DATE: July 18, 2011 5:00 pm

TO: Governor Scott Walker

FROM: Brian M. Satula, WEM Administrator

SUBJECT: Situation Report #2 on Severe Weather

Cleanup continues from the overnight and this morning’s severe storms. Most of the damage was downed trees and power lines. Damage information continues to be reported. This afternoon, Monroe County reported several areas with downed trees. One farm sustained damage to a barn and several farm trailers flipped over by strong winds.

Jackson County Emergency Management received report of a tree that fell and caused damage to the roof of a building at a local youth camp. No injuries were reported. In addition to the strong winds, heavy rains caused some minor flooding also in Jackson County. Three roads in the Town of Springfield and Town of Franklin were closed due to high water.

Power Outages - Utility crews have been out repairing power lines. As of 4:00 p.m., WPS reports over 6000 customers were without power, most in the Stevens Point or Rhinelander areas. They hope to have most of the power fully restored this evening.

Heat Issues - Despite the storms, it was another hot, humid day across Wisconsin. Most locations had highs in the 90’s combined with humid conditions. The combination of the warm temperatures and high humidity caused the heat index to rise between 100 to 110 degrees. These hot conditions will continue throughout the week. This has prompted many communities to open local cooling shelters. Most of the shelters are open during the day. A list of the cooling shelters is available on the WEM website at http://emergencymanagement.wi.gov.

Wisconsin Emergency Management continues to monitor the storm cleanup and heat issues. There has been no request for state assistance.

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