



# State of New Hampshire Department of Safety

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**Importance: HIGH**

<b>Incident Number:</b>	2010-01	<b>Date/Time</b>	03/01/10 2000 EST
<b>Incident Name:</b>	02-26-2010 February Snow/Rain Event	<b>Prepared By:</b>	Fallon Reed
<b>SitRep #:</b>	8	<b>Authorized By:</b>	Jennifer Harper
<b>EOC Activation Level:</b>	2		

**Situation:**

A significant rain and wind event overnight Thursday caused numerous utility outages and downed trees across the state. Utilities continue to work on restoration of outages across the state.

As of 1700 hours there are approximately 29,675 power outages throughout the state.

- 24,948 PSNH
- 109 Unitil
- 4,614 NHEC
- 4 National Grid

**There will be a conference call everyday at 1200 for Local Officials, until further notice.**  
**Call in number: 1-866-843-0890. PIN: 021172#.**

**Weather:** **Gray, ME NWS** [www.erh.noaa.gov/er/gyx/](http://www.erh.noaa.gov/er/gyx/)  
**Taunton, MA NWS** [www.erh.noaa.gov/box/](http://www.erh.noaa.gov/box/)

**Tonight:** A slight chance of rain and snow showers before 1am, then a slight chance of snow showers. Cloudy, with a low around 31. North wind between 7 and 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

**Tuesday:** Mostly cloudy, with a high near 43. North wind between 5 and 8 mph.

**Tuesday Night:** A chance of rain and snow showers before 1am, then a chance of snow showers. Cloudy, with a low around 26. Light northeast wind. Chance of precipitation is 30%. Little or no snow accumulation expected.

**Wednesday:** A chance of snow showers. Cloudy, with a high near 36. North wind between 6 and 11 mph. Chance of precipitation is 50%.

**Status of State Operations:**

State EOC is currently at level 2 and will return to level 3 Tuesday morning.

**Operational Objectives for next 24 hours:**

Maintain Situational Awareness.  
Provide information, coordination and support to impacted local communities.  
Continue to monitor progress of storm and impact on the state.  
Initiate Preliminary Damage Assessment for PA & IA in Merrimack, Hillsborough, Rockingham and Strafford counties.  
Conduct conference calls and meetings with Governor, Department Heads, Utilities, and Local Officials, over the course of the day.

**Operational Objectives for next 48 hours:**

Maintain Situational Awareness.  
Provide information, coordination and support to impacted local communities.  
Continue to monitor progress of storm and impact on the state.

**Infrastructure:**

**Roads:** 3 sections of State maintained roads are currently affected, 2 are closed, 1 is open to local traffic only. 85 local roads still are reported as closed or restricted in 43 communities. Hooksett Rest Areas have full power.

**Communications:** All towers are operational, but more static than normal.

**ESF 6&8:** Food Protection investigators were out today, continuing to visit establishments.

**Water Bureau:** There have been 383 water systems affected by the recent storm in Rockingham, Strafford, Hillsborough, and Merrimack counties. Currently there are still 23 community water systems that are still without power or water as of 1800 today.

**Shelters & Local Emergency Operations Centers:**

Numerous Local Emergency Operation Centers have been activated throughout the state. As of 1900, there are 5 EOC's fully open, and 6 partially open.

There are 10 shelters open this period, with 5 on standby. Two regional shelters are open in Bow and Londonderry, with Rochester on standby.

**Emergency Information and Public Affairs:**

211: 454 calls today, two main topics: power and shelters.

No news releases today, a draft release regarding debris clearance is with DRED for final clearance.

Citizens encouraged to access information on power outages utilizing the following resources:

- [www.PSNHnews.com](http://www.PSNHnews.com)
- [www.nh.gov/readynh](http://www.nh.gov/readynh)
- PSNH Twitter and Face book websites
- Local News Media Outlets
- or by calling 211

**Other:**

Reminder from SEOC Director please keeps your webEOC logs updated and current. Any issues with webEOC please contact the SEOC at 223-3704.

IA and PA paperwork is due to HSEM by close of business on Wednesday March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**See attached documents for further info:**

<http://www.erh.noaa.gov/displayprod.php?product=PEMZFPGYX&versions=10> (Gray, Maine weather)

<http://www.erh.noaa.gov/displayprod.php?product=BOSZFPBOX&versions=10> (Taunton, Mass weather)

<http://newweb.erh.noaa.gov/ahps2/index.php?wfo=qyx> (River Gauges-NOAA)

<http://www.nohrsc.noaa.gov/snowmodel/images/full/Northeast/nsmswe/200904/nsmswe2009040305Northeast.jpg>  
(Snow water Equivalent)

<https://rsgis.crrel.usace.army.mil/nae/pls/nae/naeweb.naewebmenu.displaymenu?menu=main> (Army Corps. River Gauges)

<http://waterdata.usgs.gov/nh/nwis/rt> (USGS Water Data for NH)