

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

2012-06-29 Severe Weather

Situation Report #3

July 1, 2012 0700 hours

SUMMARY

New items in **BOLD**

Lines of severe thunderstorms with winds surpassing 80 mph impacted the Commonwealth during the evening on Friday, 29 June, and continued into the early morning hours of Saturday, 30 June. **Lines of severe thunderstorms again impacted the Commonwealth during the evening of Saturday June 30.**

Severe weather (thunderstorms and extreme heat) are expected across the Commonwealth with heat index values as high as 109 degrees.

EXECUTIVE ACTION

Governor Bob McDonnell declared a State of Emergency at 1100 hours on 30 June 2012 due to severe weather that impacted the Commonwealth on 29 June 2012.

Protective Actions

Local Emergencies Declared (30):

Albemarle County
Alexandria, City of
Alleghany County
Augusta County
Bath County
Bedford County
Botetourt County
Charlotte County
Craig County
Fairfax County
Falls Church, City of
Franklin County
Gloucester County
Greene County
Highland County
Louisa County
Lynchburg, City of
Martinsville, City of
Middlesex County
Nelson County
Orange County
Pittsylvania County
Pulaski County
Radford, City of
Roanoke County
Rockbridge County

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Rockingham County
Stafford County
Tazewell County
Waynesboro, City of

Local Emergency Operation Centers Opened (26):

Albemarle County/Charlottesville, City of

Alexandria, City of

Bath County

Botetourt County

Charlotte County

Craig County

Fairfax County

Franklin County

Frederick County

Gloucester County

Goochland County

Halifax County

Henry County

Highland County

Loudoun County

Lynchburg, City of

Martinsville, City of

Manassas, City of

Middlesex County

Nelson County

Page County

Pittsylvania County

Roanoke County

Stafford County

Winchester, City of

Local Shelters Open (10):

Amherst County

Bedford, City of

Charlotte County

Halifax County

Hanover County

Craig County (on generator power) – 10 occupants

Lynchburg, City of – 60 occupants

Pulaski County

Prince Edward County

Stafford County

Local Cooling Centers Open (92): [Cooling Center Locations](#)

Alexandria, City of (4)

Albemarle County/Charlottesville, City of (4)

Amherst County

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Augusta/Staunton/Waynesboro

Bedford, City of

Botetourt County

Craig County

Culpeper County (2)

Fairfax, City of

Franklin County

Fredericksburg, City of (2 – includes 1 animal cooling center)

Greene County

Hampton, City of

Hanover County (4)

Harrisonburg, City of

Henry County/Martinsville, City of

Loudoun County (12)

Lunenburg County (3)

Lynchburg, City of

Madison County

Middlesex County

Montgomery County/Christiansburg, Town of (3)

Nelson County (6)

Orange County (4)

Page County

Patrick County (2)

Powhatan County

Prince Edward County (5)

Prince William County (3)

Prince William County (2)

Pulaski County (3)

Radford, City of

Rappahannock County (2)

Richmond, City of (2)

Roanoke County/Roanoke, City of

Rockingham County/Harrisonburg, City of (2)

Salem, City of

Shenandoah County (2) Spotsylvania County

Stafford County

Tazewell County

Warren County (2)

Winchester, City of

Fatalities (6):

Albemarle County – 2

Bedford County – 2

Fairfax County – 2

Injuries (12):

Albemarle – 1

Bath – 1

Craig – 2

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Danville – 1

Franklin - 1

Goochland – 2

Nelson – 1

Spotsylvania – 2

Waynesboro – 1

Local Damage Reports:

- Frederick County: 1 mobile home destroyed
- **Hanover County: 1 structure with major damage**
- City of Lynchburg Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant lost power causing the discharge of 250,000 gallons/hour into the James River at 03:00 on 30 June
- Pulaski County: 1 mountain fire and 1 confirmed structure fire
- Waynesboro, City of: 1 apartment complex, including 10 apartments with damage. Four residents of the apartment complex were evacuated

ESF #1 – Transportation

- Closed roads: **217** statewide per www.511virginia.org as of 1630 hours 30 June
 - Primary – **21**
 - Secondary – **196**
- VDOT crews continue to work clearance activity on impacted roadways
- 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 limited exemption of hours worked for power restoration and carriers transporting emergency supplies granted beginning at 1600 hours 30 June.

ESF #2 – Communications

- 911 Centers Impacted
 - Arlington
 - Alexandria
 - Fairfax
 - Manassas
 - Prince William

ESF #3 – Public Works and Engineering

- 7 privately owned waterworks on Boil Water Notice, impacting 1,049 consumers
 - Culpepper
 - Lancaster (2)
 - Middlesex
 - Powhatan
 - Shenandoah (2)

ESF #5 – Emergency Management

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

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ESF #7 – Logistics Management & Resource Support

- 20 local requests for assistance
 - 12 In Progress (1 through SMA)
 - 6 Complete (1 through SMA)
 - 2 Withdrawn

ESF #8 – Health and Human Services

- Memorial Hospital of Martinsville on emergency power; some concerns with rising temperatures in building; AEP notified and working the situation.
- Alleghany Regional Hospital on emergency power; same potential issues with building temperature.
- Alexandria: 1 hospital, 5 nursing homes, and 1 assisted living center all operating on generator power
- Northern VA Training Center and Catawba Hospital are on emergency generator power

ESF #12 – Energy

Statewide Total: 770,000

Dominion Power	485,500
• Northern Virginia	290,810
• Shenandoah Valley / Western Piedmont	76,379
• Richmond Metro / Tri-Cities	76,350
• Southside Virginia Area	9,248
• Gloucester / Northern Neck	6,673
• Southeastern Virginia Area	18,464
APCO	199,250
• City of Roanoke	28,873
• City of Lynchburg	27,572
• Roanoke County	20,323
• Bedford County	19,073
• Montgomery County	14,917
• All Other Localities	68,265
Electric Co-Operatives	85,000
• Shenandoah Valley	33,700
• Southside	13,600
• Northern VA	9,000
• Rappahannock	19,000
• Central Virginia	8,000

ESF #15 – External Affairs:

- The Joint Information Center is staffed
- Providing safety information to localities
- Facilitate Governor's Press Briefing

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Weather Forecast:

- Dangerously high temperatures are expected this afternoon and evening across the Commonwealth. Temperatures will reach as high as 98 with heat index values expected to be between 105 and 109 degrees.
- A Heat Advisory is in effect for South Central Virginia, Central Virginia, and Hampton Roads area between 2pm and 8pm.
- A Code Orange Air Quality Alert (unhealthy for sensitive groups) for has been issued today for the Tri-Cities area in Southwest VA, the Richmond Metro Area, and the Hampton Roads area.
- Afternoon and evening thunderstorms are expected today into the middle of next week for areas along and west of Interstate 95. Isolated strong to severe storms are possible with the main threats being hail and damaging winds.

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

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