



**09-003, Spring Flooding  
April 22, 2009  
12:45 p.m. CDT  
Incident Summary Report #53**

**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)

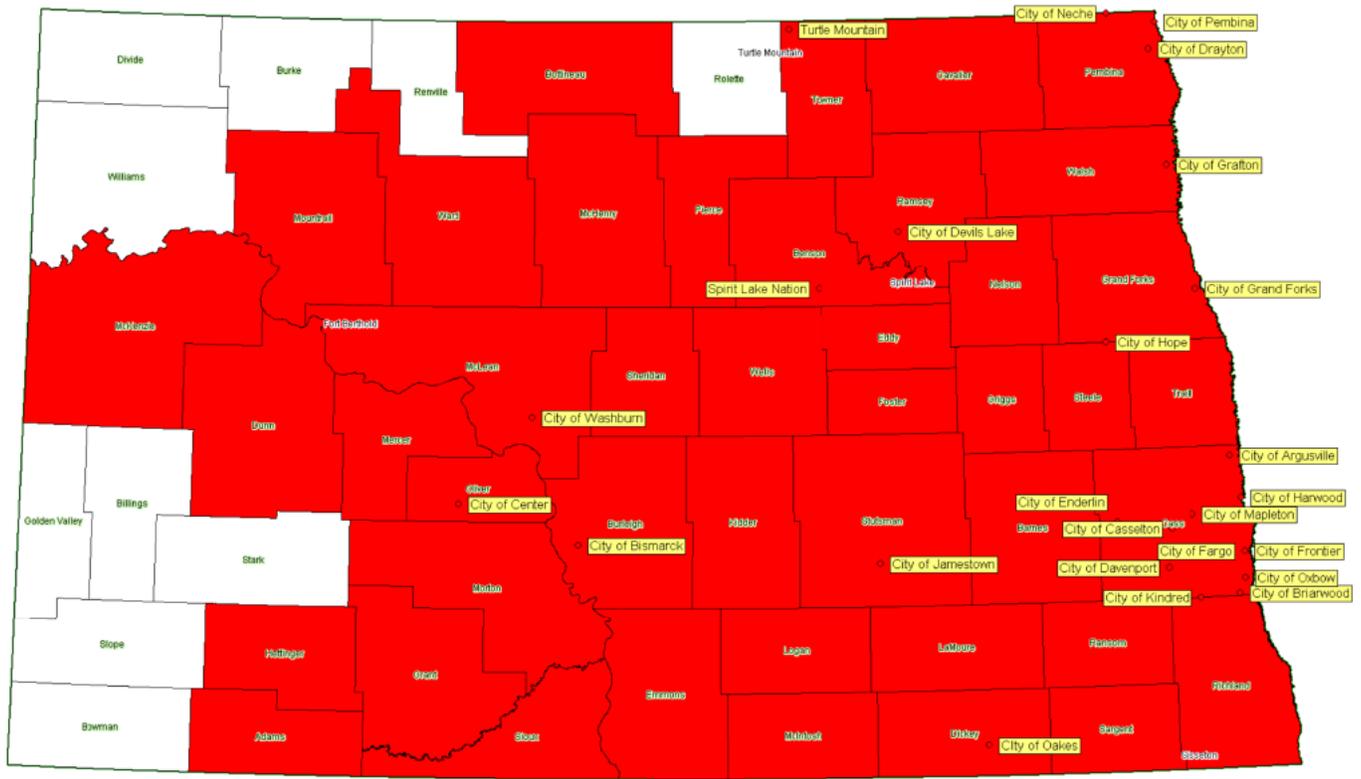
Significant Events

- **Deaths/Injuries – as reported by the N.D. Department of Health**
  - Deaths – 2
  - Injuries – 235
  - Illnesses – 67
- **Rescues**
  - Rescues – 139
  - Animal Rescues – 135
- **Livestock Losses – estimated losses reported by the Farm Service Agency (FSA) and County Emergency Boards.**
  - Calves – 71,823
  - Cattle – 19,107
  - Horses – 180
  - Other Livestock – 2,948
  - 390 producers may be requesting assistance with carcass disposal. (Some producers may not meet eligibility – above normal death loss - for assistance requests) –April 19
- **Carcass Removal**
  - **Kidder County**
    - **Officials located approximately 75 livestock carcasses for transport and disposal. - April 22**
  - **Cass County**
    - **Officials located approximately 25-30 livestock carcasses for transport and disposal. – April 22**
- **Evacuations/Sheltering**
  - **Valley City – 250 Evacuees**
  - Open Shelters
    - Oriska School shelter closed - April 21.

- Local shelters on stand by – 3 - April 20
  - Sacred Heart Church, Sanborn
  - Lisbon School (independent shelter)
  - Jamestown High School
- State Shelters on Stand by -April 20
  - Horizon Middle School
  - Charity Lutheran Church
  - Century High School
  - Hughes Administration Building
  - Simile Middle School
  - Bismarck High School
  - Mandan Jr. High School
  - Mandan High School
- State Reception Center on Stand-By – April 17
  - NDDoH Environmental Health Training Facility, Bismarck
- Pet Shelters
  - Fifty pets are currently being sheltered in Jamestown and Valley City. - April 22
  - Animal shelters on standby – 6
  - Animals presently sheltered - 48 – April 19
- Sewage System Failure
  - Barnes County
    - The N.D. Department of Health (NDDoH) advised the Valley City sewer by-pass project is complete. Water restrictions remain in place due to high volume of flood water going into the sanitary sewer system, which is overtaxing the lift station. Three pumps are operating 24/7 at the lift stations to handle the volume. The city is predicting water restrictions will be in place for approximately 30 days -April 20
- Dike Reports
  - The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) will complete its advanced measures projects and dike work in the city of Jamestown on April 20.
- Flooding
  - Cass County
    - Rising water levels on the Sheyenne River have required the city of Davenport to construct flood protection levees across County Road 27. ND Highway 46 flooded west of Kindred sending overland flood water toward Davenport. – April 21
    - Water continues to run over Hwy 46 and is beginning to pool south of the City of Davenport. – April 20
  - Ramsey County
    - ND Highway 20 north of Devils Lake and Ramsey County Roads 3 and 4 were closed at 7:00 p.m. – April 20
- Ward County
