

Joint Situation Report

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Tropical Storm Irene
FEMA-4022-DR-VT

Hurricane Irene
FEMA-3338-EM-VT

Vermont

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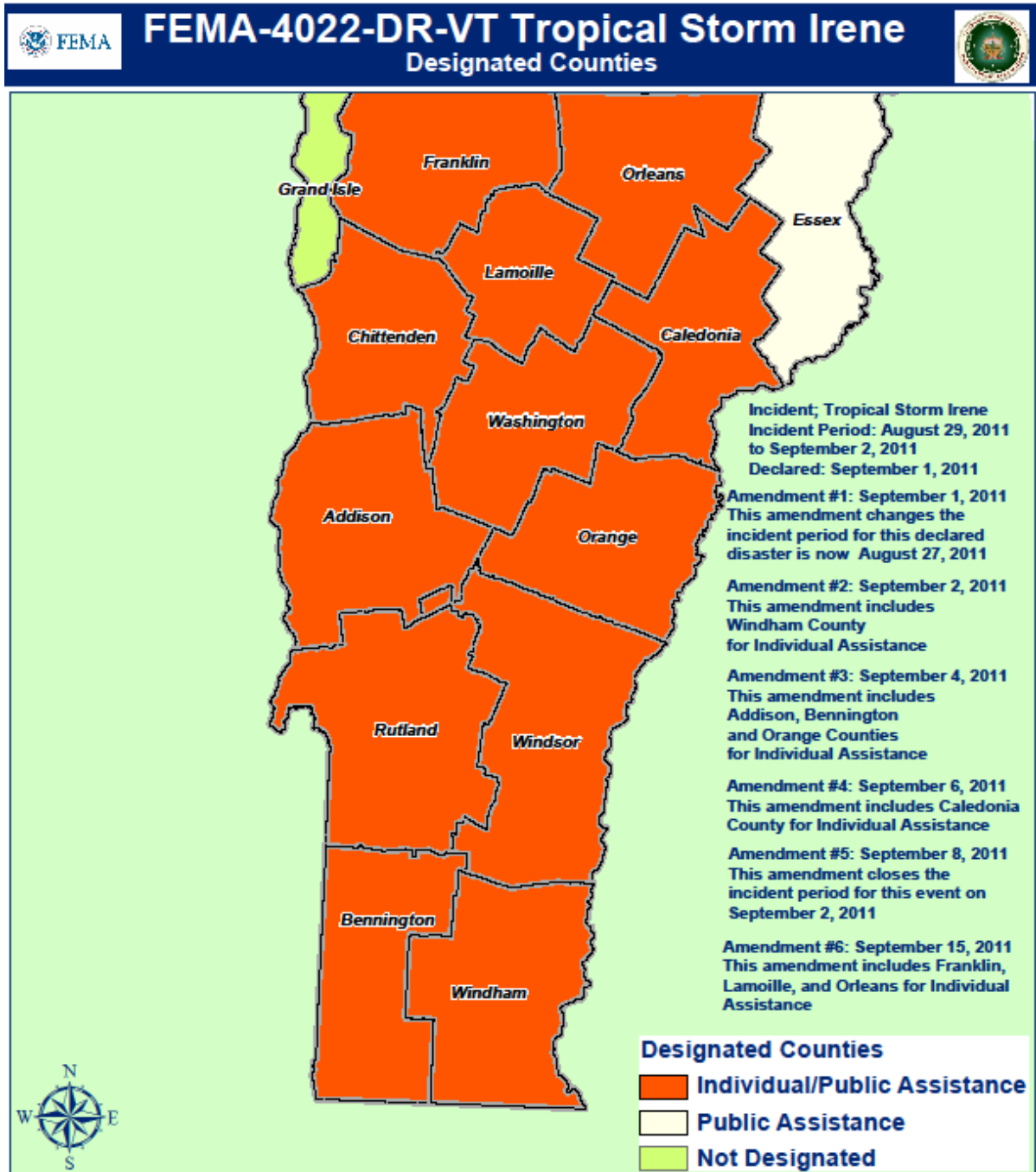
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1. Incident Name FEMA-4022-DR-VT FEMA-3338-EM-VT	2. Operational Period (Date / Time) 0700 EDT 09/15/2011 to 0700 EDT 09/16/2011	3. Date Prepared: 09/16/2011	4. Report No: 17
5. Type of Incident: Tropical Storm Irene			
6. Location/Map of Incident:			



