Statistics

Total counts as compiled from N.D. Division of Homeland Security (NDHLS), Summary Reports, National Weather Service reports and County Emergency Manager reports.

Operational Period: March 27, 2009 – 0700 to 1900

Deaths: 2
Injuries: 62
Illnesses:

Current Evacuations:
Locations: Fargo
Mandatory Evacuations: 52 Avenue South to University: Riverview Place and 40 homes
Linden Avenue South east of 4th Street South between South River Road and Lindenwood
Voluntary Evacuations: Residents living in the area of the contingency dikes

Shelters Opened:
Number of Shelters Opened: 4
Fargo: Agassiz Middle School (9)
Bismarck: First Evangelical Free Church (5)
Casselton: Central Cass High School (opened 3/25)
Mayville: Mayville State University (opened 3/25)

Animal Shelters: 5
West Fargo: Red River Valley Fairgrounds
Casselton: Luther Kennels and Casselton Vet Clinic
Valley City: Valley City Veterinarian Hospital
Bismarck: Cedric Theel Location

Locations of Current Reported Flooding:
Barnes, Cass, McLean, Ransom, Richland, Traill, Walsh

Current Electrical Outages:
Counties – Rural Cass County (Cass County Electric – 30 customers)
Cities – Fargo Area (Xcel – very limited)
Current Road Closures:
US Highways – 4
State Highways – 8

Federal Declaration Date- March 24\textsuperscript{th} 2009
Number of Counties: 34
Tribal Nations: 2
State Declaration Date- March 13\textsuperscript{th} 2009
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 and Missouri River Basins.

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

**Significant Events**

- **Deaths/Injuries**
  - N.D. Department of Health reported Friday:
    - Two cardiac related deaths due to flood prevention exertion
    - Fifty flood related injuries have been reported from hospitals and clinics statewide, ranging from wrist/ankle stress to serious motor vehicle accidents due to washed out roads
    - Eleven flood related illnesses including mental health issues, carbon monoxide poisoning, one report of gastrointestinal illness and cardiac related events.
  - Richland County
    - The driver of a vehicle who drove into a water-filled ditch was treated for hypothermia. – March 26

- **Ice Jams**
  - Ransom County
    - The Ransom County Emergency Manager reported there is an ice jam in the center of the City of Lisbon and the water has risen one-foot within an hour. Sandbagging on N.D. Highway 27 in the city of Lisbon was in progress and the dike has been sandbagged to 24 feet – March 27
    - Civil Air Patrol Unit 383 on Friday reported an ice jam on the James River onemile north of Lisbon – March 27

- **Evacuations/Sheltering**
  - Barnes County
    - A cattle rancher was assisted in evacuating 100 cow/calf pairs (19 were lost) from a barn on the Kathryn road after a dike was overtopped – March 26
    - An elderly woman was evacuated from her home near Kathryn by the Valley City Rural Fire and Rescue boat – March 26
Cass County
The following nursing home evacuation information was provided by the Southeast Regional Coordinator at Fargo:

- Buses acquisitioned for evacuation of nursing home patients were staged and dispatched from the Fargo/Moorhead Ambulance facility. – March 27
- A traumatic brain injury patient and a skilled-care resident from Manor Care Nursing Home were transferred to the Jamestown Hospital.
- Ambulances began transferring patients from Rosewood (25 patients) and Manor Care (7 patients) Friday morning. – March 27
- Bethany Nursing Home coordinated care of 13 patients requiring EMS transport assigned through the FM staging area. Eighty-one patients and 15 staff were transferred to alternate facilities via scheduled airline flights. –March 27
- Villa Maria and Elim Nursing Home evacuations that were cancelled due to severe weather were completed Friday utilizing Fargo Public School Handicapped Accessible vans. – March 27
- Flight manifests required by Delta Airlines are being prepared by nursing home staff. Transportation Security Administration has been directed to accept handwritten manifests. –March 27
- Health Care shelters were established for nursing home patients and others that require specialized care. The Central Cass School shelter in Casselton has 100 assisted living patients; capacity is 1,500. Forty-five memory-care patients are at the Casselton Catholic Church shelter. -March 27
- The American Red Cross (ARC) provided support for shelter operations at the Casselton school – March 27
- Some patients in area shelters were picked up by family members – March 27
- Twenty patients along with staff from Rosewood Memory Care were relocated to Martin Lutheran Church, Casselton – March 27
- Northwest Airlines transported 57 skilled care patients to Bismarck and a second flight took 40 skilled nursing patients from Bethany Nursing Home to Bismarck. Staff were flown back to Fargo – March 27
- Cass County Health Unit report a mandatory evacuation of 75 patients from Prairie St. John to the Jamestown State Hospital – March 27
- The City of Fargo was staging bus transportation for shut-ins to shelters in West Fargo with about 600 people transported per trip – March 27
- On Friday the city of Fargo issued an evacuation advisory for the area of 76th Ave. to Oxbow which is impacting 150 homes – March 27

