



## AEMA/Emergency Operations Center

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# SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 3

EMITS INCIDENT #: 14-77 HWO

State Emergency Operations Center Activation Level: 2  
Operational Period: 01/29/14 0800 hrs to 01/29/14 1900 hrs

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## 1. CURRENT SITUATION:

- A. BACKGROUND:** The winter weather on January 28, 2014 was caused by the combination of an arctic cold front and overriding gulf moisture. This overriding gulf moisture lead to the wintry mixture of precipitation observed across Central and Southern Alabama. Weather models begin to indicate the possibility for wintry precipitation as early as late Friday into early Saturday. The possibility for wintry weather was added to the Hazardous Weather Outlook (HWO) over the weekend as the forecast and models began to zero in on the situation. A Winter Storm Watch was issued on Sunday before being upgraded to a Winter Storm Warning on Monday.
- B. CURRENT STATUS:** Bitterly cold air will continue into the overnight hours tonight. Lows will range from 10 to 15 degrees across the state. Winds will weaken some tonight but wind chill values will still be in the single digits across the area.
- C. FUTURE SUMMARY/IMPACT:** Temperatures will finally rebound tomorrow with highs ranging from 40 to 45 degrees across the state. Depending upon location this will push temperatures above freezing for 6 to 12 hours tomorrow afternoon and evening depending upon location. Lows tomorrow night into Thursday morning will range from 25 to 35 degrees with the coldest temperatures across the north. With temperatures below freezing, this could continue isolated problems on the roadways. Temperatures will finally push above freezing Friday morning and will persist into the weekend.
- D. CASUALTIES:** 5 - (1 confirmed by State Trooper in Perry County, 2 confirmed by doctor in Elmore County, 2 confirmed by coroner in Tuscaloosa County)

- E. INJURIES:** 54 (1 in Perry County, 7 in Elmore County, 11 in Marshall County, 32 in Tuscaloosa County, 1 in Russell County, 2 in Cherokee County)

## **2. STATUS OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION:**

**Federal Declaration Declared:** None

**Governor Declared State of Emergency:** 1/23/14 Emergency exemption is issued as a result of extreme arctic cold weather conditions causing shortages and interruptions in the availability and/or delivery of propane and other home heating fuels throughout the State of Alabama

**Governor Declared State of Emergency:** 1/27/14 The current predictions of the National Weather Service demonstrate the potential for the State of Alabama to be severely affected by ice, snow, sleet as well as extreme and prolonged subfreezing temperatures beginning on January 28, 2014.

**COUNTIES w/ Local Declarations:** Calhoun, Cherokee, Choctaw, Clarke, Cleburne, Conecuh, Dallas, Escambia, Etowah, Jefferson, Monroe, Talladega and Washington.

**CITIES w/ Local Declarations:** City of Tuscaloosa

## **3. SEVERITY OF IMPACT ON LOCAL JURISDICTIONS:**

**A. COUNTY EOCs ACTIVATED:** Autauga, Baldwin, Barbour, Blount, Butler, Chambers, Calhoun, Cherokee, Clarke, Clay, Cleburne, Conecuh, Covington, Cullman, Dale, DeKalb, Elmore, Etowah, Geneva, Houston, Jefferson, Lee, Macon, Mobile, Monroe, Pike, Randolph, Shelby, St. Clair, and Talladega.

**B. IMPACT ON INDIVIDUALS:** 20 residential customers without propane.

**Counties Reporting Damage:** None at this time

**Curfews:** Cleburne County issued a county-wide curfew

**C. IMPACT ON BUSINESSES:** Poultry producers affected by propane supply and road closures. Many dealers in south Alabama are unable to operate bobtails with the current road conditions. Some companies in north Alabama are running bobtails to deliver propane. Companies reporting 15% to 35% product in bulk storage around the State. Limited number of transports are scheduled to pull product tomorrow and deliver if able.

## **4. ROAD/TRANSPORTATION STATUS:** See attached map

## 5. CRITICAL FACILITIES:

**A. HOSPITALS:** None.

**B. SCHOOLS:** See attached for School Closures by County

Jefferson Co.: Birmingham City Schools have 250 students and 193 staff to shelter in place overnight. Jefferson County schools have approximately 16 students to shelter in place overnight.