  - Rivers and coulee flows are falling and standing water is rapidly dissipating. – April 21
- Dams
  - Cottonwood Creek Dam
    - The State Water Commission (SWC) reported rock fill has been placed across the spillway. This has reduced the flow over the erosion site, which appears to have stabilized. –April 20

- Baldhill Dam
  - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Paul District, reduced water discharge to 5,000 cubic feet per second (cfs) today at Baldhill Dam. Discharges will be evaluated on a daily basis by USACE water control hydrologists. – April 20
- Jamestown – Pipestem Dams
  - Jamestown Dam releases - 1,200 cfs
  - Pipestem Dam - 800 cfs
  - Combined total - 2,000 cfs.
  - The US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) will gradually increase flows until a combined release of 4,000 cfs is established. – April 20
- **Roads**
  - **ND Department of Transportation road report as of April 22:**
  - The following highways are closed due to water damage:
    - ND-8 between the junction of US-12 and ND-21 at mile post 16.
    - ND-9 nine miles west of Kensal.
    - ND-200 near Hazen from the junction of ND-200A to the junction of ND-1806.
  - The following highways are closed due to water over the roadway:
    - ND-27 directly east of the junction of ND-32 in Lisbon.
    - ND-66 from ND-44 to the Red River crossing.
    - ND-54 from I-29 to the Red River.
    - ND-17 bridge over the Red River east of Grafton at mile post 138.
    - ND-5 from I-29 to the Red River east of Joliette from mile post 332 to 335.
    - ND-1 at the South Dakota border.
    - ND-18 from the junction of ND-5 to the Canadian border.
    - ND-46 one mile west of Kindred at mile post 110.
    - ND-20 one-half mile south of Webster.
  - The following highways have water over the roadway, traffic is allowed.
    - I-29 southbound lane at exit 215 near the Pembina interchange.
  - The following highways have water in one lane reducing the roadway to one lane of traffic.
    - ND-9 at mile post 41 south of Wimbledon.
    - I-29 southbound lane from Manvel exit 152 to the Grafton interchange.
    - I-29 southbound lane at mile post 72 south of Harwood.
    - ND-46 westbound lane at mile post 6 four miles west of Gackle.
    - ND-52 twelve miles east of Velva at mile post 129.5.
- **Damages to Homes/Businesses**
  - Ward County
    - More than 80 homes outside the city of Minot have experienced flood damage but none have been reported within the city. – April 21
- **Railroads**
  - No recent updates.
- **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
- An additional 22 counties were added to the Presidential Disaster Declaration on April 10, 2009. Griggs, Steele, Towner and Traill were also added for Individual Assistance only. – April 22
- 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, Sheridan, 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 sunny, with a high near 77 and breezy, with an east wind at 5 to 8 mph becoming south between 18 and 21 mph. Winds could gust as high as 26 mph.

