

**CITY OF RAHWAY
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTIVE**



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| SUBJECT: Local State of Emergency – Extreme Flooding | NUMBER: <u>2024-001</u> |
| EFFECTIVE DATE January 9, 2024 | ISSUED BY: Emergency Management Coordinator Jonathan Parham |
| CANCELLATION DATE To be determined upon lifting of the State of Emergency | APPROVED BY: Emergency Management Coordinator Jonathan Parham |

PURPOSE

The primary objective of this document is to establish a clear and actionable framework for the City of Rahway in response to the local state of emergency. This framework is designed to guide the city's efforts in mitigating the impact of the emergency, ensuring the safety and welfare of all residents, and maintaining essential services. By clearly delineating the responsibilities of municipal departments and providing guidelines for residents, this document aims to foster a coordinated and efficient response to the emergency.

POLICY

The City of Rahway's policy in response to the state of emergency focuses on coordinated efforts led by the Office of Emergency Management, prioritizing public safety and welfare. Essential to this policy is effective resource management, ensuring urgent needs, particularly in flood-prone areas, are addressed promptly. Clear and timely communication with the public is paramount, utilizing various channels for updates and information dissemination. Our approach adheres strictly to local, state, and federal laws, ensuring all emergency measures are lawful.

1. ACTION ITEMS

Residents and visitors in the City of Rahway should be aware that the following locations have been identified as having a high probability of experiencing severe flooding. These areas include, but are not limited to:

- a. Baumann Ct.
- b. Intersection of Central Ave. & Church St.
- c. Donald Ave., between Allen St. & Elizabeth Ave.
- d. Hamilton St., between Jefferson Ave. & St. Georges Ave.
- e. Intersection of Hazelwood Ave. & New Brunswick Ave.
- f. Intersection of Jefferson Ave. & Inman Ave.
- g. Jefferson Ave., between Elm Ave. & Maple Ave.
- h. Kearny Ave., between Allen St. & Price St.
- i. Leesville Ave. at the Woodbridge Border.
- j. Intersection of Lentz Ct. & Murray St.
- k. Lewis St., from Dock St. to Main St.
- l. Intersection of Linden Ave. & Ludlow St.
- m. Intersection of Maple Ave. & Jefferson Ave.
- n. Intersection of Maple Ave. & Madison Ave.
- o. Intersection of Milton Ave. & Richard Blvd.

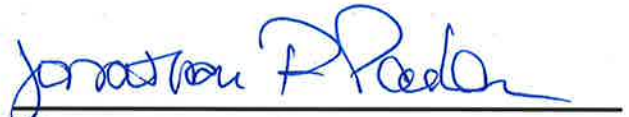
- p. Intersection of Plainfield Ave. & Madison Ave.
- q. St. Georges Ave., including Rt. 27, Rt. 35, and New Brunswick Ave.
- r. Intersection of St. Georges Ave. & Central Ave.
- s. Intersection of West Grand Ave. & Allen St.
- t. Whittier St., between River Rd. & Harrison St.

2. PUBLIC SAFETY NOTICE

- a. To ensure public safety, the following directions are issued:
 - All individuals within the City of Rahway are urged to avoid unnecessary travel.
 - Exercise extreme caution if travel is necessary and plan alternative routes to circumvent the flood-prone areas.
 - Adhere strictly to police barriers; do not bypass or ignore them.
 - Avoid driving into standing or flowing water on roadways, as this poses a serious risk.
 - Stay informed about the latest weather updates and emergency instructions through local news and the City of Rahway's official communication channels.
 - Your cooperation is essential in maintaining safety and minimizing the impact of these severe weather conditions on our community.

3. EFFECT

This order shall take effect immediately.



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