Stutsman County
The National Weather Service, Bismarck, extended the flood warning on Friday for Pipestem Creek near the city of Pingree until Monday morning – March 27

Walsh County
- Evacuees from Fargo are being housed at county nursing homes and the Grafton Developmental Center – March 27

Flooding
- Cass County
  - Fargo levees have been sandbagged to 42 feet and attempts are underway to raise the structures to 44 feet – March 27
  - Officials reported Thursday night that Burlington Northern Railroad was attempting to breakup the Sheyenne Diversion ice jam with a clamshell excavator – March 27
- **McLean County**
  - About 1500 sandbags were transferred to protect the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center at Washburn – March 27

- **Ransom County**
  - The National Weather Service in Grand Forks issued a Flash Flood Warning for flooding after an ice jam developed in the city of Lisbon on the Sheyenne River. The warning includes the townships of Springer, Island Park, Tuller and Preston – March 27

- **Richland County**
  - Volunteers continue to monitor the Wahpeton dike system as other flood response activities decline – March 27

- **Traill County**
  - Sand Bagging operations have constructed dikes to protect six homes in the Caledonia area – March 27

- **Walsh County**
  - City of Grafton officials are concerned about ice in the channel and the runoff from the western basin which has not started. The temporary levee is being monitored – March 27

- **Electrical Outages**
  - Electric consumers served by Dakota Valley Electric Cooperative and Northern Plains Electric Cooperative have been experiencing extensive electric outages that began Tuesday afternoon and evening. Estimated number of customers without power is 350 – March 27
  - High winds and extreme ground conditions are slowing crews repairing transmission line repairs between Woodworth and Robinson – March 27
  - Dakota Valley and Northern Plains have additional crews from Verendrye Electric Cooperative, Velva and Lake Region Electric Cooperative, Pelican Rapids, MN assisting repair efforts – March 27
  - In Dakota Valley’s service area, the remaining electric outages are confined to an area west of Forbes and areas near Kulm, Ellendale, Gackle, Millarton and north of Jud.
  - Northern Plains Electric’s crews are targeting outages in the Medina, Woodworth, and Pettibone areas – March 27

- **Roads**
  - The N. D. Department of Transportation reported Thursday evening that I-29 and I-94 remain open but water has reduced traffic to one lane in the following areas:
    - Interstate 94 east bound near Mapleton (mile marker 338), exit ramp narrow due to water.
    - Interstate 29 south bound near Davenport exit (mile marker 54)
    - Interstate 29 north bound near Horace exit (mile marker 56), exit ramp narrow due to water.
    - Interstate 29 south bound near Argusville (mile marker 79)
    - Interstate 29 south bound near Gardener (mile marker 86)
  - The following locations on State Highways are closed:
    - ND Highway 27 1-mile east of junction ND 1 – March 26
    - ND Highway 1806 from ND 8 to ND 200.
    - ND Highway 200A from Washburn to ND Highway 200.
    - ND Highway 200 from the junction at ND 200A to the junction of ND 1806.
    - ND Highway 13 bridge in Wahpeton, use alternate route ND Highway 210 bypass.
    - ND Highway 13 west of Wahpeton.
o ND Highway 24 west of Solen.
o ND 34 from Hazelton to Napoleon.