**Tonight:** Mostly clear, with a low around 44 and a south wind between 7 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

**Thursday:** A 20 percent chance of showers after 1:00 p.m. and mostly cloudy, with a high near 65 and a north wind 5 to 8 mph increasing to between 15 and 18 mph. Winds could gust as high

as 24 mph.

**Thursday Night:** A chance of rain showers before 1:00 a.m. and mostly cloudy, with a low around 35 and breezy, with a north wind between 14 and 22 mph.

**Friday:** A chance of snow showers before 1:00 p.m. and cloudy, with a high near 46 and a north wind between 11 and 15 mph.

**Friday Night:** A chance of snow showers and cloudy, with a low around 30

**Saturday:** A chance of rain and snow showers and mostly cloudy, with a high near 50.

Weather Forecast: EASTERN NORTH DAKOTA:

**Today:** Partly sunny, with a high near 58 and a north wind 5 to 14 mph becoming south southeast.

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 45 and a south southeast wind between 14 and 16 mph, with gusts as high as 21 mph.

**Thursday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1:00 p.m. and mostly cloudy, with a high near 66. Expect a north northwest wind between 13 and 21 mph, with gusts as high as 26 mph.

**Thursday Night:** A chance of rain showers before 1:00 a.m., then rain and snow showers likely. Some thunder is also possible. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 35 and breezy, with a north wind 22 to 25 mph decreasing to between 14 and 17 mph. Winds could gust as high as 33 mph.

**Friday:** A chance of rain and snow showers before 1:00 p.m. and cloudy, with a high near 49 and a north wind between 11 and 14 mph.

**Friday Night:** A chance of rain showers before 1:00 a.m. and mostly cloudy, with a low around 30 and a 30% chance of precipitation.

**Saturday:** A chance of rain and snow showers before 1:00 p.m. and mostly cloudy, with a high near 46.

River Forecasts

Rising= Steady= Falling=

**Major Flood Stage**

Red River Basin

- Red River at Fargo ————— 31.34 ft—Flood Stage 18 ft—Crested 34 ft on Apr 16
- Sheyenne River at W.F. Div ————— 22.39 ft—Flood Stage 18 ft—Crested 22.54 ft on Apr 13
- Red River at Harwood ————— 891.05 msl—Flood Stage 884 msl—Crested 891.25 Apr 13
- Red River at Oslo ————— 36.63 ft— Flood Stage 26 ft—Crested at 37.4 ft on Apr 13
- Red River at Drayton ————— 42.27 ft—Flood Stage 32 ft—Crested at 43.09 ft Apr 16
- Red River at Pembina ————— 52.07 ft—Flood Stage 42 ft—Crested at 52.57 ft Apr 16
- Pembina River at Neche ————— 21.55 ft—Flood Stage 18 ft—Crest 21.6 ft on Apr 22.