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7. Declaration Information: 08/27/2011 to 09/16/2011		
Date Issued	Declaration	Remarks
08/29/2011	FEMA-3338-EM-VT	Hurricane Irene: Authorized to provide emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to direct federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program at 75 percent federal funding for the State of Vermont.
09/13/2011	FEMA-3338-DR-VT	Amendment 1 – The incident period closed effective 09/02/2011.
09/01/2011	FEMA-4022-DR-VT	Tropical Storm Irene: Individual Assistance designated for Chittenden, Rutland, Washington and Windsor Counties. Public Assistance Category A-G designated for Addison, Bennington, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Franklin, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans, Rutland, Washington, Windham, and Windsor Counties. Direct federal assistance is authorized. All counties in the State of Vermont are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Program.
09/02/2011	FEMA-4022-DR-VT	Amendment 1 – Changed the incident period to 08/27/2011 and continuing.
09/02/2011	FEMA-4022-DR-VT	Amendment 2 – Added Windham County for Individual Assistance (already designated for Public Assistance, including direct federal assistance).
09/04/2011	FEMA-4022-DR-VT	Amendment 3 – Added Addison, Bennington, and Orange Counties for Individual Assistance (already designated for Public Assistance, including direct federal assistance).
09/06/2011	FEMA-4022-DR-VT	Amendment 4 – Added Caledonia County for Individual Assistance (already designated for Public Assistance, including direct federal assistance).
09/08/2011	FEMA-4022-DR-VT	Amendment 5 – Changed the incident period to 8/27/2011 – 09/02/2011.
09/15/2011	FEMA-4022-DR-VT	Amendment 6 – Added Franklin, Lamoille, and Orleans Counties for Individual Assistance (already designated for Public Assistance, including direct federal assistance).
8. Current Situation:		
<p>A total of \$11,206,541 has been approved under the Individual and Household Program (IHP) of which \$10,944,208 has been disbursed to applicants. Individual Assistance (IA) registration total is 4,773.</p> <p>Area Field Office (AFO) location will open 09/16/2011 at 1 Holstein Place in Brattleboro (Windham County).</p> <p>Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) #10 in White River Junction (Windsor County) will open 09/16/2011.</p> <p>Individual Assistance Application Period ends 10-31-2011.</p> <p>Franklin, Lamoille, and Orleans Counties added for Individual Assistance (already designated for Public Assistance, including direct federal assistance).</p>		
9. Fatalities/Casualties:		
9a. Fatalities: Five confirmed with one missing (State Police, SSF-13)		
9b. Hospitalizations: None reported.		
9c. Injuries (Major and Minor): None reported.		
10. Extent of Damage: No new significant information to report.		

