



COUNTY OF HENRY

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Henry County Storm Damage Report
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Henry County Emergency Management
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Henry County experienced a major severe weather event, which brought long lines of continuous thunderstorms, and an estimated 4.5 – 5 inches of rain throughout Henry County Friday, Saturday, and Sunday morning. Henry County was placed under a tornado watch Friday evening with a forecast of slight risk for an outbreak of long tracking tornadoes.

Henry County Emergency Operations Center activated at 9PM Friday night to coordinate any response and recovery in anticipation of possible damaging thunderstorms and tornados. Around 1:30AM Saturday the county was placed under a "Severe Thunder Storm Warning" till 2:15 AM. At 2:08 AM another Severe Thunderstorm Warning was issued . A severe storm cell was showing possible 1 ¾ to 2-inch hail. Henry County EOC advised the City of Henry County the city of Paris to sound warning sirens. At 2:47AM a "Flash Flood Warning " was issued for the county and would be extended most of the day. Again at 2:56AM another "Severe Thunderstorm Warning" was issued until 3:45AM. County was fortunate that no major damage occurred due to high winds.

Things finally settled down some and round two was coming all day on Saturday with continued rain and thunderstorms. The EOC again monitored weather conditions on Saturday into Sunday. AT 2:48 Sunday Morning, the county was placed under a "Tornado Warning" until 3:30AM. EOC advised the city of Paris to activate outdoor warning siren. Another flash flood warning was issued for the county as well. The EOC closed at 6AM Sunday morning with the severe weather threat finally passing.

No major damage to utilities with BPU reporting isolated outages throughout the weekend due to wind and downed trees. Henry county Highway Dept was out working road washouts, flooded roads, and trees down in the roadways. Highway Dept reports around \$60,000 damage to county roads.

Highway 641 South at the Henry-Benton County line remains closed due to floodwaters from the Big Sandy River. Hwy 77 and Hwy 79 in Carroll County are closed. Travel is still hazardous in the county due to debris and water so motorists should use caution.

Damage Summary:

Roads- 13 roads closed due to flood or washout.

Back Branch

Bear Creek

Faiground

Holly Fork

Ray Snider

Swor

Boyd

Reynoldsburg

Hill

Harvey Bowden

Palenstine

Porter Switch

US HWY 641 South Closed at Benton County Line (Big Sandy River)

HWY 79 closed in Carroll County

Utility Power- Normal

Schools- Normal

Shelters- None open

Structure Damage Reported- None

Injuries Reported- None