Sheyenne River Basin

- Sheyenne River at Valley City ————— 18.76 ft—Flood Stage 15 ft—Crested at 20.58 ft Apr 17
- Sheyenne River at Lisbon ————— 21.02 ft—Flood Stage 15 ft—Crested at 22.84 ft on Apr 16

James River Basin

- James River at Kensal ————— 15.62 ft—Flood Stage 9 ft—Crest (no forecast)
- Pipestem Dam ————— At Record Stage—1,492.02 msl
- Jamestown Dam ————— At Record Stage—1,452.00 msl

Souris River Basin

- Souris River at Towner ————— 56.00 ft— Flood Stage 52 ft—Cresting today
- Souris River at Bantry ————— 13.71 ft— Flood Stage 11 ft—Crest 14.4 ft Apr 21

Devils Lake Basin

- Devils Lake — 1,448.60 ft — continuing a slow steady rise—Record is 1449.2 ft
- Stump Lake — 1,448.43 ft — at record stage Crest 1449.9 ft – Apr 27

## Moderate Flood Stage

### Red River Basin

- Red River at Wahpeton  —12.51 ft—Flood Stage 10 ft—Crested 15.2 ft on Apr 12
- Red River at Grand Forks  —41.44 ft—Flood Stage 28 ft—Crested 44.27 ft on Apr 13
- Maple River at Mapleton  —908.17msl —Flood Stage 905 msl—Crested at 908.54 Apr 17

### Souris River Basin

- Souris River at Westhope  —14.34 ft—Flood Stage 10 ft—Crest 16.1 ft on Apr 22

### Sheyenne River Basin

- Sheyenne River at Kindred  —21.28 ft—Flood Stage 16 ft—Steady at 21 ft thru Apr 24

### James River Basin

- James River at Ludden Dam  —16.45 ft—Flood Stage 12 ft—Crest 18.2 ft on Apr 24

## Minor Flood Stage

### Red River Basin

- Maple River at Enderlin  —10.03 ft —Flood Stage 9.5 ft—Crested 13.02 ft on Apr 14
- Wild Rice River at Abercrombie  —11.92 ft—Flood Stage 10 ft—Crested 20.32 ft on Apr 13
- Pembina River at Walhalla  —15.66 ft—Flood Stage 11 ft—Crest today at 16.9 ft

### James River Basin

- Pipestem Creek at Pingree  —9.63 ft—Flood Stage 9 ft — Crested Apr 15 at 13.41 ft
- James River at Jamestown  —12.98 ft—Flood Stage 12 ft—Crest (no forecast)
- James River at LaMoure  —15.40ft—Flood Stage 14 ft—Crested at 17.3 ft on Apr 16

### Souris River Basin

- Wintering River at Karlsruhe  —7.61 ft—Flood Stage 7ft—Crested at 9.19 ft on Apr 17
- Willow Creek at Willow City  —11.95 ft—Flood Stage 10 ft—Crested at 13.97 ft on Apr 16

### Missouri River Basin

- Apple Creek at Menoken  —15.16 ft— Flood Stage 15 ft—Crested at 17.23 ft on Apr 14
- Little Missouri at Medora  —13.89 ft—Flood Stage 15 ft —Crest 17 ft on Apr 19

## Near Flood Stage

### Red River Basin

- Park River at Grafton  —9.87 ft—Flood Stage 12 ft— Crested 15.85 ft. on Apr 16.
- James River at Grace City  —11.78 ft —Flood Stage 12 ft—Crested at 17.47 ft on Apr 17

## Resource/Assistance Requests

### N.D. Board of Animal Health

- Air reconnaissance of Cedar Creek in Grant County and Beaver Creek in Emmons County to locate water-borne livestock carcasses (#560)
  - ASSIGNED – AIR OPERATIONS
- Collect and dispose of deceased animals. Life saving and property protection efforts will be accomplished before animal recovery.(#470)
  - ACCEPTED – NDNG