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10a. Specific Metrics (Area flooded, flood depth, total acres burned, number of aftershocks, etc):
10b. Structures Damaged: No new significant information to report
10c. Structures Destroyed: No new significant information to report
10d. Power Outages: As of 1200 EDT 09/15/2011, approximately 248.
11. Evacuation Status: No new significant information to report
12. Significant Impacting Weather in the past O-Period: None
13. Threats to Human Life: N/A
14. Threats to Structures: N/A
15. Threats or Disruptions to Infrastructure, Significant: Sections of seven State roads are closed. Thirteen State bridges are closed due to damage or completely destroyed.
16. Critical Resource Needs: N/A
<p>17a. Operations:</p> <p>Public Assistance (PA): To date, a total of 185 Kick-Off meetings have been conducted with 106 applicants entered into the Emergency Management Mission Integrated Environment (EMMIE) system and 191 applications received to date.</p> <p>Environmental Historic Preservation (EHP): No new significant information to report.</p>
<p>17b. Operations – Hazard Mitigation (HM):</p> <p>Division A Mitigation staff provided assistance to the Barre, Northfield, and Waterbury (Washington County) Disaster Recovery Centers (DRC). Staff conducted Substantial Damage Estimates (SDE) in Moretown (Washington County), performed level runs in Northfield (Washington County) on Water Street and surrounding streets, collected data in Moretown (Washington County) along Route 2, completed review of Roxbury and Worcester (Washington County) hazard mitigation plans, and completed site visits of eight Washington County trailer parks to identify needs.</p> <p>Division B Staff provided community outreach to 223 individuals at the Tunbridge World’s Fair, Tunbridge (Windsor County), provided mitigation staff to the Hartford and Woodstock (Windsor County) DRCs, completed a (SDE) for Moretown (Washington County), conducted Community Assistance Contact in Roxbury (Washington County), and completed Firmette Maps for Moretown and Duxbury (Washington County).</p> <p>Division C Mitigation staff provided assistance to the Killington and Rutland (Rutland County) and Bennington (Bennington County) DRCs</p> <p>Division D Mitigation staff provided assistance to Brattleboro and Dover (Windham County) DRCs, prepared Firmette Maps for Brattleboro and Marlboro (Windham County), conducted Community Assistance Contact in Grafton (Windham County), and met with Regional Planner from Windham Regional Planning Commission in Brattleboro.</p> <p>All Divisions Staff produced Flood Map documents to support field activities, prepared training materials for the use of Google Earth to display flood hazard data, provided technical support to users retrieving, analyzing, and storing flood map materials, and acquired Flood Map data on CDs/DVD from the FEMA Map Service Center and verified flood map viewer.</p>
17c. Operations – Tribal Relations: N/A
17d. Operations - Air Operations: All missions cancelled due to weather.

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18a. ESF #1- Transportation:

Air

All Airports are operating at normal capacity.

Rail

The New England Central Railroad, Inc. (NECR) tentatively scheduled to open from Essex (Chittenden) to White River Junction (Windsor) on 09/21/2011. Impacts along Vermont Railway System include the Rutland (Rutland County) to Bellows Falls line which is now partially open; Rutland, VT to North Bennington (Bennington County), VT and Hoosick Junction, NY remains closed; and Newport (Orleans County) to White River Junction (Windsor County) has limited service from the north, the White River Junction bridge remains closed.

Amtrak Vermonter Rail Service is currently operating using buses. Rail service will not resume until repairs are completed.

Highway

One hundred percent of State System Roads, including Federal National Highway System, have been assessed. All National Highway System roads are open. Currently, VTrans has seven various segments on the State System closed to traffic and 99 roads open with reduced levels. Route 9 is open and the Route 30 Bridge remains closed.

Local Roads/Bridges

The impact to town roads and bridges continue to be assessed.

18b. ESF #2- Communication: No new significant information reported.

18c. ESF #3 – Public Works/Engineering:

Debris

Debris Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) continued their contacts and assessments of local Towns and Cities. The Housing SME developed a "Destroyed Mobile Home Park Report" that is being used to assist the Debris SME to address questions regarding the status of debris at designated mobile home park sites.

Temporary Housing

The Housing Task Force Meeting was held with members from FEMA, US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), American Red Cross, Small Business Administration (SBA), Housing Urban Development (HUD), State/Local Agencies, and FEMA's Draft House Plan was presented and recommended that Rental Resources were available within the State and does not find a need for a temporary housing mission. The State read through the Draft Report and will meet internally to determine if they feel there is a need for a housing mission. The American Red Cross completed their own data in regards to the number of people in need of housing.

18d. ESF #4 – Firefighting: N/A

18e. ESF #6 –Mass Care: Staff coordinated information on open shelters in Vermont to the State, State Support Functions (SSF's) and FEMA. Staff maintained situational awareness on all aspects of Mass Care functions in Vermont while coordinating with State, SSF 6 and American Red Cross (ARC).

