

# Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

## Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

2012-06-29 Severe Weather

Situation Report #10

July 4, 2012 1600 hours

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### SUMMARY

New items in bold

Severe thunderstorms with winds surpassing 80 mph impacted the Commonwealth on the evening of Friday, 29 June, and continued into the early morning hours of Saturday, 30 June. Severe thunderstorms again impacted the Commonwealth on the evening of Saturday, 30 June and the afternoon of Sunday, 1 July.

### EXECUTIVE ACTION

Governor Bob McDonnell declared a State of Emergency at 1100 hours on 30 June due to severe weather that impacted the Commonwealth on 29 June.

#### Local Emergencies Declared (44):

Albemarle County	Falls Church, City of	Page County
Alexandria, City of	Franklin County	Pittsylvania County
Alleghany County	Gloucester County	Pulaski County
Amherst County	Greene County	Radford, City of
Arlington County	Henrico County	Roanoke County
Augusta County	Highland County	Roanoke, City of
Bath County	Lexington, City of	Rockbridge County
Bedford, City of	Louisa County	Rockingham County
Bedford County	Lynchburg, City of	Salem, City of
Botetourt County	Martinsville, City of	Shenandoah County
Charlotte County	Middlesex County	Stafford County
<b>Covington, City of</b>	Montgomery County	Staunton, City of
Craig County	Nelson County	Tazewell County
Fairfax, City of	New Kent County	Vinton, Town of
Fairfax County	Orange County	Waynesboro, City of

#### Local Emergency Operation Centers Open (18):

Albemarle/Charlottesville	<b>Covington, City of</b>	Nelson County
Alexandria, City of	Craig County	New Kent County
Arlington County	Fairfax, City of	Pittsylvania County
Bath County	Fairfax County	Roanoke County
Botetourt County	Franklin County	Shenandoah County
Charlotte County	Highland County	Stafford County

\*note – Albemarle and Charlottesville combined their EOCs

#### Local Shelters Open (13):

Albemarle County	Amherst County
<b>Alleghany County (2)</b>	Botetourt County
<b>Alleghany/Covington</b>	Craig County

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Franklin County  
Lynchburg, City of (2)  
New Kent County

Pulaski County  
Roanoke City/County

### Local Cooling Centers:

- VDSS is compiling reported local cooling center information and posting to VDEM's website at [Cooling Center Locations](#)
- As many as 140 cooling centers have opened throughout the Commonwealth due to this event

### Fatalities (12):

Albemarle County – 2  
Bedford County – 2  
Chesapeake, City of – 1  
Fairfax County – 3

Montgomery County – 1  
Roanoke, City of – 1  
Loudon County – 1  
Richmond, City of – 1

### ESF #1 – Transportation

- Closed roads: 108 (+1) statewide as of 0900 hours 4 July
  - Primary: 7 (+1)
  - Secondary: 101 (no change)
- **1 state request for assistance (active)**

### ESF #2 – Communications

- 4 state/local requests for assistance (**3 active, 1 complete**)
- 30 state sites without network connectivity, restored connectivity to 231 state sites as of 1700 on 3 July
- Verizon is reporting that all 911 systems are back to normal operations
- VDOT and Verizon are working on a traffic light synchronization issue pertaining to VDOT Traffic Control Center in Northern Virginia

### ESF #3 – Public Works & Engineering

- 6 private waterworks without water as of **1500 on 4 July**
  - Albemarle County (3)
  - Botetourt County
  - Montgomery County
  - Pulaski County
- **15 waterworks on Boil Water Notice as of 1500 on 4 July**
  - Augusta County (1 govt)
  - Botetourt County (3 govt)
  - Clifton Forge, Town of (1 govt)
  - Culpeper County (1 private)
  - Fluvanna County (1 private)
  - Franklin, City of (1 private)
  - Hanover County (1 private)
  - Middlesex County (1 private)
  - Orange County (1 private)
  - Prince George County (1 private)
  - Roanoke County (1 govt)
  - Tazewell County (2; 1 govt, 1 private)