### N.D. Department of Homeland Security

- Aerial reconnaissance and photography in Pembina County and Renwick Dam. (#559)
  - ACCEPTED – SEOC AIR OPERATIONS

### N.D. State Water Commission

- Mission 1: Transport 200 empty sand bags to the city of LaMoure from Fargo.
- Mission 2: Transport 30 filled sand bags from Valley City to Lake LaMoure.
- Mission 3: Place sandbags at Lake LaMoure utilizing UH-60 and CH-47 Helicopters equipped with Harris radios. (#527)

- ASSIGNED – NDNG
- Operators for county equipment at Lake LaMoure. (#522)
  - ACCEPTED – NDNG

### Barnes County

- Four ambulances have been requested to be added to a resource list. The ambulances are not needed at present, but must be able to respond immediately if requested. Barnes County Ambulance has requested a list of available ambulances throughout the region. (#548)
  - ACCEPTED – NDDoH
- Emergency repairs to several Valley City streets. (#532)
  - ACCEPTED - NDDOT
- NDNG mobile shower (bathing) unit - The town has no water running and needs a place for people to shower. (#530)
  - ACCEPTED – NDNG

### Cass County

- USACE assistance to remove temporary levees and dikes in the city of Harwood. (#557)
  - ASSIGNED - USACE, St. Paul District
- The city of Argusville requested USACE assistance in the removal of temporary levees and dikes. (#554)
  - ACCEPTED – USACE, St. Paul District
- Demobilize 19 of 27 Customs and Border Protection (CBP) assets and all equipment except for 1-ATV and 1-ARGO. (#547)
  - ASSIGNED - FEMA
- Mission 1- Return to the State of North Dakota all US Coast Guard Assets, effective 11:59 p.m. April 20.  
Mission 2- US Fish and Wildlife assets to be reassigned back to Grand Forks.  
Mission 3- Demobilize all US Fish and Wildlife Assets effective 11:59 p.m. April 20, except for the following - Strike Team Leader – Rich Johnston
  - ✓ Clay Ronish / Brian Pember – F1
  - ✓ Charles Chadwick / Robert Hoffman – F2
  - ✓ Spare airboat – F3
  - ✓ Mechanic. (#545)
  - ACCEPTED - SEOC AIR OPERATIONS

### Grand Forks County

- Requested assistance from the USACE to remove temporary levees and dikes. (#553)
  - ACCEPTED – USACE, St. Paul District
- Demobilize all U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service personnel and equipment assigned to the Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department. (#551)
  - ACCEPTED – SEOC AIR OPERATIONS

### LaMoure County

- 200 1-ton sandbags to be used at Lake LaMoure. (#549)
  - ACCEPTED – ND JOC
- One dump truck to haul rock to Lake LaMoure. (#542)
  - ACCEPTED - NDDOT
- Blackhawk to place 1-ton sandbags at LaMoure Lake spillway. (#541)
  - ASSIGNED - NDNG
- Assistance from the USACE at Lake LaMoure emergency spillway. (#526)
  - ASSIGNED -- USACE - Omaha District

### McHenry County

- One bridge inspector. (#538)
  - ASSIGNED - NDDOT

### Pembina County

- 125 gpm pump in Neche to be moved one mile west of town to prevent flooding near a local residence. (#558)
  - ASSIGNED - NDNG
- Dozer and operator to repair the city of Neche dike. (#555)
  - ACCEPTED – NDNG
- Ten to 12 soldiers to patrol dikes surrounding the city of Neche. (#552)
  - ASSIGNED - NDNG
- Two trucks from the National Guard to assist with dike re-enforcement. (#536)
  - ASSIGNED - NDNG
- Three 3-inch pumps and one, 4-inch pump to the city of Neche. (#533)
  - ACCEPTED - NDNG
- Ten soldiers for Quick Response Force; three soldiers for traffic control points; and twelve soldiers for dike patrol. (#524)
  - ACCEPTED – NDNG

### Ransom County

- A mobile FEMA Assistance Unit to assist elderly and citizens unfamiliar with FEMA processes. (#561)
  - ASSIGNED – DES RECOVERY GROUP