The following locations on US Highways are closed: - March 25
o US Highway 83 at the south junction with ND Highway 13 at Linton,
o US Highway 81 from I-29 to Minto
o Interstate-29 from the junction of ND Highway 13 near Wahpeton to Junction ND Highway 46 near Hickson
o The northbound lane of I-29 six miles south of the Wahpeton exit is flooded and traffic is reduced to one lane – March 27

On Friday The N.D. Department of Transportation and North Dakota Highway Patrol closed the eastbound lanes of Interstate 94 and Interstate 29 but both systems were reopened mid-afternoon March 27

N.D. Highway 11 from ND Highway 127 to the South Dakota border is open – March 27

Cass County
o The North Dakota Highway Patrol reports that east/west traffic flow is slowed due to restrictions at the Red River bridge – March 27
o The N.D. Department of Transportation and N.D. Highway Patrol detoured traffic on Interstate 29 in the Fargo area Friday – March 27
o Southbound I-29 traffic is detoured to Highway 200A near Hillsboro at Exit ramp 100. The detour moves traffic on Hwy 200A to ND highway 18 to ND highway 46 near Leonard back to I-29 east of Kindred – March 27

Grand Forks County
o Thompson Bridge over the Red River on Grand Forks County Road 17 was closed Thursday night – March 27

Mercer County
o ND Highway 49 has been re-opened. –March 27

Richland County
o The ND Highway 13 bridge between Wahpeton and Breckenridge is open – March 27

Walsh County
o US Highway 54 to Oslo has water over the road; traffic is restricted – March 27
o ND Highway 54 has water on the roadway. NDDOT is monitoring the site and will keep the highway open for local traffic commuting to and from the city of Oslo as long as safe conditions exist – March 27
o US Highway 81 on the south side of Minto was opened to traffic at 07:30 a.m., Friday

Dam Releases

Garrison Dam
o The US Army Corps of Engineers on Friday increased the flow of Garrison Dam to 9,000 cfs. – March 27
o The N.D. State Water Commission reported due to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ (USACE) continued closure of the Dam, the Leland Olds power station may shut down. Power will be drawn from other commercial sources to service electrical users – March 26

Damages to Homes/Businesses

McLean County

The Boil Order is expected to continue for three to four weeks due to the quality of Missouri River water. Potable water service information has been sent to Washburn School; it addresses adequate drinking water concerns at the school. – March 25
Declarations (See map)

- 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 – Barnes, Benson, Burleigh, Cass, Cavalier, Foster, Grand Forks, Grant, Hettinger, Kidder, LaMoure, McIntosh, McLean, Morton, Nelson, Oliver, Pembina, Ramsey, Ransom, Richland, Stutsman, Traill, Walsh.
- City Declarations – Argusville, Briarwood, Casselton, Center, Davenport, Drayton, Enderlin, Kindred, Fargo, Frontier, Grafton, Grand Forks, Harwood, Jamestown, Mapleton, Oakes, Oxbow, Neche and Pembina.

Weather Forecast: WESTERN AND CENTRAL NORTH DAKOTA:
Saturday is expected to be dry with slightly warmer temperatures. A storm system will move into the region late Saturday night through Monday, bringing another round of wintry weather. Although still very early, at this time it appears the most likely area to potentially receive significant snowfall will be the southwest. Current indications are that the best chances for accumulating snowfall will be located along Interstate-94 from the North Dakota and Montana border, east to Bismarck and points south. However, uncertainty remains at this time as to where the heaviest snow will fall.

Watches, Warnings and Advisories: WESTERN and CENTRAL NORTH DAKOTA:
The flood warning remains in effect for urban areas and small streams in Burleigh, Dickey, Emmons, Foster, Grant, Hettinger, Kidder, Lamoure, Logan, McIntosh, Mercer, Morton, Oliver and Sioux counties. Flooding continues on many small streams and urban areas in South Central North Dakota but recent cold weather has limited snowmelt and runoff. Flooding will continue on the James River for the next several days but should end across the rest of South Central North Dakota by the end of the weekend.
**Flood Warning:** Continues for the Heart River near Mandan. At 9:15 am Wednesday the stage was 20.3 feet.

Heart River at Mandan - - Stage Forecast - - Flood Stage is 17.0 feet
THU  FRI  SAT  SUN  MON
18.1  15.0  12.4  9.9  9.1

**Flood Warning:** Continues for Apple Creek near Menoken. At 8:00 am Thursday the stage was 13.9 feet. The river is expected to rise to near flood stage this afternoon.

Apple Creek at Menoken - - Stage Forecast - - Flood Stage is 15.0 feet
FRI  SAT  SUN  MON  TUE
15.0  11.9  8.2  6.0  5.9

**Flood Warning:** Continues for the Knife River near Hazen. At 6:00 am Thursday the stage was 24.2 feet. The river will continue to fall to below flood stage by tomorrow afternoon.

