person teams (Team Rubicon) en-route to support IDAs in Floyd and Patrick counties.**
- **Identifying resources to support flood recovery operations.**

Weather Forecast

Northwest/Northern Virginia:

Today: Sunny, with a high near 73. Light northeast wind.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 50. Light and variable wind.

Southwest/West Central Virginia:

Today: Sunny, with a high near 75. Northerly winds around 5 mph

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 50. Calm northeast wind around 5 mph

Central/Eastern Virginia:

Today: Sunny with a high near 73. North wind around 7 mph

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 56. Calm wind.

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