In a discussion with Dr. Tommy Bice, State Superintendent, 11,375 students were sheltered in place in Alabama schools on Tuesday night, including 4000 Hoover students who stayed overnight. The number reported to the AEMA were only the students in systems that had asked for assistance and that explains the difference between the numbers submitted by the AEMA and the numbers submitted by the AISDE.

**C. GOVERNMENT:** as of 1/28/14

Baldwin County: All county commission offices and Health Department are closed.

Barbour County: Courthouse closed 1/30.

Blount County: Courthouse closed. Oneonta City Hall closed.

Bullock County: All state and city offices are closed.

Butler County: County courthouse and offices closed. City of Greenville is closed.

Chambers County: Courthouse closed 1/30

Choctaw County: Courthouse closed.

Clarke County: Courthouse closed.

Conecuh County: All county offices are closed

Covington County: All county offices closed.

Cullman County: Probate office closed.

Dale County: County Offices closed City of Ozark offices closed 1/30.

DeKalb County: All county offices closed.

Escambia County: All county offices closed 1/29 and 1/30.

Geneva County: Courthouse closed.

Lowndes County: All state offices are closed.

Macon County: All county offices closed.

Marengo County: Courthouse closed.

Monroe County: Courthouse closed

Pike County: All county facilities closed

Randolph County: Courthouse is closed

Russell County: All county buildings are closed.

Tuscaloosa County: Tuscaloosa City Hall closed.

Washington County: County Courthouse, Chatom Town Hall, Millry Town Hall & McIntosh Town Hall will be closed

**D. HAZMAT:** Nothing to report at this time.

## 6. STATUS OF STATE OPERATIONS: Standing Priorities:

1. Life Saving
2. Incident Stabilization
3. Protection of Property and Environment
4. Preliminary Needs/Damage Assessment

## 7. OPERATIONS SECTION:

### A. ESF - 2 Telecommunications and Information Technology:

- **SoLINC:** All operational.
- **AT&T:** All operational.
- **Verizon:** All operational.

### B. EMERGENCY SERVICES BRANCH:

**ESF-1 Transportation (ALDOT):** Activated DOT Emergency Call Center Telephone Bank to receive calls from the public concerning roadway conditions. Updating and maintaining the ALDOT Road Condition website. Treating roadways and assessing road conditions. Concentrating on I-459/I-20 with stranded motorists and traffic congestion.

- **Forestry** – Assisted with 4WD assets (transporting medical personnel and providing Trooper assistance).
- **ESF – 13 Public Safety and Security** (DPS,DOC,DCNR, ABC, and DHS)
  - **Department of Public Safety** – Assisting stranded motorists, investigating crashes, monitoring and assessing road conditions. Providing DPS aviation assets (3 helicopters) to perform traffic and/or rescue missions.
  - **Alcohol Beverage Control** – Assisting Troopers with 4WD assets and assisting local law enforcement in various parts of the state.
  - **Conservation** – Assisting Trooper Posts with 4WD assets. Transporting special needs for Jefferson County EMA, supporting Clark County EMA, Mobile County EMA, SEOC and assisting Divisions A, B and D.
  - **Corrections** – Continue local institutional response
  - **Alabama National Guard** – is currently conducting DSCA operations in support of AEMA with four Task Forces supporting Divisions A, B, D, and G. All current missions are providing transportation to stranded motorists and supporting Alabama State Troopers. Standing up Task Force Jefferson to setup CP AFRC Oxmoor Road. Coordinating air assets in conjunction with DPS to support stranded motorist missions. Affecting link up I-459/I-20 missions with ALDOT. Alabama National Guard has a total of 335 personnel responding to the incident.
  - **Pardons and Parole-** Assisting Troopers with 4WD assets
  - **APOST** Officers are assisting State Troopers with service calls

### C. HUMAN SERVICES BRANCH:

- ESF – 6 Mass Care, Housing, and Human Services Special Needs (DHR, SALVATION ARMY, RED CROSS)

#### **Shelters Open:**

- **American Red Cross:** As of 1/29/14 1710 hrs  
Shelters Open: 12                      Total Occupants: 239  
Shelter Workers: 35  
Total snacks: 1,182  
Total drinks: 0  
Total meals: 0

