

Flood Event of 5/25/1979 - 5/26/1979

Passaic

Site	Flood Stage	Date	Crest	Flow	Category	Basin	Stream	County of Gage	County of Forecast Point
Chatham	6.00	5/25/1979	6.20	1,300	Minor	Passaic	Passaic River	Morris	Morris
Little Falls	7.00	5/26/1979	7.71	7,300	Minor	Passaic	Passaic River	Passaic	Passaic
Mahwah	8.00	5/25/1979	8.76	2,900	Minor	Passaic	Ramapo River	Bergen	Bergen
Pompton Lakes	11.70	5/25/1979	12.16	3,710	Minor	Passaic	Ramapo River	Passaic	Passaic
Pompton Plains	16.00	5/25/1979	16.95	7,890	Minor	Passaic	Pompton River	Passaic	Morris
Wanaque	5.00	5/25/1979	6.07	1,870	Moderate	Passaic	Wanaque River	Passaic	Passaic

Raritan

Site	Flood Stage	Date	Crest	Flow	Category	Basin	Stream	County of Gage	County of Forecast Point
Blackwells Mills	9.00	5/25/1979	11.61	6,300	Moderate	Raritan	Millstone River	Somerset	Somerset

Weather Summary

A closed low pressure system and its associated fronts moved into the Mid Atlantic from the Tennessee Valley in late May. This system brought heavy rains to much of the Mid-Atlantic, but it was in New Jersey where the heaviest rain fell. Two to three inches fell in parts of the state, which led to minor to moderate flooding along many of the rivers and streams.

Crest Statistics and Flood Information

Second flood of 2 that occurred in May, 1979

Seventh flood of 16 that occurred in 1979

Number of Floods at MARFC Forecast Points - 7

Number of Floods Cresting in Minor Range - 5

Number of Floods Cresting in Moderate Range - 2

Number of Floods Cresting in Major Range - 0

Number of Floods Cresting in Missing Range - 0