

AEMA/Emergency Operations Center

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 2

EMITS INCIDENT #: 14-468 HWO

State Emergency Operations Center Activation Level: I Operational Period: 04/29/14 0700 hrs to 04/29/14 1900 hrs

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1. CURRENT SITUATION: (As of 1700 hrs 4/29/14)

A. BACKGROUND: Severe storms in the form of hail, high winds and tornadoes entered northwest Alabama between 1500 hrs and 1530 hrs on Monday, April 29, 2014. Supercell thunderstorms moved eastward out of Mississippi and produced significant damage for areas near and north of I-20/59, as well as west of Montgomery and southeast of Auburn.

CURRENT STATUS/EVENTS:

- **B. TODAY/TONIGHT:** A break in the weather this morning but more showers and storms will be possible this afternoon and evening. Damaging winds, tornadoes, and large hail are possible. The threat of severe weather will taper off late this evening.
- C. FUTURE SUMMARY/IMPACT: For the afternoon and evening hours of Tuesday, April 30, 2014, there is another enhanced threat for areas south of I-20 and west of I-65. This includes Birmingham, Montgomery, Mobile and Demopolis and defines the area to have the most widespread severe storms and potential for tornadoes.
- D. CASUALTIES: Total (3): Limestone (2); Tuscaloosa (1)
- E. INJURIES: Total (16): Lee (11) Pickens (4) Tuscaloosa (1)

2. STATUS OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION:

Federal Declaration Requested: At 1536 hrs on Tuesday, 4/29/14.

Governor Declared State of Emergency: The Governor proclaimed a State of Emergency in the State of Alabama as a result of the potential imminent threat of the impacts from severe weather and tornados beginning on April 28, 2014 effective 1900 hrs.

COUNTIES w/ Local Declarations: Cullman and Limestone.

CITIES w/ Local Declarations: Athens

3. SEVERITY OF IMPACT ON LOCAL JURISDICTIONS:

A. COUNTY EOCs ACTIVATED: Total (45); Autauga, Baldwin, Barbour, Bibb, Blount, Calhoun, Chambers, Clarke, Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Covington, Cullman, Dale, Dallas, DeKalb, Elmore, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Greene, Hale, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Madison, Marshall, Mobile, Montgomery, Morgan, Pickens, Pike, Randolph, Russell, Shelby, St. Clair, Sumter, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, and Walker.

B. IMPACT ON INDIVIDUALS:

Counties Reporting Damage: Total (23)

Bibb: Trees and power lines down

Choctaw: (1) Home

Clarke: (5) Homes (4) Moderate (1) Major (1) Garage (1) Vehicle; trees and power lines down

<u>Colbert</u>: (1) Home; Roof damage to restaurant in Leighton, trees and power lines down

Conecuh: Trees down in the Mixonville Community

Covington: (2) Structure Fires

Cullman: (2) Poultry Houses; 22,000 Chickens lost

<u>DeKalb</u>: (15) Homes (5) Major (5) Minor (10) effected; (7) Poultry Houses; (6) Barns; Valley Head Fire Department and Town Hall; 100 ft. of Norfolk railway washed away

Elmore: Trees and Power lines down

Etowah: (100-150) structures damaged/destroyed in Smith Institute Community;

including Mobile and Residential homes

Fayette: (1) Structure with roof damage; trees down

Lamar: (1) Home destroyed, Trees down and roads blocked

Lawrence: water over roadways

Lee: Severe damage Hailey Woods Subdivision, trees on homes

Limestone: Apartment complex in North Athens and numerous homes

Macon: Trees down and flooding

<u>Jefferson</u>: Kimberly FD destroyed, Kimberly Church of God heavily damaged, (1)

residence in Kimberly destroyed, Graysville FD heavily damaged

Pike: Troy Fire Station radios damaged

Russell: (1) Home, (1) Barn

St. Clair: (1) Mobile Home

Sumter: (1) Business (2) Homes (2) Vehicles; Siloam VFD heavy damage to roof

and siding

Tallapoosa: (2) Homes (house fires)

<u>Tuscaloosa</u>: Several roads blocked by trees

Curfews: None.

C. IMPACT ON BUSINESSES: National Weather Service Mobile office struck by lightning and unable to receive radar data; issuing warnings off of surrounding radars.

