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SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT ON STORMS #41

OVERVIEW

State-federal disaster assessment teams will meet with representatives in Waukesha, Washington, Winnebago, Green and Dodge counties on Monday. The President has declared a disaster for Columbia, Crawford, Sauk, Vernon and Milwaukee counties.

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

Many local, county and state roads remain closed.

National Weather Service

Many lakes, rivers and streams remain at or are expected to reach record levels. Many will remain well above flood stage through Thursday. Thunderstorms are expected this afternoon and this evening, with a slight risk that they will be severe, with large hail and damaging winds. For current National Weather Service water levels and flood predictions: <http://www.weather.gov/ahps/forecasts.php>

Federal/State

Joint state-federal disaster assessment teams will meet with representatives in Waukesha, Washington, Winnebago, Green and Dodge Counties Monday morning. News media are asked to call the state Emergency Operations Center at 608-242-3292 Monday morning if they are interested in meeting with a team.

A Joint Field Office will open Tuesday in Madison, staffed by state agencies, FEMA, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), and other federal agencies. 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 an individual's basic needs only and will not normally compensate the entire loss. The government may help pay for basic needs not covered under insurance policies.

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.

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.

Disaster victims may be eligible for grants and or loan 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/ CONDITIONS

Road conditions:

The public is asked to call **1-800-ROAD-WIS (762-3947)**.

The Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation (DOT) 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 highway system

- Interstate 90/94 westbound north of Madison is now open for its entirety.
- I-90/94 eastbound 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 detour goes from WIS Hwy 83 SB to I-43 SB to I-39/90 NB to Madison.

- I-39/US 51 south-bound 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.

State and Other Roads:

- HWY 106 is closed from STH 73 to County E in Jefferson County
- 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. Traffic is being detoured.
 - For 50 eastbound: take CTH P, to Market Street. Follow Market ST East bound to HWY 83. Proceed on HWY 83 northbound to STH 142. Follow 142 East to STH 75. Proceed South on STH 75 back to STH 50.
 - For 50 westbound: take STH 75 North to STH 142. Proceed West on STH 142 to STH 83. Take STH 83 South to Market Street. Follow Market Street West to CTH P. Take CTH P South to STH 50.
- WIS 33, is closed west of Portage to the Interstate and will remain so. It had been closed east of Portage to the bridge over the Fox River. That opened at mid-day.
- WIS 23 is closed in Princeton, between W. Water Street to E. Water Street.

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: Vehicles moving to provide relief supplies, assist in flood abatement, and respond for emergency services will be exempted from DOT oversize and overweight vehicle regulations 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.

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

- In Jefferson County two wardens and a boat transported utility employees on Lake Koshkonong to shut off electric service to flooded homes on Blackhawk Island.
- Two wardens and a boat are in service in Kenosha County and standing by per request of Kenosha County Sheriff Dept. and regional WEM to assist. The sheriff's department boat is deployed on the Fox River.

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).

In Avoca, the Guard is assisting with access control that remains limited to residents.

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.

State Health

The Department of Health and Family Services held its daily conference call with local public health departments who are responding to the flood. Issues discussed during the call included mosquito control, solid waste concerns, the use of respirators by the public during cleanup, and the handling & disposal of sandbags.

Dept. of Corrections

DOC has deployed 90 inmates sandbagging today at these locations — Racine, Jefferson, Monona, Montello, and Avoca.

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.

Sauk County

Water treatments plants are out, mainly in Reedsburg. The public has been ordered to limit flushing and use of water.

Rock County

Damage reports should be made to local municipalities.

Kenosha County

The Fox River is at a higher level than the floods last year (August). The Kenosha Co. Sheriff's Dept. is trying to get a boat in the water for an assessment of homes/damage along the river in the area of STH 50. STH 50 is closed at the is time between CHY O and CHY B.

The Red Cross has moved shelter operations from Racine to 14th St. & State @ Union Grove in an old high school building.

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

Red Cross had 17 shelters open overnight with 66 evacuees.

National Weather Service

NWS reports major flooding on rivers at Baraboo, Watertown, Milford, Jefferson, Fort Atkinson, Newville, and Indianford. Moderate flooding is reported on rivers at Rock Springs, Beaver Dam, Horicon, Berlin, and Burlington. The hydrological report is located at <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/ahps2/index.php?wfo=mkx>

River level update:

1. Baraboo River at West Baraboo, is not expected to drop below flood stage until Thursday.
2. Beaver Dam River at Beaver Dam, is expected to reach moderate stage of flooding in late Thursday to Friday morning.
3. Crawfish River at Milford, continues to hold but not expected to taper off until next week Sunday.
4. Fox River at New Munster, will not get below moderate flood stage until next Sunday.
5. Rock River at Watertown, has peaked and receded a little but will flow heavy until next Sunday.
6. Rock River at Horicon has yet to crest.
7. Rock River at Jefferson will continue to rise.
8. Rock River at Fort Atkinson has not yet crested.
9. Rock River at Indianford, continues to climb and will be in the major flood stage through next week.
10. Rock River at Newville, will remain in record stage for the rest of the week.
11. Rock River at Afton, is expected to crest on Wednesday.

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