

Situation Report (SitRep) # **02**

Incident Name: COVID-19 POWESHIEK

Report Date: 3/11/2020

Report Time: 1400 HOURS



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Section 1: Situation Description

The State of Iowa now has 13 confirmed cases of COVID-19. 12 are in Johnson County and 1 in Pottawattamie County. All affected are in self isolation at home. All cases are related to travel outside the United States to known COVID-19 affected areas.

There are currently no confirmed cases within Poweshiek County.

The purpose of this SitRep is a recap of information sharing and resource requests from our 0800 meeting.

Section 2: Forecast

Current	N/A
XXX night	
XXX	
XXX night	
XXX	
XXX night	

Local Forecast Details: www.weather.gov/dsm

Section 3: EOC Operational Focus Areas	
1	Maintain situational awareness and information sharing among partners
2	Develop and release a public statement/press release to Poweshiek County residents to be shared widely.
3	Support local requests for resources and facilitate the pick-up and delivery of resources among local agencies.
4	Support local resource requests with local partners and 1BSAHC
5	Support state requests for resources through EMA and SEOC

Section 4: EOC Activation Level and Staffing		
The EOC is at a Level 2 Activation		
1	Monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities that are normal for the EOC when no incident or specific hazard has been identified. • Routine watch and warning activities
2	Partial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certain EOC team members/organizations are activated to monitor a credible threat, risk, or hazard and/or to support the response to a new and potentially evolving incident or event
3	Full	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EOC team is activated, including personnel from all assisting agencies, to support the response to a major incident or credible threat.

Section 5: Proclamation and Declarations

Governor Reynolds has signed an Emergency Disaster Proclamation (3/10/20) in response to COVID-19. This activates state resources such as personnel, equipment, and facilities to help prevent, contain, mitigate, and respond to the COVID-19 event. This has activated the SEOC to Full Activation to support local county governments with information and potential resources. No local declarations.

Section 6: Damage Assessment						
N/A						
FEMA Individual Assistance Data (# of properties/businesses)						
Affected	Minor	Major	Destroyed	Inaccessible		
FEMA Public Assistance Data (# of reported locations)						
A	B	C	D	E	F	G

Section 7: Emergency Support Function (ESF) Status

The Poweshiek County Comprehensive Emergency Plan is built on 15 core emergency support functions or ESFs. The ESFs provide the structure for coordinating multiagency and multijurisdictional support for significant incidents and planned events within the county.

ESF 1: Transportation

Monitoring situation. No further update from previous SitRep

Poweshiek- ESF 1 Coordinator- Poweshiek County Engineer's Office
Terry Pickett (641) 623-5435 or (641) 623-3446 tpickett@poweshiekcounty.org

ESF 2: Communications

Monitoring situation. PSAP has developed questionnaire for 911 calls that may guide additional precautions for first responder agencies. This questionnaire has taken affect as of this report. There have been no influx of calls for EMS services with COVID-19 like symptoms.

Poweshiek-ESF 2 Coordinator- Poweshiek County Sheriff's Office (PSAP)
Ben Anderson (641) 623-7911 banderson@poweshiekcsheriff.com

ESF 3: Public Works

Monitoring situation. No further update from previous SitRep

Poweshiek- ESF 3 Coordinator Alternate- Grinnell Public Works
Duane Neff (641) 236-2632 or (641) 990-6389 dneff@grinnelliowa.gov

ESF 4: Firefighting

Monitoring situation. Grinnell Fire Department reports operations as normal currently. A policy review with employees was conducted on infection control, cross contamination, and PPE. GFD is awaiting the delivery of P100 filter cartridges that connect to SCBA masks and function essentially as an N95. Fire department is following CDC/IDPH recommended guidelines.

No other fire departments reporting concerns or needs.

Poweshiek- ESF 4 Coordinator- Grinnell Fire Dept
Dan Sicard (641) 236-2688 djsicard@grinnellpd.com

ESF 5: Incident Management

UnityPoint Grinnell Public Health will remain as the primary agency for this event. The EOC remains at a level 2 activation with remote networking among activated partners. No physical EOC is active at this time.

Poweshiek- ESF 5 Coordinator- Poweshiek County Emergency Management Agency
Brian Paul (641) 623-4357 or (641) 208-4448 ema@poweshiekcosherriff.com

ESF 6: Mass Care

Monitoring situation. No further update from previous SitRep

Poweshiek- ESF 6 Coordinator- Poweshiek County Emergency Management Agency
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ESF 7: Logistics

At this time the State has asked that resource requests be handled within Service Area Healthcare Coalitions for needed supplies (N95, PPE, etc.) If within the Coalition the request cannot be met, resource requests can be made to the state (SEOC) through Emergency Management.

Poweshiek County- 1B Service Area Healthcare Coalition Coordinator
Nicole Jones (563) 272-8852 nicole@1bsahc.org

Current needs requests listed under section 8 of this SitRep. If anyone at the local level is able to fulfill any of the requests, please let Poweshiek EMA know, and we will facilitate the pick-up and delivery of items. Public Health will work directly with nursing and assisted living facilities on resource needs and requests. Resource pick-up and delivery can be coordinated either through Emergency Management or the sending and receiving facility.