Knife River at Hazen - - Stage Forecast - - Flood Stage is 21.0 feet.
FRI  SAT  SUN  MON  TUE
20.3  15.7  10.1  5.3  4.3

**Flood Warning:** Continues for the Pipestem Creek near Pingree. At 2:15 pm Friday the stage was 11.8 feet. The river will continue to fall to below flood stage by Sunday evening.

Pipestem Creek near Pingree- - Stage Forecast- - Flood Stage is 9.0 feet.
SAT  SUN  MON  TUE  WED
11.7  10.8  9.1  7.8  7.2

**Weather Forecast: EASTERN NORTH DAKOTA:**
There remains the potential of a winter storm developing across the upper Midwest in the Monday afternoon through Tuesday night time frame. Potential snow amounts and timing are still uncertain until the track of this storm becomes better defined.

**National Weather Service Watches, Warnings and Advisories: EASTERN NORTH DAKOTA:**
The flood warning remains in effect for urban areas, rivers and small streams in Barnes, Cass, Grand Forks, Pembina, Ransom, Richland, Traill and Walsh counties. Major and record flooding is occurring and expected on the Red River. The crest will be nearing Fargo and Moorhead by Saturday and then progressing further North thereafter. The crest at some points on the Red River may linger for several days due to the large volume of water in the river system.

Conditions on the Red River at Fargo have grown increasingly dangerous over the past 24 hours. The river is currently above record levels and showing no sign of slowing at this point. With the river exceeding the previous record level the relative uncertainty in forecast models has increased significantly. Record flows upstream of Fargo have produced unprecedented conditions on the Red River. Given these factors, the river is expected to behave in ways never previously observed. The crest forecast at Fargo is now expected to be between 41 and 42 feet, and continue for 3 to 7 days.

**Flood Warning:** Continues for the Red River at Fargo. At 2:30 pm Friday March 27 the stage was 40.69 feet. Record flooding is occurring. Conditions on the Red River at Fargo have grown increasingly dangerous over the past 24 hours. The river is still rising but at a slower rate. The river is expected to behave in ways never previously observed. The crest forecast at Fargo is
now expected to be between 41 and 42 feet by Saturday but could potentially be as high as 43 feet and continue for 3 to 7 days.

Red River at Fargo - - Stage Forecast - - Flood Stage is 18.0 feet.

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**Flood Warning:** Continues for the Sheyenne River at West Fargo diversion. The river will continue rising to near 23.0 feet by Monday.

Sheyenne River at West Fargo - - Stage Forecast - - Flood Stage is 18.0 feet.

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**Flood Warning:** Continues for the Red River at Wahpeton. At 11:00 am Friday the stage was 15.0 feet. Major flooding is occurring and major flooding is forecast. The river will continue a very slow fall with minor fluctuations through the start of next week. Additional rises may be possible thereafter.

Red River at Wahpeton - - Stage Forecast - - Flood Stage is 18.0 feet.

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**Flood Warning:** Continues for the Sheyenne River near Kindred. At 9:00 am Friday the stage was 19.8 feet. Minor flooding is occurring and major flooding is forecast. The river will continue rising to near 22.0 feet by Sunday morning then begin falling.

Sheyenne River at Kindred - - Stage Forecast - - Flood Stage is 18.0 feet.

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**Flood Warning:** Continues for the Sheyenne River at Harwood. At 8:00 am Friday the stage was 891.6 feet. Major flooding is occurring and record flooding is forecast. The river will continue rising to near 892.3 feet by Sunday early afternoon then begin falling.

Sheyenne River at Harwood - - Stage Forecast - - Flood Stage is 884.0 feet.

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**Flood Warning:** Continues for the Maple River near Mapleton. At 9:15 am Friday the stage was 909.4 feet. Moderate flooding is occurring and moderate flooding is forecast. The river will continue to fall to a stage of 909.0 feet by tomorrow morning.

Maple River at Mapleton - - Stage Forecast - - Flood Stage is 905.0 feet

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**Flood Warning:** Continues for the Maple River near Enderlin. At 9:00 am Friday the stage was 11.3 feet. Minor flooding is occurring and minor flooding is forecast. The river will continue to fall to below flood stage by early Sunday morning.

Maple River at Enderlin - - Stage Forecast - - Flood Stage is 9.5 feet.

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Flood Warning: Continues for the Wild Rice River at Abercrombie. At 9:15 am Friday the stage was 26.8 feet. Major flooding is occurring and major flooding is forecast. The river will continue to fall to a stage of 26.2 feet by tomorrow morning.

