Executive Summary:
The Ohio River is currently at 54.3 ft., which is in the Minor Flood (52-56 ft.) stage. The river water levels continue to slowly drop and are currently on pace to drop below 52 ft. on Sunday (2/17) afternoon.

While there has been an increase in the number of roads being reopened, there are still multiple road closures in several Hamilton County jurisdictions due to landslides and high-water levels.

Declaration:
No declarations have been made at this time.

Hamilton County EOC Status:
Emergency Activation Level 2 – Situational Awareness & Monitoring

Hamilton County EMHSA has been monitoring the river levels closely since last week. The Agency has sent notifications ahead of the hazard to the Hamilton County EOC Team, the Executive Committee, all local chief elected officials, chief administrative officials, fire chiefs, police chiefs, and public works directors. The Agency remains in regular contact with the National Weather Service to receive briefings, and has shared information with our neighboring Ohio counties as well as the Ohio EMA. The Agency has been working with the American Red Cross to prepare flood-related preparedness information for public distribution and monitor their response activities. An event has been created in WebEOC (31-20190211 Ohio River Flooding) to share information with partners.

Current Actions:
The City of Cincinnati Police and Fire Departments are conducting frequent patrols throughout low-lying areas to monitor water levels and distribute Disaster Assistance Information flyers to residents.

The City of Cincinnati is conducting daily interdepartmental briefings to maintain situational awareness and ensure that any issues and/or needs are aggressively addressed and resolved.

The Ohio Department of Transportation and local public works have closed off roads due current or anticipated flooding (see list below).

The American Red Cross (ARC) & The Salvation Army (SA) are monitoring the situation and reports that they currently have approximately 86 (ARC) and 200 (SA) flood kits respectively, ready for distribution. They still have received zero requests for assistance.

Hamilton County Stadia & Parking has deployed their flood gates and has some flooding in their southwest parking lot.
Potential Hazards:
Weather:

There is currently a 30% chance of rain on Thursday night and a 40% chance of rain and snow on Friday night. On both days, the total precipitation amounts are expected to be minimal and not significantly affect the river levels.

Though advised against it, Hamilton County residents may attempt to drive through flooded roadways which may lead to rescue operations. Flood waters pose a risk for infectious disease, chemical hazards and additional injuries from debris. Flood waters may also put a strain on treatment plants and water distribution systems.

Incident Information:
Life Safety:
• Fatalities: No fatalities reported
• Casualties: No casualties reported

Infrastructure:
• Road Closures:
  o Anderson Township:
    ▪ Debolt @ Clear Creek
    ▪ Eight Mile Road (north of Old Kellogg)
    ▪ SR 125 (eastbound ramp to SR 32 (Batavia Pike) eastbound)
    ▪ SR 32 (westbound ramp to SR 125 (Beechmont) eastbound)
    ▪ Eight Mile Road (between Old Kellogg and US 52)
    ▪ Turpin Lane (west of Newtown Road)
    ▪ Four Mile Road (between I-275 Overpass and Kellogg)
  o Springfield Township:
    ▪ Miles Road (between Daly Road and Mill Road)
    ▪ Caldwell Drive (between North Bend Rd and Hillside Park)
  o Miami - Whitewater Townships:
    ▪ Lawrenceburg Road (between Suspension Bridge and Stephens)
    ▪ Lost Bridge (between US 50 & Miamiview)
  o City of Cincinnati:
    ▪ 1100 Mehring Way due to flood gate installation (access to downtown from W. 6th street is restricted)
    ▪ 499 Harriet due to flood gate installation (access to W. 6th street is restricted)
    ▪ Delta Ave, Strader and Schmidt Field (south of Wool)
    ▪ 3450 Southside Avenue
    ▪ Hill Street near Martin (due to landslide)
    ▪ SR32 at Beechmont is closed eastbound
    ▪ SR32 (between Clough and Newtown)

• Utility Outages: No significant outages reported
• Sewer: No significant sewer issues reported
**Damage Assessment:**

**Individual & Public Assistance:**
- No damage assessments requested at this time

**Mass Care:**
- Open Cases: No open cases
- Sheltering: No requests for mass care shelters
- Feeding: No requests for feeding

**Resource Support:**
- No requests at this time

**Attachments:**

![Ohio River at Cincinnati Graph](image-url)
Disaster Assistance & Information

**Flood Tips to Consider:**

1. Know where you will go & have a kit ready if you need to leave your home.
   - Keep extra clothes, food and water available in a water-tight kit.
2. Consider elevating appliances that are housed in the basement
3. Remove anything valuable/sentimental from areas that could flood
4. Keep children & pets out of flood-prone areas, as flood water can be dangerous & unsanitary

**Initial Steps If Your Home is Damaged:**

1. UNDERSTAND YOUR POLICY: Contact your private insurance to learn what coverage applies.
2. PHOTOGRAPH DAMAGES: Take photographs of structural damage and personal property damage. If you have flood damage, also get photographs of flooded area and where the water is entering the building.
3. DOCUMENT LOSSES: Create an inventory list of damaged property, include estimated costs.
4. BEGIN CLEAN UP: Sort contents & discard waste according to your jurisdiction’s trash collection guidelines.
5. PROTECT FROM FRAUD: Request a list of reputable contractors from your insurance carrier or the Better Business Bureau for repairs and reconstruction.

If you need disaster related emergency assistance, contact the American Red Cross:
855-855-7727

If you think you have experienced a sewer backup from the public sewer, please report your backup to the Metropolitan Sewer District within 24 hours of discovery:

There are two ways to report your sewer backup:
1. Call 513-352-4900 Anytime
2. Submit your report online at http://sbu.msodc.org/sbu/

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