Poweshiek County Emergency Management
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ESF 8: Public Health & Medical

Currently Poweshiek County has performed 3 tests for COVID-19. 1 has come back as negative, 2 are still pending results. Results could be back today.

GRMC has implemented screening at all entrances and restricted visitors to 18 years old and over only. GRMC wanted everyone to be aware they have 3 isolation rooms at their facility should those type of restrictions be required for treatment of COVID-19.

EMS has coordinated questionnaire with PSAP. There is a small stockpile of N95 masks on hand if needed. Operations are normal for all EMS agencies reporting.

Currently all major insurance carriers including Medicare/Medicaid have waved cost share fees and co-pays for any COVID-19 testing.

Poweshiek- ESF 8 Coordinator- UnityPoint Grinnell Public Health
Shauna Callaway (641) 236-2385 shauna.callaway@unitypoint.org

ESF 9: Search and Rescue

Not activated

ESF 10: Hazardous Materials

Not Activated.

ESF 11: Agriculture, Natural Resources, Pets

Not Activated

ESF 12: Energy

Not Activated

ESF 13: Public Safety and Security

Monitoring situation. Grinnell Police reports operations as normal currently. They may need to adjust responses to certain calls for service to limit exposure as the event unfolds. May delay charges on individuals that have signs/symptoms associated with COVID-19 to limit exposure to officers and jail staff. Current supply of PPE is adequate.

Sheriff's Office reports operations as normal currently. They are performing a screening process for inmate intake. Currently have no N95 masks.

Poweshiek- ESF 13 Coordinator Alternate- Grinnell Police Department
Dennis Reilly (641) 236-2670 dreilly@grinnellpd.com

ESF 14: Damage Assessment

Not Activated

ESF 15: Public Information

Public Health will take the lead on a public message for Poweshiek County with an emphasis on current CDC and IDPH guidelines as noted in SitRep 01. Public Health and hospital have an appearance at 0745 on 3/12/20 at KGRN radio for the show "Let's Talk". They will spread awareness through that outlet as well as social media, press releases, and public statements. At this time IDPH has activated 211 statewide as a telephone resource for information regarding COVID-19. The general public should be encouraged to use reliable sources of information regarding COVID-19 such as CDC and IDPH websites or dialing 211 on their phones.

Grinnell-Newburg Schools will be working with Public Health and other school districts to develop some literature for school aged children on COVID-19 that they will be able to understand and gather information from. There is a concern and rumors circulating among young school aged children.

LEPC Chair and EMA will work on sending information regarding businesses about COVID-19 to LEPC members and Chamber of Commerce/Pow I80 partners.

Section 8: Requests for Additional Resources		
From	Status	Detail
Local Mutual Aid	ACTIVE	Local resources may request resources from other local resources through local mutual aid partnerships such as EMS agency to EMS agency within the county or hospital to local EMS agency if available.
IMAC	PARTIAL	Resources may be requested within the local jurisdiction's Healthcare Coalition Service Area
State Resources	PARTIAL	State resources may be requested if the local jurisdiction and Healthcare Coalition Service Area resources have been depleted.
Federal Resources	CLOSED	Currently there is no need for physical federal resources.
Private Sector Provision	UNKNOWN	Due to the nature of this event, many private sector vendors are out of or in extremely short supply of products, especially PPE like N95 masks, therefore it is unknown what may be available from vendors at this time.
Others/Donations	CLOSED	Private donations of any kind are not being accepted at this time, and most likely will not be at any time to reduce any chance of cross contamination or spread of illness

Current Needs Requests

Requesting Agency	Resource Needed	Quantity	Status	Completed by
Poweshiek SO	N95	1 box	UNFILLED	
Grinnell College	Isolation Gowns	5 gowns	UNFILLED	
Grinnell College	Eye protection	5 pair	UNFILLED	
Montezuma Schools	N95	1 box	UNFILLED	
Montezuma EMS	N95	1 box	UNFILLED	

Section 9: Other Relevant Information

Poweshiek County local governments are all reporting normal operations at this time. No current concerns as of this report and no restrictions or alternative work schedules have been implemented at this time.

Most, if not all, of Poweshiek County's assisted living/nursing homes and healthcare facilities have restricted access to residents and facilities to include limiting or cancelling large group activities, implementing screening processes for outside visitors or cancelling visitations but allowing for virtual visits, and requiring outside delivery only. All are following CDC and IDPH guidelines.

Grinnell College has also cancelled the remainder of their sports seasons. They are reporting limited numbers of N95, but have no isolation gowns or eye protection on hand.

IVCC is currently on Spring Break and will continue to monitor the situation. They have no plans at this time to cancel any classes or implement distance learning.

Grinnell-Newburg Schools have sent letters to parents with information regarding COVID-19 and have taken extra measures with preventative cleaning at their facilities. No plans for cancelling large events. Kudos to the science program for creating their own hand sanitizer to be used by staff and students due to a shortage of supply!

Further situation reports will be provided on an as needed basis as the COVID-19 event occurs.