4. ROAD/TRANSPORTATION STATUS:

<u>Limestone</u>: SR 72 one lane open <u>Lee</u>: SR 169 closed in all directions Mobile: SR 188 Westbound closed

5. CRITICAL FACILITIES:

- A. HOSPITALS: None.
- **B. SCHOOLS:** Tuscaloosa County: Englewood Elementary School had roof damage.
 - School closings (22):
 - o <u>Baldwin</u>: Faulkner State Community Colleges
 - o Bibb: All County Schools
 - Blount: All County Schools and Oneonta City Schools
 - o <u>Choctaw</u>: All County Schools, South Choctaw Academy, Patrician Academy, and Alabama Southern Community College
 - o <u>Clarke</u>: All County Schools, Jackson Academy, Clarke Prep School, Thomasville City Schools, and Alabama Southern Community College
 - <u>Colbert</u>: All County Schools; Tuscumbia, Sheffield and Muscle Shoals City Schools
 - o Cullman: All County Schools; Wallace Community College
 - o Dale: All County Schools
 - <u>Dallas</u>: All County Schools; Morgan Academy, Cathedral Academy, Meadowview Christian, Ellwood Christian, Journey School and all Selma City Schools
 - o <u>DeKalb</u>: All County Schools and Cornerstone Christian Academy
 - o Elmore: All County Schools and most private schools
 - o Geneva: All City and County Schools
 - o <u>Lauderdale</u>: All County Schools and Florence City Schools
 - o <u>Lawrence</u>: All County Schools
 - o Mobile: All Public Schools
 - o Macon: All County Schools
 - Marengo: All County Schools; Demopolis City Schools; Linden City Schools; Marengo Academy
 - o Morgan: All County Schools, Decatur City, and Hartselle City Schools
 - o St. Clair: All County Schools and Pell City

- <u>Tuscaloosa</u>: All City and County Schools; and the Central Office,
 Woodland Forest Elementary, South View Elementary and Shelton State
 Community College
- Walker: All County Schools, Sumiton Christian School, and Jasper City Schools
- o Washington: All County Schools
- **C. GOVERNMENT:** County Office/Courthouse Closing: Choctaw, Clarke, Dallas, and Washington
- D. HAZMAT: None

6. STATUS OF STATE OPERATIONS: Standing Priorities:

- 1. Life Saving
- 2. Incident Stabilization
- 3. Protection of Property and Environment
- 4. Preliminary Needs/Damage Assessment

7. OPERATIONS SECTION:

A. ESF - 2 Telecommunications and Information Technology:

- SoLINC:
 - o (8) sites operating on generators
 - o (2) sites operating on batteries
 - o (2) sites off the air (Capacity sites should not affect coverage)
- AT&T:
 - No known issues at this time
- Verizon:
 - o (17) cells out of service
 - o (1) cell with batter discharge
 - o (2) cells with generator failures
 - o (6) cells with generator running
 - o (6) cells with commercial power failure

B. EMERGENCY SERVICES BRANCH:

ESF-1 Transportation (ALDOT): Personnel on standby awaiting missions to support response efforts.

ESF-3 Public Works and Engineering (ALDOT) Alabama Department of Transportation crews have responded as weather permitted to cut, clear and remove trees and debris from the roadway.

ESF – 13 Public Safety and Security (DPS, DOC, DCNR, ABC, and DHS)

- Department of Public Safety Supporting Division operations.
- Alcoholic Beverage Control (13) officers on standby if needed to assist.
- **Department of Corrections** (14) inmates and (2) Correctional Officers dispatched to assist the Limestone Sheriff's Office.
- Alabama National Guard Has been authorized for up to (100) soldiers in State Active Duty for mission including Liaison Officers at Joint Forces Headquarters Joint Operation Center, State Emergency Operating Center, and Major Communication Headquarters. Currently, (20) soldiers and (10) vehicles are supporting law enforcement agencies in Division F with traffic control points, perimeter security, and presence patrols.
- Department of Pardons and Parole Personnel on standby to assist if needed.
- Alabama Forestry Commission Personnel on standby awaiting missions to support response efforts.

C. HUMAN SERVICES BRANCH:

- ESF 6 Mass Care, Housing, and Human Services Special Needs (DHR, SALVATION ARMY, RED CROSS)
 - Shelters Open: As of 4/29/14 at 1500 hrs
 Shelters Open: (8) Total Occupants: (218)
 Baldwin County: St. Pauls Episcopal Church (0) and First United
 Methodist Church of Fairhope (0)
 Blount County: New Life Ministries (25) and Locust Fire Department (0)
 Etowah County: Sardis Baptist Church (22)
 Jefferson County: Bessemer Civic Center (100), New Harvest Church
 (50), Graysville Center (0) and Community Center Kimberly (0)
 Limestone County: Central Church of Christ (21)
 - (16) Community Safe Rooms reported open in EMITS: Blount (2), Colbert (13), Jefferson (1)
 - Salvation Army: (5) canteens serving meals
 - o Franklin (1)
 - o Jefferson (2)
 - o Limestone (2)

- American Red Cross: Supporting shelter operations.
- Department Human Resources: (12) office closings; Bibb, Blount, Colbert, Cullman, Fayette, Franklin, Greene, Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Madison, and Washington.
- ESF 8 Public Health and Medical Services (DPH): (37) offices are open and (30) are closed.
- ESF 11 Agriculture (AGI): Significant damages reported throughout the affected areas (Blount, Cullman, DeKalb, and Limestone). State & Federal Animal Health officials are doing damage and needs assessments to determine the extent and quantity of damage. Numerous chicken houses are damaged throughout the State with approximately 350,000 birds known to be affected, expect number to be over 1 million as damage assessments continue.
- 211 No report at this time.
- Serve Alabama: No report at this time.
- VOAD: Volunteers continue to support local EMAs to coordinate efforts in helping with search and rescue, moving heavy equipment, chainsaw crews and providing additional help as requested.

