



**09-003, Spring Flooding  
April 15, 2009  
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Incident Summary Report #46**

**Incident Overview**

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***Updated information is in red.***

The following is a summary of key issues related to the 2009 spring flood for the Red River of the North, Souris, Devils Lake, James, Sheyenne and Missouri River Basins.

State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) Activation – Level I (Full Activation)

Significant Events

➤ **Deaths/Injuries** – as reported by the N.D. Department of Health

- Deaths – 2
- Injuries – 223
- Illnesses – 62

➤ **Rescues**

- Rescues – 136
- Animal Rescues – 133

Ransom County

- Two adults were rescued in the Enderlin area by a U.S. Coast Guard airboat. – April 14

➤ **Evacuations/Sheltering**

- Barnes County
  - City of Kathryn residents have been requested to voluntarily evacuate due to spillway erosion at the Clausen Springs Dam. A shelter has been opened at the Oriska School. – April 15
  - The shelter open in Valley City will remain open until all evacuees are moved to the Oriska Shelter. – April 14
  - The Valley City Mayor requested voluntary evacuation for special needs individuals and populations in Valley City; this affects about 1,431 residences. The Valley City Police Chief requested citizens to stay at home; only essential traffic is allowed. – April 14
  - The following is a status report of care and shelter facilities in Valley City:
    - Mercy hospital was evacuated on April 12, but continues to provide emergency room service. There is water in the basement of the facility. - April 14

- The Sheyenne Care Center has been identified as an alternate operating location. – April 14
- The Sheyenne Care Center has 179 skilled residents. – April 14
- Legacy Home has 20 residents. – April 14
- The Southeast Region Response Team will be assisting the Barnes County Emergency Manager with an assessment of needs and preparation of a staging area.
- Public Health Emergency Volunteer Reserves (PHEVR) are available for medical assessment at evacuation staging areas. – April 14
- Ransom County
  - City of Lisbon officials are conducting a voluntary evacuation of an estimated 79 homes due to seepage in the primary dike. A ring dike is being constructed along with installation of HESCO barriers. Evacuated residents have been directed to shelter at the school gymnasium.
  - The following is a status report of facilities in the city of Lisbon:
    - The Lisbon Hospital has 16 patients. In case of evacuation, beds are available in Oakes (8), Carrington (10) and Ashley (10)
    - Parkside Lutheran Home has 39 skilled residents.
    - Veterans Home skilled residents were evacuated on April 11. Thirty-four basic care residents remain but are expected to move to New Horizons in Grafton on April 14.
    - Nursing home beds are available in multiple facilities across North Dakota and Minnesota. Plans for transferring patients are underway. – April 14
  - An assessment by the ND Department of Health evaluation anticipates that neither the water supplies nor the sewage systems in Valley City and Lisbon will be compromised. – April 14
  - The American Red Cross established a shelter at the Eagles Club.
- Dickey County
  - The Dickey County Emergency Manager reported preparations to evacuate the city of Oakes are underway. It is anticipated that city water and sewer will be compromised. Rest Home residents will be moved and the public is asked to voluntarily evacuate when a specific point in the flooding is reached. – April 14
  - The emergency manager reported a shelter has been opened at Lisbon High School. –April 14
- Walsh County
  - The county emergency manager reported more than 35 patients from the Lisbon Veterans Home will be transferred to the Grafton Developmental Center. – April 14
- Statewide
  - Animal Shelters currently open – 7
  - Animals presently sheltered - 200 – April 14
- Dike Reports
  - Walsh County
    - On Tuesday, the emergency manager reported levees in the city of Grafton were shored up and monitoring of the dikes will continue for the next few days. – April 14
- Flooding
  - No updated reports
- Dam Releases
  - Pipestem Reservoir  April 14, 2009

- Current reservoir level – 1,475.63 feet ↑
- Forecast reservoir level – 1,487 feet to 1,497 feet
- Forecast crest – Last week of April 2009
- Current Reservoir Release – 200 cfs →
- Jamestown Reservoir ↑ April 13, 2009
  - Current reservoir level – 1,442.57 feet ↑
  - Forecast reservoir level – 1,453 feet to 1,458 feet
  - Forecast crest – Last week of April 2009
  - Current Reservoir Release – 400 cfs →

