

SITUATION REPORT # 21- HIGHLIGHTS
NEW JERSEY STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER
November 5, 2012, 8:00 a.m.

1. CURRENT SYNOPSIS:

Governor Chris Christie signed Executive Order 108, declaring a limited state of energy emergency, regarding motor fuel. Henceforth, odd-even rationing for gasoline purchases is in effect in 12 NJ Counties. Odd-Even fuel sales take effect in the following counties at noon on November 3, 2012:

Bergen; Essex; Hudson; Hunterdon; Middlesex; Morris; Monmouth; Passaic; Somerset; Sussex; Union; and Warren.

This will remain in effect for as long as the Governor's limited declared state of energy emergency is in effect in those 12 counties. Gas cans are not included in the restrictions at this point in time, it may be considered later.

The NJ ROIC and NJOEM is currently at operational Level 4, continuing to respond to the effects from Hurricane Sandy and providing situational awareness reports to the State, County, Local and allied agencies. The overall State of Emergency for New Jersey is still in effect.

The NJ ROIC and NJOEM

The President of the United States has approved a Major Disaster Declaration (FEMA-4086-DR-NJ) for the State of New Jersey for Hurricane Sandy on October 30, 2012. The President of the United States approved Individual and Public Assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B) including direct federal assistance for Atlantic, Bergen, Cape May, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, Somerset, and Union counties. All counties in the State of New Jersey are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP).

Governor Chris Christie announced out of state fuel companies can deliver to NJ without a tax permit. Refer to the NJ Department of Treasury (Division of Taxation) web page at: <http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pdf/Governor-Christie-Acts-to-Boost-Gasoline.pdf> for additional information.

The Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Bob Martin, signed Administrative Order No. 2012-12 which accompanies Executive Order

No. 103, issued by Governor Chris Christie, on October 31, 2012. These Orders mandate statewide water use restrictions effective immediately November 1, 2012, and shall remain in effect until suspended or terminated by the Governor or Commissioner of DEP.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), at the request of New Jersey and New York, has activated its Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA) program. This program allows eligible survivors who are in shelters and cannot return to their homes due to damages caused by Hurricane Sandy to stay in participating hotels or motels until more suitable housing accommodations are available.

Election Day Curfew – A temporary order was issued to relax curfews imposed by Municipal Governments as a result of hurricane Sandy. Curfews on November 6 and 7, 2012 will allow for unimpeded officiating and participation in the General Election.

Outages by County as of 0700hrs.
11/05/12
STATEWIDE 765,197

NJ POWER OUTAGES per NJ County					
	PSE&G	ATL Elec	O&R	JCP&L	Sub Tot
Bergen County	83,728		12,702		96,430
Essex County	69,085			3,286	72,371
Hudson County	68,863				68,863
Hunterdon County	2			23,297	23,299
Middlesex County	31,029			32,851	63,880
Morris County	66			71,696	71,762
Passaic County	30,170		5,785	2,538	38,493
Somerset County	20,483			17,725	38,208
Sussex County			1	18,234	18,235
Union County	60,345			10,642	70,987
Warren County				15,541	15,541
Atlantic County		438			438
Burlington County	3,033			892	3,925
Camden County	2,366				2,366
Cape May County		11			11
Cumberland County					0
Gloucester County	133	1			134

Mercer County	6,046			5,173	11,219
Monmouth County	6			104,394	104,400
Ocean County		21		64,614	64,635
Salem County		1			1
	375,354	472	18,488	370,883	765,197

NJ SHELTER SUMMARY

NJ # Shelters Open

94

Shelter Occupancy

5048

2. INCIDENTS

Water Systems Still Subject to a Boil Water Advisory (5)

- Long Beach Township Water Department (Brant Beach) - [Advisory Issued]
- Ship Bottom - Do Not Drink once well is back online
- Stafford Township MUA (Cedar Bonnet Island), population served: limited due to evacuations; bulk purchase system from Ship Bottom
- Fountainhead Parks – (Jackson Twp., Ocean County)
- Reflection Lakes Apartments – (West Milford Twp., Passaic County)

3. ROAD CLOSURES:

Monday, November 5, 2012

As of 0600 hours there were nine (9) full road closures.

