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TO: Governor Scott Walker

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SUBJECT: Situation Report #1 on Severe Weather

Heavy rainfall overnight in western Wisconsin has caused some flood damage and prompted the National Weather Service (NWS) to issue a flood warning today for Vernon and Crawford Counties. Both Viroqua and LaCrosse reported over 5 inches of rain. The NWS is reporting the Kickapoo River is at or near flood stage in many locations but should start to slowly fall.

The storms are moving through portions of Shawano, Menominee, Langlade and Forest Counties today bringing locally heavy rain. The NWS estimates that a couple of inches of rain have fallen. There are no reports of damage in Northeastern Wisconsin.

Vernon County - Emergency Management reports flash flooding caused damage to roads and culverts. There are minor road closures. In addition, lightning struck and caused damage to two of the county's communication (repeater) towers. One of the towers was fixed by mid-morning. The Wisconsin State Patrol is working with Vernon County law enforcement to provide backup communications until the remaining tower is working.

Crawford County- Reports some minor road flooding and road closures.

Eau Claire County - A mud slide last night caused portions of Interstate 94 to be temporarily closed until the mud could be removed.

Wisconsin Emergency Management has contacted all counties impacted by the severe storms and flash flooding. There has been no request for state assistance. The WEM Duty Officer will continue to monitor additional storms that are set to move through the state on Monday.

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