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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER
Daily Summary Report

DATE:
October 20, 2012

TO:
The Honorable Tom Corbett
Governor
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

FROM:
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TIME PERIOD:

This report covers the period 8:00 a.m., October 19, 2012 through 8:00 a.m., October 20, 2012.

STATUS REPORT: (as of 8:00 a.m.)

THREAT STATUS:

National Terrorism Advisory System:

There are no current alerts.

EOC STATUS:

State EOC Activation: None
County EOC Activations: None

CAPABILITIES STATUS:

PA All-Hazards Type-3 Incident Management Team – Mission Capable

INFRASTRUCTURE STATUS:

Major Road Closures: None
Telephone Outage Reports: None
Power Outage Reports: None

OPEN:

None

CLOSED:

MISSING PERSON SEARCH – Huntingdon County, 10:23 a.m., 10/18/12 – A search for a missing 17-year-old female occurred in wooded State Game Lands in Todd Township. The search involved assistance from the PA State Police, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Department of Corrections and Maryland State Police. The individual was located without further incident at 12:55 p.m., 10/19/12.

ADVERSE WEATHER – Lancaster County, 8:16 p.m., 10/19/12 – Severe thunderstorms passed through south central Pennsylvania, with the extent of weather damage occurring in Lancaster County. A pavilion collapsed in Paradise Township, injuring six to 10 people who were transported to local hospitals with varying degrees of injuries. Four barns were damaged or destroyed and PPL's electric supply infrastructure sustained significant damage. More than 20,000 homes were without power immediately following the storm. PPL is rerouting and switching circuits and hopes to have all customers restored by the morning hours of Saturday, October 20. As of 8:00 a.m., 2,515 customers are without power.

DISASTER DECLARATIONS:

None

CONTIGUOUS STATE EVENTS OF POTENTIAL INTEREST TO PENNSYLVANIA:

Delaware: No significant events at this time.
Maryland: No significant events at this time.
New Jersey: No significant events at this time.
New York: No significant events at this time.
Ohio: No significant events at this time.
West Virginia: No significant events at this time.

WEATHER:

24-hour Projected Weather Statewide:

National Weather Service, 6:03 a.m., 10/20/12

Clouds will cover the western half of the state today as a deep upper level low pressure area moves across lower Ontario and the lower Great Lakes. This will keep high temperatures down around 50 degrees in the west. Highs will be in the 50s in the central and northeastern mountains while abundant sunshine will push highs into the 60s in the southeastern part of the state.

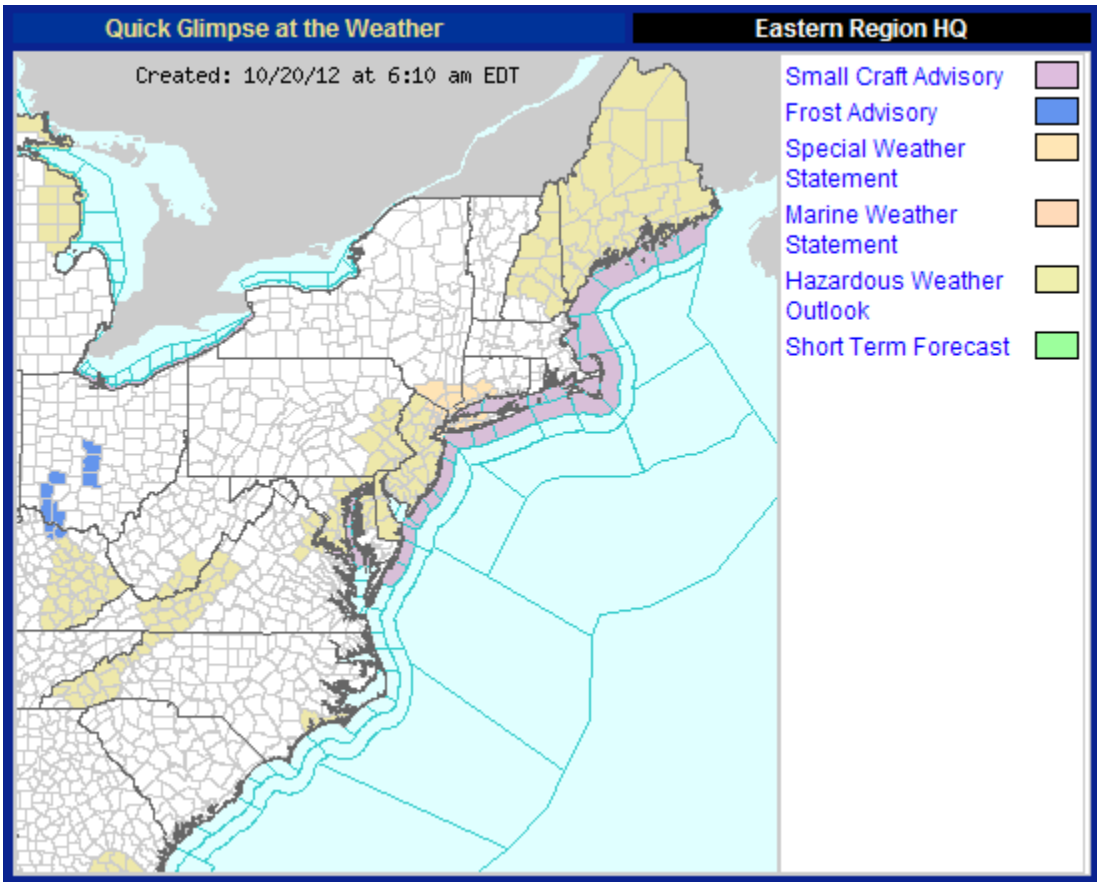
Clearing for the west will occur during the night, but isolated showers could linger along the New York border. Lows on Sunday morning will be within a few degrees of 40 statewide. Only the Philadelphia metro area will stay above 45 degrees.

High pressure will build in from the southwest on Sunday and Monday. The clouds over the western highlands will slowly break up through the day on Sunday with mostly sunny skies

elsewhere. Highs on Sunday will be in the mid 50s in the northwest and mid 60s in the southeast. Lows Monday morning will range from the mid 30s to lower 40s. Sunshine on Monday will yield highs in the mid 60s to lower 70s.

WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

None



NOAA / SPACE WEATHER PREDICTION CENTER:

3-day Solar-Geo-Physical Forecast, 10:00 p.m., 10/19/12:

Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be low with a slight chance for an isolated M-class flare during the forecast period (20-23 October).

Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is expected to be quiet on day 1 (20 October). Days 2 and 3 (21-22 October) should see an increase to quiet to unsettled levels due to the effects of a coronal hole high speed stream.