Etowah County: Elliott Recreation Center (22 occupants) Salvation Army (16 occupants), Altoona Community Center (2 occupants)

Jefferson County: UAB Recreation Center (30 occupants)

St. Clair County: Pell City Civic Center (75 occupants), Steele UMC (5 occupants), UMC Church Moody (12 occupants), Springville Methodist Church (11 occupants)

Talladega County: First Baptist Church Sylacauga (40 occupants), Eureka Baptist Church (0 occupants), Childersburg Parks and Recreation Center (20 occupants), Munford Fire Department (6 occupants)

#### **Warming Stations:**

Baldwin County: Orange Beach Community Center and Fairhope Fire Station # 2

Houston County: Westgate Recreation Center, Greater Beulah Church

Jefferson County: Boutwell Auditorium, Church at Brook Hills, Gardendale Civic Center, Homewood Recreational Center, St. Mark United Methodist Church

Pike County: Troy Parks and Recreation Center

Shelby County: Soccer Blast, Double Oak Community Church, Alabaster First United Methodist Church, North Shelby Baptist Church, Greystone Elementary School

Talladega County: Munford Fire Dept

Walker County: Marantha Baptist Church, New Generation Ministries

- **Department Human Resources:** Offices Closed in Autauga, Baldwin, Bibb, Blount, Bullock, Butler, Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Choctaw, Clarke, Cleburne, Coffee, Conecuh, Coosa, Covington, Crenshaw, Cullman, Dale, Dallas, DeKalb, Elmore, Greene, Hale, Henry, Houston, Jackson, Jefferson, Lee, Lowndes, Marshall, Mobile, Monroe, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Randolph, St. Clair, Sumter, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Wilcox.

- **ESF – 8 Public Health and Medical Services (DPH):** County Health Departments closed: Autauga, Baldwin, Barbour, Bibb, Blount, Bullock, Butler, Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Choctaw, Clarke, Clay, Cleburne, Coffee, Conecuh, Coosa, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Dallas, DeKalb, Elmore, Escambia, Etowah, Fayette, Geneva, Greene, Hale, Henry, Houston, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Mobile, Monroe, Montgomery, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Randolph, Russell, St. Clair, Shelby, Sumter, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Washington, Wilcox.
- **ESF – 11 Agriculture (AGI):** no report at this time
- **Serve Alabama:** Monitoring and coordinating with 211

#### **D. OPERATIONS SUPPORT BRANCH:**

**County to County Mutual Aid:** None

**Alabama Law Enforcement Agency:** Law Enforcement Teams on standby awaiting mission assignments.

**State Fire Marshalls:** Two have been assisting along the I-65 corridor. One has been assisting Attalla Police Department, and 1 has been assisting the SEOC and 1 investigating a fatality fire in Talladega County. 20 4WD trucks available across the State for assistance.

#### **E. INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT BRANCH:**

- ESF – 12: Energy (ADECA): Nothing to report at this time
- ESF – 10: Nothing to report at this time.
- ESF – 14: Community Recovery, Mitigation, and Economic Stabilization (ADECA): Nothing to report at this time.

#### **UTILITIES:**

- **POTABLE WATER/SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS:** Nothing reported

- **ELECTRIC POWER:**

- **AL Power Company**

- Total Customers: 1.2 million

- Peak Out: 5,000

- Current Out: 300

- Restoration Plan: underway

- **AL Rural Electric Association**

- Total Customers: 700,000

- Peak Out: 70,000

- Current Out: 0

- Restoration Plan: N/A

**TVA:**

Total Customers: 600,000

Current Out: 0

Restoration Plan: N/A

**Critical Facilities Without Power:** None reported at this time.

**GAS PIPELINES:** None

**FUEL SUPPLIES:** None

**SEWAGE TREATMENT:** None

**AIRPORTS:** Huntsville, Birmingham, Montgomery and Tuscaloosa Regional Airport are open. Mobile Airport is still closed.

