DATE: Sunday, 6/22/2008, 5:00 p.m.

TO: Governor Jim Doyle
    Wisconsin Congressional Delegation
    State Legislators

FROM: Johnnie Smith, Administrator

SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT ON STORMS #65

UPDATE:

Emergency Operations Center
The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) will be closed for the 3rd shift (10 p.m. – 6 a.m.) The EOC will reopen on Monday (6/23) at 6:00am at a Level 2 status.

All phone calls will be transferred to the on-call Duty Officer.

All agencies were advised to provide contact phone numbers to the OIC before 10:00 p.m. today, Sunday, June 22.

Counties declared disasters
FEMA has declared a state of disaster for 22 counties: Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Dodge, Fond du Lac, Grant, Green, Iowa, Juneau, Kenosha, Marquette, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Richland, Rock, Sauk, Sheboygan, Vernon, Washington, Waukesha and Winnebago.

Initial damage assessments
Initial damage assessments from the 30 counties under the Governor’s state of emergency. These are preliminary and should not be considered a true indicator of the amount of damages as reports continue to come in.

Residential Damage: $203,176,875
Business Damage: $45,325,742
Agricultural Damage $146,685,000
Public Assistance: $75,346,334
Total: $470,533,951
Damage assessments

FEMA has completed all Individual Assistance Preliminary Damage Assessments. FEMA will continue Public Assistance Preliminary Damage Assessments on Monday in Richland, Winnebago, Sauk, Iowa and Dodge counties and throughout the week in other counties, to be announced.

*Individual assistance covers residences and, through SBA, businesses.
**Public assistance covers public infrastructure.

Disaster recovery centers

A Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) will open in Dodge County at the Public Safety Building, located at 128 Cross Street, Juneau, WI 53039 at 12:00 p.m., Monday, June 23rd.

Six DRCs remain open daily from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the locations below:

Portage High School  
301 E. Collins St.  
Portage  

Columbus High School  
1164 Farnham Avenue  
Columbus  

North Crawford High School  
47050 County X  
Soldiers Grove  

Living Faith Church  
852 N. Main St.  
Viroqua  

Reedsburg High School  
1100 S. Albert Ave.  
Reedsburg  

Milwaukee County Rehab Center City Campus  
2711 West Wells St.  
Milwaukee  

Register before visiting DRCs

Storm and flood victims who plan to visit a disaster recovery center are asked to register for assistance by calling 1-800-621 FEMA (3362) or TTY 1-800-462-7585 or visit [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov), even if they previously reported their damage to local authorities. They need to formally register with FEMA to be eligible to receive assistance.
FEMA’s Community Relations (CR) Teams are mobilized in the declared counties. The CR Teams are providing disaster information on how to register with FEMA. CR members are also assisting at the Disaster Recovery Centers located in Portage, Columbus, Milwaukee, Reedsburg, Soldiers Grove and Viroqua.

Additional centers in the other declared disaster counties are also expected to open. Exact locations will be forthcoming.

**Disaster Unemployment Benefits may be available for some Wisconsinites**

FEMA announced Sunday, June 22 that individuals who lost their job or can’t work because of the severe storms, tornadoes and ongoing flooding that began on June 5 may be eligible to receive Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) from the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development. The benefits, which also extend to those who are self-employed, are funded through the Federal Emergency Management Agency in a 26-week program administered by the state of Wisconsin.

For more information on Wisconsin disaster recovery, visit [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov) or [http://emergencymanagement.wi.gov/](http://emergencymanagement.wi.gov/)

**Food assistance available for flood victims**

Governor Jim Doyle announced the Department of Health and Family Services will make available emergency food assistance for residents of Columbia, Crawford, Milwaukee, Racine, Richland, Sauk and Vernon counties. Residents of these counties will have from Thursday, June 19 through Friday, June 27 to apply for food assistance. Applications and information can be found at [http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/FoodShare/flood/](http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/FoodShare/flood/).

**More than 6,500 SBA Loan Applications Issued**

As of the end of the close of business on Friday, June 20th, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has issued 6,579 SBA low interest loan applications for Wisconsin home owners and businesses with more applications expected to be issued. More than 5,500 of the applications are from home owners. U.S. SBA will have updated figures on Monday.

**ROADS Opened**

The Wisconsin Interstate System is now open to travel.

