



News Release

WISCONSIN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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DATE: September 30, 2010
3:00 p.m.

TO: Governor Jim Doyle

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SUBJECT: Situation Report #12 on Severe Weather/Flooding

Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) remains at Level 4 status. A Duty Officer and Senior Duty Officer are monitoring the events. A State of Emergency remains in effect for Buffalo, Jackson, Columbia, Clark, Trempealeau, Marathon, Portage, and Wood Counties.

Most counties that sustained flood damage in the last week have finished their damage assessments and have submitted a Uniform Disaster Situation Report (UDSR) to Wisconsin Emergency Management. A UDSR provides preliminary information about the type of damage and estimated financial impacts. In this report, the "affected" and "minor" numbers were combined. Public sector means damage to public infrastructure such as roads, bridges, etc.

State UDSR Totals (as of 9-30-2010):

Residential: 388 Minor, 30 Major, 3 Destroyed

Businesses: 54 Minor, 8 Major

Public Sector Costs: \$9,132,732

Additional damage assessments will continue and these totals could rise.

FEMA: The state will request that FEMA conduct a Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) next week in Iowa, Buffalo, Clark, Trempealeau, Jackson, Wood, Portage and Taylor Counties for the Public Assistance Program. The Public Assistance Program is for damages to public infrastructure. Additional counties may be added to the PDAs. Additional information about when the PDA will be scheduled will be issued later this week.

National Weather Service: Flood warnings remain for counties along the Mississippi and Columbia County. Flood warnings also remain in effect for the Wolf River near Shiocton.

Below is the latest county update:

Columbia County: Damage assessments will continue throughout the next few days based on the water levels and how quickly officials can get into the affected areas. The Columbia County Emergency Operations Center is coordinating recovery operations. Cleanup kits are being distributed at the Sheriff's Department and local town halls.

WI Department of Natural Resources - Columbia County

Officials with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources are assessing damage and checking on areas of the levee that had been submerged during the flood (high water) event. Damage assessment to the levee will continue for the next week to 10 days. The Wisconsin River at Portage is expected to be at 16.6 feet by mid-afternoon today, well below flood stage.

Wood County: Damage assessment is continuing today primarily in the towns. A majority of the county road system and Wisconsin Rapids has been completed. In today's UDSR, 39 homes sustained minor damage and one had major damage. Ten businesses received minor damage and costs to public sector were \$703,088.

Adams County: In the UDSR, officials report 8 homes and one business with minor damage. Costs to the public sector were listed as \$43,902.

Iowa County: Local officials report that all water has receded from homes and roads except for a one mile stretch of River Road that is still closed and flooded. In the UDSR, two homes report minor damage and \$93,000 in public sector costs.

Clark County: In today's UDSR, 45 homes were reported with minor damage and \$874,605 in public sector costs.

Trempealeau County: Damage assessments continue. In today's UDSR, officials report 38 homes with minor and two with major damage and eight businesses with minor and four with major damage. Costs to the public sector were \$799,433.

Portage County: Officials completed the damage assessment for Stevens Point. Assessments continue on town road systems. In today's UDSR, officials report 36 homes with minor and one with major damage and two businesses reported minor damage. The costs to the public sector were over \$489,131.

Lincoln County: Lincoln County Emergency Management reports they will not be submitting a UDSR.

Marathon County: Damage assessment is continuing. The UDSR submitted today indicates four homes with minor damage, one with major damage and three destroyed. They also had one business with minor damage. Public infrastructure damage is estimated at \$192,741.