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18f. Individual Assistance:

Voluntary Agency Liaisons (VAL)

Staff met with Governor's staff and a Financial Development Consultant to further strategize on the Vermont Disaster Relief Fund, held a meeting for the Donations Coordination Team (DCT), developed three Sub-Committees, met with Vermont Emergency Management (VEM), VT VOAD, SerVermont, Building General Services (BGS), and Governor's representative, and hosted VT VOAD Conference Call. VAL Field Team #1 visited towns of Springfield (Windsor County) & Brattleboro (Windham County) and met with local leaders and Agency of Human Services Field Director for Brattleboro County.

Housing

Staff reviewed Inaccessible, Ineligible Failed Identity, potential replacement and new problem status cases, attended the State Lead Disaster Housing Task Force Meeting, attended the Congressional Briefing at the JFO, attended a Town Hall Meeting at Old Labor Hall in Barre (Washington County), continued to verify compliance of available rental resources for affected counties, and reviewed incoming Information Updates (IU's) from all Disaster Recovery Centers.

ONA

Staff worked Case Reviews to update Max Grants, held a Special /Functional Needs discussion on procedures, held an Additional Needs Meeting with Other Needs Assessment (ONA), Community Relations (CR), (Housing Assistance (HA), Voluntary Agency Liaisons (VAL's). Staff followed up on Special Needs Referrals by Additional Needs Support Group and completed Identity Failed cases to date.

DRC

Staff operated 10 DRC's in Bennington, Brattleboro, Barre, Dover, Killington, North Field, Rutland, Waterbury, White River Junction, and Woodstock. Staff also investigated several additional sites for future DRC's.

Mission Planning Team

Staff attended the State Led Disaster Housing Task Force meeting and presented Draft of Disaster Housing Plan.

Current as of 0700 EDT 09/16/2011			
Daily Registration (Designated Counties/Undesignated Counties)	168	Cumulative Total Registrations (Designated Counties/Undesignated Counties)	4,773
IHP Dollars Approved	\$11,206,541	IHP Dollars Disbursed	\$10,944,208
Housing Dollars Approved	\$10,694,061	ONA Dollars Approved	\$512,480
Housing Dollars Distributed	\$10,463,445	ONA Dollars Disbursed	\$480,763
No. Housing Payments Disbursed	2,135	Number ONA Payments Disbursed	307
Inspections Issued (Cumulative)	3,130	Inspections Returned (Cumulative)	2,693
Open Inspections	437	DUA Dollars Disbursed	\$0.00

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Local/Community Shelter Counts as of 0700 EDT 09/16/2011

Town	County	Status	E/P Capacity	Current
Barre	Washington	Closed	0	0
Hartford	Windsor	Closed	0	0
Rutland	Rutland	Closed	0	0
Waterbury (2)	Washington	Closed	0	0
West Dover	Windham	Open	Unknown	32
Randolph	Orange	Open	Unknown	8
Jamaica	Windham	Closed	0	0

Disaster Recovery Centers		Current as of 0700 EDT 09/16/2011	
Facility	County	Daily Visitor Count	Cumulative Count
#1 Nelson Withington Skating Facility 61 Memorial Park Drive Brattleboro, VT 050301 USNG18TN9710546722	Windham	14	344
#2 Barre Municipal Auditorium 16 Auditorium Hill Barre, VT 05641 USNG18TXP99499825	Washington	11	224
#3 Waterbury Fire House 43 South Main Street Waterbury, VT 05676 USNG18TXQ7890911730	Washington	28	221
#4 Post Office Building 2046 Route 4 Killington, VT 05751 USNG18TXP7418736822	Rutland	22	127
#5 120 Taft Brook Road Dover, VT 05356 USNG18TXN7923356895	Windham	26	247
#6 Rutland Heart Center 1 Commons Street Rutland, VT. 05701 USNG18TXP6487429427	Rutland	13	62
#7 The Rock Church 473 Woodstock Road Woodstock, VT 05091 USNG18TXP9800932012	Windsor	35	159
#8 Bennington Fire House 130 River Street Bennington, VT 05201 USNG18TXN4695149241	Bennington	16	63
#9 North Field Library 93 South Main Street Northfield, VT 05663 USNG18TXP8745390926	Washington	13	26
#10 Fire Department 812 VA Cutoff Road White River Junction, VT 05001 USNG18TYP1406536759	Windsor	0	0
Totals		178	1,473