### Stutsman County

- Transportation of 27,000 sandbags from Minot to Jamestown (#550)
  - ACCEPTED – ND DOT
- Two state epidemiologists and one public information officer to the city of Jamestown. (#546)
  - ACCEPTED – Regional Coordinator
- Thirty 2-inch water pumps to the city of Jamestown. (#544)
  - ACCEPTED - NDNG
- National Guard to preposition 12 one-ton sandbags at the Jamestown Municipal Airport (#535)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG
- Four public information officers to assist the County Public Information Center. (#525)
  - ACCEPTED - FEMA
- National Guard to assist in various aspects of the flood fight to include: dike patrol, liaison, traffic control, and a quick reactionary force. (#519)
  - ASSIGNED – NDNG

## Detailed Reports

*Refer to previous Incident Summaries, as necessary.*

### LOCAL

#### Cass County

- ARGUSVILLE: The city is well protected by dikes and is 2-3 days away from the crest. There remains concern for the rural residents isolated by flood waters. Overland flooding is heavy between Argusville and Harwood. – April 21
- KINDRED: Is well protected from the Sheyenne River. A resident of Davenport reported water was along Highway 27 between Kindred and Davenport. – April 21
- DAVENPORT: The new protective dike to the west was complete and tied into the railroad tracks. –April 21
- Cass County has submitted a draft letter to Oxbow and Briarwood concerning the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). The county administrator indicated there will be two buy outs. – April 21
- Flooding near ND Highway 17 north of Horace is a new area of concern. – April 21

#### Barnes County

- **The city of Valley City has decided to allow businesses to open contingent on alternate methods of water use by the businesses. – April 22**
- The Barnes County EOC will be staffed 12 hours daily from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. – April 21
- Tomahawk Dam has breached due to erosion. An excavator and rock fill has been sent to the site to repair the dam/road structure and mitigate potential damage to downstream roadways. – April 20
- As of Saturday afternoon, the city of Valley City remains without sewer service. There are approximately 400 portable toilets dispersed throughout the city. Pipe has been ordered for construction of a temporary sewer bypass. Use of the sewer system is banned. The city water system is still charged and water is safe to drink. – April 18

#### Cavalier County

- Water levels are receding in the Pembina River area and roads are being repaired. – April 20
- There are reports of water damage to homes in the city of Langdon. – April 20
- Livestock deaths: 22 cattle - April 20

#### Dickey County

- **The county emergency manager reported flood waters have started to recede. Flood water along ND Highway 11 currently measures eight inches deep and if water levels continue to drop the highway may be reopened this evening. Debris is being cleared from roadways where water is receding. Protective sandbag levees will stay in place. – April 21**
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- To protect the electrical controls and pumps of the city of Oakes sewer system, no water traffic is allowed between County Road 3 south to the railroad tracks. – April 20

#### Hettinger County

- Livestock deaths: 54 cows, 4 yearlings, 122 calves. Two producers requested assistance with livestock feed. – April 20

## Pembina County

- The USACE continues work on the dike at Neche. The water from Windy Gates is expected to reach Neche on April 20<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup>. –April 20

## Ransom County

- Red Cross cleanup kits are being distributed. The county is awaiting FEMA results of the FEMA Public Assistance (PA) Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA). – April 20

## Sargent County

- Townships officials continue to monitor roads for repair work, signing and warnings. Infrastructure damage is minimal. Minor flood damage to homes is reported. – April 20

## Stutsman County

- Jamestown Public Works officials reported the water supply is good and they are monitoring the sewer system, which is meeting demand. – April 20
- An evacuation plan will be placed on the county website, [www.co.stutsman.nd.us](http://www.co.stutsman.nd.us). This plan divides the city of Jamestown into 13 zones. – April 20
- The Jamestown Chief of Police indicated the department is taking a tougher approach to people walking on the levee. The chief is working with the city attorney for a modification to the existing emergency declaration to ensure boaters stay off the water. – April 20
- A flood call center has been established in the city of Jamestown, 251-6271.