*** **ONGOING FULL CLOSURES: 5** ***

Middlesex (1)

NJ 28 Both Directions, East of CR 622/Raritan Av, (MM8.8) , Middlesex, all lanes closed and detoured -
Downed wires

Monmouth (1)

NJ 71 Both Directions, Shark River Bridge, (MM5.9) , Avon-By-The-Sea, all lanes closed and detoured - Storm Damage

Ocean (1)

NJ 35 Both Directions, 24th Av, (MM0.0) , Berkeley Twp, all lanes closed and detoured - Debris spill / Road Collapse

Union (2)

NJ 28 Eastbound, East of CR 617/Gordon St, (MM23.9) , Roselle Park, all lanes closed and detoured - Utility Pole Down

NJ 439 Both Directions, CR 629/Morris Av, (MM2.8) , Union Twp, all lanes closed and detoured - Downed tree / wires

***** CLOSED DUE TO SECURITY: 3 *****

Monmouth (3)

NJ 37 Eastbound, CR 549 Spur/CR 571/Fisher Blvd, (MM10.9) , Toms River Twp, all lanes closed and detoured - Police department activity

NJ 72 Eastbound, Marsha Dr, (MM25.7) , Stafford Twp, all lanes closed and detoured - Police department activity

NJ 36 Both Directions, North of CR 29/Atlantic Ave, (MM6.3) , Long Branch, all lanes closed

Ocean (2)

NJ 37 Eastbound, CR 549 Spur/CR 571/Fisher Blvd, (MM10.9) , Toms River Twp, all lanes closed and detoured

NJ 72 Eastbound, Marsha Dr, (MM25.7) , Stafford Twp, all lanes open to traffic. Delays. This is Temporary.

SJTA:

NO NEW UPDATES

BRIDGES & TUNNELS:

Holland Tunnel: The Holland Tunnel remains closed as of Monday, November 5, 2012 (Only Emergency Vehicles can use the Tunnel).

The Holland Tunnel is open to bus traffic only with the following restrictions:

All North Tunnel traffic is closed. South tunnel traffic will maintain one lane for bus traffic.

Eastbound traffic (entering NYC) will be permitted between 5:30 a.m. and Noon.

Westbound traffic (entering NJ) will be permitted between 1:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. All other times the tunnel will be closed to all traffic.

4. AVIATION

Newark Liberty International Airport

Port Authority NY/NJ: Weather related on Newark Liberty International Airport Newark - New Jersey (Newark) airport open but carriers are providing limited service. Call your airline carrier for further information.

Air Space Special Advisory

Effective 9:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 31, 2012, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), issued a Special Advisory for all air traffic, below 1,000 feet, along the coastal counties of Monmouth, Ocean, Atlantic and Cape May. The air space one half mile east and west of the New Jersey coast line, under 1,000 feet should be avoided by private aircraft to allow for safe rescue operations as a result of Hurricane Sandy until further notice.

5. MARINE

Port Newark

Both Port Newark and Port Elizabeth are open to marine traffic.

Both Ports will be open to truck traffic commencing at 7:00 a.m. on Monday, November 5, 2012.

Ferry Service

The Hudson and East Rivers are open to ferry traffic.

6. Mass Transit

NJ TRANSIT

Service on four rail lines resumed Sunday, November 4, 2012

North Jersey Coast Line will operate with modified schedule between Woodbridge and New York Penn Station.

Raritan Valley Line will resume normal service, operating on a weekday schedule on Monday, November 5, 2012.

Main/Port Jervis Line will operate on a modified schedule with trains originating/terminating in Secaucus Junction.

Atlantic City Line will resume normal service.

