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### **Localized flash flooding has affected roads and train service in Vermont**

Montpelier, VT - Localized flash flooding has affected many areas of the state and Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) crews were mobilized immediately and began responding during the storms yesterday and maintained a watchful eye overnight. Bridge, rail, and road condition reports continue today as crews are deployed for repair. Flood waters have receded in most areas affected, but some roads have experienced damage and remain closed or restricted. Do not attempt to drive through flooded waters.

As of 9am this morning road closures due to flooding related damage include:

- VT US 5 in Norwich is closed between Main Street and River Road. Crews are working to repair damage, but the closure may remain in effect until Monday.
- RT 125 from the Ripton Store west to US 7 is reduced to one lane in places due to flooding.
- RT 30 in Pawlett, just south of RT 133 near Sheldon's Store is down to one lane and may not be fully open until tomorrow.
- RT 14 in South Randolph near South Randolph Road has some lane restrictions.

Additional road condition information can be found at [511vt.com](http://511vt.com).

VTrans district crews are assessing affected roadways and cleaning up debris. Many local roads have been affected as well. VTrans and municipalities will work together over the next several days to assess damage and repair costs.

Additionally, approximately 800 feet of New England Central Rail track in West Hartford has been compromised due to a bank becoming unstable from the saturated ground. Passengers traveling on Vermonter Amtrak service will be bussed to their destinations until further notice. Passengers are advised to contact Amtrak directly with questions at [www.amtrak.com](http://www.amtrak.com) or [1-800-USA-RAIL](tel:1-800-USA-RAIL).

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