Wild Rice River at Abercrombie - Stage Forecast - Flood Stage is 10.0 feet

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Flood Warning: Continues for the Red River at East Grand Forks. At 10:30 am Friday the stage was 47.7 feet. Major flooding is occurring and major flooding is forecast. The river will continue rising to a crest between 50 and 53 feet March 30 to April 4th.

Red River at East Grand Forks - Stage Forecast - Flood Stage is 28.0 feet.

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Flood Warning: Continues for the Red River at Oslo. At 11:15 am Friday the stage was 37.8 feet. Major flooding is occurring and major flooding is forecast. The river will continue rising to 38 to 39 feet March 30 to April 4th.

Red River at Oslo - Stage Forecast - Flood Stage is 26.0 feet.

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Flood Warning: Continues for the Red River at Pembina. At 9:00 am Friday the stage was 40.6 feet. The river will rise above flood stage by after midnight tomorrow and continue to rise to near 49.7 feet by Friday morning.

Red River at Pembina - Stage Forecast - Flood Stage is 42.0 feet.

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Flood Warning: Continues for the Red River at Drayton. At 11:00 am Friday the stage was 35.6 feet. Minor flooding is occurring and major flooding is forecast. The river will continue rising to near 43.4 feet by Friday morning.

Red River at Drayton - Stage Forecast - Flood Stage is 32.0 feet.

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Flood Warning: Continues for the Sheyenne River at Valley City. At 9:00 am Friday the stage was 12.4 feet. The river will rise above flood stage by tomorrow late morning and continue to rise to near 15.9 feet by Sunday morning.

Sheyenne River at Valley City - Stage Forecast - Flood Stage is 15.0 feet.

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Resource/Assistance Requests
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

- Aerial photography and reconnaissance of James River from Jamestown to the South Dakota border. (#193)
- ACCEPTED – SEOC AIR OPERATIONS BRANCH
N.D. Board of Animal Health (NDBoAH)
- Forklift needed to lift pallets of pet cages and pet food for animals from flooded areas. (#194)
  - ASSIGNED - NDDOT
- 1,200 Cages from Louisiana Board of Animal Health (#188)
  - COMPLETED - EMAC
- 600 cages for dogs and cats and food for the animals for 14 days. (#167)
  - ASSIGNED - FEMA

N.D. National Guard (NDNG)
- 10 tractor trailers with operators from South Dakota required for hauling. Reporting area is the Fargo Airbase. (#180)
  - COMPLETED - EMAC
- 2 company size elements to be attached to the NDNG Joint Task Force in Fargo (#175)
  - COMPLETED – EMAC
- 2 UH-60 Helicopters with hoists. (#175)
  - COMPLETED - EMAC
- Refueling capability. NDNG needs to be able to refill HEMMETs for continued distribution to vehicles during Fargo evacuation. Diesel – 18,000 gallons. Gas – 8,000 gallons. (#172)
  - ACCEPTED - NDDOT

N.D. State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC)
- PA support for NDNG flood fight operations. (#184)
  - COMPLETED - EMAC
- EMAC-A Team (#181)
  - COMPLETED - EMAC
- 7 – 2,500 gallon diesel fuel capacity HEMMET with drivers to stage in Casselton. (#168)
  - 1 – 2,500 gallon gasoline fuel capacity HEMMET with driver to stage at Red River Valley Fair Grounds.
  - 2 – 2,500 gallon gasoline fuelers to stage at Red River Valley Fair Grounds FEMA Reception Area. Be prepared to provide diesel fuel to buses and military vehicles in support of possible Fargo evacuation. Be prepared to provide gasoline to civilian vehicles as required to ensure safe evacuation to shelters as directed by FEMA.
  - ACCEPTED - NDNG
- Four vehicles to transport 13 members of the Incident Management Team (SD) from Fargo Air Guard facility to areas in and around Fargo and Casselton, ND. (#166)
  - ASSIGNED - NDDOT

N.D. Department of Health (NDDoH)
- Transfer 300 people at MeritCare Hospital with semi tractor trailer. (#190)
  - ACCEPTED - NDNG
- Medical Task Force B. Includes: 15 stretcher bus ambulances from Lakes Region EMS, Lakeview, Alina, North Memorial, Ridgeview and 4 supervisor veh's from Lakeview, Henepin County, MPLS fire, and South Central EMS (#183)
  - ASSIGNED - EMAC
- Six Advanced Life Support (ALS) Ambulances for evacuation of health care facilities in imminent danger of flooding. (#178)
  - ASSIGNED - EMAC
- MN Medical Response Team need to assist with evacuations of patients in health care facilities (#174)
  - ASSIGNED - EMAC
- 300 cots placed at staging area in Bismarck, ND. (#170)
  - ON STANDBY – Department of Human Services (DHS)
Arrange for 5 semi-tractors with 53 foot trailers to transport medical supplies from the State Cache to 3 staging areas in Fargo as soon as possible on 3/27/09. (#159)
  o ASSIGNED -- NDDOT

