

# Top10 Highest Historical Crests: James River at Lick Run, VA

Latitude: 37.774  
Flood Stage: 16

Period of Record: 1877-Present  
Last Flood: 9/28/2018

Longitude: -79.784  
Number of Floods: 81

| Date of Flood | Crest (ft) | Streamflow (cfs) | Weather Summary  |
|---------------|------------|------------------|--|
| 11/24/1877    | 33         | 120,000          | Actual date unknown.   |
| 3/28/1913     | 30.4       | 98,000           | The weather summary is unavailable at this time.   |
| 11/5/1985     | 30.22      | 87,500           | Hurricane Juan produced more than 1 inch of rain in VA with more than 7 inches reported in higher elevations. A coastal low pressure system produced an additional 1-7 inches of rain and caused widespread major flooding in Virginia and Maryland. |
| 6/21/1972     | 27.01      | 66,200           | Hurricane Agnes made landfall again over southeastern New York on June 22 and moved westward into Pennsylvania. Rainfall totals from June 20-25 range from 2-3 inches in the Upper Potomac to 18 inches near Shamokin, Pennsylvania.                 |
| 3/18/1936     | 25.65      | 66,000           | Two successive rainstorms combined with snowmelt flooded the Eastern Seaboard from Virginia to Maine. A total of 150 to 200 lives were lost and damage estimates were over \$1 million.  |
| 8/20/1969     | 25.53      | 58,500           | Remnants of Hurricane Camille produced 12-20 inches of rainfall. In Virginia, most of the rainfall occurred in a 3-5 hour period and caused several record-setting floods.   |
| 1/19/1996     | 25.14      | 57,800           | Southerly winds, high dewpoints and intense rainfall caused a rapid snowmelt. The resultant flooding was the worst to hit the entire MARFC area since 1972.  |
| 12/27/1973    | 24.77      | 54,200           | A weak ridge of high pressure followed by a weak front brought precipitation and warmer temperature into the Mid-Atlantic region. Parts of Western Virginia, West Virginia and Maryland received 1.5 inches of rain in 24 hours.                     |
| 5/12/1924     | 24.6       | 57,500           | The weather summary is unavailable at this time.   |

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| 1/23/1935     | 22.98      | 53,000           | The weather summary is unavailable at this time. |

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