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (SBA) Summary as of 0700 EDT 09/16/2011				
LOAN APPLICATIONS	HOME	BUSINESS	ECONOMIC INJURY (EDIL)	TOTAL
Applications Issued	2,998	1,300	17	4,315
Number Received	127	17	2	146
Number Declined	25	3	0	28
<i>Declines Referred to FEMA</i>	25	0	0	25
<i>Declines not Referred</i>	0	3	0	3
Number Withdrawn	2	0	0	2
Number Approved	3	1	0	4
Dollars Approved	\$237,600	\$15,200	0	\$252,800
Number Pending	97	13	2	112

18g. ESF #7 – Resource Support: N/A

18h. ESF #8 – Public Health/Medical Services: No new significant information to report.

18i. ESF #10 – Oil/Hazmat Response: Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has notified the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that current mission assignments have been completed and deactivation/demobilization planning has initiated.

18j. ESF #11 – Agriculture/Natural Resources: No new significant information to report

18k. ESF #12 - Energy: N/A

18l. ESF #13 - Public Safety/Security: N/A.

18m. ESF #14 Long Term Community Recovery: Staff coordinated with Mitigation team members to identify partners for Long Term Community Recovery (LTCR) planning. Staff met with Volunteer Agency Liaison (VAL) staff to plan windshield tours of impacted communities and oriented incoming staff for LTCR assessments. Discussed draft recovery plan with select board of Waterbury.

18n. ESF #15 External Affairs (EA):

Resource Managers

Staff submitted specifications for local hire Resource Specialist position.

Planning and Products

Staff distributed News Release (NR) 021 “FEMA Helps People With Disabilities Access Disaster Assistance”, NR 022 “FEMA, State Making Progress On Irene Recovery” and NR 023 “Disaster Recovery Center Opens At Hartford Fire Department” and daily talking points on individual grants and general debris management.

Joint Information Center

Staff provided an interview for WDEV and WKVT regarding registration, Individual Assistance (IA) program and Small Business Association (SBA) in Divisions A and D. Staff interviewed WVNR and WTSA regarding new DRCs and IA process in Divisions C and D. Staff interviewed with Channel 17 Cable Access regarding registration, IA program and SBA in Division C. Staff attended public meeting with SBA counterpart in Shrewsbury (Rutland County). Staff contacted 12 media outlets.

Congressional Affairs

Staff conducted a Congressional Conference Call in which nine Congressional Staff Members participated representing each of the Vermont offices. State, IA, PA and Mitigation gave recovery updates and answered questions and the Federal Coordinating Officer (FCO), the Deputy FCO, the Special Assistant to the FCO, Joint Field Office (JFO) Operations, the Army Corps of Engineers, Vermont Public Safety, and FEMA Region 1 Congressional Affairs (CA). Staff notified each Congressional office that the counties of Franklin, Lamoille, and Orleans had been added to DR-4022-VT for IA. Staff released the following Press Releases; “FEMA Disability Outreach”, “Disaster –Generated Debris Guidance” to each Congressional Office

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Community Relations

Forty-three Teams conducted outreach to the nine designated counties: Addison, Bennington, Caledonia, Chittenden, Orange, Rutland, Washington, Windham and Windsor. Staff executed Assess-Inform-Report (AIR) mission.

Cumulative Contacts: Residences 7,077, Face-to-Face 6,940, Community Based Organizations (CBOs) 228, Local Agencies 341, Faith Based Organization (FBO) 199, Businesses 1,149, and Force Multipliers 17,135.

Staff distributed the following fliers: 'How do I Apply for Disaster Assistance?', 'Guide to Disaster Assistance Programs', 'Mold and Mildew', 'Get Rid of Mold', 1-800-621-3362 Informational Cards, DRC information and SBA fliers.

