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Severe Storms and Straight-line Winds June 29-July 1, 2012
FEMA-4072-DR-VA

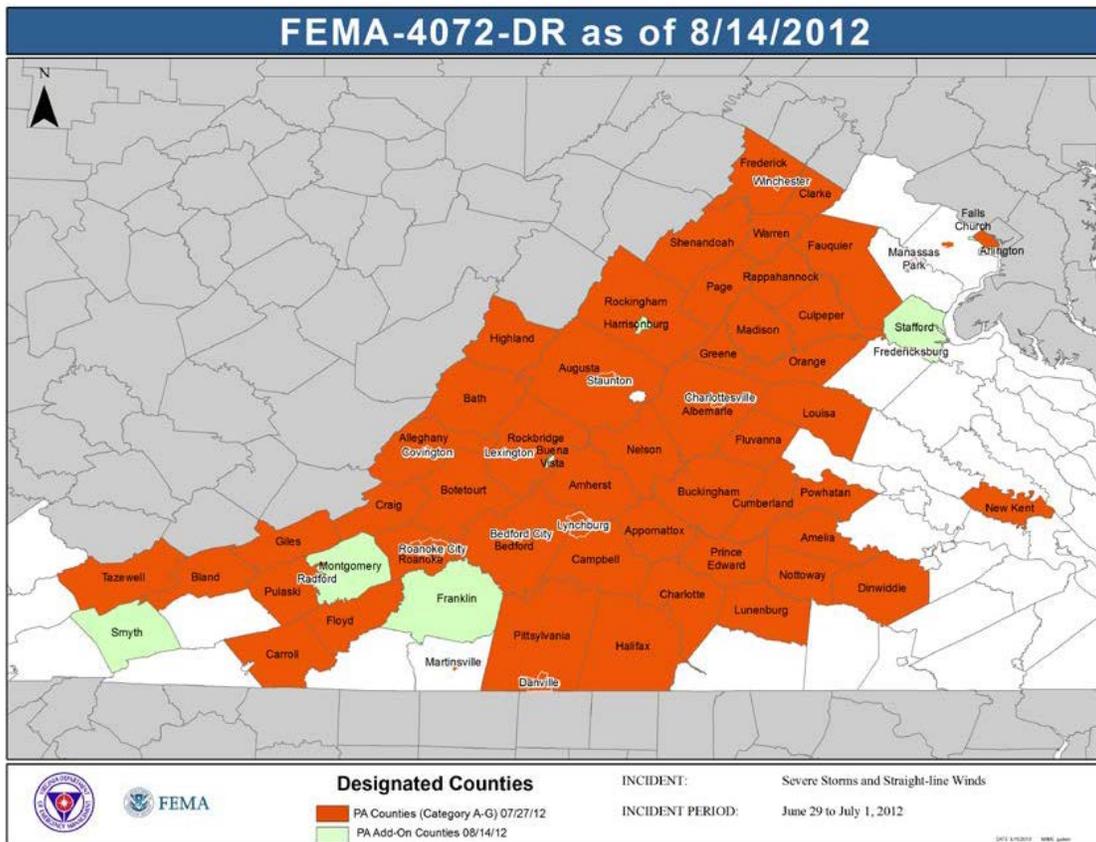
SITUATION REPORT # 2
1600 Hours August 17, 2012
New information since Situation Report #1 in *bold italic font*

SUMMARY

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

Virginia Department of Health, Office of the Chief Medical Examiner confirmed 15 storm related fatalities.

Governor Bob McDonnell announced on Friday, July 27, 2012, that the request for Major Disaster Declaration was approved and assistance is through FEMA's Public Assistance (PA) and Hazard Mitigation (HM) programs.



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Public Assistance is available to the counties of Albemarle, Alleghany, Amelia, Amherst, Appomattox, Arlington, Augusta, Bath, Bedford, Bland, Botetourt, Buckingham, Campbell, Carroll, Charlotte, Clarke, Craig, Culpeper, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Fauquier, Floyd, Fluvanna, Frederick, Giles, Greene, Halifax, Highland, Louisa, Lunenburg, Madison, Nelson, New Kent, Nottoway, Orange, Page, Pittsylvania, Powhatan, Prince Edward, Pulaski, Rappahannock, Roanoke, Rockbridge, Rockingham, Shenandoah, Tazewell and Warren and the cities of Bedford, Charlottesville, Covington, Danville, Fairfax, Fredericksburg, Lexington, Lynchburg, Manassas Park, Martinsville, Radford, Roanoke, Salem, Staunton, and Winchester. Hazard Mitigation is available to all jurisdictions in the Commonwealth.

Commonwealth request submitted Friday, August 10, for seven add-on localities approved by FEMA on Tuesday, August 14. Public Assistance (PA) Program is available to the counties of Franklin, Montgomery, Smyth and Stafford and the cities of Buena Vista, Falls Church and Harrisonburg.

