



INCIDENT REPORT

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Weather: The National Weather Service (NWS) says an active weather pattern will occur Tuesday night and last into Saturday. Several periods of thunderstorms may produce heavy rain. It will also be hot and humid. The threat of flooding will increase due to possible heavy rains and humid conditions.

Flooding Response

The NWS is reporting that the Fox River at Burlington is at minor flood stage of 11.1 feet. It is anticipated to drop below flood stage later this evening. The Fox River at New Munster is at 14.4 feet and is expected to drop to moderate flood stage tomorrow. Damage assessments began today in Racine, Kenosha and Walworth Counties.

Burlington

Special curb-side pickup services of flood debris began today and will continue through July 28. Residents that experienced flooding are still encouraged to contact 2-1-1 to report damage. Officials with 2-1-1 report they have received 563 reports of damage in Racine County. The Red Cross still has a shelter open at the Burlington High School. Last night, three people stayed at the shelter. The Red Cross will open a Multi-Agency Resource Center tomorrow at the Burlington High School from noon until 8:00 pm. The resource center will be only open for one day.

Free well testing kits are now available at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Burlington Town Hall, Yorkville Town Hall and Waterford Town Hall.

Kenosha County

Damage assessments began in Kenosha County but it is difficult until the water recedes. The Sharing Center is accepting donations. Those interested in donating should go to the website to see what items are needed. The Sharing Center's website is <http://www.thesharingcenter.net/>

The Red Cross shelter at the Salem Elementary School remains open. They plan to open a one day Multi-Agency Resource Center at the Salem Elementary School from noon to 8:00 pm on Wednesday.

Earlier in the day, Wisconsin State Patrol Superintendent J.D. Lind, Wisconsin Department of Transportation Secretary Dave Ross and Wisconsin Emergency Management Administrator Brian Satula met with local and state officials in Kenosha County and inspected some of the infrastructure that was impacted during the flooding.

Walworth County

Walworth County officials report they have received 250 calls from residents reporting flood damage. They also have requested well water test kits.

Other Information

Several volunteers groups are working in the impacted areas. Samaritan Purse volunteers will begin assisting residents this week. Wisconsin Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD) are working closely with the flood impacted counties and working to help residents with unmet needs. State agency press releases are available on ReadyWisconsin at <http://readywisconsin.wi.gov>

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