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SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT ON STORMS #40

OVERVIEW

The first of the FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers will open Monday in Reedsburg. Other centers in the other declared emergency counties are also expected to open. Exact locations will be forthcoming.

The President has declared a disaster for Columbia, Crawford, Sauk, Vernon and Milwaukee counties, We're waiting for word on Richland County.

Wisconsin Highway 33 east of I-39 about 1/4 mile east of County U was breached on Saturday. There is about a 30'-40' opening where the roadway has washed away. Water velocity is high and trees and debris are flowing through the breach. It's reported there were residents in the area of the breach that may be impacted, but the Columbia County E.M. Office reports that if additional evacuations are required, resources are available to accommodate any contingency.. Highway 33 is now closed from is now closed all the way east to Highway 73.

Waukesha County Sheriff's Department has reported the first fatality resulting from flooding. A 68-year-old man in the Town of Summit apparently tried to walk to safety after his car became disabled when he tried to drive through floodwaters. His body was found Saturday.

Many local, county and state roads remain closed. Westbound I-90/94 from Madison toward Mauston and westbound I-39/90/94 at WIS 151 were reopened around 10:00 p.m. Saturday. Eastbound I-90/94 east of US 12 Exit 92 in Sauk County remains closed. I-39/US51 southbound from WIS 16 near Portage also remains closed. A portion of WIS 50 in Kenosha County was closed this morning.

FEMA

The disaster declaration frees up federal funding for individual assistance in these counties for eligible expenses such as home repair and temporary housing. Individuals need to call 1-800-621-FEMA to apply for assistance, or apply online at www.fema.gov.

A joint field office will open in Madison, staffed by FEMA, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), and other federal and state agencies. FEMA crews will continue assessing private sector damage in additional counties on Monday, and begin assessing damage to public infrastructure next week.

FEMA is advising citizens that its disaster assistance covers basic needs only and will not normally compensate the entire loss. The government may help pay for basic needs not covered under your insurance policy.

All residents are also encouraged to get involved with the recovery by helping spread the word about available assistance. Tell your neighbor.

When applying for help, be sure to have the following information available:

- Your current telephone number;
- Your address at the time of the disaster and the address where you now are staying;
- Your Social Security number, if available;
- A general list of damages and losses you suffered;
- If insured, the name of your company or agent and your policy number;
- General financial information;
- Bank account coding if you wish to speed up your assistance with direct deposit.

Some disaster aid does not have to be paid back, while other help may come in the form of low-interest loans. The FEMA representative will explain the details to you when you call.

U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) offers low-interest disaster loans for homeowners, renters and businesses of all sizes to repair or replace damaged or destroyed property.

ROAD CLOSURES/ROAD CONDITIONS

Requests for route assistance:

1. For up-to-date road closure information, the public is asked to call **1-800-ROAD-WIS (762-3947)**.
2. The 800 number previously posted is for **emergency personnel only**.

The Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation web site (<http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/incident-alerts.htm>) has up-to-date maps and information on road closures for Interstate and major state highways.

Interstate Highways: DOT has announced the following changes affecting the Interstate highways. Travelers are urged to follow official detours and not find their own routes due to many locations where roads are affected by flooding. Motorists may experience traffic back-ups in many locations due to the normal volume of weekend travelers driving on detoured routes.

Current information:

- Interstate 90-94 west-bound north of Madison is now open for its entirety.
- I-90/94 east-bound is closed from USH-12 (near the Wisconsin Dells) to WIS-78 (just S of Portage) Sauk & Columbia counties are affected. Alternate route follows US-12 to Madison.
- I-94 westbound from Milwaukee is closed between WIS 83 at Delafield west to WIS 89 at Lake Mills. The detours goes from WIS Hwy 83 SB to I-43 SB to I-39/90 NB to Madison.
- Eastbound I-90/94 east of US 12 exit 92 in Sauk County remains closed.
- I-39/US 51 southbound from WIS 16 near Portage remains closed. The Detour from WIS 16 to US 51 south then back to I-90-94.
- Exits from I-39/90/94 to WIS 33 and I-39 entrances remain closed.
- WIS 33, which had been closed between Portage and WIS 44, is now closed all the way east to Highway 73, north of Randolph.
- WIS 33 Fox River Bridge crossing on the east side of the village of Portage is closed due to high water.
- WIS 60 near the Rock River in Dodge County from STH 26 to STH 67, including Hustisford, is closed due to high water.
- WIS 50 in Kenosha County is closed between County O and B.

NOTES: Speeds are reduced to 55 mph on the Interstate in the area of flooding near Portage to protect the pavement due to overly saturated conditions.

