

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

2012-06-29 Severe Weather

Situation Report #6

July 2, 2012 1730 hours

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 (40)

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

Local Emergency Operation Centers Open (28)

Albemarle County	Fairfax County	Pittsylvania County
Alexandria, City of	Franklin County	Prince William County
Arlington County	Goochland County	Pulaski County
Bath County	Henry County	Roanoke County
Botetourt County	Highland County	Shenandoah County
Carroll County	Loudoun County	Stafford County
Charlotte County	Martinsville, City of	Vinton, Town of
Charlottesville, City of	Middlesex County	Winchester, City of
Craig County	Nelson County	
Fairfax, City of	Page County	

Local Shelters Open (11)

Albemarle County – 70 occupants
Carroll County – 4 occupants

Craig County (2) – 10 total occupants
Franklin County – 40 occupants

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Halifax County – 2 occupants
Lynchburg, City of – 40 occupants
Pulaski County – 0 occupants

Radford City – 0 occupants
Roanoke City/County – 0 occupants
Waynesboro City – 2 occupants

Local Cooling Centers:

- The VEOC is compiling reported local cooling center information on their website at [Cooling Center Locations](#)
- As many as 140 cooling centers have opened throughout the Commonwealth due to this event.

Fatalities (10):

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

Fairfax County – 3
Montgomery – 1
Roanoke, City of – 1

Local Response Efforts

- The following facilities are on generator power:
 - Botetourt County – multiple water treatment facilities
 - Central Virginia Training Center
 - City of Covington fire and rescue station
 - Falls Church Community Center (used as a cooling center)
 - Highland County – municipal water treatment facility and cooling shelter
 - Northern VA Training Center
 - Rockingham County – Town of Grottoes water plant
- Lynchburg wastewater treatment plant lost power to both substations at 2130 on 29 June. **100% power was restored at 2000 hours 1 July.**

ESF #1 – Transportation

- Closed roads: **206** statewide as of **1400 hours 2 July**
 - Primary – **22**
 - Secondary – **184**
- VDOT and DMV issued temporary waiver of registration, license requirements, and weight and width restrictions to carriers responding to the 29 June Severe Storms. **A revised waiver was approved to allow for fuel distribution in a timely manner.**
- A limited exemption of hours worked for power restoration and carriers transporting emergency supplies granted beginning at 1600 hours 30 June.

ESF #2 – Communications

- **58 state sites without network connectivity, restored connectivity to 207 state sites.**
- The following 911 Systems are affected by the storm. Verizon has prioritized system recovery and is working to bring all systems back online.
 - **Arlington County – Landline is fully operational, wireless has limited service**
 - **City of Fairfax – Intermittent service**
 - City of Manassas Park

ESF #3 – Public Works & Engineering

- **8,939 consumers affected by water outages**
 - **4 government waterworks with a partial outage**
 - **Botetourt County**
 - **Clifton Forge, Town of**

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- **Craigsville, Town of**
- **Vinton, Town of**
- **4 private waterworks without water affecting**
 - **Albemarle (3)**
 - **Fluvanna**
- **15 waterworks on Boil Water Notice and one water outage affecting 3,355 consumers in 9 localities:**
 - Culpepper County (2)**
 - Hanover County (3)**
 - Lancaster County (2)
 - Middlesex County (2)
 - New Kent County
 - Powhatan County
 - Prince George County
 - Shenandoah County (2)
 - Vinton, Town of

ESF #5 – Emergency Management

- VEOC at Response Operations
- Virginia Emergency Response Team augmented
- Responding to requests for assistance

ESF #6 – Mass Care

- Monitoring local shelters and cooling stations

ESF #7 – Logistics Management & Resource Support

- **48 local requests for assistance**
 - **28 Active**
 - **20 Complete**

ESF #8 – Public Health & Human Services

- **1 hospital on generator power**
 - Virginia Baptist (City of Lynchburg)
- **8 Long Term Care Facilities are operating on generator power**
- **Office of Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) reports 6 heat related deaths since 20 June**

ESF #11 – Agriculture & Natural Resources

- Monitoring damage assessments and conducting inspections of food establishments

ESF #12 – Energy

Power Outages as of 1715 hours:

Statewide	409,566 (- 13,395 from last situation report)
Dominion Power	205,618
• Northern Virginia	135,638
• Shenandoah Valley/Western Piedmont	43,557
• Richmond Metro/Tri-Cities	23,897
• Southside Virginia Area	2,227
APCO	167,748
Electrical Cooperatives	36,200

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- Dominion expects to restore service to 80-85 percent of customers by Tuesday night; 90-95 percent of affected customers by Thursday night, and virtually all remaining customers by Saturday night.

ESF #13 – Public Safety & Security

- **Continue to monitor the secondary road closures for traffic control**

ESF #14 – Long-Term Community Recovery and Mitigation

- **Requesting cost estimates from electrical co-operatives**

ESF #15 – External Affairs

- VDEM Public Affairs staff and VDH director of public affairs are working in the Joint Information Center, handling state and national media inquiries
- Providing safety tips through news releases to the Information Center
- Drafting talking points for local and state agency public information officers
- Updating multiple social media sites

ESF #16 – Military Affairs

- Current force cap 300
- Security Response Package (**30** personnel) Lexington, VA conducting presence patrols
- Logistical Response Package (**64** personnel) Fredericksburg, VA conducting presence patrols
- Security Response Package x 2 (**36 & 38 pax each**) Fredericksburg, VA conducting presence patrols
- **supporting water and ice distribution in Bedford County (10 personnel)**

ESF #17 – Volunteer & Donations Management

- Multiple voluntary organizations working in support of cooling centers in multiple jurisdictions
- **Mercy Chefs provided a chef to supervise and assist with meal preparations in the Lynchburg shelter**
- **American Red Cross and Virginia Baptist Mission Board Disaster Relief have established a feeding unit in Bath County (able to provide up to 3,000 hot meals)**
- **Southern Baptist Conservatives of Virginia Disaster Relief is supporting a shelter and providing chain saw service in the City of Lynchburg**
- **Gleaning for the World and God's Pit Crew donated truck loads of water and Gatorade respectively**
- **Operation Blessing provided a refrigerated trailer in Highland County**

Weather Forecast

- **No hazardous weather is currently forecast for Virginia**

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

<http://www.vaemergency.gov/news/sitreps>