

West Virginia Emergency Management Division

Report to Joint Committee on
Flooding May 2021

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Changes in Disaster Request Process

Historically

- Damage as a result of a disaster is reported through Emergency Managers to WVEMD who sends teams into the field to assist with establishing data to support reports. Information is necessary to establish county and state thresholds are met.
- Information collected is then validated in a joint damage assessment between WVEMD and FEMA personnel and must be agreed upon before a DR request can be submitted (statutorily within first 30 days).

Currently

- WVEMD personnel are validating what is submitted to them but FEMA has requested 2 weeks of joint Preliminary Damage Assessments which are conducted virtually (requiring a 30-day extension to accomplish).

*Virtual assessments are a result of COVID19 measures currently in place for FEMA.



Developments

- Increasing Finance, Public Assistance and Mitigation staff and contractual support personnel
- 2016 Flood DR 4273 remains largest Public Assistance and Mitigation grant ever in WV (55% of all funds in 20 years)
 - HUD CDBG-DR funds used for some mitigation match
- 2019 COVID Pandemic DR 4517 still ongoing with statewide challenges
- Request for Major Disaster Declaration submitted for February Ice Storm (qualifying counties: Cabell, Lincoln, Mason, Putnam, and Wayne)
- Request for Major Disaster Declaration submitted for February Flood event (qualifying counties: Boone, Cabell, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Mingo, and Wayne counties)



Ice Storm February 11-14, 2021

Number of Localities in STATE: 55

Population: 1,852,994

State Per Capita: \$2,872,141

February 11-14, 2021

Public Assistance

COUNTIES	Amount To Date	Met Indicator
Cabell	\$1,199,550.00	Yes (\$374,681)
Lincoln	\$ 141,880.00	Yes (\$84,491)
Mason	\$1,191,073.00	Yes (\$106,290)
Putnam	\$846,053.00	Yes (\$215,841)
Wayne	\$1,960,257.00	Yes (\$164,251)
TOTALS	\$ 5,338,813.00	(Majority of funding is for DOH repairs)

*** Request for major disaster declaration submitted on April 12, 2021**



Flooding February 27 –March 4, 2021

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Public Assistance

COUNTIES	Amount To Date	Met Indicator
Boone	\$110,541	Yes (\$95,807)
Kanawha	\$2,278,883	Yes (\$751,015)
Lincoln	\$246,087	Yes (\$84,491)
Logan	\$636,586	Yes (\$142,930)
Mingo	\$1,344,525	Yes (\$104,404)
Wayne	\$1,365,858	Yes (\$165,251)

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Individual Assistance

County	Destroyed	Major	Minor	Affected	Total
Cabell	0	10	13	12	35
Kanawha	0	10	22	47	79
Mingo	0	9	24	39	72
Wayne	2	13	4	138	157
Total	2	42	63	236	343

TOTALS \$1,566,841



* Request for major disaster declaration submitted on May 3rd, 2021

State Disasters Thresholds

\$2,872,140.70

County Indicators for FY 2021		
	Census 2010	Indicator
<u>County</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>for County</u>
Barbour	16,589	\$ 64,531
Berkeley	104,169	\$ 405,217
Boone	24,629	\$ 95,807
Braxton	14,523	\$ 56,494
Brooke	24,069	\$ 93,628
Cabell	96,319	\$ 374,681
Calhoun	7,627	\$ 29,669
Clay	9,386	\$ 36,512
Doddridge	8,202	\$ 31,906
Fayette	46,039	\$ 179,092
Gilmer	8,693	\$ 33,816
Grant	11,937	\$ 46,435
Greenbrier	35,480	\$ 138,017
Hampshire	23,964	\$ 93,220
Hancock	30,676	\$ 119,330
Hardy	14,025	\$ 54,557
Harrison	69,099	\$ 268,795
Jackson	29,211	\$ 113,631
Jefferson	53,498	\$ 208,107
Kanawha	193,063	\$ 751,015
Lewis	16,372	\$ 63,687
Lincoln	21,720	\$ 84,491
Logan	36,743	\$ 142,930
McDowell	22,113	\$ 86,020
Marion	56,418	\$ 219,466
Marshall	33,107	\$ 128,786
Mason	27,324	\$ 106,290