➤ Roads

- The following Highways are closed: April 15
  - ND Highway 18, the Port of Entry at Neche is closed to all truck traffic.
  - ND 59 the Red River crossing is closed east of Pembina.
  - ND Highway 200 from Bowdon to the Junction of ND Highway 52.
  - ND Highway 27 directly east of ND Highway 32 Junction in Lisbon.
  - ND Highway 13 from Lamoure to the Junction of ND Highway 1.
  - I-29 Alexander Henry Rest Area east of Grafton.
  - ND Highway 66 from ND Highway 44 to the Red River crossing.
  - ND Highway 54 from I-29 to the Red River.
  - US Business Loop 2 at the Sorlie Bridge in Grand Forks.
  - ND Highway 17 at the bridge over the Red River east of Grafton.
  - ND Highway 5 from I-29 to the Red River east of Joliette.
  - ND Highway 200 near Hazen from the Junction of ND 200-A to the Junction of ND1806.
  - Sykeston rest area is closed.
- Burleigh County
  - County Highway Department officials report a large number of roads closed. There is a high probability of future road closures including ND Highway 10 near McKenzie Slough and Lincoln Road. – April 14
- LaMoure County
  - ND Highway 46 east of Gackle has water on the roadway. – April 14
  - No travel is advised on county and township roads. – April 14
- Mercer County
  - No travel is advised on secondary roads due to flooding. –April 14

➤ Damages to Homes/Businesses

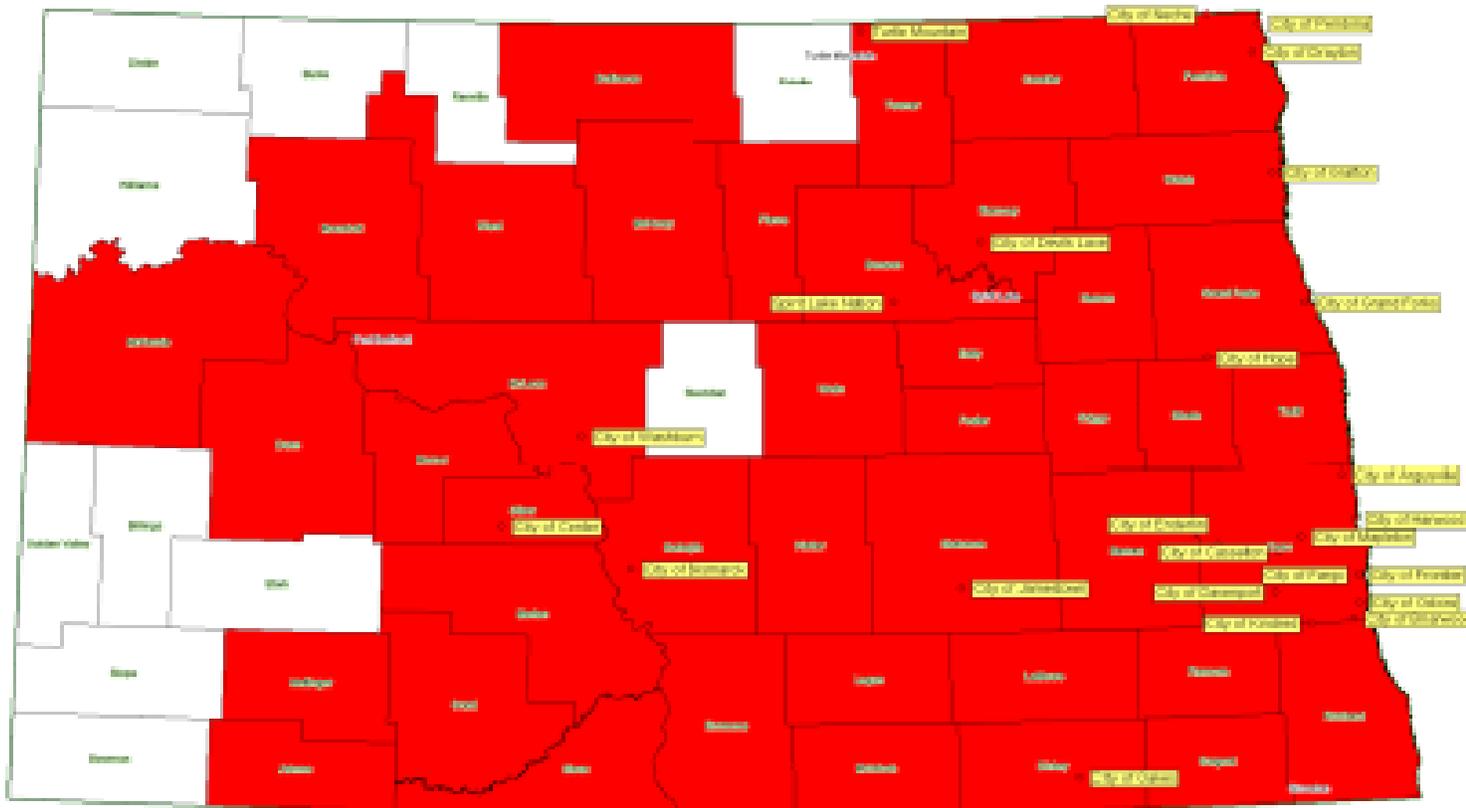
- No updated Reports

➤ Declarations (See map)