### ESF #5 – Emergency Management

- VEOC at Response Operations
- Virginia Emergency Response Team augmented
- Responding to requests for assistance
- 1 local request for assistance (active)

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### ESF #6 – Mass Care

- Monitoring local shelters and cooling stations

### ESF #7 – Logistics Management & Resource Support

- 52 state/local requests for assistance
  - 17 Active
  - 36 Complete

### ESF #8 – Public Health & Human Services

- 1 Long Term Care Facility operating on generator power as of **1500 on 4 July**

### ESF #11 – Agriculture & Natural Resources

- Monitoring damage assessments and conducting inspections of food establishments

### ESF #12 – Energy

- 3 state/local requests for assistance (1 active, 2 complete)

### **Power Outages as of 1500 hours:**

<b>Statewide</b>	<b>157,030 (-19,898 from last situation report)</b>
<b>APCO</b>	<b>98,393 (-6,196)</b>
• City of Lynchburg	20,625
• Roanoke City	13,674
• Bedford County	10,921
• Amherst County	8,879
• Roanoke County	8,424
<b>Dominion Power</b>	<b>51,061 (-12,428)</b>
• Northern Virginia	23,938
• Shenandoah Valley/Western Piedmont	20,995
• Richmond Metro/Tri-Cities	5,633
<b>Electrical Cooperatives</b>	<b>7,576 (-1,274)</b>

### ESF #13 – Public Safety & Security

- Continue to monitor the secondary road closures for traffic control

### ESF #14 – Long-Term Community Recovery and Mitigation

- Requested cost estimates from electrical co-operatives
- 8 localities have submitted initial damage assessments

### ESF #15 – External Affairs

- Joint Information Center is currently staffed with public information officers from VDEM, VDOT, and VITA.
- Multiple social media sites are being updated with information for the public including a blog established at [www.virginiaderecho.tumblr.com](http://www.virginiaderecho.tumblr.com) . Also established #vaderecho as the Twitter hashtag.

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- PIOs have handled 75 media inquiries from international, national, and state media outlets.
- Talking points continue to be developed and provided to local emergency managers, local and state PIOs, and Virginia General Assembly members.

### ESF #16 – Military Affairs

- 1 local request for assistance (**complete**) **Supported Bedford Water/Ice distribution (14 personnel enroute to home of record)**
- DMA Joint Operations Center normal operations and staff on call through DMA JOC
- **Total DMA forces on State Active Duty: 20 personnel**
- **DMA scheduled to transition to Level 0 State Active Duty during the afternoon period of 4 July (anticipate 0 personnel on state active duty effective 0000 hrs, 5 July)**

### ESF #17 – Volunteer and Donations Management

- 5 local requests for assistance (3 active, 2 complete)
- 1000KW generator donated by Giant Foods sent to meet power need at Longwood Assisted Living facility in Fairfax County
- Received notice of twenty pallets of water offered as donation by Giant Foods available to meet need in Northern Virginia area
- Responded to calls from residents with unmet needs related to the storm
- Continue to assist in shelters/cooling centers, Points of Distribution and with feeding and debris clean up.

### Weather Forecast

Isolated to scattered thunderstorms may develop today across most of the Commonwealth this afternoon and evening. Isolated strong to severe storms are possible with the main threats being strong wind gusts up to 60 mph, heavy rainfall, and large hail. Afternoon temperatures in the 90s to 100s will bring heat index values in the low 100s to most of the Commonwealth. A Heat Advisory is in effect for areas of Northwest and Northern VA until 2100 this evening. Heat index values are expected to reach 105 degrees across these areas. Hot temperatures remain in the forecast for most of the Commonwealth into the weekend with heat index values approaching 105 degrees. A Code Orange Air Quality Alert (unhealthy for sensitive groups) is in effect for the Richmond Metro Area until 2000 this evening.

Isolated strong to severe storms are possible each afternoon and evening through the weekend and into early next week for most of the Commonwealth. The main threats would be winds gusts up to 50 mph, and large hail.

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All Situation Reports for this event can be found on the VDEM website at:  
<http://www.vaemergency.gov/news/sitreps>