100 ambulances to help with evacuation of Fargo health care facilities in imminent danger of flooding. (#156)
  o ACCEPTED -- EMAC

20 Ambulances from MN to assist in hospital evacuations (#156)
  o ASSIGNED -- EMAC

N.D. Highway Patrol

National Guard assistance to help secure the temporary shelter facilities in response to the evacuation of Fargo. Facilities include:
  - Mayville State University Auditorium- 6 guardsman for 24/hr coverage
  - Valley City State Fieldhouse(Bubble)- 5 guardsman for 24 hour coverage
  - Graichen Gym @ Valley City State-5 guardman for 24 hour coverage
  - Valley City High School Gymnasium-5 guardman for 24 hour coverage
  - Valley City Auditorium-5 guardman for 24 hour coverage
  - Valley City Recreation Center-5 guardsman for 24 hour coverage
  o ASSIGNED -- NDNG (#187)

12 to 16 National Guard members to assist with security and traffic direction at specific control points beginning 3/27. Briefing at 0800 hrs. at Fargo HP office. (#162)
  o ASSIGNED -- ND JOC

12 National Guard members to provide security for evacuee location at West Fargo fairgrounds beginning on 3/27 at 0900 hrs. (#161)
  o ASSIGNED -- ND JOC

50 Highway Patrol Officers from SD for traffic control and security (#164)
  o COMPLETED -- EMAC

N.D. Department of Transportation

50 Cots for the DOT section building at 15482 37th St SE Casselton, ND. The section building in Casselton is going to be used as a shelter for DOT volunteers traveling to the Fargo area to help. (#179)
  o ASSIGNED - NDDHS

Barnes County

Aerial photography and reconnaissance of Sheyenne River from Valley City to Lisbon to check for ice jams. This request was made from COE to the local Barnes County Emergency Manager. (#186)
  o ASSIGNED – SEOC AIR OPERATIONS BRANCH

Cass County

Six personnel to patrol levees and 10 personnel to man pumps in Fargo. (#176)
  o ASSIGNED - NDNG

Grand Forks County

Four people from the Grand Forks Air Force Base who are knowledgeable and capable of supervising the flood fight effort in the L & S Subdivision. (#182)
  o ACCEPTED - GFAFB

Rolette County

One 15-inch pump with 250 ft hose plus tractor and operator to pump water over the road to keep water from lift station. (#185)
  o ACCEPTED – NDDOT
100 cots, privacy tents, blankets and pillows for displaced Native Americans from Grand Forks and Fargo. (#177)
  o ASSIGNED - NDDHS

Stutsman County
- Two sandbag machines and technical assistance to train people proper placement of sandbags to build dikes. (#189)
  o ACCEPTED – USACE, Omaha District

Traill County
- 1,900 cots and blankets to supply sheltering needs at the Hillsboro (600) and Mayville (1,300) Armories in support of potential Cass County evacuations. (#141)
  o ASSIGNED – NDDHS

Refer to previous Incident Summaries, as necessary.

Local
Barnes County
  - The Barnes County Emergency Operations Center was activated – March 26

Burleigh County/City of Bismarck
  - The Emergency Operations Center in Bismarck reported sandbag operations Thursday night and had 800,000 surplus sandbags and two sandbag loading machines available for flood impacted areas across the state. – March 27
  - City of Bismarck Building Inspections teams surveyed Fox Island and South Point areas before allowing residents return to their homes. – March 26
  - 60,000 sandbags arrived Thursday and are staged at Bismarck Public Works. – March 26

Cass County
  - Government Operations: The county courthouse operations moved to the Cass County Jail; county jail inmates were transferred to jails in Grand Forks, Rugby and Jamestown; and the sheriff department’s search and rescue operations are staging in Harwood – March 27
  - The emergency managers from Cavalier and Sergeant counties have arrived in Fargo to assist in the flood response – March 27
  - Coordination of request for large capacity air ambulance to evacuate approximately 250 patients in acute care hospitals was accomplished by the NDDoH. Delta airline has scheduled two aircraft to fly from Fargo to Bismarck - 757 at 10 a.m.; 4p.m.; 10 p.m.; and a DC9 at 9:30 a.m.; 2:30 p.m.; 7:30p.m. for a total capacity of 852. Patient care in Bismarck will be coordinated by NDDoH. – March 27

