



MassMAP Situational Awareness

SNOWSTORM March 13 & 14, 2023: (From the National Weather Service)

The National Weather Service and Agency Meteorologist are forecasting that a Nor'easter is expected to impact Massachusetts beginning Monday evening and continuing through Wednesday Morning. Heavy, wet, and plowable snow is possible, with 6-12 inches of snow is possible across Central and Western Massachusetts, and 18-24 inches possible in the Berkshires. Snowfall is expected to be lower in the SouthEast. Snowfall rates of 1-2 inches per hour possible at times on Tuesday. The risk of power outages is increased in affected areas due to heavy snow loads. Strong and gusty winds are also expected across the state, with the strongest gusts expected in coastal communities in Eastern Massachusetts and on Cape Cod. Gusts of 65mph are possible. The risk of power outage is increased due to strong winds, which may also delay restoration. There is also a minor risk for coastal flooding in these communities. **Please review the following:**

Operations

- Review your Loss of Commercial Power Policy
- Review the MassMAP Widespread Loss of Commercial Power Policy
- <https://www.mutualaidplan.org/Common/Document.aspx?DDID=17099&klv=1&key=Oew38EWDWINifJjhpvgGUEJcgg%3d>
- Identify your local Emergency Manager (See Link in Loss Of Commercial Power Policy). You should contact your local EM and request their After Hours Contact Number.
- **Identify a team member responsible for completing Emergency Reporting. We expect Emergency Reporting to take place twice daily.**
- Develop working/sleeping schedules for staff. Call in staff as necessary.
- Review your Emergency Operations Plans for Snowstorms / Blizzards.
- Be sure your MassMAP Tracking Forms are available.
- Verify that generators are in good working order. Make sure fuel tanks are full.
- Review food menus, including emergency meals menus. Have sufficient food to cover 3-5 days for residents and staff.
- Pre-stock batteries for all critical equipment.
- Check communication devices, such as radios and chargers for cell phones.

Physical Structure

- Keep exits and sidewalks free from snow and ice accumulation.
- Keep emergency access roads, fire hydrants, and fire department hose connections free from snow and ice accumulations

For any Emergencies in your building or to activate MassMAP contact the MassMAP Resource Officer:

Primary Resources Officer: 617-207-0662

Up Resource Officer: Jim Garrow C- 860-944-2803