



Dannel P. Malloy, Governor

State of Connecticut Situation Report



Department of Emergency
Management & Homeland Security

January 21, 2011 SNOWSTORM Report Period: January 12, 2011 1000 HRS

STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER ACTIVATION LEVEL:

Governor Malloy activated the State Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at 0300 hours, January 21, 2011. Per this morning's Unified Command Conference Call with Governor Malloy at 0500 hours, there will be NO delayed opening of state agencies.

AGENCIES PRESENT AT SEOC AT TIME OF REPORT:

CT DEMHS, CT Department of Transportation, CT Department of Public Safety, CT Military Department, United Illuminating, Commission on Fire Prevention and Control.

REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE FROM STATE EOC:

None at this time.

LOCAL EOC STATUS:

Bridgeport EOC activated.

WEATHER UPDATE:

COASTAL HAZARD MESSAGE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE NEW YORK NY
634 AM EST FRI JAN 21 2011

...LOCALIZED MINOR COASTAL FLOODING POSSIBLE TODAY...

SOUTHERN FAIRFIELD- 634 AM EST FRI JAN 21 2011

A LOW PRESSURE AREA MOVING SOUTH OF LONG ISLAND WILL INTENSIFY THIS MORNING. THIS WILL RESULT IN SURGE INCREASING TO BETWEEN 1 AND 1 AND A HALF FEET. TIDAL STATIONS WILL APPROACH AND SOME MAY BRIEFLY TOUCH MINOR COASTAL FLOODING THRESHOLDS DURING THE HIGH TIDE CYCLE AROUND NOON TODAY.

SNOW TAPERING OFF IN WESTERN CONNECTICUT...

MODERATE TO OCCASIONALLY HEAVY SNOW CONTINUES IN EASTERN CONNECTICUT AT 9:00 AM...

At 8:45 AM radar and surface observations showed a large area of moderate to occasionally heavy snow over Eastern Connecticut and Southeastern MA. This area continues moving to the Northeast and the back edge of the accumulating snowfall is now entering the Waterbury / New Haven area. Temperatures currently range from the low 20's in Northern Connecticut to the upper 20's along the coast with light Northeast winds at 5 – 10 MPH. Total snowfall at 9:00 AM ranges from 2 inches in far Southeastern CT, 5 Inches in the Hartford Area and up to 8 inches in the NW Hills.

This Morning: Moderate to occasionally heavy snow continuing for the next hour in the Hartford Area and for the next 90 minutes in Eastern CT. Snowfall rates of around 1 inch per hour can be expected at times. The snow is expected to taper off from Southwest to Northeast between 9:00 – 11:00 AM.

This Afternoon: Any flurries ending by Noon with partial clearing this afternoon. Total accumulations are forecast to range from 4 – 8" statewide. The impact on the afternoon rush hour is forecast to be minor at this time.

Tonight: Clearing and becoming very cold with lows from 0 to +10 F Above.

Very Cold Weather Expected this Weekend:

A very cold arctic air mass is forecast to move into New England following this storm. Temperatures over the weekend are forecast to only reach the teens during the day and may drop as low as 0 to -15 F at night with wind chills below zero for much of the time. A very weak clipper system may bring an inch of snow on Sunday.

Another update on this storm and the weekend cold outbreak will be issued by DEMHS at 11:00 AM this morning.

DEMHS STATUS REPORT:

Per this morning's Unified Command Conference Call with Governor Malloy at 0500 hours, there will be NO delayed opening of state agencies. The EOC is partially activated and will remain at that level throughout the day as necessary.

DEMHS Region 1

Bridgeport EOC - Partial activation since 0600 hours.

No other reported EOC activation, and no reported warming centers / shelter openings as of this time.

DEMHS Region 2

Region 2 Office has been open since 0530. All cities/towns within the region have been notified. Weather reports have been sent out and towns have been notified of the WebEOC Event. At this time, nothing to report from the region.

DEMHS Region 3

Office open since 0600, at this time, nothing to report from the region.

DEMHS Region 4

Office open since 0800, at this time, nothing to report from the region.

DEMHS Region 5

Office open since 0730, nothing to report from the region.

OTHER AGENCIES/PARTNERS:

Connecticut State Police Statewide Activity:

Wednesday 01/21/11 0630 hours - 0930 hours

Calls for Service: **257**

Accidents: **25**

Accidents with Injuries: **0**

Fatalities: **0**

DUI- **0**

Motorist Assists: **60**

Non-Reportable: **223**

Troops Contacted: Troops reporting several weather related motor vehicle accidents and spin outs.

Major Highway Corridors: I-95 and Rt. 8 in Fairfield County has several active accident scenes working.

Secondary State Roadways: No current issues.

Weather Related Activity: Several spin outs and minor accidents statewide.

Significant Active Incidents: None

Running Event Totals: Wednesday 01/21/11 0001 hours – 01/21/11 - 0730 hours

Calls for Service: **624**

Accidents: **50**

Accidents with Injuries: **00**

Fatalities: **0**

DUI- **4**

Motorist Assists: **111**

Non-Reportable: **532**

Military Department/Connecticut National Guard

As of 1000, 21 JAN 11, the CTNG / Military Department has one (1) representative in the SEOC. The CTNG Joint Operations Center (JOC) is not currently activated. The CTNG/Military Department currently has 494 full-time Federal and State employees at work. We are planning for possible mission assignments. Units have been notified of possible utilization by the Governor.

Transportation

District 1

Section 11 - 87 TRUCKS 100% 45 CONTRACTORS

Section 13 - 81 TRUCKS 100% 51 CONTRACTORS

District 2

Section 21 - 74 TRUCKS 100% 23 CONTRACTORS

Section 23 - 91 TRUCKS 100% 10 CONTRACTORS

District 3

Section 31 - 75 TRUCKS 100% 28 CONTRACTORS

Section 33 - 82 TRUCKS 100% 28 CONTRACTORS

District 4

Section 41 - 69 TRUCKS 100% 19 CONTRACTORS

Section 43 - 73 TRUCKS 100% 31 CONTRACTORS

TOTAL STATE TRUCKS 632 TRUCKS

TOTAL CONTRACTOR 235 TRUCKS

TOTAL TRUCKS 867

Accidents

I-84 WB in East Hartford has a right lane closed due to roll over.

I-395 NB there is a 2 car accident which resulted in a left lane closure.

I-384 in vicinity of Exit 1 (Spencer Street) has an overturned vehicle resulting in a right lane closure.

Fire Commission

No requests for assistance or major fire related incidents to report at this time.

Connecticut Light and Power

As of 0930 hours there are 2 outages involving 29 customers in Southington.

Crews have been dispatched to the outage as of approximately 6:15 this morning. CL&P is operating normally through our System Operations Center (SOC) with no extraordinary measures at this point in the storm. All employees are reporting to work. Additional resources will be available as necessary to respond to any customer outages or storm related events

United Illuminating

Currently, there are no outages in UI service territory.

End of report. Next report at 1300 hrs

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