

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

Situation Report #13
2015-09-29 Severe Weather
08 October 2015 – 1530 hours
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 September 29. 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 the default incident in WebEOC.
- VEOC – Level 2 (Yellow) – Increased Readiness
- Total VEOC Missions (58)

ESF #7 Logistics/Resource Support

- Total Missions (29)
- Process procurement documentation for resources requested during the augmentation.
- Continue to monitor potential EMAC mission requests from South Carolina.

ESF #9 Search and Rescue

- 3 reconnaissance flights with Civil Air Patrol completed on 6 October, imagery pending:

ESF #14 Recovery and Mitigation

- Initial Damage Assessments (IDAs) received from **18** localities:
 - Augusta County
 - Bath County
 - Chincoteague, Town of
 - **Fauquier County**
 - **Danville, City of**
 - Floyd County
 - Fredericksburg, City of
 - Hampton, City of

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- Henrico County
 - Hopewell, City of
 - Isle of Wight County
 - Lancaster County
 - Madison County
 - Martinsville, City of
 - Pittsylvania County
 - Portsmouth, City of
 - Pulaski County
 - Salem, City of
- 25 localities have advised that they will not be submitting IDAs
 - **6** state agencies have submitted IDAs; **2** additional are anticipated

ESF #17 Volunteer and Donations

- Two 2-person teams (Team Rubicon) continue to support IDAs in Floyd and Patrick counties.
- Baptist General Association of Virginia is identifying support for flood recovery operations.

Weather

No hazardous weather forecast for Commonwealth.

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