**RAILROADS:** None

**PORTS:** None

**Oil and Gas Production:** Nothing to report at this time.

**F. Division Reports:**

**Division A:** Marine Police are providing/staging 4 four wheel drive vehicles at Division A headquarters. DPS Troopers are working 12 hour shifts.

AL ARNG working missions throughout the Division Area of Operation. Task Force Alpha based in Mobile, AL has 55 personnel on station and 15 Humvees. AFC standing by with 4 wheel vehicles nothing to report as of this time. ALDOT continues to treat roads with salt brine and sand. Most roadways are closed or impassable.

**Division B:** Continue to monitor situation throughout area of operations. No major issues at this time. Power outages are sporadic. Power companies working outages. No shelter operations at this time however local municipalities have opened warming stations.

**Division C:** Alerted

**Division D:** AFC, DHR and ADPH "on call. ALNG demobilized and re-tasked to Jefferson County. No pending issues. Shelter closed in Montgomery. DPS provided escort/relay from G Troop to Birmingham C Troop at the Shelby County Line.

**Division E:** Nothing to report at this time.

**Division F:** Nothing to report at this time.

**Division G:** Nothing to report at this time.

**Task Force Jefferson:** Standing up at Jefferson EOC, to address stranded Motorists and displaced students in and around Jefferson/Shelby County. Task Force is made up of ALNG, DCNR, DPS and AEMA.

## 8. PLANNING SECTION: ESF 5 Emergency Management: # Personnel Deployed/ Mobilized

<b>SEOC</b>			
<b>Current as of: 01/29/14 at 0500hrs</b>			
ALNG	335	ALEA	1
ABC	108	DOC	4
ADECA	0	ACCS	0
ADEM	0	DOT	1175
ADPH	23	DPS	256
AEMA	28	EMAC	1
AGI	0	FOR	11
ALSDE	1	Serve AL	1
ARC	35	DOI	1
AREA	0	Mutual Aid	1
DCNR	78	Salv Army	1
DHR	7	BPP	50
211	25	VOAD	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1502</b>
		<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>2142</b>

**9. FINANCE/ADMINISTRATION SECTION:** Total obligations \$10,860

**10. LOGISTICS SECTION:** Nothing Significant to Report

**11. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SECTION:** External Affairs continues to: monitor social media to receive and broadcast needs, coordinate with media outlets to broadcast preparedness information, and respond to public and private sector inquires with JIC staff. JIC staff has heavily monitored the "Stranded Motorists" facebook page today in order to encourage those stranded and/or those coordinating rescue efforts to contact the local county EMA offices for further instructions.

**12. RECOVERY/MITIGATION SECTION:** Nothing at this time

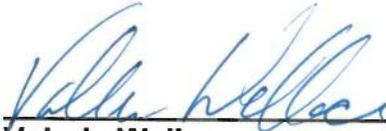
**13. ARFs REQUESTED:** None

**14. FEMA Status Report:** None

  
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### Division D Resources

**DPS- 24 Troopers  
 19 ABI Officers;  
 6 Marine Police  
 AFC- 11 4x4 w/ Driver; 8 ATV's  
 ALARNG- 40 Personnel &  
 10 HMMWV (Humvee) w/ Driver  
 Marine Resources-  
 4 4x4 w/ Driver  
 ALDOT- Heavy Machinery, Materials,  
 & Personnel**