- The Presidential Disaster Declaration, issued March 24, has been expanded to include FEMA Individual Assistance (IA) for eligible applicants in the following counties: Adams, Barnes, Billings, Burleigh, Cass, Dickey, Emmons, Foster, Grand Forks, Griggs, Hettinger, Kidder, LaMoure, Logan, McIntosh, Mercer, Morton, Nelson, Ransom, Richland, Sargent, Steele, Stutsman, Towner, Traill and Williams. Other counties may be added for Individual Assistance after further evaluation. – April 10
- The state was granted a Presidential Disaster Declaration for 34 counties and two Tribal Nations in North Dakota. – March 25
- Governor John Hoeven issued a statewide emergency declaration on March 13.
- County Declarations – Adams, Barnes, Benson, Bottineau, Burleigh, Cass, Cavalier, Dickey, Dunn, Eddy, Emmons, Foster, Grand Forks, Grant, Griggs, Hettinger, Kidder, LaMoure, Logan, McHenry, McIntosh, McKenzie, McLean, Mercer, Morton, Mountrail,

Nelson, Oliver, Pembina, Pierce, Ramsey, Ransom, Richland, Sargent, Sioux, Steele, Stutsman, Traill, Walsh, Ward and Wells.

- City Declarations – Argusville, Bismarck, Briarwood, Casselton, Center, Davenport, Devils Lake, Drayton, Enderlin, Frontier, Fargo, Frontier, Horace, Grafton, Grand Forks, Harwood, Hope, Jamestown, Kindred, Leonard, Mapleton, Napoleon, North River, Prairie Rose, Oakes, Oxbow, Neche, Pembina, Reiles Acres, Towner, Valley City, **Wahpeton, Great Bend, Mooreton, Walcott, Barney, Fairmount, Dwight, Wyndmere, and Lidgerwood.**
- Tribal Declarations - Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa and Standing Rock Indian Reservation.



Weather Forecast: WESTERN AND CENTRAL NORTH DAKOTA:

**Today:** Mostly cloudy, with a high near 64 and breezy, with a south wind between 23 and 26 mph and gusts as high as 37 mph.

**Tonight:** A 50 percent chance of showers and cloudy, with a low around 44 and breezy, with a southeast wind between 15 and 20 mph and gusts as high as 28 mph.

**Thursday:** A 50 percent chance of showers and cloudy, with a high near 55 and a south wind between 9 and 16 mph, with gusts as high as 23 mph. Expect new rainfall amounts between a tenth and quarter of an inch.

**Thursday Night:** A 40 percent chance of showers and cloudy, with a low around 39 and a calm wind becoming west between 8 and 11 mph.

**Friday:** A 50 percent chance of showers and cloudy, with a high near 45 and a north wind at 11 mph.

**Friday Night:** A chance of rain and snow showers and cloudy, with a low around 32 and a 50% chance of precipitation.

**Saturday:** Mostly cloudy with a high near 51.

**Sunday:** Mostly sunny with a high near 55.

Weather Forecast: EASTERN NORTH DAKOTA:

**Today:** Mostly sunny with highs in the mid 60s and breezy and southeast winds 15 to 25 mph.

**Tonight:** Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain showers after midnight with lows in the mid 40s; breezy and southeast winds 15 to 25 mph.