County Indicators for FY 2021		
	Census 2010	Indicator
Mercer	62,264	\$ 242,207
Mineral	28,212	\$ 109,745
Mingo	26,839	\$ 104,404
Monongalia	96,189	\$ 374,175
Monroe	13,502	\$ 52,523
Morgan	17,541	\$ 68,234
Nicholas	26,233	\$ 102,046
Ohio	44,443	\$ 172,883
Pendleton	7,695	\$ 29,934
Pleasants	7,605	\$ 29,583
Pocahontas	8,719	\$ 33,917
Preston	33,520	\$ 130,393
Putnam	55,486	\$ 215,841
Raleigh	78,859	\$ 306,762
Randolph	29,405	\$ 114,385
Ritchie	10,449	\$ 40,647
Roane	14,926	\$ 58,062
Summers	13,927	\$ 54,176
Taylor	16,895	\$ 65,722
Tucker	7,141	\$ 27,778
Tyler	9,208	\$ 35,819
Upshur	24,254	\$ 94,348
Wayne	42,481	\$ 165,251
Webster	9,154	\$ 35,609
Wetzel	16,583	\$ 64,508
Wirt	5,717	\$ 22,239
Wood	86,956	\$ 338,259
Wyoming	23,796	\$ 92,566
STATE	1,852,994	2,872,140.70



Public Assistance

9 Open Public Assistance Disasters Declarations

3 from 2015	<u>Completion Rate</u>
DR4210 – March 31 (\$42,293,891)	91%
DR4219 – April 14 (\$11,891,416)	89%
DR4236 – August 7 (\$12,117,726)	87%
1 from 2016	
DR4273 – June 25 (\$457,631,010)	73%
1 from 2017	
DR4331 – August 18 (\$20,483,680)	72%
1 from 2018	
DR4359 – April 17 (\$56,602,982)	26%
DR4378 – July 12 (\$3,350,927)	15%
1 from 2019	
DR4455 – August 3 (\$6,088,920)	0%
1 from 2020	
DR4517 – April 3 (\$12,689,362)	0%
2 new requests submitted for 2021	
Ice / Severe Winter Storm – February 21	
Flooding Event February – March 21	



Hazard Mitigation

10 Open Hazard Mitigation Disasters Declarations

5 from 2015

Completion Rate

DR4210 March 14 (\$6,601,741)	91%
DR4219 April 14 (\$1,600,988.77)	88%
DR4220 May 18 (\$1,341,728.38)	97%
DR4221 May 21 (\$1,523,398)	98%
DR4236 August 7 (\$1,813,088)	98%

1 from 2016

DR4273 June 25 (\$39,379,344)	27%
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1 from 2017

DR4331 August 18 (\$3,648,418)	60%
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2 from 2018

DR4359 April 17 (\$8,084,785)	55%
DR4378 July 12 (\$446,176)	53%

1 from 2019

DR4455 August 3	(still under review)
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Additional Programs

PDM-2019 (\$310,671.44)	2%
BRIC-2020 1	(still under review)



Administration

- Updating policies, procedures and training documents
- Emphasis being placed on financial monitoring of grants and subrecipients
- Improving communication between administration and other sections of EMD
- Training and Implementing more features of wvOASIS accounting software
- Implementation of new grants management software for Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation programs
- EMD's Training and Education provided updated ETEAM training to users of new and updated features



Administration (Cont.)

- The Emergency Operations Center utilized virtual platforms not utilized in past due to COVID-19 and social distancing for the Winter Storm and Flooding events
- Department of Corrections Inmates worked with DOH for debris removal
- State Police SRT assisted with chainsaws on debris removal
- WVSP, WV Forestry, DNR and National Guard teams performed Welfare Checks in heavily damaged and inaccessible areas
- Governor's office assisted with purchasing two truck loads of water for these events



Questions?

