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OHIO EMA ASSISTS LOCAL COMMUNITIES WITH DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS AS RESPONSE AND RECOVERY CONTINUES AFTER LAST WEEK'S STORMS

COLUMBUS—As residents across Ohio continue to recover from damage and flooding caused by last week's severe storms, field staff from the Ohio Emergency Management Agency are assisting county EMAs in assessing the damage.

County-level emergencies were declared in Morrow, Perry, Sandusky and Seneca counties and city-level emergencies were declared in the cities of Ashtabula and Bellevue and the village of Cridersville. At this point, no local officials have requested state assistance or resources that would require a governor's emergency declaration.

Residents and businesses with storm damage are urged to contact their county emergency management offices to report damages sustained. Residents can also dial 2-1-1 for storm recovery information and local lists of resources. Local American Red Cross chapters are also providing assistance from last week's storms.

In the course of two days, the majority of the state received 5-7 inches of rain, creating severe flooding and flash flooding. The National Weather Service confirmed five tornadoes – two EF0 and three EF1.

A flood warning remains in effect for Killbuck Creek near Killbuck in Holmes and Wayne counties. Stay informed of weather conditions by tuning to local television or radio news or by the alert of a NOAA Weather Radio which notifies of issued storm watches and warnings.

Additional information is available on the Ohio EMA's website: www.ema.ohio.gov, and the Ohio Committee for Severe Weather Awareness site: www.weathersafety.ohio.gov.

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