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Governor Doyle Declares State of Emergency for Clark County

MADISON – Governor Jim Doyle today declared a state of emergency in Clark County following strong storms that caused flooding in the area. Earlier today Governor Doyle declared a State of Emergency for Trempealeau County, which saw flooding from the same storms. The flooding forced the evacuation of downtown Arcadia in Trempealeau County, washed out roads and bridges, downed power lines and damaged infrastructure.

“Strong storms and heavy rains caused serious flooding in Clark and Trempealeau Counties last night,” Governor Doyle said. “Based on the damage that has been reported today, I am declaring a State of Emergency in Clark County. State Emergency Management and DNR officials have been on the ground, and are working with the National Guard to assist in recovery efforts. The State will continue to do everything we can to help the people and communities affected by last night’s storms make a quick recovery.”

Wisconsin Emergency Management personnel, as well as DNR staff and the National Guard were on the scene last night and today, working with local officials to begin assessing the damage and determining what resources would be needed to help speed recovery efforts.

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