**Thursday:** Cloudy with a 40 percent chance of rain showers and highs 55 to 60 with south winds 10 to 20 mph.

**Thursday Night:** Cloudy with a 40 percent chance of rain showers and lows 40 to 45.

**Friday:** Cloudy with a 50 percent chance of rain showers and highs in the mid 50s.

**Friday Night:** Cloudy with a chance of rain showers and lows in the mid 30s

**Saturday:** Cloudy and a chance of rain showers with highs 50 to 55.

**Saturday Night:** Mostly cloudy and a chance of rain showers with lows in the mid 30s.

**Sunday:** Partly sunny and a light chance of rain showers with highs 50 to 55.

River Forecasts

Rising= Steady= Falling=

### Major Flood Stage

#### Red River Basin

- Red River at Wahpeton —14.10 ft—Flood Stage 10 ft—Crested 15.2 ft on Apr 12
- Red River at Fargo —33.69 ft—Flood Stage 18 ft—Crest 37 ft on Apr 17
- Sheyenne River at W.F. Div —22.41 ft—Flood Stage 18 ft—Crest 23 ft on Apr 15
- Red River at Harwood —891.18 msl—Flood Stage 884 msl—Crest 892 Apr 14-18
- Red River at Oslo —37.32 ft— Flood Stage 26 ft—Crest 37.9 ft on Apr 18
- Red River at Drayton  —43.14 ft—Flood Stage 32 ft—Crest 43+ ft thru Apr 18
- Red River at Pembina  —52.69 ft—Flood Stage 42 ft—Crest 52.8 Apr 16-19
- Wild Rice River at Abercrombie —19.57 ft—Flood Stage 10 ft—Crested 20.32 ft on Apr 13.
- Park River at Grafton  —15.39 ft—Flood Stage 12 ft— Crest 15.7 ft. on Apr 15
- Pembina River at Neche —21.62 ft—Flood Stage 18 ft—Crested today

#### Sheyenne River Basin

- Sheyenne River at Valley City  —20.28 ft—Flood Stage 15 ft—Crest 22.2 ft Apr 14-16
- Sheyenne River at Lisbon  — 22.18 ft—Flood Stage 15 ft—Crest 22.6 ft on Apr 18

#### James River Basin

- James River at LaMoure —17.09 ft—Flood Stage 14 ft—Crest 18.3 ft on Apr 16

#### Missouri River Basin

- Apple Creek at Menoken —17.0 ft— Flood Stage 15 ft—Crested at 17.23 ft on Apr 14
- Beaver Creek at Linton — 13.48—Flood Stage 9 ft — Crested 14.9 ft on Apr 12

### Moderate Flood Stage

#### Red River Basin

- Red River at Grand Forks —43.94 ft—Flood Stage 28 ft—Crest 46.2 ft on Apr 18
- Maple River at Mapleton  —908.16 msl —Flood Stage 905 msl—Crest 909.5 Apr 14-18
- Maple River at Enderlin —12.87 ft —Flood Stage 9.5 ft—Crested 13.02 ft on Apr 14

#### Sheyenne River Basin

- Sheyenne River at Kindred —21.14 ft—Flood Stage 16 ft—Crest 22 ft Apr 14-19

#### James River Basin

- James River at Kensal  — 11.5 ft—Flood Stage 9 ft—Crest (no forecast)
- Pipestem Creek at Pingree  — 12.11 ft—Flood Stage 9 ft — Crest 12.9 ft on Apr 15
- James River at Ludden Dam  — 15.23 ft—Flood Stage 12 ft—Crest 16.9 ft on Apr 18

#### Souris River Basin

- Souris River at Logan  — 36.14 ft—Flood Stage 34 ft—Crest 36.8 ft on Apr 17
- Souris River at Sawyer  — 24.13 ft—Flood Stage 22 ft—Crest 25.6 ft on Apr 15
- Souris River at Velva  — 1,510.9 msl— Flood Stage 1,505 msl—Crested Apr 15
- Souris River at Towner  — 54.2 ft— Flood Stage 52 ft—Crest 56.7 ft Apr 18
- Wintering River at Karlsruhe  — 9.09 ft—Flood Stage 7ft—Crest 12 ft on Apr 16
- Willow Creek at Willow City  — 15.04 ft—Flood Stage 10 ft—Crest 15.8 ft on Apr 18

#### Missouri River Basin

- Knife River at Hazen  — 24.62 ft—Flood Stage 21 ft—Crested 21.94 ft Apr 13

### **Minor Flood Stage**

#### Red River Basin

- Goose River at Hillsboro  — 12.91 ft—Flood Stage 10 ft —Crest 15 ft on Apr 17
- Pembina River at Walhalla  — 15.54 ft—Flood Stage 11 ft—Crest 15.6 on Apr 15

#### James River Basin

- James River at Grace City  — 12.73 ft —Flood Stage 12 ft—Crest 15.1 ft on Apr 17
- James River at Jamestown  — 12.11 ft—Flood Stage 12 ft—Crest (no forecast)

#### Souris River Basin

- Souris River at NW Minot  — 14.58 ft—Flood Stage 14 ft—Crested at 14.81 ft on Apr 14
- Souris River at Westhope  — 11.12 ft—Flood Stage 10 ft—Crest 13.3 ft on Apr 18

