

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

2012-10 Hurricane Sandy

Situation Report #9

October 30 1800 hours

SUMMARY

(New information in bold)

Hurricane Sandy became Post-Tropical Cyclone Sandy just before landfall near Atlantic City, N.J., at 20:00, according to the National Hurricane Center.

The VEOC is at Response Operations and Hurricane Readiness Condition 1 and continues to monitor National Weather Service products related to storm impacts.

EXECUTIVE ACTION

Governor Bob McDonnell declared a State of Emergency at 0950 hours on 26 October in anticipation of severe weather impacting the Commonwealth as a result of Hurricane Sandy. **Virginia has been awarded federal disaster assistance to support emergency response efforts. Specifically, FEMA is authorized to deploy federal resources if needed by local and state officials.**

WEATHER FORECAST

Eastern Shore – Rain before 10 pm new amounts less than a tenth of an inch. Lows in the 40's. Southwest wind 17-26 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph.

Eastern & Central Virginia – Rain before 10 pm new amounts less than a tenth of an inch. Lows in the low/mid forty's. South winds 15-20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Northern Virginia – Coastal Flood Warning in effect until 8 pm tonight. Rain before 10 pm new amounts less than a tenth of an inch. Lows in the upper 30's. Southwest wind 6-15 mph.

Southwest Virginia - Blizzard/Winter Storm Warnings as well as High Wind Advisory remain in effect for Dickenson, Buchanan & Wise counties until 8AM Wednesday. Snow showers. Accumulation of 4 to 16 inches possible depending on the elevation. Low near 31. West wind around 15-25 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph.

Local Emergencies Declared (59)

Accomack County
Alexandria, City of
Arlington County
Brunswick County
Charles City County
Chesapeake, City of
Chesterfield County
Chincoteague, Town of
Clarke County
Colonial Heights, City of

Culpeper County
Dickenson County
Dinwiddie County
Essex County
Fairfax County
Falls Church, City of
Fauquier County
Franklin, City of
Gloucester County
Greene County

Hampton, City of
Henrico County
Highland County
Isle of Wight County
King George County
King and Queen County
King William County
Lancaster County
Loudoun County
Louisa County

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Madison County
Manassas, City of
Manassas Park, City of
Mathews County
Middlesex County
New Kent County
Newport News, City of
Norfolk, City of
Northampton County
Northumberland County

Orange County
Petersburg, City of
Poquoson, City of
Portsmouth, City of
Prince George County
Rappahannock County
Richmond, City of
Richmond County
Russell County
Shenandoah County

Spotsylvania County
Stafford County
Suffolk, City of
Surry County
Sussex County
Tazewell County
Virginia Beach, City of
Westmoreland County
York County

Local Emergency Operation Centers Open (22)

Alexandria, City of
Arlington County
Charles City County
Dickenson County
Fairfax County
Fauquier County
Frederick County
Highland County

James City County
Lancaster County
Loudoun County
Louisa County
Mathews County
New Kent County
Newport News, City of
Norfolk, City of

Northampton County
Portsmouth, City of
Prince William County
Russell County
Sussex County
Washington County

Local Voluntary Evacuations (19)

Accomack County
Brunswick County
Chesapeake, City of
Chincoteague, Town of
Essex County
Gloucester County
Hampton, City of

King and Queen County
Lancaster County
Mathews County
New Kent County
Northumberland County
Prince William County
Richmond County

Russell County
Shenandoah County
Surry County (Town of
Claremont Beach)
Westmoreland County
Virginia Beach, City of

Local Mandatory Evacuations (3)

Mathews County – low-lying areas
Northampton County – low-lying areas

Tangier, Town of

Local Shelters Open by Locality (4)

Dickenson County
Fairfax County

Madison County
Russell County

ESF #1 – Transportation

- **Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel is back to normal operations.**
- **Jamestown-Scotland Ferry has resumed service.**
- **WMATA has resumed service.**
- **All marine travel restrictions have been lifted.**
- **CSX is expecting a 72 hour delay on delivering freight through Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions.**

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- **MetroRail and Metrobus operating on Sunday schedule through today.**
- **The MetroAccess service remains cancelled 30 October.**
- **All airlines serving Reagan National and Dulles International have cancelled operations until further notice.**
- **All other Commercial airports in Virginia are open with delayed/reduced airline traffic.**
- **HOV restrictions for Northern Virginia are back in place effective 31 October.**
- **Road Closure Report as of 1700 hours:**
 - **7 Primary roads**
 - **244 Secondary roads (greatest amount in the Eastern Shore)**

ESF #2 – Communications

- **Currently reporting 23 state facilities are down. Verizon is dispatching repair technicians to these sites.**
- **VITA has activated their ITOC virtual command center.**

ESF #3 – Public Works

- **31 Waterworks are impacted; no residents are reported without water.**
- **2 Boil Water Notice's are in effect for areas of Culpeper and Fauquier counties (affecting 520 people).**

ESF #4 – Firefighting

- **VDOF and VDFP have demobilized all assets.**

ESF #5 – Emergency Management

- **Coordinating 44 requests for assistance across the Commonwealth.**
 - **In Use – 17**
 - **Complete – 27**

ESF #6 – Mass Care

- **There are 4 localities that have shelters open, housing approximately 24 people.**

ESF #7 – Logistics Management & Resource Support

- **Current number of requests for assistance: 9**
- **Monitoring EMAC requests and investigating potential deployment to affected NE states.**

ESF #8 – Public Health and Medical Services

- **OCME has confirmed 2 storm related fatalities in the City of Richmond due to a single vehicle accident.**
- **Monitoring hospitals and long-term care facilities on generator power; no anticipated resource shortages.**

ESF #9 – Urban Search and Rescue

- **All VSP boat teams have been demobilized**
- **Standing down Civil Air Patrol**
- **VATF-1 and VATF-2 are currently deployed to New Jersey. Type-III capability from both units remain available in the Commonwealth**
- **Upon request, have provided a list of SAR resource capability for potential EMAC to NY**

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- USCG Liaison Staff remain available in ESF-9

ESF #10 – Oil and Hazardous Materials Response

- The cover on the Elizabeth River side of the old Lamberts Point Landfill (closed) has been washed away by the tidal surge.

ESF #11 – Agriculture and Natural Resources

- There is one pet shelter open in Russell County.

ESF #12 – Energy

- Approximately 93,816 customers are currently without power across the State as of 1800 hours 30 October.
 - Dominion VA Power: 55,120 (55,023 in Northern VA)
 - Appalachian Power: 16,717
 - Electric Co-operatives: 21,579

ESF #13 – Public Safety

- VSP Aviation has placed a helicopter on standby at Leesburg Airport in Loudoun County.

ESF #14 – Recovery & Mitigation

- Preparing for PDAs in coordination with FEMA.

ESF #15 – External Affairs

- Joint Information Center is staffed with PIOs from VDEM, VDOT, VDOF, VDFP, OES, and DSS.

ESF #16 – Military Affairs

- 659 of 750 authorized Guardsmen on state active duty.
- Missions Accepted/Tasked/In Transit/In Use: 4
- Missions Completed/Delivered/Demobilized: 9

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All Situation Reports for this event can be found on the VDEM website at:

http://www.vaemergency.gov/content/sitreps#hurricane_sandy