WisDOT, WI National Guard and WI State Patrol are coordinating on sandbagging and pumping operations in the I-39/Cascade Mountain Road area.

Other roadways

- Traffic on US12 at the Water Street intersection in Sauk City was backing up. A change was made to the US12 approaches to a yellow flash in an effort to keep traffic moving.
- Lafayette County: Lafayette County officials report that ALL roads over the Pecatonica River in Lafayette County are OPEN.

Commercial motor vehicles: Effective at sunrise Sunday, June 15, Wisconsin DOT revised its suspension of permits for oversize and overweight vehicles. The change will allow for permits to be valid on and along a line from I-90 at LaCrosse, east to I-94 at Tomah, north on I-94 to WIS 21, east on WIS 21 to I-39, north on I-39 to US 10 at Stevens Points and east on US 10 to Manitowoc. Vehicles moving to provide relief supplies, assist in flood abatement, and respond for emergency services will be exempted.

For current National Weather Service water levels and flood predictions:

<http://www.weather.gov/ahps/forecasts.php>

Wisconsin Emergency Management

WEM Mobile Command Center is supporting State Patrol Operators at Exit 92 in Lake Delton, Sauk County. Fire Services Coordinator Keith Tveit remains deployed to support operators in Sauk County EOC. WC Regional Director Lois Ristow and Paul France are

supporting county operations across the East Central and Southeast Regions. Emergency Police Services Deputy Director, Dallas Neville, is deployed to Crawford County in support of operations in the Southwest Region.

Dept. of Natural Resources

DNR has educational information for citizens affected by flooding on their web site at http://dnr.wi.gov/emergency/current_flood.html

Updated information on parks and state trails can be found at: www.wiparks.net.

Information for private water well owners: <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/water/dwg/flood.htm>

DNR has issued a boil-only notice in the Village of Eastman in Crawford County.

WI National Guard

National Guard transported 170,000 sandbags from Volk Field to Sussex in Waukesha County for quick response. They also ferried 40 to 60 civilians to revisit their homes in the town of Columbus using two, eight-wheel-drive heavy expanded mobility tactical trucks (HEMTT).

State Patrol

State Patrol reported light traffic volumes overnight on the newly-opened segments of I-39/90/94 northbound/westbound and no problems with enforcement of the 55 mph speed limit. State Patrol continues to enforce closures and monitor detour routes.

Dept. of Corrections

DOC deployed 27 strike teams on Saturday to 12 sites (144 inmates). In addition, inmates at Columbia County Correctional Institution are filling sandbags. They have requests for 8 strike teams on Sunday and 6 on Monday.

Columbia County

The local public health department will be giving tetanus shots Sunday from 11 am to 1 pm at the Pardeeville EMS Building, 511 Gillette, Pardeeville.

Green County

Green County Emergency Management asks all Green County residents who have had flood damage to call their office at 328-9416 and report their damage.

Kenosha County

Residents of Kenosha County who have sustained flood or storm damage are asked to call the Kenosha County Emergency Management Damage Hotline at 262-605-7926 to report the amount of damage they have.

Red Cross and Salvation Army

Five truckloads of clean-up kits will be delivered to Madison this weekend for distribution to flood damaged areas as soon as possible. Red Cross requested and anticipates delivery of 5000 and Salvation Army expects 3000.

Currently Open Shelters:

Baraboo - Sauk County Court House
Columbus - Zion Luther School
LaFarge - LaFarge High School
Oshkosh - Oshkosh Convention Center
Fond du Lac - Fond Du Lac Fairgrounds
Fort Atkinson - St. Joseph Catholic Church
Milwaukee - Tommy Thompson Center
Muscodia - Riverdale Middle School
Reedsburg - Pine View Elementary School
Waupan - Waupun High School
Montello - Montello High School
Union Grove - Union Grove Elem. School
Janesville - St. John's Lutheran

Red Cross Supported:

Viola - United Methodist Church
Spring Green - River Valley Middle School

Non-Red Cross:

Pardeeville - Pardeeville (unconfirmed)

Standby:

Caledonia - Caledonia
Viroqua - Viroqua High School
Ontario - Ontario Library
Kendall - Community Center
Soldiers Grove - North Crawford High School

Emergency response vehicles are positioned in Reedsburg and Gays Mills with clean up kits, water and comfort kits.

Volunteers/donations

To volunteer or to donate items, individuals should call 2-1-1.

Monetary donations can be made to:

- Red Cross 1-800-RED CROSS
- Salvation Army 1-800-264-6412
11315 W. Watertown Plank Rd.
Wauwatosa, WI 53226
- WI Voluntary Organization Active in Disasters
c/o Wisconsin Council of Churches
750 Windsor St., Suite 301
Sun Prairie, WI 53590

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