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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER
Daily Summary Report

DATE:
October 31, 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 30, 2012 through 8:00 a.m., October 31, 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: Level I – Full Activation - 8:00 a.m., 10/29/12
County EOC Activations: 14 County EOCs Remain Activated

CAPABILITIES STATUS:

PA All-Hazards Type-3 Incident Management Team – Two teams are deployed.

INFRASTRUCTURE STATUS:

Major Road Closures: There are a total of 341 road closures statewide (downed trees 104, downed utilities 193, and flooding 44)
Power Outage Reports: 858,948 citizens without power

OPEN:

ADVERSE WEATHER (Hurricane Sandy) – Statewide, 10/29/12 – The SEOC continues to monitor the movement of Tropical Storm Sandy as it moved across the Commonwealth and headed northward into the northeast United States. The category 1 hurricane entered Pennsylvania and brought with it heavy rains, strong winds and a significant storm surge to the Commonwealth. The SEOC was elevated to an Operational Level I, as of 8 a.m., 10/29/12.

State and federal rescue and recovery assets have been deployed across the state to provide assistance as needed.

CLOSED:

None

DISASTER DECLARATIONS:

Pennsylvania – Signed by Governor Corbett, 10/26/12
Presidential Declaration – Signed by President Obama, 10/29/12

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, 4:15 a.m., 10/31/12

The remnants of sandy were just northwest of State College early this morning. Skies were mainly cloudy overnight with a few rain and snow showers. Early morning temperatures were mainly in the 30s. Winter weather advisories and warnings are in effect for the Laurel Highlands into early this afternoon.

The most persistent precipitation will be across the northern and western portions of the Keystone State early today.

Skies will remain mainly cloudy today and Thursday as the remnants of Sandy slowly drift northward the next two days.

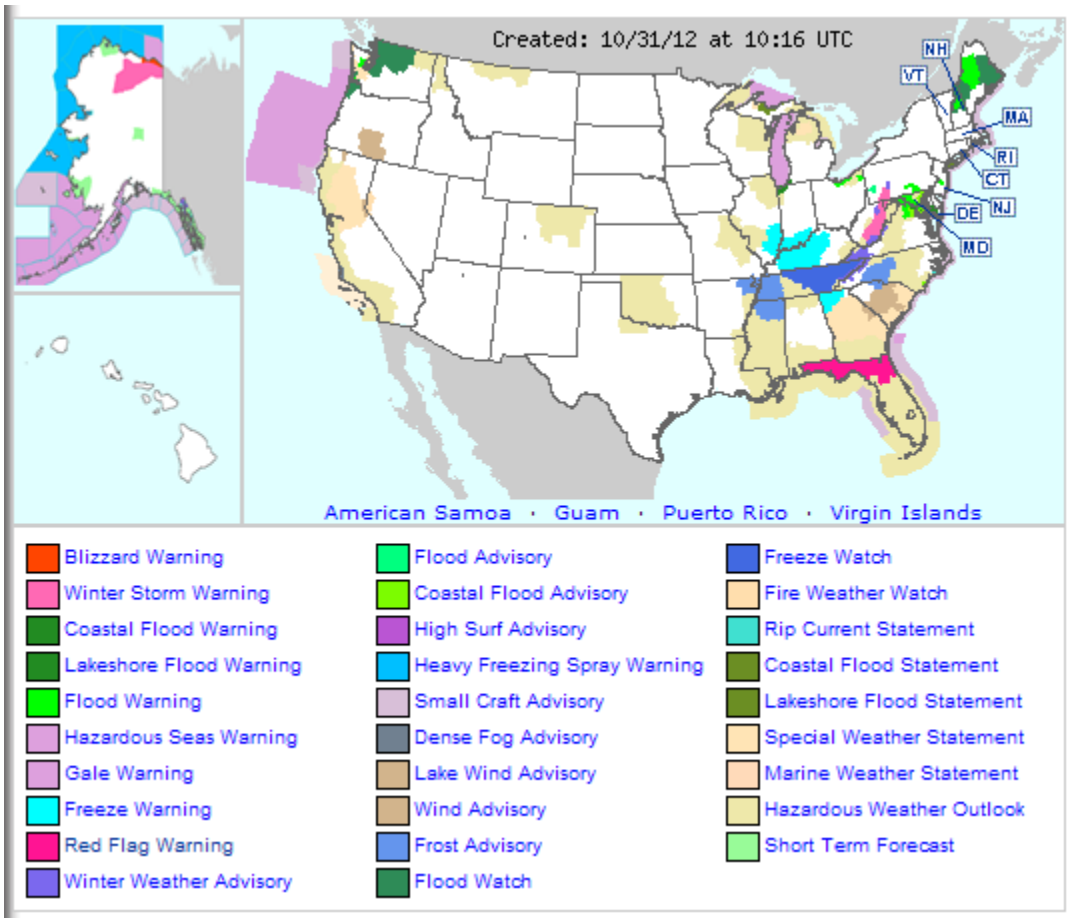
Temperatures this afternoon will be mainly in the 40s.

Lows tonight will be mainly in the 30s.

High temperatures on Thursday will only be a few degrees warmer. Temperatures will range from the 40s across much of the region to lower 50s across the southeast.

WATCHES AND WARNINGS:

Flood warnings are posted for Cumberland and York counties. Winter storm warnings are in effect for Somerset, Fayette and Westmoreland counties



NOAA / SPACE WEATHER PREDICTION CENTER:

3-day Solar-Geo-Physical Forecast, 10:00 p.m., 10/30/12:

Solar Activity Forecast: Solar activity is expected to be very low with a chance for low level activity.

Geophysical Activity Forecast: The geomagnetic field is expected to be mostly quiet on day 1 (31 October), increasing to a chance for active levels with the arrival of the 27 and 28 October CMEs late in the day. Unsettled to active with a chance for minor storm levels are expected on day 2 (1 November) from CME effects. On day 3 (2 November) conditions are expected to decline to quiet to unsettled with a chance for active as CME effects subside.