



INCIDENT REPORT

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Storm Update 14 – July 20, 2016 6:00 pm

Weather- The National Weather Service (NWS) has issued Excessive Heat Warnings, Watches, and Advisories effective Thursday into Friday for much of the state. Heat index values of 100 to 115 degrees are possible. The watch includes all the counties and tribes affected by flooding. A list of cooling centers can be found at: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/climate/weather/heat.htm>. Residents can also call 2-1-1 for heat-related health and safety information.

Damage Assessments – Below are the latest initial damage assessments from the northern Wisconsin flooding. As of 6:00 pm, ten counties, the Bad River Tribe, and the Department of Natural Resources, have submitted initial damage assessment reports. These numbers will change as more assessments and updates to assessments are submitted.

Damage to homes and businesses				
County	Affected/Minor Damage	Major Damage	Destroyed	Total
Ashland	140	2	0	\$500,000
Bad River Band	30	6	10	\$1,104,000
Bayfield	20	10	0	\$150,000
Burnett	0	0	0	0
Douglas	2	0	0	\$500
Iron	0	0	0	0
Sawyer	112	0	0	\$100,000
Washburn	14	12	1	\$500,000
TOTAL	318	30	11	\$2,354,500

Damage to Public Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Trails)	
Ashland	\$5,820,500
Bad River Band Tribe	\$3,403,054
Bayfield	\$5,422,000
Burnett	\$405,000
Douglas	\$797,585
Florence	\$31,000
Iron	\$12,805,000
Oneida	\$3,500
Price	\$34,000
Sawyer	\$2,197,000
Washburn	\$1,500,000
Dept. of Natural Resources (recreation trails)	\$100,000
TOTAL	\$32,518,639

County by County Update:

Ashland County- Ashland County Board approved funds that towns can access for loans to begin emergency road repairs.

Bad River Band- Officials report 18 families are still being housed at the tribal casino and 23 homes are listed as destroyed and damaged by the flooding.

Bayfield County- Bayfield County residents are encouraged to attend an informational meeting at the Grand View Town Hall at 6:30pm Thursday. Officials will provide an update on damage throughout the county, resources currently available, and the next steps in the recovery from the flooding. Residents with damage to their homes are asked to call **(715) 373-6113**.

State Agency / Local Government Meeting: Officials from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT), Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and other state agencies will be in Hurley, Ashland and Hayward on Friday (July 22) to provide information and assistance to local governments impacted by last week's flooding. The goal is to establish a "one-stop-shop" where municipal officials can get information from the various state agencies involved in responding to last week's floods that caused significant damage to roads and other public infrastructure.

Along with officials from the DNR and Wisconsin Emergency Management, WisDOT staff will be available to assist local government officials in assessing damage to roadways and to help identify funding for needed repairs. Representatives from the state Board of Commissioners of Public Lands can provide information on loans available to municipalities, school and technical college districts, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts, town sanitary districts, metropolitan and joint sewerage districts and systems, cooperative educational service agencies (CESAs), federated public library systems and drainage districts. State agency officials will be available at the following locations and hours on Friday:

- Hurley: 8:30 - 10 a.m. Iron County Courthouse, 300 Taconite Street, Hurley, Wisconsin (County Board Room)
- Ashland: 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center, 29270 County G, Ashland, Wisconsin (Theater)
- Hayward: 3:30 - 5 p.m. Veterans Community Center, 10534 S. Main Street, Hayward, Wisconsin

Road Updates: County Highway E between Ashland and Bayfield Counties will be closed for several months due to a major culvert replacement. Progress continues on re-opening all of U.S. Highway 2.

Ashland County

- WIS 13 corridor is closed between Mellen and WIS 112. Use WIS 77, US 63, US 53 and US 2 as alternative route.

Bayfield County

- US 63 is closed at Twentymile Creek near Grand View. Traffic is detoured via County Highway N and County Highway A.
- Work to repair damages on US 63 began Monday, July 18. The project will include debris removal, culvert repair and pavement work. WisDOT anticipates this project will be complete and US 63 will be open to traffic mid-August.

Iron County

- WIS 122 closed north of US 2 to Michigan State line. Work expected to begin next week. No official detour posted.
- WIS 169 is closed between WIS 13 and US 2. No official detour posted.
 - Work continues to replace the culvert at the South Tributary to Vaughn Creek, located one-half-mile north of Gurney (between Cameron Road and Jensen Road).

WisDOT's 511 road information service has a new red icon at the upper right side of the www.511wi.gov website. Users can click this icon to get the latest information on road closures and detours across northern Wisconsin.

WisDOT urges motorists to obey traffic control devices- The Wisconsin Department of Transportation reminds motorists to obey and not tamper with permanent or temporary traffic control devices. These include traffic signs, traffic signals and barricades. The department maintains traffic control in work zones to ensure both the safety of motorists and crews on site. It is crucial that motorists follow signed road closures in work zones and any areas damaged in the recent flood. Moving traffic control devices increases vulnerabilities, limits security and is violation of state law.

Wisconsin National Guard: Teams of Wisconsin National Guard engineers from the 724th Engineer Battalion headquartered in Chippewa Falls continue to work with WisDOT engineers to assess road and bridge damage. As of today, the teams have completed 180 damage assessments across Ashland, Bayfield, Sawyer and Washburn Counties.

Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest: Flood updates have been posted to our website at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/cnnf/alerts-notice/?aid=35126>. Repairs have been made to Namekagon Campground and it has been removed from the closure order and is now open. Forest Road 216 and 217 on the Washburn Ranger District are also now open.

Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection (DATCP) continues to connect with farmers that may have crop damage and livestock shelter needs. Farmers can contact the Farm Center and Animal Health Division at dialing **800-942-2474**.

The State Emergency Operations Center remains elevated to Level 2 with Wisconsin Emergency Management, Wisconsin National Guard, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Wisconsin State Patrol, Wisconsin Department of Administration, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Wisconsin Department of Health Services along with the American Red Cross. WEM Regional offices remain on scene working with county emergency management agencies.

Updates on the Northern Wisconsin Flooding are available at <http://readywisconsin.wi.gov>

Updates are also located at ReadyWisconsin on Facebook (www.facebook.com/readywisconsin), Twitter (www.twitter.com/readywisconsin), and Instagram (www.instagram.com/readywisconsin).