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**Read the Scenario Update aloud.**

Wednesday, 8:00 a.m.: Search and rescue efforts are ongoing as reports of people trapped in the debris continue. Utility companies are working around the clock to restore services, but most people lack electricity, natural gas, and water. American Red Cross shelters open at public schools and undamaged recreation centers, where food, water, and personal items are available. The Department of Public Works is clearing main roadways.

Law enforcement is managing checkpoints at the most heavily damaged areas. The fire chief is asking people to leave heavily affected areas and stay out of all buildings within a 5-mile radius of the epicenter until structural engineers can assess the damage and clear the buildings for occupancy.