Private Sector

Staff met with the Vermont Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VT VOAD) at their request to address an upcoming meeting regarding public-private partnerships, the coordination of donations from companies, and the establishment of a Donations Coordination Team. Staff received an inquiry from Fletcher Allen Health Care requesting assistance in a food drive from the Private Sector. Staff worked with VT VOAD to follow up with Vermont Youth Orchestra Association in a food drive for disaster survivors. Green Mountain Coffee Roasters agreed to disseminate FEMA Private Sector disaster assistance information to 2,300 employees, 40 of which lost their homes. National Life Group agreed to disseminate FEMA private sector information to 750 employees, 15 of whom were directly affected by the disaster; via the intranet, TV monitors, voicemails, and 1,000 friends on Facebook. Staff corresponded with Great Falls Regional Chamber of Commerce and Mad River Valley Chamber of Commerce and disseminated FEMA Private Sector information to 500 members and 22 businesses that were affected by the disaster.

Intergovernmental Affairs

Staff researched and responded to inquiry submitted by State Representative regarding the effect of bankruptcy on disaster assistance funds. Researched and responded to inquiry submitted by State Representatives regarding construction permits for historic structures. Staff drafted an Intergovernmental Advisory regarding the IA registration process. Staff distributed the FEMA publication "Help After a Disaster: Applicants Guide to the Individual's and Households Program" and introduced the Long Term Community Recovery and Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL).

19a. Finance/Administration:

FEMA 4022-DR-VT			Current as of 0700 EDT 09/16/2011		
		Subtotals		Totals	
Total Allocations				\$17,218,510	
Total Available Commitments				\$323,377	
Available Obligations - Grants & Temporary Housing		\$2,429,026			
Available Obligations - Mission Assignments		\$1,320,000			
Available Obligations - All Other		\$1,820,762			
Total Available Obligations				\$5,569,788	
Total Expenditures				\$11,032,022	
Total Funds Available				\$293,323	

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FEMA 3338-EM-VT Current as of 0700 EDT 09/16/2011		
	Subtotals	Totals
Total Allocations		\$3,263,265
Total Available Commitments		\$307,500
Available Obligations - Grants & Temporary Housing		
Available Obligations - Mission Assignments	\$1,758,205	
Available Obligations - All Other	\$1,183,271	
Total Available Obligations		\$2,941,476
Total Expenditures		\$1,337
Total Funds Available		\$12,951

Organization	Checked In	Pending	Total
FEMA	526	16	542
TAC	0	0	0
Other Federal Agencies	37		37
State	31		31
Other	6		6
Total Non-FEMA	74		74
Total	600	16	616

20. Logistics: Staff supported ten Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) and continue search for additional DRC sites. Staff conducted build out of the Operational Area Field Office (OAFO).

21. Planning: Conducting routine operations.

22. Safety: Conducting routine operations.

23. Security: Conducting routine operations.

24. Other Notes, Issues or Additional Remarks:

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25. Proposed Objectives for Next Operational Period:

- 28. Deploy Temporary Housing Units (THUs)
- 16. Finalize Disaster Housing Strategy based on on-going assessments for displaced survivors.
- 24a. Implement the Debris Management Plan for FEMA-4022-DR-VT.
- 27. Develop MH Debris Removal Plan.
- 01a. Establish and maintain viable emergency routes and transportation corridors.
- 04a. Stabilize and repair critical infrastructure to minimize health and safety threats.
- 05. Provide disaster assistance information to the public as part of a broad External Affairs strategy.
- 23a. Determine mental health assistance needs for survivors and emergency responders.
- 26. Develop Mobile Disaster Recovery Centers (MDRC) circuit strategy.
- 15. Target impacted areas with "AIR Trained" Community Relations staff.
- 08a. Deliver equipment, technical assistance and engineering expertise along with other flood mitigation efforts.
- 09c. Conduct recovery activities across the "whole community" that unifies Federal, State, Private Sector and local efforts.
- 13b. Implement an integrated volunteer donation management plan.
- 17c. Conduct Long-Term Community Recovery assessments (ESF-14).
- 20a. Maintain Local Hire Initiative

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