#### Missouri River Basin

- Cannonball River at Breien  — 17.80 ft—Flood Stage 10 ft—Crested 18.58 ft on Apr 12
- Little Muddy River at Williston  — 10.34 ft—Flood Stage 10 ft—At Crest
- Heart River at Mandan  — 21.55 ft—Flood Stage 17 ft—Crested 21.69 ft on Apr 14

### **Near Flood Stage**

#### Red River Basin

- Forest River at Minto  — 5.76 ft—Flood Stage 6 ft—Crest 7.6 ft on Apr 17

#### James River Basin

- James River at Jamestown  — 11.52 ft— Flood Stage 12 ft—Crest ( no forecast)
- James River at LaMoure  — 16.03 ft— Flood Stage 14 ft—Crest 18 ft on Apr 15
- Heart River at Mandan  — 18.8 ft— Flood Stage 17ft—Crest 19 ft by Apr 14

#### Souris River Basin

- Souris River at Bantry  — 10.01 ft — Flood Stage 11 ft —Crest 13 ft on Apr 18
- Souris River at Westhope  — 9.65ft — Flood Stage 10 ft —Crest 10.6 ft on Apr 14

#### Devils Lake Basin

- Stump Lake  is at a record stage of 1,448.04 msl—Crest 1,448 on Apr 17

### Resource/Assistance Requests

#### **N. D. Department of Human Services**

- Shelter management, meals, and water for shelters to be opened in Bismarck for evacuees from the James and Sheyenne River floods.(#434)
  - ASSIGNED – American Red Cross
- N.D. National Guard

- 290 soldiers, 15 HMMWV, five 20-ton dump trucks, four 5-ton dump trucks, two Light Medium Tactical Vehicles (LMTVs), one Blackhawk helicopter and one Chinook helicopter. (#356).
- ASSIGNED – EMAC (Minnesota)
- Resources from the Cass County Sheriff's Department needed for water rescue. The Cass and Barnes County Sheriffs agreed upon what is needed. (#380)
  - ASSIGNED – Cass County Sheriff
- Twenty soldiers and two HEMMTs to assist with security, dike patrol, and extrication; for the duration of the flooding. (#369)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG
- ND National Guard Quick Response Forces (QRF) for evacuation, rescue and support. Additional resources needed include: three LCTV Troop transport vehicles (deuce and a half) and one medical equipped Humvee.
  - ND National Guard assets to be assigned to the Cass County Sheriff's Office Tactical Operations Center to be used as Quick Response Forces (QRF) for evacuation, rescue and support: six additional LCTV troop transport vehicles (deuce and a half).
  - Request the following personnel be assigned to the Cass County operations: Captain Grant Larson assigned to the Sheriff's Office Tactical Operations Center; Major Greg McDonald assigned to the Cass County EOC. (#320)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG
- North Dakota National Guard preparations to execute evacuations of isolated farmsteads (possibly up to 10) along the Sheyenne River, downstream of Valley City. In addition, be prepared to assist with destruction and/or removal of ice jams on the Sheyenne River. (#303)
  - ON STAND BY – NDNG

#### ND State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC)

- N.D. State Water Commission (SWC) engineer to assess Cottonwood Dam in LaMoure County to evaluate the erosion of the emergency spillway. (#403)
  - ASSIGNED – SWC
- 6,000 lineal feet of Hesco Bastion from the manufacturer in Louisiana. The Hesco Bastion will be delivered to the Valley City Armory. (#402)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG
- Relocate the commodities staged in Valley City to the State Hospital in Jamestown. (#399)
  - ASSIGNED – FEMA
- Two to three high clearance vehicles for the city of LaMoure for potential evacuation of rural residents. (#396)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG
- One fork lift and one operator, two semi loads of sand bags, and 100 empty pallets. (#397)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG

#### N.D. State Water Commission

- Air reconnaissance of Pembina County (#430)
  - ACCEPTED – SEOC AIR OPERATIONS

#### United States Corps of Engineers

- Four pallets of sandbags and polyurethane be delivered from Fargo to Lisbon. – (#441)
  - ACCEPTED – NDDOT

#### United States Customs and Border Patrol (USCBP)

- 20 marine bags for ground and water rescue. (#418)
  - ACCEPTED – FEMA

#### Barnes County

- Three Advanced Life Support and three Basic Life Support ambulances. (#443)