### Division B Resources

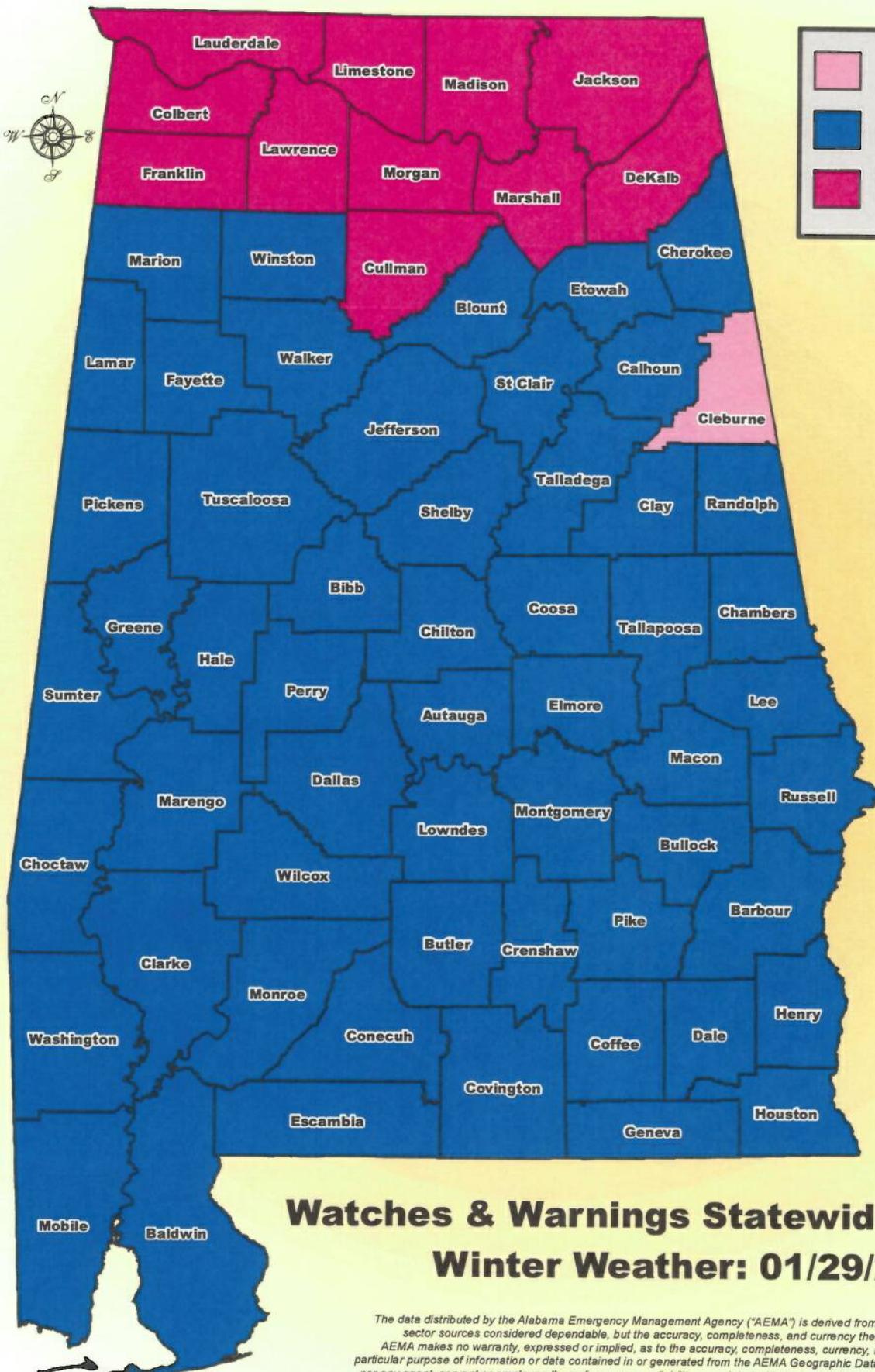
**DPS- 30 Troopers; 7 ABI Officers; 1 Marine Police  
 AFC- 18 4x4 w/ Driver  
 ALARNG- 62 Personnel & 15 HMMWV (Humvee) w/ Driver  
 Marine Resources- 4 4x4 w/ Driver  
 ALDOT- 2 Snow Plows; Heavy Equipment, Materials, & Personnel**

### Division A Resources

**DPS- 16 Troopers  
 AFC- 26 4x4 w/ Driver  
 ALARNG- 46 HMMWV (Humvee)  
 w/ Driver  
 Marine Resources- 4 4x4 w/ Driver  
 ALDOT- Heavy Equipment,  
 Materials, Personnel**

## Alabama Emergency Management Resources Available by Division

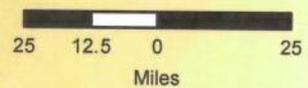
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	Civil Emergency Message
	Hard Freeze Warning
	Red Flag Warning



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## Watches & Warnings Statewide: 1630 hrs Winter Weather: 01/29/2014

