



INCIDENT REPORT

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Storm Update 2 – 4:30 pm

Heavy rains from storms this morning resulted in flash flooding over west central Wisconsin. Many roads have been washed out from the 3" to 8" of rain that fell. Another round of storms will move through the area this afternoon and evening. The National Weather Service issued a Flood Warning for northern Trempealeau and Buffalo Counties until 10:15 p.m. with flooding continuing this evening. A Flash Flood Watch is also in effect in western and southwest Wisconsin through 7 a.m. as round two of thunderstorms tonight could produce another one to three inches of rain.

Several county roads are closed. Officials urge motorists traveling in the flooded areas to use extreme caution, especially when driving on secondary road where water may quickly cover the pavement.

Trempealeau County – Trempealeau County has declared a state of emergency due to flooding. In addition, the City of Independence is implementing a voluntary evacuation of businesses and residents on Osseo Road due to flooding. State Highway 93 in Independence is closed. Residents in the village of Strum have reported basement flooding.

Buffalo County – Officials declared a state of emergency earlier today. The American Red Cross is working with six families who have been displaced from their homes in the Mondovi/Gilmanton area due to flooding. The town of Cream is also hard hit with State Highway 88 still closed. Residents and businesses with flooding should contact 211. Health officials are urging residents not to drink from private wells submerged by flood waters until the water is tested.

County emergency management offices have begun conducting damage assessments. There has been no request for state assistance.

The State Emergency Operations Center is elevated to Level 4 with Wisconsin Emergency Management working with state and county agencies.

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