- ACCEPTED - NDDoH
- National Guard assistance to evacuate the city of Kathryn. The Clausen Springs spillway has eroded and the residents of Kathryn are in danger. (#442)
  - ACCEPTED - NDNG
- National Guard Liaison and team to evaluate the option of utilizing two float bridges for bridges currently under water. (#425)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG
- Approximately 20,000 sandbags. (#415)
  - ACCEPTED – NDDOT
- EMS Rapid Response Team. (#424)
  - ASSIGNED – NDDOH ICC
- Fifteen, 4-inch pumps and twenty 6-inch pumps. (#401)
  - ON STAND BY - NDNG
- Assets for water rescue along with command staff. (#380)
  - ASSIGNED – SEOC – Air Operations Branch

#### Cass County

- USACE technical assistance to evaluate emergency protective measures in the Davenport area. (#410)
  - ASSIGNED – USACE, St. Paul District
- The City of Harwood requested 10 guard personnel to help shore up a levee (#416)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG

#### Dickey County

- Two handicap accessible port-potties, three 4-inch pumps, 30 feet of 4-inch suction hose, 1,200 feet of 4-inch discharge hose, 2,000 feet of polyurethane, two 36- inch "mini-ball" inflatable sewer plugs, one 24-inch "mini ball" inflatable sewer plug. (#441)
  - SEOC / AWAITING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
- Two pallets of water and 200 prepackaged meals for feeding responders and dike workers. (#435)
  - AWAITING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### Eddy County

- 50,000 empty sandbags from Burleigh County. – (#445)
  - ACCEPTED – Burleigh County EM
- 5,000 to 10,000 empty sandbags. (#422)
  - ACCEPTED – City of Bismarck EM

#### LaMoure County

- 30,000 empty sandbags. (#438)
  - COMPLETED – NDNG
- Forty soldiers to assist with sand bagging in Grand Rapids. (#417)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG
- Airboat from Kulm Fish and Wildlife Service (#421)
  - ASSIGNED – SEOC - Air Operations Branch
- 30,000 empty sandbags from the USACE and any available transportation. (#429)
  - ASSIGNED -- USACE - Omaha District
- Soldiers to pick up and haul 4,500 filled sandbags to the city of LaMoure. (#409)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG
- 4,500 filled sandbags. (#408)
  - ACCEPTED – City of Fargo EM
- Two additional semi loads of filled sandbags transported from Fargo to the LaMoure County Road Shop. (#400)

- ASSIGNED – NDNG
- USACE to enhance dike construction in the city of LaMoure. (#348)
  - ASSIGNED – USACE, Omaha District

#### Logan County

- Two 3 or 4-inch pumps to pump out a manhole in the city of Gackle. (#444)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG

#### Mercer County

- Twelve barricades with flashing lights for various locations. (#378)
  - ACCEPTED / IN PROGRESS – NDDOT

#### Pembina County

- Eight soldiers to help with sand bagging. (#404)
  - ASSIGNED - NDNG

#### Pierce County

- 100 road barricades. (#432)
  - ACCEPTED / IN PROGRESS – ND DOT

#### Ransom County

- Transport of 5,450 linear feet, of three-foot high and 6,625 linear feet, of four-foot high Hesco to the city of Lisbon. (#420)
  - ASSIGNED - NDNG
- National Guard grader to remove debris from the bridges in Lisbon. (#411)
  - ASSIGNED - NDNG
- Three law enforcement officers and two patrol vehicles from the Cass County Sheriff's Office. (#407)
  - ACCEPTED – Cass County Sheriff's Office
- One tanker of 91 octane fuel to be positioned in Enderlin for USCG Rescue Boats. (#370)
  - ASSIGNED – SEOC - Air Operations Branch
- Ten Humvees, ten soldiers with gear/road guard vests, life vests; ten soldiers for evacuation purposes only; eight 5-ton trucks or 2.5-ton trucks for evacuation and medical attention; (2-4) medics; (2-4) Joint Tactical Operations Center (JTOC) personal; and ten military police. (#361)
  - ASSIGNED - NDNG
- One commander, one field supervisor, ten deputies, and any available boats and marine equipment from the Cass County Sheriff's Department as needed in the event of evacuation. (#351)
  - ASSIGNED – CASS COUNTY EM

#### Stutsman County

- 100 soldiers to assist with various flood required tasks. (#437)
  - ACCEPTED – NDNG
- 210,000 empty sandbags. (#436)
  - ACCEPTED – USACE, Omaha District
- Four airboats and two 14 to 16 foot Jon boats with jet drive outboard motors. (#419)
  - ASSIGNED – SEOC - Air Operations Branch
- 3,900 linear feet of Hesco Bastion. (#414)
  - ACCEPTED / IN PROGRESS – ND DOT
- National Guard assistance for 24 hour dike patrol for 3 to 4 days. (#371)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG
- Representative of the National Guard to attend an interagency planning meeting. (#372)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG

#### Ward County

- Two 12-inch and one 6-inch pump and personnel to operate equipment. (#426)
  - ASSIGNED – USACE, St. Paul District
- One boat with ramp from to assist in rescuing 100 sheep from a flooded field. (#423)
  - COMPLETE– AIR OPERATIONS
- Twelve soldiers for dike patrol. (#427)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG

Wells County

- USACE Technical Assistance. (#439)
  - ASSIGNED – USACE, St. Paul District



*Refer to previous Incident Summaries, as necessary.*

**LOCAL**

Barnes County

- The Cass County Sheriff's Office, Barnes County Sheriff's Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the United States Coast Guard are conducting welfare checks on residents in areas identified by the Sheriff as problematic. - April 14
- Barnes County and Valley City will operate a joint EOC located at the Barnes County Highway Department building. – April 15
- At the request of ND Department of Emergency Services, the Burke County Sheriff and Emergency Manager have been assigned to Valley City to assist the Barnes County Emergency Manager. – April 15

Benson County

- Numerous roads throughout the county, damaged due to flooding, have been flagged with reflectors or blocked with barriers. Some families are isolated due to washed out roads. The Sheyenne River and feeder coulees in the southwest corner of the county are running very high. – April 15

Cavalier County

- Water levels in all townships are above normal causing roads and culverts to wash out. Many culverts are still frozen causing overland flooding. Townships in the northeast portion of the county are requesting use of a steamer. – April 14

Pembina County

- The Pembina Water Resource Board is particularly concerned with the levels of the Tongue River Dams. The board has conducted field inspections and reports that the Tongue River is running full and Pembina River is rising. The Board suggests the State Water Commission arrange a reconnaissance flight. – April 14
- The Pembina River near the town of Leroy has backed up and is flowing over County Road 12. - April 14
- The city of Neche received four loads of sand early this morning and two more loads this afternoon. North Border students began sandbag operations at noon. – April 14

- There have been several more township roads closed. The emergency manager is compiling a list of road closures. – April 14

#### Ransom County

- County officials have forwarded a request to the SEOC for a three day food and water supply for 3,000 people. – April 14

#### Ramsey County

- The Sheriff requested restrictions on unnecessary travel on township roads until further notice. – April 14

#### Sargent County

- Township and County road personnel continue to work on signing, barricading, flagging and monitoring rural road conditions.
- Three families have been displaced for a period of four weeks and are currently sheltered with family.
- County Road 10, south of Rutland has been temporarily repaired. – April 14

#### Walsh County

- The search for a missing Walsh County man is continuing. – April 14

### **STATE**

#### N.D. Department of Health

- The mayor of Valley City requested evacuation of half of the city by 6:00 p.m. Wednesday.— April 14
- NDDoH officials are finalizing plans with UND school of Nursing and University of Mary to finalize patient record forms. – April 14

#### N.D. Job Service (JSND)

- Job Service North Dakota (JSND) has issued eligibility requirements for Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) for the Presidential declared disaster. Applications for DUA can be filed either by completing the form(s) that are under the Disaster Unemployment link on [www.jobsnd.com](http://www.jobsnd.com); or claims may also be filed by calling Job Service North Dakota at 701-328-1630, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. – April 14

#### N.D. National Guard (NDNG)

- Transported Hesco Bastion from Fargo to the city of Lisbon.
- Provided one liaison officer to the Barnes County Emergency Operation Center.
- Provided one 957 Bridge Recon Team to Barnes County.
- Transported personnel by helicopter from Bismarck to Valley City.
- Relocated one UH-60 helicopter with hoist to Bismarck.
- Provided eight trucks with trailers attached to support haul missions.
- Transported 4,500 filled sandbags from the Fargo Dome to the city of Lamoure.
- Provided one HYEX track-hoe and operator to remove debris from bridges in the city of Lisbon.
- Provided forty soldiers to the city of Grand Rapids.
- Provided ten soldiers to the city of Harwood.
- Relocated two UH-60 helicopters from Grand Forks to Fargo and Valley City. - April 14
- Provided twenty 1- ton empty sand bags to the city of Lisbon. – April 14
- Will provide eight 6-inch 600 GPM pumps, seven 4-inch 350 GPM pumps, and nine 2-inch 125 GPM pumps to the city of Valley City. – April 14

#### N.D. State Tax Commission (NDSTC)

Tax Commissioner Cory Fong announced today that additional taxpayers and relief workers affected by the recent severe storms and flooding will qualify for an extension to file their state individual and business income tax returns with the Tax Department. The

extension provides additional time to file without incurring late filing or late payment fees and interest. The announcement followed a similar action taken by the IRS on Monday, April 13. According to Fong, four counties, Griggs, Steele, Towner, and Traill have been added to the list of counties in which taxpayers have until May 15, 2009 to file their state and federal individual income tax returns. Thirty-four counties and two Indian Reservations were already granted the one-month extension for filing state and federal individual income returns. For more information about the federal relief or extensions, taxpayers should visit the IRS web site at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) or call the IRS at 800.829.1040. For business-related tax questions, call the IRS at 800.829.4933.