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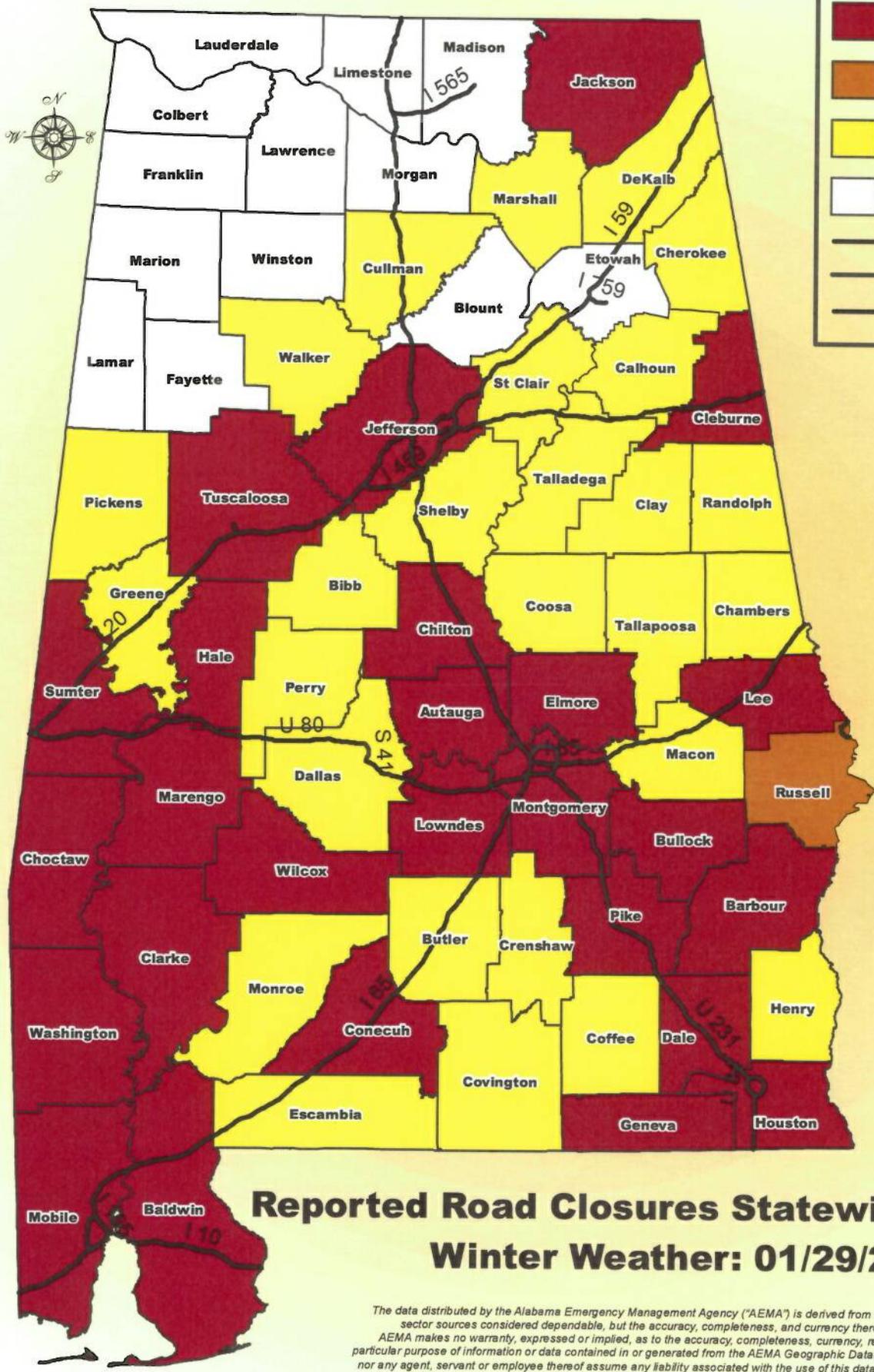
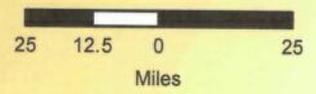




- Road Closures & Advisories
- Road Closures
- Road Advisories
- No Reports
- Interstate
- State Highway
- U:S Highway