## Ward County

- **Residents and businesses have been advised to register with FEMA's Individual Assistance program.**

## **STATE**

### Civil Air Patrol

- **Images taken of northern Pembina County, Neche, Walhalla, Pembina, Drayton, Oslo, Jamestown Dam, Pipestem Dam, Clausen Springs Dam, Tomahawk Dam and Cottonwood Creek Dam at LaMoure are available for viewing at <http://tinyurl.com/nd09flood>. - April 22**

### N.D. Department of Agriculture

- The North Dakota Department of Agriculture (NDDA) has materials and information to help agricultural producers, pesticide retailers and applicators dealing with flood and weather damaged pesticides. NDDA's toll-free number is (800) 242-7535. – April 20

### N.D. Department of Emergency Services (NDDDES)

- The Evacuation/Mass Care/Sheltering plans in support of local governments have been developed in coordination with the N.D. Department of Human Services (NDDHS), N.D. National Guard, NDDOT, FEMA, N.D. Department of Health (NDDoH), N.D. Highway Patrol and the Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) in conjunction with host city/backup sheltering for the cities of Jamestown, LaMoure, Lisbon and Valley City. – April 20

### N.D. Department of Health (NDDoH)

- **NDDoH Division of Disease Control and Devils Lake Public Health staff has been deployed to Jamestown to assist processing public health phone bank calls and county emergency operations center calls. - April 21**
- Between April 9, 2009, and April 15, 2009, 12 flood-related injuries were reported to the department. This brings the total injuries to 235 since March 23, 2009. In addition, five flood-related illnesses were reported in the same time period, bringing the total to 67. The total number of flood-related deaths remains at two.
- Flood-related injuries and illnesses reported this past week included injuries to backs, shoulders, wrists and fingers; stress; and motor vehicle accidents. It should be noted that this surveillance captures only those who seek medical care at emergency rooms. The numbers do not reflect every injury, illness or fatality occurring in the state related to floods.

For more information, please contact Tracy Miller, North Dakota Department of Health, at 701.328.2378. – April 21

- NDDoH is working with Valley City Public Health, State Public Health, Valley City officials, human services staff from Sheyenne, Open Door, and Legacy to establish care plans in Valley City. Shelter facilities remain open. – April 20
- The Division of EMS and Trauma have contacted LaMoure, Kindred, Page, and Hope Basic Life Support (BLS) ambulances to respond to Valley City if the need arises. – April 20

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

- North Dakota residents who receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamp) benefits and lost food due to flooding or related power outages may be able to received replacement benefits. Losses must reported to county social service offices within 10 days of the loss. Thus far, 13 households have reported losses totaling \$4,185 in federally-funded replacement benefits.
- Individuals with questions about benefits can contact county social service offices or the N.D. Department of Human Services at 800-755-2716. – April 21
- South Central Human Service Center will reopen on Tuesday, April 21, 2009, at the former Job Service North Dakota building in Jamestown; offices were relocated due to the threat of flooding.
- Vocational rehabilitation services staff will begin providing training and employment services for people with disabilities on Monday, April 20 on the third floor of the State Hospital's Learning Resource Center.
- Consumers who need directions to the new locations may call the human service center at 701-253-6300 (TTY 701-253-6414). The vocational rehabilitation service office can be reached at 701-253-6388. Individuals in crisis can call the center's Crisis Line at 701-253-6304 or toll free 1-800-260-1310.

