



News Release

WISCONSIN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Joint Force Headquarters ▪ 2400 Wright Street ▪ Madison WI ▪ 53704

DATE: September 23, 2010
9 a.m.

TO: Governor Jim Doyle

FROM: Mike Hinman
WEM Administrator

SUBJECT: Situation Report #1 on Severe Weather

Heavy rains have caused flooding in West Central Wisconsin. The downtown area of Arcadia in Trempealeau County has been evacuated due to flooding of the Trempealeau River. The entire downtown area is under 1-3 feet of water. Currently 50 people are being sheltered at the Holy Family Church. Responders are rescuing flood victims with boats. The National Guard has deployed three 5-ton trucks at the request of local authorities to assist the incident commander with evacuations as needed. The mayor has declared a state of emergency.

Flooding is also reported in Clark County. Additional heavy rains are expected to continue throughout the day.

The State Emergency Operations Center in Madison is activated. WEM Regional Director Lois Ristow is en route to Arcadia.

For further information, contact Wisconsin Emergency Management at 608-242-3292.

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