FLOOD RECOVERY UPDATE

JULY 23, 2024



FIRST STEPS OF RECOVERY

- Closed streets for mud clean up.
- Ramped up FEMA-compliant operations in anticipation of meeting the disaster threshold.
- Began to secure dumpsters for debris removal.
- Directed residents to shovel mud to the right-of-way for eventual pick up by City crews.

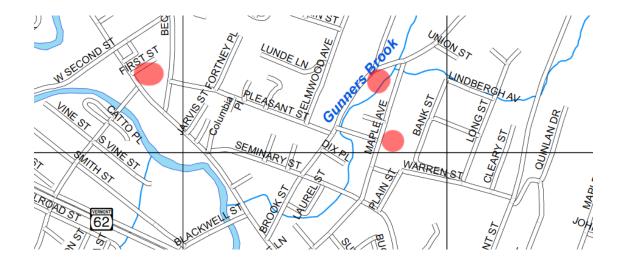
To qualify for a major disaster declaration, FEMA must verify at least \$1.183 million in response and public infrastructure recovery costs. Individual counties must also show damages of \$4.60 per capita to qualify. Per the Governor's Office, estimated damages to public infrastructure resulting from the storm exceed \$15 million.



DEBRIS COLLECTION

- Dumpster locations around the City have been reduced in number as receptacles in some locations have been only marginally filled.
- A number of pockets of isolated debris have been hand-loaded.
- The State debris-contractor will be on the ground by Friday at the earliest. Contractor will be deployed to hardest hit communities first.
- City will continue with current debris collection strategy and re-evaluate as needed.

There are currently 3 City-procured dumpsters deployed throughout the City.

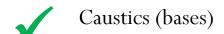


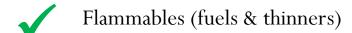


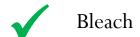
HAZ-MAT COLLECTION AT THE AUD



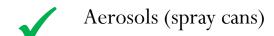


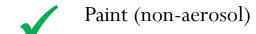














PUBLIC WORKS PRIORITIES

- Public Works has cleaned up the bulk of mud/silt from streets. Crews have started to circle back to pick up piles from private property.
 - Residents should make piles curbside the City **CANNOT** enter private property to collect mud/silt piles.
- Brook Street and Farwell Street trash racks, and Berlin Street Bridge have been cleared of debris.
- Brook Street was paved Friday.
- The retention pond at the beginning of Route 62 will be dug out this week.
- Crews will be filling in road shoulders this week (Berlin St, Cliff St, Farwell St, Jorgensen Ln, Merchant St, N Main St, Packard St, W Second St).
- The street sweeper and vactor continue to operate continuously.
- Street disruptions:
 - Lawrence Ave is now open for two-lane traffic after repair of a sinkhole.
 - O Summer St has a shift over due to undermined sidewalk/road edge. Repair started today and will continue tomorrow.



RESIDENT RECOVERY RESOURCES

- The Red Cross shelter at The Aud is in stand-by mode, which means that while it is not active, it can be re-opened based on documented need.
- Multi-Agency Resource Center (MARC) will open at The Aud this week coordinated at first by the Red Cross, and then shifting to FEMA and SBA oversight.
 - Please follow our website and Facebook page for announcement on times/dates of operation.



CONDITIONS OF RENTAL UNITS/HOMES

- Inspections have been completed in hardest hit areas
 - 86 Green tags (Safe for Occupancy, +5)
 - 47 Yellow tags (Partial Occupancy, +3)
 - 2 Red tags (Unsafe for Occupancy, -3)
- Renters with concerns should make reports to Code Enforcement:

https://www.barrecity.org/complaint-form.html



2 Red Tags

- Structural issue
- Burned vacant building



If you were impacted by the storm, please report damage to 211, and request assistance by calling (802) 242-2054.