Joint Incident Priorities:

1. Ensure a safe and healthy working environment.
2. Work together as a cohesive team.
3. Provide a timely and effective Public Assistance program.
4. Provide a timely and effective Hazard Mitigation program.

Joint Incident Objectives:

1. Implement Public Assistance (PA) Program to eligible entities within the Commonwealth and strategy to deal with widespread damage impacts on the Commonwealth relative to debris, emergency protective measures, and restoration of infrastructure.
2. Implement Hazard Mitigation Program to reduce the risk of loss of life and property from future incidents through the use of Risk Analysis and provision of Hazard Mitigation assistance for the unique aspects of this event.
3. Ensure appointed and elected officials understand Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation processes.

Deputy Commonwealth Coordinating Officer:

- Coordinating joint activities between the Commonwealth and FEMA.

Operations Section:

- ***Public Assistance Applicant Briefing conference call/webinar conducted Monday, August 13.***
- ***Public Assistance Program training conducted Monday and Tuesday, August 13 and 14.***
- ***Public Assistance Applicant Kickoff Meeting for State Agencies conducted Friday, August 17.***
- ***Public Assistance Applicant Briefing conference call/webinar scheduled for 10 am, Monday, August 20***
- ***Training webinar for VDOT personnel supporting Public Assistance scheduled for Monday, August 20.***

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- *Public Assistance Applicant Kickoff Meeting for Add-on localities scheduled for 9:30 am, Wednesday, August 22.*
- *Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Applicant Briefing conducted Monday, August 13.*
- *Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Applicant Briefing conference call/webinar scheduled for 2 pm, Tuesday, August 21 and 10 am, Wednesday, August 29.*
- *Public Assistance Team 1 transitioned from JFO to VDOT Christiansburg field office Friday, August 17.*
 - *Site visits of damaged facilities and project formulation scheduled August 20 through August 23*
- *Public Assistance Team 2 transitioned from JFO to VDOT Amherst Learning Center field office Friday, August 17.*
 - *Site visits of damaged facilities and project formulation scheduled August 20 through August 23*
- *Public Assistance Team 3 transitioned from JFO to VDOT Staunton District field office Friday, August 17.*
 - *Site visits of damaged facilities and project formulation scheduled August 20 through August 23*
- *Public Assistance Team 4 transitioned from JFO to VDOT Warrenton Residency field office Friday, August 17.*
 - *Site visits of damaged facilities and project formulation scheduled August 20 through August 23*
- *Supporting development of the JFO COOP Plan.*
- *Provided input into JFO Safety Plan.*
- *Finalizing contract agreement for staff.*

Public Assistance Section:

- *Sixty (60) (increase of 12) Requests for Public Assistance (RPAs) received from applicants to date.*
- *Facilitated Public Assistance Applicant Briefing conference call/webinar on Monday, August 13.*
- *Fifty-nine (59) Applicant Kickoff Meetings conducted*
- *Public Assistance Applicant Briefing conference call/webinar scheduled for 10 am, Monday, August 20*
- *Public Assistance Applicant Kickoff Meeting for Add-on localities scheduled for 9:30 am, Wednesday, August 22.*
- *Developing Public Assistance Administrative Plan with projected operational costs.*

Hazard Mitigation Section:

- *Facilitated Hazard Mitigation Grant Program conference call/webinar on Monday, August 13.*
- *Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Applicant Briefing conference call/webinar scheduled for 2 pm, Tuesday, August 21 and 10 am, Wednesday, August 29.*
- *Finalized mitigation targeting list of flood prone properties in coastal A Zone for technical assistance.*
- *Hazard Mitigation Grant Program pre-application deadline of September 15, 2012 set.*

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- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program application deadline of December 15, 2012 set.

Planning Section:

- Developing and distributing weekly JFO Situation Report.
- Coordinating with FEMA Planning on interagency activities.
- *Reviewed and provided feedback on JFO COOP Plan.*
- *Reviewing and assisting with development of JFO OEP/COOP Tabletop Exercise.*

Finance and Administration Section:

- Coordinating and tracking travel vouchers and timesheets.

Communications/IT:

- Installation of password protected wireless network to support JFO completed Tuesday, August 7
 - Wireless network includes file server for storing documents and three printers for use by Commonwealth staff.
 - Network operating on air card router, because Digital Subscriber Line service not available at JFO site.
- IT Partnership staff on-site during JFO hours of operation.
- Twenty-eight additional laptop computers purchased at direction of VDEM Recovery and Mitigation Division Director.
 - All reimaged with VDEM software load set and ready for deployment; four issued to Commonwealth personnel working at JFO,
- *Six VDEM email accounts established for contractors working with Commonwealth JFO staff.*

External Affairs

- Coordinating with FEMA External Affairs staff on information to media and elected officials.
- Supporting Public Assistance Applicant Briefings and Public Assistance Kickoff meetings.
- Monitor media and respond to media and citizen inquiries

Congressional Affairs

- Conducting congressional and state legislative outreach and responding to inquires.

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