



MIKE DEWINE

GOVERNOR
STATE OF OHIO

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2024, a severe weather system swept through the State of Ohio that included instances of tornadic activity and severe thunderstorms. The National Weather Service (NWS) has confirmed that four EF-1 tornadoes touched down in the following areas: Bay Village, Brook Park and Bedford, Richfield and Boston, and Kirtland and Chesterland. The NWS also confirmed a macroburst occurred across a broad area in Cuyahoga, Lake, and Geauga counties, causing straight-line winds of 70-90 mph, with small pockets reaching 100 mph.

WHEREAS, in response to this activity and in accordance with the State's Emergency Operations Plan, the State Emergency Operations Center moved to assessment and monitoring on the evening of August 6, 2024, in order to assess and monitor ongoing events and share information with local jurisdictions for the purposes of providing support and coordinating any State response if needed.

WHEREAS, I have previously issued a Proclamation of Preparedness and Response to all State agencies to assist in response to this storm.

WHEREAS, on Saturday, August 10, 2024, at 12:05 pm I received a letter from the Cuyahoga County Executive asking for a State declaration of emergency.

WHEREAS, a significant number of power outages are being reported in Northeast Ohio, particularly in the counties of Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Portage, Summit, and Trumbull.

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Damage Survey Results

Bay Village, OH Tornado

Date	8/6/24
Time (Local)	3:45 PM - 3:56 PM EDT
EF Rating	EF-1
Est. Peak Winds	110 mph
Path Length	8.42 miles
Max Width	200 yards
Injuries/Deaths	0/0

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Brook Park-Bedford, OH Tornado

Date	8/6/24
Time (Local)	3:59 PM - 4:24 PM EDT
EF Rating	EF-1
Est. Peak Winds	104 mph
Path Length	17 miles
Max Width	350 yards
Injuries/Deaths	0/0

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Richfield and Boston, OH Tornado

Date	8/6/24
Time (Local)	4:20 PM - 4:25 PM EDT
EF Rating	EF-1
Est. Peak Winds	104 mph
Path Length	3.32 miles
Max Width	105 yards
Injuries/Deaths	0/0

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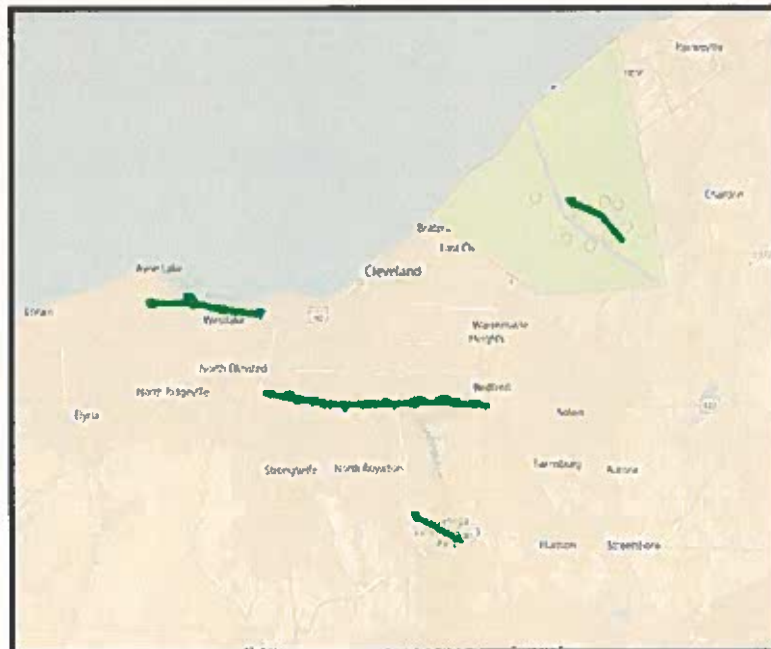
Kirtland-Chesterland, OH Tornado

Date	8/6/24
Time (Local)	4:31 PM - 4:38 PM EDT
EF Rating	EF-1
Est. Peak Winds	110 mph
Path Length	4.79 miles
Max Width	200 yards
Injuries/Deaths	0/0

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Macroburst for Eastern Cuyahoga, Western Lake, and Northwest Geauga Counties

Date	8/6/24
Time (Local)	4:20 PM - 4:50 PM EDT
Est. Peak Winds	90 mph
Path Length	15 miles
Max Width	15 miles
Injuries/Deaths	0/0



WHEREAS, in accordance with Ohio Constitution Article III Section 5 “[t]he supreme executive power of this State shall be vested in the governor” and pursuant to Section 6 the Governor “...shall see that the laws are faithfully executed.”

WHEREAS, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code sections 5502.22 and 5502.28, this proclamation is necessary to authorize previously alerted State departments and agencies to prepare and respond as needed.

NOW, THEREFORE, on August 10, 2024, I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the United States, specifically the implied police powers of the Tenth Amendment, the Constitution of the State of Ohio, Article III, Section 5, and the laws of this State declare that due to the damaging and dangerous conditions resulting from this severe weather system, a state of emergency and disaster exists for Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Portage, Summit, and Trumbull counties. I hereby direct all State departments and agencies to lend their services, equipment, supplies, and personnel as necessary to assist in the response and recovery effort from these events.

FURTHER, I direct the Ohio Emergency Management Agency to coordinate the State and any needed federal response to assist in protecting the lives, safety, health, and property of the citizens of Ohio.

FURTHER, I hereby direct the Ohio Department of Administrative Services and other departments and agencies of the State to suspend purchasing and contracting requirements contained in Chapters 125 and 153 of the Revised Code, pursuant to Section 125.061 of the Revised Code, during the period of the emergency for the Ohio Emergency Management Agency and any other State agency participating in emergency assistance under this declaration, in order to procure any necessary resources or supplies to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the above-listed counties and any other counties that subsequently declare a state of emergency due to the above-described event.

FURTHER, this Proclamation does not require the implementation of the Department of Administrative Services Directive HR-D-11 or the Department of Administrative Services’ “Weather (Public Safety) Procedure.” Accordingly, State employees’ obligation to travel to and from work is not to be limited as a result of this proclamation.

FURTHER, this Proclamation shall take effect immediately and shall remain in place for ninety days unless modified or terminated by my order. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 107.42, this Proclamation shall terminate ninety days from the date of this order, unless otherwise extended by division of (C) of Revised Code section 107.42.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have
hereunto subscribed my name, on the 10th day
of August 2024.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike DeWine". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

MIKE DEWINE
Governor