RE-BUILDING RESOURCES

- Any flood-related work to repair structures will likely require permits, and residents and businesses located in the flood zone are required to pull flood hazard permits in addition to other required permits.
 - The Council has waived fees for building, flood hazard, zoning, and associated electrical permit fees for storm-related repairs
 - For example, electrical permits are needed for heat pumps, among other recovery activities.
 - Permitting Office is open Tuesday Friday and will help guide you through the process.
 - So far, only 5 flood-related permits have been issued (3 electrical and 2 flood hazard).

Fees have been waived but residents and contractors MUST get permits prior to commencing work.



BUYOUTS

- If residents are interested in buyouts, they should do the following:
 - Email the Manager (<u>citymanager@barrecity.org</u>) with the following information:
 - The address of the property you would like to be considered for buyout
 - Your contact phone number
 - Your contact email address
- Once added to the list, the City will evaluate the mitigation value of the property. If the City chooses to move forward with your buyout request, you will be emailed an application package.

Being added to the buyout list

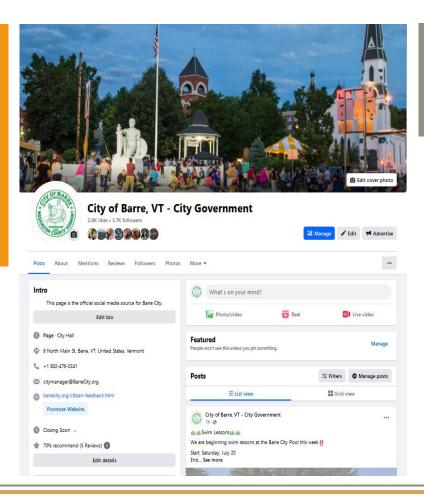
DOES NOT guarantee your
property will be bought out. Since
FEMA buyouts require that the lot
remain perpetually green, the City
must weigh the mitigation value of
the property versus the forgone
tax revenue in perpetuity.



HOW TO STAY INFORMED?



Go to: barrecity.org
Click on "Flood
Response and Recovery
Resources" Banner at
the top of the website.
"Storm Recovery" icon
on the scroll remains
and redirects residents
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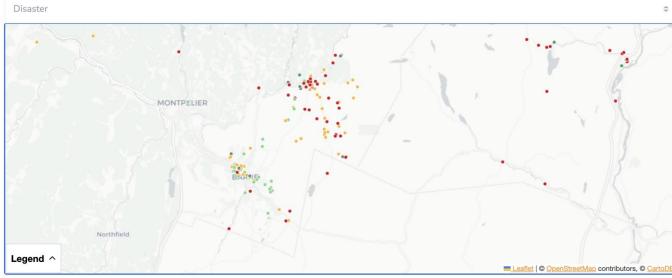
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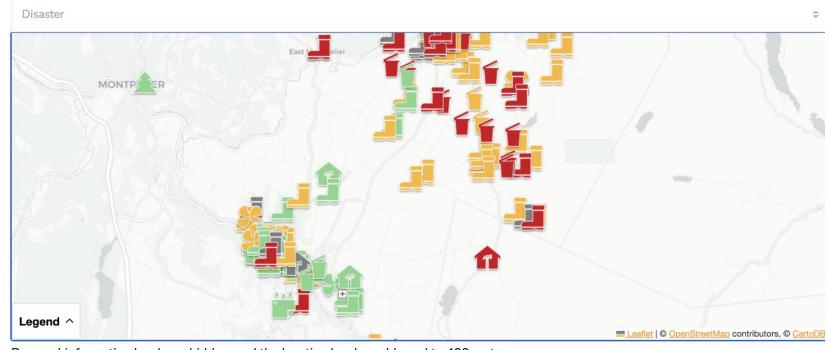
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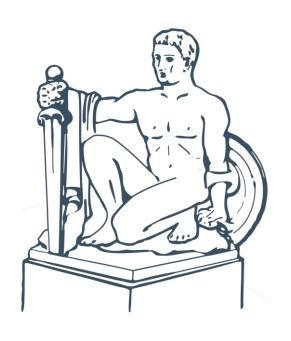
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