Toll Waivers

Any outside company that is assisting New Jersey in our Hurricane Sandy relief effort and travels the New Jersey Turnpike, Garden State Parkway or Atlantic City Expressway will not be charged a toll. Such companies must be in clearly marked company vehicles (i.e. electric utility trucks, tree/debris clearing trucks & equipment, Red Cross, etc) and are instructed to use manned toll booths whenever possible. Drivers should identify themselves as part of the relief effort and will be given free passage. Should drivers inadvertently pass through a dedicated EZ-Pass Lane, an automatic violation will be generated by our toll system. Once a violation notice is received (this can take 30-60 days), a company representative should contact the South Jersey Transportation Authority at (609) 965-6060 for the ACE and The New Jersey Turnpike Authority at (732) 750-5300 X 8750 with information from the violation notice available. At that time, any tolls and fines will be waived.

EPA Waivers

Diesel fuel used in emergency generators or pumps – EPA's waiver, which was issued today (10/31), allows home heating oil to be used in place of diesel fuel in all portable diesel generators. EPA's "no action assurance", also issued today, allows home heating oil to be used in stationary emergency diesels (e.g., generators and pumps). This complements the Governor's Office press release and the DEP Enforcement Alert issued today.

Out-of-State Gasoline – EPA today issued a second waiver, for use of out-of-state gasoline in New Jersey and other hurricane-affected states that require reformulated (cleaner) gasoline. The waiver would allow use of conventional gasoline available outside New Jersey, for example from terminals in Albany, NY.

State/Allied Agencies:

NJ DOC, NJDEP, NJ DHS, NJDHSS, NJBPU, NJDOT, NJDMVA, NJDFS, Agriculture, NJ OHSP, OAG, DCA, Treasury, US Coast Guard, NJ Transit, US ACE, ARC, Salvation Army, Community Food Bank of NJ and FEMA are currently staffing the SEOC. ESF leads and allied agencies are engaged in response to Hurricane Sandy.

County Declarations:

County	Date	Time	Rescinded
Atlantic County	October 27, 2012	6:00 a.m.	November 1, 2012
Bergen County	October 28, 2012	5:30 p.m.	
Burlington County	October 29, 2012	8:00 a.m.	
Camden County	October 28, 2012	7:00 p.m.	
Cape May County	October 28, 2012	4:00 p.m.	
Cumberland County	October 27, 2012	12:10 p.m.	
Essex County	October 28, 2012	4:00 p.m.	
Gloucester County	October 29, 2012	8:30 a.m.	
Hudson County	October 29, 2012	9:10 a.m.	
Hunterdon County	October 28, 2012	7:00 p.m.	
Mercer County	October 27, 2012	8:40 a.m.	
Middlesex County	October 28, 2012	5:00 p.m.	
Monmouth County	October 28, 2012	12:00 p.m.	
Morris County	October 29, 2012	9:30 a.m.	
Ocean County	October 28, 2012	4:00 p.m.	
Passaic County	October 28, 2012	7:00 a.m.	
Salem County	October 26, 2012	2:00 p.m.	
Somerset County	October 30, 2012	12:20 a.m.	
Sussex County	October 28, 2012	5:00 p.m.	
Union County	October 29, 2012	5:00 p.m.	October 31, 2012
Warren County	October 29, 2012	10:30 a.m.	

7. WEATHER FORECAST:

Today: Cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 48. North wind 7 to 14 mph.

Tonight Clear, with a low around 27. North wind 5 to 8 mph.

A coastal nor'easter will threaten the region in the November 7th-8th timeframe. Gale force wind gusts (45-55 mph) are possible during this storm.

Moderate coastal flooding is possible during this storm; the high tides of most concern are the ones around midday Wednesday, November 7th and the following high tide Wednesday night.

Normal high tides are relatively low in this time frame, as we are between the full & new moon.

There may be moderate wave action during the strongest part of the storm

This nor'easter will have greater impact than usual because of the serious impacts from Coastal Storm Sandy.

New Jersey Office of Emergency Management