Dickey County
  - Two county ambulances (one each from Oakes and Ellendale) are assisting in the evacuation of Fargo’s vulnerable populations – March 27
  - James River emergency release protection is complete. Oakes Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT) and Trinity Bible College students sandbagged critical infrastructure and residences within the city of Oakes– March 27
- The County Highway Department continues to open roads and bridges and assisting townships to restore access to homes in the center-west area of the county – March 27
- Emergency services are having trouble responding to calls in a large part of the county due to a lack of 4-wheel drive response vehicles and changing road conditions – March 27
- Redistribution of ambulances and fire response assets is taking place as the James River rises and hampers access in the county road system. Ice is a significant danger to bridges on the James – March 27
- CERT was assigned to monitor bridges for ice buildup. Contracts are being negotiated with contractors to break ice jams at the major infrastructure bridges – March 27

LaMoure County
- One resident near Grand Rapids requested an extra pump to address a leaking dike protecting his home. A pump was provided by the LaMoure Fire Department — March 26

McLean County
- As a result of this week’s snow storm the antenna(s) on the Underwood Tower were damaged. Repairs have been made and the system is working – March 27
- Due to low water intake levels from the Missouri River, residents of the city of Washburn residents have been asked to conserve water until further notice – March 27

Ransom County
- The Emergency Manager reported the Sheyenne River has been rising one inch per hour for the past several hours at the city of Fort Ransom. Ice jams are suspected but cannot be assessed due washed out and muddy roads; CAP aerial photography has been requested. –March 26
- Low lying areas in the city of Fort Ransom (population 70) may need to be evacuated. All citizens have been notified and are prepared for evacuation. -March 26
- The Expo Center in Lisbon has been designated as a shelter for evacuees. March 26

Richland County
- County officials coordinated boat access to a residence so the owner can check his house and recover prescription medication – March 26
- Monitoring continues between the cities of Abercrombie, Christine, Wahpeton, and dikes in those cities – March 26
- School report: Richland 44, no school through the week; Hankinson has school with no buses running; Lidgerwood has school, buses on paved roads only; Wahpeton buses are running 1-hour late and only on paved roads – March 26

Sioux County
- Sand and sandbags have been delivered to the town of Solen – March 26

Traill County
- Mayville State University (MSU) is preparing to offer shelter and food for up to 1,000 evacuees when needed – March 26
- Traill County Social Services is working with MSU to provide physical and mental health services and administrative coordination/relocation services -- March 26

State
N.D. Board of Animal Health (NDBoH)
- Housing for animals: Bismarck Police Department has space for 18 dogs and 9 cats; Central Dakota Humane Society has 12 Medium and 12 small animal spaces; Four Paws Inn has 2 large dogs, 2 medium dogs, and 8 small animal spaces; Crown Butte Kennels, Mandan, has space for 30 dogs (verified vaccination history required); Thomas Ness Kennels, Menoken has space for 10 dogs. – March 26
Civil Air Patrol (CAP)
- On March 26, CAP provided aerial photography and reconnaissance of the Sheyenne River near the city of Fort Ransom in Ransom County – March 26

N.D. Forest Service (NDFS)
- NDFS provided 20 portable radios with batteries to the Casselton, ND bus staging area. – March 27
- Providing staff to the SEOC – March 26

N.D. Health Department (NDDoH)
- NDDoH is coordinating staging areas at University of Mary in Bismarck for approximately 400 skilled and assisted living residents from Fargo. The first flight from Fargo is departed at 9:30 a.m. on 3/27. Buses transferred approximately 150 patients from the Bismarck Airport to the University of Mary shelter – March 27
- A request for volunteer medical staff has been distributed and NDDoH nursing staff is being contacted – March 27
- NDDoH is coordinating air and ambulance transfer of acute care patients from Fargo to Bismarck. Proposed shelter facilities in Bismarck are located at Bismarck State College and University of Mary. The city of Grand Forks is providing two busses equipped with handicap lifts to help transport patients. Available EMS ambulances include 22 Advance Life Support (ALS) units, 28 Basic Life Support (BLS) units, and 12 Fargo/Moorhead (FM) ambulances assigned for evacuation of patients from the city of Fargo. There are approximately 12 ambulance services enroute from Canada. Total EMS units available for transport is 72. All EMS unit staging will take place at FM Ambulance, 2215 18th St S. – March 27