- I-94 has been repaired and traffic is flowing with traffic backups at peak hours. Motorist are advised to use alternate routes.
- I-94 Rock River and Crawfish River bridge water levels dropped 3 inches and 2 inches respectively since Saturday.
- I-94/WIS 26 westbound on-ramp is closed and will be monitored to be opened as quickly as possible.
- I-39 has a box culvert near WIS 33. Two scour holes were discovered but have been determined to be stable. Holes are being monitored.
Major closures
- WIS 22 Montello remains closed: A local road closure has divided the City of Montello in two, with lengthy detours. DOT bridge inspectors reported today, Sunday 6/22, that the road leading to the bridge needs repair and the bridge, therefore, cannot be reopened. DOT engineers will reassess potential repairs Monday. The State Patrol is currently monitoring the area.

More road closures can be viewed here:
http://maps.google.com/maps/ms?hl=en&ie=UTF8&oe=UTF8&msa=0&msid=106714907945366530639.00044f3ec972fee85471d&ll=43.189158,-89.500122&spn=1.874356,3.383789&z=8

Road conditions
Telephone: 1-800-ROAD-WIS (762-3947).
On the web: (http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/incident-alerts.htm) has up-to-date maps and information on road closures for Interstate and major state highways.

Passenger rail
Service by the Empire Builder between St. Paul and Chicago has been temporarily suspended since June 10 due to flooding on the Canadian Pacific Railway in Wisconsin and the closing of a detour route since June 15. There is no predicted service restoration date.

Alternate transportation by chartered motor coaches is being provided between St. Paul and Chicago, with the exception of Glenview, Ill., where passengers are being offered travel on Hiawatha Service trains, which are available as alternate transportation between Glenview and Chicago.

The buses have been mimicking the train route and schedules, stopping at all served stations between Milwaukee and St. Paul, including Wisconsin Dells, Columbus, Portage, and La Crosse.

Red Cross
Red Cross advises that it currently has a shelter open in Milwaukee and shelters on standby in Janesville and Fort Atkinson. The Milwaukee shelter has moved to the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center at 1531 W. Vliet St., Milwaukee.

All client service centers will operate seven days a week as long as the need is there from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (CDT). Clients are asked to bring identification with them in order to help expedite the process.

Current locations for full service delivery sites in southern Wisconsin are:
(Subject to change in the coming days)

Milwaukee County
American Red Cross Chapter Office
2600 W. Wisconsin Avenue
Milwaukee
**Sauk County**  
Reedsburg High School  
1100 Albert Avenue

**Racine County**  
Union Grove Middle School  
14th & State  
Union Grove

**Bulk Distribution Site Locations: (Subject to change in the coming days)**

**Columbia County**  
Portage High School  
301 Collins Avenue

**Crawford, Grant and Richland Counties**  
North Crawford High School  
47050 County Road X  
Soldiers Grove

**Sauk, Juneau and Iowa Counties**  
Baraboo County Highway Building  
Intersection of Hwy 136 & 12  
Baraboo

**Monroe County**  
Kendall Village Hall  
219 East South Railroad Street

**Vernon County**  
Ontario Fire Department  
303 East “B” Street

La Farge High School  
301 West Adams Street

Viola Methodist Church  
404 North Commercial Street

De Soto Community Center  
Highway 35

Clients or potential clients who may have additional questions about locations of Red Cross service centers, or clarification of what items to bring, may call 1-866-GET-INFO (1-866-438-4636), or 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767).
**Wisconsin National Guard**

As of 0430 22 June 2008 WING Ops consist of:

- 4 traffic control points and roving patrols in Rock County
- 5 traffic control points in Jefferson County
- 2 traffic control points in Columbia County until 1800 tonight
- Ongoing 100kW power generation at Fort Atkinson
- Road repairs and debris removal on County S in Vernon County.
- Road repairs in the vicinity of Viroqua and Hwy 113 Baraboo
- Debris removal in the vicinity of Rock Springs
- Pumping water to clear airport runways in the vicinity of Lone Rock

Troops and equipment are on standby at various locations in anticipation of future requests for assistance in the vicinity of Fond du Lac, Fort Atkinson, and other areas as requested by WEM.

**State agency support**

Wisconsin Emergency Management along with other state agencies and the National Guard, continue to provide support for the State Emergency Operations Center and the Joint Operations Center. State personnel are working closely with FEMA in the Joint Field Office and in field operations in the Disaster Recovery Centers and Damage Assessment Teams. Additionally, assistance is being provided to communities across southern Wisconsin from the Department of Transportation – Highways, the Wisconsin State Patrol, the Department of Corrections (DOC), the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS), DNR Law Enforcement, forestry, Land and Water staff, the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, the Department of Commerce, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, the Wisconsin National Guard and many more.

Department of Natural Resources

The DNR’s Incident Management Team has finished its coordination of volunteer work in Sauk County today. Volunteer work will continue under the coordination of Sauk County officials.

**Septic systems**

The Department of Commerce reminds owners of flooded, privately-owned septic systems that the water must recede and the system be pumped before reuse.

###