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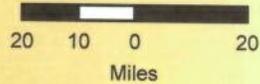
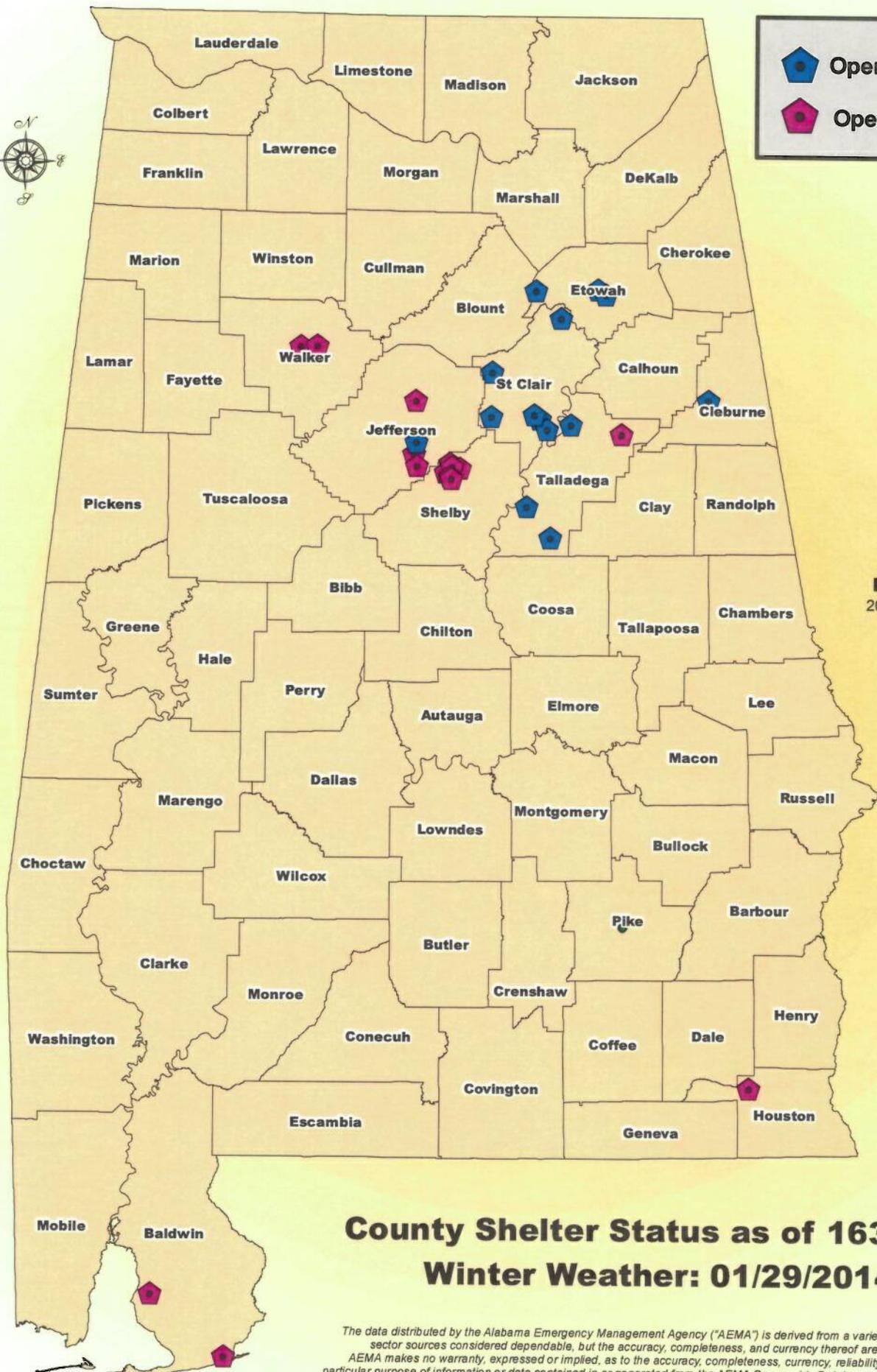


## Reported Road Closures Statewide: 1630 hrs Winter Weather: 01/29/2014

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 Open Shelters/Schools  
 Open Warming Stations



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## County Shelter Status as of 1630 hrs Winter Weather: 01/29/2014

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