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West Virginia Severe Flooding June 16th, 2025

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"Governor Patrick Morrisey Delivers Updates on Flood Response in Wheeling

Wheeling, W.Va. – Today, Governor Patrick Morrisey delivered updates on the state and local response to severe flash flooding in Ohio County. This morning, Governor Morrisey declared a state of emergency in Ohio County and has mobilized state resources to assist.

Flash Flooding occurred throughout the city of Wheeling and the towns of Triadelphia and Valley Grove beginning late yesterday evening. Roughly 3-4 inches of rain fell in the area in a short period of time, prompting significant flash flooding along US 40 (National Road), Middle Wheeling Creek, Little Wheeling Creek and various runs and streams through Ohio County.

As of 5pm, there are five confirmed fatalities and three missing persons. State officials are working hand in hand with local emergency responders to do everything in our power to locate missing persons as quickly as possible.

Power outages continue to be a challenge in the region, with 2,500 reported outages as of 2pm. Linemen are working on restoring power quickly, and the state has offered any assistance necessary to get folks back up and running.

FEMA has already been notified and we are working with them to ensure we are ready to receive any additional assistance from the federal government.

National Guard

Governor Morrisey mobilized the National Guard to support local emergency operations.

The Joint Operations Center is fully engaged, coordinating response efforts across agencies. Community Assistance Teams, including Liaison Officers, are deployed to work directly with local emergency management and assist affected residents.

Engineering units with loaders and dump trucks are mobilized to clear debris, reopen access routes, and support critical infrastructure.

Aviation assets remain on standby to conduct search and rescue missions for individuals who may be stranded or in immediate danger.

National Guard Soldiers and Airmen are working in close coordination with local authorities to ensure timely, life-saving support. Division of Natural Resources

The Division of Natural Resources (DNR) is currently utilizing drones, UTV's, 4x4 vehicles, dive teams, and swift water teams. The DNR has assisted in 19 successful swiftwater rescues.

Division of Emergency Management

Coordinating with the town of Valley Grove to ensure quick delivery of water pallets

Generators and additional supplies are headed to the region. Coordinating the delivery of cleanup kits to get working on this right away. We expect these kits to be delivered by tomorrow. Division of Highways

More than 12 roads and 3 bridges are closed in the city and county. Teams are already on-site conducting assessments on these roads and clearing them of debris.

Working with local landfill to remove and transfer debris off roads to landfills. Ensuring first responders have access where needed

Currently working on more than 15 routes in Triadelphia and Valley Grove area Governor Morrisey has directed the deployment of transportation resources from across the state to assist local crews.

30 pieces of equipment, with operators, are on scene to help with clean-up and will stay until clean-up is complete.

Department of Environmental Protection

Conducting inspections on facilities and has received no word of any issues. Authorized landfills to stay open for extended hours and stands ready to authorize any additional debris staging areas. Waived tonnage limitation and disposal fees"

Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency

Marion County Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 200 Jackson Street Fairmont, WV 26554 (304) 367-5400 <u>Marion County Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Management</u> <u>Marion County Homeland Security & Emergency Management | Facebook</u>

Ohio County Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 1500 Chapline St Wheeling, WV 26003 (304) 234-3756 Wheeling-Ohio County Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency Marion County Homeland Security & Emergency Management | Facebook Wheeling-OhioCo EMA (@OhioCountyWVEMA) / X

American Red Cross

Central Appalachia Region 113 Lakeview Dr Charleston, WV 25313 (844) 216-8286 <u>Central Appalachia Region | American Red Cross</u> <u>American Red Cross of Central Appalachia Region | Charleston WV | Facebook</u> <u>American Red Cross Central Appalachia Region (@RedCrossCAR) / X</u>

Please see the following link for the most updated information on available shelters: <u>Disaster Shelters | Find Shelters | American Red Cross</u>

Open Shelters:

Falcon Center 1201 Locust Ave Fairmont, WV 26554

Department of Transportation

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> Please see the following link for updated traffic conditions: <u>State Road Search by</u> <u>Address</u>

United Way/211 Information and Referrals Lines

These information and referral lines may know of additional resources currently providing assistance, such as food pantries, clothing closets, emergency shelters, and agencies offering financial assistance. Please dial 2-1-1 and provide your zip code and demographic information in order to receive referrals. Information can also be obtained at <u>Call 211 for Essential Community Services | United Way 211</u>.

West Virginia 211 Call 211 or (833) 848-9905 Text your zip code to 898211 898-211 <u>West Virginia 211</u>

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

(800) 621-3362 FEMA.gov

Please visit the website and click on "*Disaster Declarations*". If a disaster is declared, please call to apply for assistance by phone, or visit: <u>Individual Assistance | FEMA.gov</u> to apply online.

DisasterAssistance.gov

Home | disasterassistance.gov

Offers information about local resources for disasters, including: FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs), Red Cross, food, shelter, state emergency management agencies, and hospital locators.

To determine if individual disaster assistance is available through FEMA, please visit the website and enter the address.

To locate your local state emergency management agency for disaster information and updates, please visit: <u>Search Your Location | FEMA.gov</u>

American Red Cross National

(800) 733-2767 American Red Cross | Help Those Affected by Disasters

National Weather Service

Weather alerts by state are available at: Active Alerts (weather.gov).

The Weather Channel

Local forecasts and severe weather. <u>National and Local Weather Radar, Daily Forecast, Hurricane and information from The</u> <u>Weather Channel and weather.com</u>.

Safe Travel USA

<u>SafeTravelUSA</u>

National Traffic And Road Closure Information

National Traffic and Road Closure Information | Federal Highway Administration (dot.gov)

Free Help Line

Optum, a leading health and behavioral health services company, is offering a free emotional-support help line.

The toll-free number, 866-447-3573, will be open Monday-Friday, 8am-8pm CST. The service is free of charge and open to anyone. Specially trained Optum mental health specialists help people manage their stress and anxiety so they can continue to address their everyday needs. Callers may also receive referrals to community resources to help them with specific concerns, including financial and legal matters.

Along with the toll-free help line, emotional-support resources and information are available online at <u>https://www.liveandworkwell.com</u>.