– (April 14)

#### N.D. State Emergency Operations Center (NDSEOC)

- A letter from Major Gen Sprynczynatyk, dated April 14, 2009, requesting Griggs, McHenry, Steele, Towner, Traill and Ward Counties be added to FEMA Disaster DR-1829-ND for category "B" has been submitted to FEMA Region VIII – April 14

#### N.D. State Water Commission (NDSWC)

The NDSWC safety inspector surveyed the Harvey Dam. He reported that the reservoir was even with the top of the concrete on the front of the intake structure. The walkway over the intake is just under water. The normal pool elevation is 1,550.0 feet. The top of the walkway is five feet above pool elevation so current reservoir elevation is 1,555 feet. The elevation of the top of dam is 1,560.4 feet. On the downstream side, the railroad culvert is backing up water and there is standing water at the toe of the dam. Estimates are the water may be 20 feet deep at the outlet. The outlet of the principal spillway is completely under water. There is about 20 feet from the top of the water to the top of the dam on the downstream side. Erosion on the dam is not visible however; there may be erosion on the railroad embankment. It appeared that the dam was handling the flow. – April 15

## FEDERAL

### United States Coast Guard (USCG)

- The USCG continues to maintain a safety zone on the Red River from Cass and Wilkin counties to Pembina and Kittson counties. All water-borne traffic, including canoes, are restricted from the Red River, except for search and rescue and law enforcement vessels – April 14
- Coast Guard assets in North Dakota include:
  - In Tower City:
    - 1 Disaster Area Response Team (DART) from Sector Upper Mississippi (Saint Louis), includes 3 flood punts.
    - 1 cutter-based 21 foot utility boat from USCGC SANGAMON
    - 1 Coast Guard Air Boat from Coast Guard (CG) STATION (STA) SAGINAW
    - 1 Coast Guard Air Boat from CG STA MARBLEHEAD
    - 2 US Fish and Wildlife Service Air Boats
    - 1 US Fish and Wildlife Service Supervisor
  - In Enderlin:
    - 1 Disaster Area Response Team (DART) from Sector Upper Mississippi (Saint Louis), includes 3 flood punts.
    - 1 cutter-based 21 foot utility boat from USCGC SCIOTA
    - 1 Coast Guard Air Boat from CG STA SAULT STE MARIE
    - 2 US Fish and Wildlife Service Air Boats
    - 1 US Fish and Wildlife Service Supervisor

o In Fargo:

- 1 Coast Guard Air Boat from CG STA STURGEON BAY
- 2 US Fish and Wildlife Service Air Boats
- 2 US Coast Guard Helos (HH65, MH65)
- 2 US Coast Guard Helos In Transit to Fargo
- 1 Joint USFW/USCG Command Control Team (2 persons)
- 1 US Coast Guard Helo Command Control Team (2 persons)
- 1 US Coast Guard Helo Standby Crew
- 1 additional US Coast Guard Helo Standby Crew requested

- Each DART consists of three flat-bottom boats, known as flood punts, capable of navigating in shallow flood waters and are accompanied by eight crewmembers trained in flood response.
- For up-to-date information on the Coast Guard's response go to: [www.uscgfloodwatch.com](http://www.uscgfloodwatch.com).  
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**VOLUNTARY AGENCIES**

**American Red Cross - ARC**

- The Sheyenne Care Center in Valley City received cots from the American Red Cross for employees to stay on site.

**The Salvation Army**

- The Salvation Army has offered to place Valley City residents in hotels, if needed.

**Volunteer Appreciation**

- **The First-Link Volunteer Center and the Red River Zoo are hosting a community volunteer appreciation event on April 23 from 3-8 pm. Volunteers are welcome to come enjoy the zoo at a reduced rate of \$5 for adults and \$2 for children. Refreshments and treats will be provided. This is open to any community volunteer who assisted with flood efforts, and those who support local non-profit organizations throughout the year. – April 14**

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