D. OPERATIONS SUPPORT BRANCH:

County to County Mutual Aid: Numerous requests have been filled.

Mutual Aid Fire – AMAS Team Status: (2) Central Area IMT Teams Activated to Assist Jefferson at Kimberly and Grayville. Each team consists of 4 members: Incident commander, Operations, Planning, Logistics officers.

Alabama Law Enforcement Agency: On standby.

State Fire Marshalls: (22) Fire Marshal Agents with (4) wheel drive stationed across the state ready to assist.

Civil Air Patrol: On standby.

EMAC REQ-A's: None

Alabama State Department of Education: See attached school closing list.

E. INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT BRANCH:

UTILITIES:

POTABLE WATER/SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS: Nothing reported.

• ELECTRIC POWER: All reported outages as of 1500 hrs 4/29/14.

AL Power Company

Total Customers: 1,400,000

Peak Out: 84,000 Current Out: 84,000

Restoration Plan: Majority will be restored by midnight.

AL Rural Electric Association

Total Customers: 700,000

Peak Out: 13,500 Current Out: 11,287

Restoration Plan: Power crews will assess the damage at daylight.

TVA/AL Electric Cities:

Total Customers: 500,000

Peak Out: NA Current Out: 13,500

Restoration Plan: Crews are working.

Critical Facilities Without Power: None

GAS PIPELINES: No Reported shutdowns.

FUEL SUPPLIES: None

SEWAGE TREATMENT: Nothing to report at this time.

AIRPORTS: None

RAILROADS: Norfolk Railway has 100 yards of track out at Valley Head,

AL.

PORTS: None

Oil and Gas Production: Nothing to report at this time.

F. Division Reports:

Division A: Activated

No current missions.

Division B: Activated

No current missions.

Division C: Activated

Wide spread wind damage to trees and building across affected counties.
 Standing by to assign resources as requested. County EMA's still assessing damage and monitoring forecasted severe weather.

Division D: Activated

• Supporting security/traffic control activities in Lee County.

Division E: Activated

• No current missions.

Division F: Activated

 VOAD active and (4) counties are providing County to County Mutual Aid. Shelter operations ongoing and debris and power outages are the primary concern. Clements Fire Department in Limestone County has damage.
 Valley Head Town Hall and Fire Department in DeKalb County flooded. All State agencies are participating and Liaison Officers providing a unity of effort and close coordination in providing state agency support.

Division G: Activated

- Local Responder agencies in Jefferson County are handling requests from affected jurisdictions.
- Division G continues to assess the situation and is prepared to receive requests and coordinate internally.
- Currently, no ongoing missions.

8. PLANNING SECTION: ESF 5 Emergency Management: # Personnel Deployed/ Mobilized:

Public				Div		Base						
Sector	#	Agency	SEOC	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Standby	office
211	20	2 Yr.	,									
	20	College	3									
APCO		ABC	2		1			2				
AREA		ADECA	1									
AT&T		ADEM										
SALV ARMY	11	ADPH	19	1	1	200	1	2	1	1		
S LINC	1	AEMA	70	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
TVA AL		AFC	1	1	2							
VERIZON		AGI	13									
VOAD	175	ALEA	2									
JSU	2	ALNG	100	3	2	2	2	25	3			
Troy Univ	1	ALSDE	2									
		ARC										
		ВРР	2	1	1							
		DCNR	1	1								
		DHR	1	2	1	346	1	1	4	1		
		DOC	3						2	3		
		Inmates	14									
		DOF				20	1	2	2	1		
		DOT	150	1	1	102	1		77	1		
		DPS	4	1	1	41	3	10	81			
		SERVE AL	3									
		SFMO										
		Mutual										
		Aid	9									
		ALFM	2									
Total	210	Totals	402	12	11	712	10	43	171	8		
		Grand Total	1579									

- 9. FINANCE/ADMINISTRATION SECTION: Total obligations \$42,120.88.
- 10. LOGISTICS SECTION: Nothing at this time.

11. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SECTION:

- Collecting needs assessments and distributing emergency information through social media.
- Coordinate with media outlets to coordinate staff interviews to inform citizens about preparedness information and ongoing operations.
- Respond to public and private sector inquiries through JIC staff.
- 12. RECOVERY/MITIGATION SECTION: Nothing at this time
- 13. ARFs REQUESTED: None
- 14. FEMA Status Report: None

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