



**STATE OF WISCONSIN**  
**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS**  
**DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Jim Doyle  
Governor

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**TO:** Governor Jim Doyle

**FROM:** Mike Hinman  
WEM Administrator

**SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT #1 ON JULY 20 STORMS**

**OVERVIEW** – Two "supercell" thunderstorms moved across central and east-central Wisconsin Tuesday evening, producing large hail and damaging winds. The storms caused numerous downed trees and power outages throughout the area as well as damage to homes, businesses and a school. The National Weather Service has storm survey teams out investigating wind damage to determine if tornadoes occurred. Wisconsin Emergency Management East Central Regional Director Dan Dahlke is in the impacted areas working with local officials. There has been no request for state assistance. Below is an update on the damages.

**Shawano County** - Strong winds and a possible tornado hit parts of Shawano County. The Wittenberg area apparently was the hardest hit. Two injuries were reported including an incident in the town of Belle Plaine where a woman was seriously injured when a tree fell on her. Strong winds tore off part of the Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School roof, allowing water to leak into the school causing damage to the computer lab, library and the floor in the gymnasium. Highway 45 near Birnamwood was closed for a few hours last night after parts of a roof blew off a building and landed on the highway. Local officials report some homes with wind damage. Shawano County is working with the Department of Natural Resources on debris removal.

**Outagamie County** - Officials are reporting wind and hail damage. Numerous areas reported power outages and downed trees. Appleton, Hortonville and Grand Chute were the hardest hit areas.

**Calumet County** - Emergency management officials report numerous trees downed and some power outages. The area impacted was the northeast shore of Lake Winnebago.

*For further information, contact Wisconsin Emergency Management at 608-242-3232.*