

# Alabama Emergency Management Agency



Situation Report Number: 4	SEOC Activation Level: 3/4
Incident Name: 15-1370-HWO	Governors State of Emergency: 12/25/15
Type of Incident: Severe Weather and Flooding	
Operational Period: 12/29/15 1500 hrs -12/30/15 1500 hrs	



## Hazard Summary and Outlook

Geographical Area	Watches/ Warnings	Major Impacts
NWS Huntsville	Flood Warning	<p>Much cooler tonight and Thursday with a mostly cloudy sky. Patchy fog also possible late tonight.</p> <p>Flood Warning continues for the: Tennessee River at Florence and Whitesburg the Paint Rock River near Woodville</p>
NWS Birmingham	Flood Warning	<p>Rain will gradually end, with the best chances remaining across the southeast tonight. A few thunderstorms will remain possible, but severe storms are not expected. Overnight temperatures will be more seasonal across the northwest with lows in the upper 30s. Closer to the front, across the southeast, lows will be in the 50s.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Coosa River near Logan Martin Dam and Weiss Dam, Childersburg</li> <li>• The Alabama River at R.F. Henry Lock and Dam, Montgomery, Selma</li> <li>• The Tallapoosa River at the Tallapoosa Water Plant, Wadley,</li> <li>• The Black Warrior River at Selden Lock and Dam</li> <li>• The Tombigbee River at Beville Lock and Dam, Gainesville Lock and Dam, Demopolis Lock and Dam</li> <li>• The Catoma Creek Near U.S. 331 Highway Bridge</li> </ul>
NWS Mobile	Flash Flood Watch	<p>Heavy rain will persist in the watch area through tonight as stalled front remains in the area. This will lead to continued rounds of moderate to heavy rainfall on already saturated ground and the possibility of flash flooding.</p>

		<p>Flash Flood Watch continues for the following counties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Baldwin</li> <li>• Butler</li> <li>• Conecuh</li> <li>• Covington</li> <li>• Crenshaw</li> <li>• Escambia</li> <li>• Mobile</li> <li>• Monroe</li> </ul>
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### **Life Saving**

1. State of Emergency: Issued December 25, 2015
2. State of Emergency Proclamations:
  - (15) Counties: Barbour, Blount, Butler, Crenshaw, Coffee, Covington, Cullman, Franklin, Geneva, Houston, Jefferson, Limestone, Marion, Monroe, and Pike
  - (4) City: City of Athens (Limestone) Town of Garden City, City of Hanceville, and City of Cullman (Cullman)
3. Evacuation/Curfew Status: None
  1. Shelters Open: Coffee: (1) Elba Elementary (14) individuals
  2. Fatalities/Injuries: (2) Fatalities (Coffee) (1) Injury (Etowah)
  3. Road Advisories: (23) total impacted counties with advisories with this event  
Barbour, Bibb, Cherokee, Crenshaw, Colbert Conecuh, Cullman, Elmore, Etowah, Jackson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Limestone, Marshall, Marion, Monroe, Morgan, Pike, Russell, Shelby, St. Clair, Tuscaloosa, and Walker
  4. Road Closures: (35) total impacted counties with road closures for this event  
Baldwin, Barbour, Bibb, Blount, Bullock, Butler, Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Coffee, Covington, Crenshaw, Cullman, Dale, Dallas, Elmore, Etowah, Escambia, Franklin, Geneva, Jackson, Lauderdale, Limestone, Lee, Marion, Marshall, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Pike, Randolph, Talladega, Tallapoosa, and Walker
5. FEMA Resource Request Forms (RRF) Submitted: None

### **Incident Stabilization**

1. County EOCs Activated: (26) total EOCs currently activated  
Barbour, Bibb, Blount, Butler, Calhoun, Cherokee, Conecuh, Crenshaw, Cullman, Dallas, DeKalb, Etowah, Franklin, Geneva, Houston, Jackson, Lawrence, Madison, Marshall, Mobile, Monroe, Morgan, Shelby, St Clair, Talladega, and Tuscaloosa

### **Protection of Property and Environment**

Threats or Disruptions to Critical Infrastructure:

1. Hospitals: No impacts
2. Schools: No impacts
3. Airports: No impacts

4. Railroads: Monroe: Dirt has washed over the Alabama-Gulf Coast Railroad tracks at the South crossing on the dirt portion of S. Mount Pleasant Ave.
5. Ports: No impacts
6. Gas Pipelines: No impacts
7. Water: (2)
  - Barbour: Cowikee Water Authority has a line that crosses Cowikee creek along HWY 49 that is blown out. Crew is onscene and expected time of repair is 12/30/15
  - Clayton Water Authority has notified the EMA that they have 1 customer who they cannot restore services too. The line crosses a bridge that is damaged on Highway 51, and the work cannot be completed until the bridge is repaired. ALDOT has notified the water authority that it could take 2 weeks to finish repairs. American Red Cross will reach out directly to EMA and family to see if they can meet their needs.

### **Preliminary Needs/Damage Assessment**

County Reported Damage Statewide: (19) Barbour, Butler, Chambers, Crenshaw, Coffee, **Colbert**, **Conecuh**, Cullman, Dale, Elmore, **Houston**, **Jefferson**, Jackson, Lawrence, Limestone, Macon, Monroe, Sumter, and Tuscaloosa

Power: No significant power outages reported

### **Reported by Divisions:**

#### Division A:

- Conecuh: Provided the homeowner with 4 tarps to cover the damaged area of a mobile home.
- Monroe: Rescue for Woman and Child trapped in a tree in Eureka Landing Road due to flooding. No assistance needed from state at this time.

#### Division B:

- Coffee: The Elba division of the Recovery Organization of Coffee County (ROCC) has set up operations for flood victims. The VRC is up and running (at the Church of Christ) with appx. 100 volunteers registered and assignments being made for assistance to the appx. 70 households that have requested some type of assistance. The Southern Baptist Assoc., the Mennonites, and the Methodist church are all involved in assisting with clean-up of residences. Submitted the initial PDA for the Coffee County Engineer.
- Geneva: Due to flood waters county cannot assess damage in some areas. Estimate having approx. 25 to 40 homes with water damage and will finish damage assessment after river water recedes. County has 2 bridges and 6 roads closed on the West end of the county.
- Houston: Completed initial PDAs

#### Division C:

- Tuscaloosa: Flooding reported at Cypress Creek Road and Hemp Hill Road in Fosters and Watermelon Road
- Marengo: Initial PDA is completed and the county is requesting a State/County PDA

#### Division D:

- Chambers: Completed PA Initial Damage Assessment for Chambers County, including the City of Lanett, East Alabama Fire, and East Alabama Water. Currently in process of assessing at least 14 residents who have reported uninsured damage due the flash flooding. 15 to 20 residents in the City of Lanett, Chambers County have experienced varying degrees of flood damage to their homes. Red Cross that serves the Chambers County area has a group enroute over to the area.

Division E:

- Lawrence: Initial damage assessment was submitted

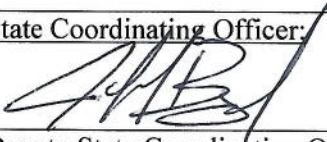
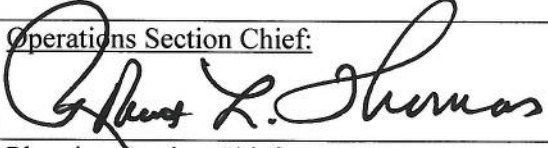
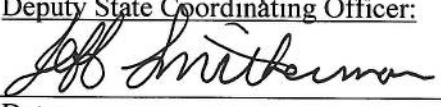

Division G:

- Clay: Initial Damage Assessment Forms for City of Ashland and Clay County have been submitted
- Jefferson: Reporting 7 homes destroyed, 12 Homes with major damages, and 111 homes with damage

Division F:

- Cullman: Has submitted initial Damage Assessment Forms received to date.

Counties Requesting PDAs: (10) Chambers, Clay, Coffee, Colbert, Crenshaw, Cullman, Marengo, Montgomery, Monroe, and Perry

<u>State Coordinating Officer:</u> 	<u>Operations Section Chief:</u> 
<u>Deputy State Coordinating Officer:</u> 	<u>Planning Section Chief:</u> 
<u>Date:</u> 12-30-15	