

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

December 25 Winter Storm Situation Report #7 29 December 2010 1500 hours

Updated material in bold

SUMMARY

Governor McDonnell declared a State of Emergency for the Commonwealth of Virginia authorizing state agencies to assist local governments responding to potential major winter storm forecasted to impact the Commonwealth beginning Saturday, 25 December, through Monday, 27 December, with potential snow accumulations of 6 to 10 inches.

EXECUTIVE ACTION

- EOC Activation:** At 1500 27 December, the VEOC transitioned to Recovery Operations.
- State of Emergency:** Governor McDonnell declared an emergency for the Commonwealth at 1130 on 25 December. [News Release](#); [Executive Order](#)
- Other State Actions** Delaware declared a state of emergency at 1600 on 26 December.
North Carolina declared a state of emergency at 1730 on 25 December.
Maryland declared a state of emergency at 2200 on 25 December, lifted at 1000, 28 December.
- Local Protective Actions:** **Local Emergencies Declared (4):**
Essex, 1200 26 December
Norfolk, 1330 26 December
Portsmouth, 1330 29 December
Virginia Beach, 1200 26 December, declaration ended at 1000, 28 December
- Local Emergency Operation Centers Open (0):**
All local EOC's have been closed.
- Local Shelters Open (0):**
All local shelters have been closed.
- Requests for Assistance Received:**
No requests for assistance.
- ESF 1 – Transportation** **VA Department of Transportation (VDOT)**
VDOT continuing snow and ice control operational plans in impacted areas.
- Roads:**
- All major roads are open to traffic.
 - **Minor conditions on Interstates and primary roads in areas of Southside and the Peninsula of Hampton Roads due to snow/ice.**
 - **Minor to Severe conditions on the Eastern Shore due to snow/ice.**
 - **Minor to Moderate conditions in Tazewell County in Southwest VA.**
 - [VA 511 homepage](#)
- Rail:**
No reported closures/service interruptions.
- Airport closures:**

No reported closures.

ESF 8 – Public Health

VA Department of Health (VDH)

All Local Health Districts are operating at normal/limited hours. One storm related fatality reported in the Western Office of Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) District.

ESF 12 – Energy

State Corporation Commission (SCC)

All storm-related power outages have been restored.

ESF 14 – Recovery

VA Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

- **Coordinating with GIS to evaluate current and historical snow total data for the Hampton Roads area to determine if any localities experienced a snowfall of record in the context of the FEMA snow policy.**
- **Requested affected localities submit Initial Damage Assessment (IDA) reports.**
- **Advised by US Census Bureau that 2010 city and county census data will not be available until February 2011. Informed FEMA Region III and was advised that 2000 census data will be used through the end of this calendar year. For events occurring on or after January 1, 2011, 2010 census data will be used to determine local and state per capita PA thresholds.**

VERT PLANNING SECTION

Maintaining situational awareness. Preparing and distributing State Situation Reports and special briefings to senior leadership as needed.

Weather Forecast:

A Freezing Rain Advisory is in effect for Tazewell County from midnight tonight, 29 December, until 0900 tomorrow, 30 December. Accumulation through tomorrow morning, if any, is expected to be less than a tenth of an inch.

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