

Flood Event of 3/5/1920 - 3/8/1920

Lower Main Stem Susquehanna

Site	Flood Stage	Date	Crest	Flow	Category	Basin	Stream	County of Gage	County of Forecast Point
Harper Tavern	9.00	3/8/1920	9.60	7,030	Minor	Swatara	Swatara Creek	Lebanon	Lebanon

Potomac

Site	Flood Stage	Date	Crest	Flow	Category	Basin	Stream	County of Gage	County of Forecast Point
Point of Rocks	16.00	3/6/1920	16.40	109,000	Minor	Potomac	Potomac River	Frederick	Frederick

Southeastern Pennsylvania

Site	Flood Stage	Date	Crest	Flow	Category	Basin	Stream	County of Gage	County of Forecast Point
Chadds Ford	9.00	3/5/1920	15.00	17,200	Major	Delaware	Brandywine Creek	Delaware	Delaware

Weather Summary

The Juniata and Susquehanna Rivers froze on December 20, 1919. Successive cold waves kept the rivers frozen until March 6, 1920. Damage from the ice flood was worst where the Juniata River flows into the Susquehanna River. In this region, the first story of several house were underwater.

Source: Hain, H.H. History of Perry County, Pennsylvania. Hain-Moore Company Publishing, 1922.

Crest Statistics and Flood Information

First flood of 3 that occurred in Mar, 1920

Second flood of 7 that occurred in 1920

Number of Floods at MARFC Forecast Points - 3

Number of Floods Cresting in Minor Range - 2

Number of Floods Cresting in Moderate Range - 0

Number of Floods Cresting in Major Range - 1

Number of Floods Cresting in Missing Range - 0