

Flood Event of 5/17/1996 - 5/18/1996

Potomac

Site	Flood Stage	Date	Crest	Flow	Category	Basin	Stream	County of Gage	County of Forecast Point
Petersburg	10.00	5/17/1996	14.29	28,800	Major	Potomac	South Branch Potomac River	Grant	Grant
Springfield	15.00	5/18/1996	16.79	29,300	Minor	Potomac	South Branch Potomac River	Hampshire	Hampshire

Weather Summary

A slow moving front dumped nearly 5 inches of rain over two days in parts of West Virginia. These heavy rains, in combination with the saturated soil from earlier rains, resulted in minor flooding on the Potomac River.

Crest Statistics and Flood Information

Second flood of 2 that occurred in May, 1996
Seventh flood of 22 that occurred in 1996
Number of Floods at MARFC Forecast Points - 2

Number of Floods Cresting in Minor Range - 1
Number of Floods Cresting in Moderate Range - 0
Number of Floods Cresting in Major Range - 1
Number of Floods Cresting in Missing Range - 0