N.D. Highway Patrol (NDHP)
- Briefings for three Law Enforcement Strike Teams were held at three staging areas located at Casselton, Fargo and Valley City for participating officers from the South Dakota Highway Patrol, U.S. Border Patrol, and the North Dakota Highway Patrol. Strike teams were placed on alert at staging areas after the briefings. – March 27
- The NDHP alerted officers, sheriff departments and city police departments along I-94 from Valley City to Dickinson to be prepared to respond to additional service calls in the event of the evacuation of the City of Fargo – March 27

N.D. Division of Homeland Security
- On March 25, the Flood Support Area for flights by the Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) Unmanned Air System (UAS) is currently approved in the Red River Valley only. It is roughly an 80 mile by 80 mile box starting just south of Hillsboro to the ND/SD state line. The formal process to expand the Certificate of Authority (COA) from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has been initiated by the SEOC via FEMA Region VIII. Targets along the Missouri River north of Bismarck and south have been identified and submitted in preparation for an expanded COA. CBP is awaiting the expanded COA to fly these missions on the Missouri River. CBP UAS is expected to fly a mission on Thursday (dependent on weather conditions) along the Red River within the current COA issued by the FAA – March 26
- The State Emergency Operations Center is coordinating support to the state from FEMA’s Region VIII (Denver) Emergency Response Team (ERT), the National Incident Management Assistance Team (IMAT-West), N.D. National Guard, American Red Cross, and other federal partners including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and the U.S. Small Business Administration. – March 26
N.D. National Guard (NDNG)
- NDNG has pre-filled sandbags loaded on a truck in a heated storage area in the city of Wahpeton available for immediate dispersal. –March 26

N.D. State Electrical Board
- The NDSEB released a notice and publication about water-damaged electrical equipment to power suppliers, wholesalers and electrical contractors – March 26

Federal

U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)
- Available USCG Assets: March 24 -- Air Boat in Fargo; 25 March -- four 30-foot trailers with 3 flood punts divided into two Disaster Area Response Teams (DART) teams; March 26 -- 3 air boats in Grand Forks; helo on location in Fargo and another by 26 March
- USCG will be staging resources in the city of Fargo for mission response as needed.
  - Two helicopters
  - Two Disaster Assistance Response Teams (DART)
  - Air Boats

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
- USACE delivered 200,000 sand bags (no sand) and are also expected to also deliver plastic for staging in the City of Pembina – March 27

Federal Emergency Management Agency
- FEMA is working with Cass County Information Technology personnel about contingency plans to maintain telephone and internet communications – March 27
- The agency is preparing to ship eight truckloads of ready-to-eat meals, three truckloads of water, 50 emergency generators, one truckload of cots, and one truckload of blankets to the state. – March 26
- FEMA’s Incident Management Assistance Team is coordinating with the State Emergency Operations Center.

Voluntary Agencies

American Red Cross
The ARC Status Report as of March 26:
- Personnel and Resources
  - 22 shelter management teams have arrived
  - 334 volunteers are working or in-route
  - 28 Emergency Response Vehicles (ERVs) are in the state with 31 anticipated by the end of the day and 24 remain on alert
  - 55,200 shelf stable meals and 1,800 clean-up kits
  - 10 shelter trailers -- four in Bismarck, two in Fargo and four in Grand Forks. Included are 16,250 blankets, 8,064 cots, and 8,640 comfort kits
  - A Southern Baptist Kitchen has a capacity for 5,000-10,000 meals and is on alert
  - A leadership team and logistics staff are on the ground
- The ARC on Wednesday identified the following locations as back-up shelters for Bismarck-Mandan: Century Baptist Church - capacity of 200 (across the street from First Evangelical Free Church); Century High School - capacity of 375; Mandan Junior High School - capacity of 1,051 – March 26

Circle of Friends
- The Circle of Friends Humane Society, Grand Forks, is accepting displaced pets – March 27

Dickey County Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT)
- CERT is identifying and documenting downed power lines, managing sandbagging operations, conducting feeding at day shelter operations for special needs and families
with no power, documenting emergency response operations, identifying needs and forward response requests to communities – March 27