

Flood Event of 4/27/1978 - 4/28/1978

Appomattox

Site	Flood Stage	Date	Crest	Flow	Category	Basin	Stream	County of Gage	County of Forecast Point
Farmville	16.00	4/27/1978	20.47	11,000	Moderate	Appomattox	Appomattox River	Cumberland	Prince Edward

James

Site	Flood Stage	Date	Crest	Flow	Category	Basin	Stream	County of Gage	County of Forecast Point
Bremo Bluff	19.00	4/27/1978	22.70	54,200	Minor	James	James River	Fluvanna	Fluvanna
Richmond	12.00	4/28/1978	15.12	67,600	Moderate	James	James River	Henrico	Independent City

Weather Summary

A low pressure system developed in the southeastern United States in late April. The system tracked northeastward through the Carolinas before moving off of the North Carolina coastline on the 26th. Even though the system stayed to the south of Virginia, the state saw persistent heavy rainfall on the 25th and 26th. Nearly 5.00 inches fell on the 26th alone for parts of the state, with state-wide storm total rainfall amounts generally ranging from 3.00-7.00 inches.

Crest Statistics and Flood Information

Second flood of 2 that occurred in Apr, 1978

Eighth flood of 16 that occurred in 1978

Number of Floods at MARFC Forecast Points - 3

Number of Floods Cresting in Minor Range - 1

Number of Floods Cresting in Moderate Range - 2

Number of Floods Cresting in Major Range - 0

Number of Floods Cresting in Missing Range - 0