#### N.D. Job Service

- Individuals whose employment was affected by the severe storms and flooding beginning March 13 and continuing may apply for Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA). The deadline to apply is May 13. An application for DUA may be filed by completing forms found under the Disaster Unemployment link on [www.jobsnd.com](http://www.jobsnd.com). Forms should be returned to Job Service by mail to Job Service North Dakota, Benefits Unit, P.O. Box 5507, Bismarck, ND 58506-5507 or faxed to 701-328-2728. Claims may also be filed by calling Job Service North Dakota at 701-328-1630, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. DUA is available to individuals who:
  - Can no longer work or perform services because of physical damage or destruction to the place of employment as a direct result of the disaster;
  - Establish they can no longer perform the work that was their primary source of income;
  - Do not qualify for regular unemployment benefits from any state;
  - Cannot perform work or self-employment because of an injury as a direct result of the disaster;
  - Became the breadwinner or major support of a household because of the death of the head of household, or
  - Cannot reach their place of employment as a direct result of the disaster.

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

The following is a summary of recent activities:

- Provided one 125-gpm pump with operators to the city of Neche. – April 21
- The National Guard is working with local officials and the USACE on various flood control projects. Two Quick Reactionary Force teams are positioned in Jamestown. – April 20

- Provided 200 1-ton sand bags to LaMoure County for Cottonwood Creek Dam. – April 20
- Provided thirty 125-GPM pumps, one 50-foot intake, and one 50-foot discharge hose for each pump to Stutsman County. – April 20
- Provided 25 125-GPM pumps to Joint Task Force East. - April 20
- Provided one helicopter to LaMoure County for Cottonwood Creek Dam. – April 20

## **FEDERAL**

### **Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)**

- **The FEMA Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) is now open at the Barnes County Courthouse in Valley City. It is not necessary to visit a center to receive disaster assistance. The fastest way to register with FEMA is by phone or online. Residents are urged to register for assistance before visiting the DRC and may do so by calling 1-800-621-FEMA (3362), TTY 1-800-462-7585 or visiting [www.DisasterAssistance.gov](http://www.DisasterAssistance.gov) online. The registration line is open daily from 6:00 a.m. to midnight CDT until further notice. The Disaster Recovery Center in Valley City will be open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. until further notice. – April 22**
- FEMA Mass Care Staff is reviewing county mass care plans for possible gaps in shelter capacity, pet capacity, and special needs capacity; focus will be concentrated on areas with the threat of possible additional flooding. – April 20

### **United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)**

- **Crops: Saturated fields have delayed fieldwork for most producers. As of April 19, no crops had been planted. Grain and concentrate supplies were 8 percent very short, 13 percent short, 77 percent adequate and 2 percent surplus. Pasture and ranges were 90 percent dormant across the state.**
- **Livestock: Higher than normal calving losses appears to be the most significant detriment to producers; cow losses are also higher than in previous years. Ranchers are concerned about dwindling hay supplies. Hay and forage supplies were rated 20 percent very short, 37 percent short, 42 percent adequate and 1 percent surplus compared with the five year (2004-2008) average rating of 4 percent very short, 13 percent short, 77 percent adequate and 6 percent surplus. – April 21**

### **United States Coast Guard (USCG)**

- Consolidated listing of aircraft and boats in the state as of 11:30 a.m. April 20:
  - Fargo
    - US Coast Guard
      - ✓ 4 air boats
      - ✓ 2 21-foot cutter boats
      - ✓ Boat maintenance with 5 mechanics
      - ✓ Command & Control with 5 staff and a supervisor
      - ✓ 2 DARTS (3 foot punts)
      - ✓ 5 Helicopters
    - U.S. Fish and Wildlife
      - ✓ 10 air boats
      - ✓ Command & Control
      - ✓ Boat maintenance with 2 mechanics
  - Jamestown
    - U.S. Coast Guard
      - ✓ 1 Helicopter and crew
  - Valley City
    - U.S. Coast Guard
      - ✓ Aviation Auxiliary Communications Trailer and 2 crew

## **VOLUNTARY AGENCIES**

### **American Red Cross (ARC)**

- **The ARC call center in Ward County has closed. – April 21**

### **General Information**

- North Dakota cities affected by this spring's flooding need your help. The State of North Dakota has established a donations management web site, [www.nd.gov/des/donations/](http://www.nd.gov/des/donations/) and hotline, 1-877-422-0062, to help connect people wanting to donate to voluntary agencies in need of their donations. – April 19

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