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**DATE:** May 3, 2013 5:00 p.m.  
**TO:** Governor Scott Walker  
**FROM:** Brian M. Satula, WEM Administrator  
**SUBJECT:** Situation Report #5 on Winter Storm/Flooding

**Overview:** Situation remains stable across Wisconsin following the massive snowstorm that struck May 1-3, 2013. Many communities are now turning their attention to possible flooding due to the snow melt on top of the already saturated conditions. The flood warning continues for the following rivers in upper Wisconsin that are at minor flooding:

- Brule River near Commonwealth
- Menominee River near Florence
- Menominee River near Niagara
- Menominee River near McAllister

**Ashland County** – Mix of snow, freezing rain and sleet continues. The Chippewa River in Glidden and the Bad River in Mellen continue to slowly recede. Those towns will continue monitoring the impact of the snow melt.

**Barron County** – Roads are all clear but wet. County received one call for a resident looking for a place to stay due to no power. The case was referred to Red Cross for a lodging voucher. Approximately 60 people are still without power in Chetek area.

**Bayfield County** – Officials are taking a “watch and wait” approach to potential flooding.

**Chippewa County** – No power outages reported. Officials are checking seasonal homes for any unreported outages.

**Iron County** – Water levels on the East Branch of the Montreal River have receded about 24 inches from the high point on Wednesday night. The Town of Oma will be declaring a State of Emergency. Pine Lake in Oma had risen 15 inches. They have been sand bagging a few homes Friday morning as a precaution. They also have had road closures.

**Marinette County** – The Town of Wagner declared a State of Emergency as a precautionary / proactive measure for potential flooding. That declaration will allow them to request sandbags from the Marinette County stockpiles. The Menominee River may soon threaten Rademaker Road.

**Pierce County** – Scattered power outages continue but crews making progress to restore electricity.

**Polk County** – Power outages are mostly taken care of, there are a few without power in the Clear Lake/ Amery areas.

**Price County** - Currently experiencing a break with the precipitation just south of the county line. Most roads are clear, but wet. Temperatures are hovering around 30° which could lead to icy roads

conditions later tonight. No significant changes in water levels.

**Rusk County** – The Flambeau River appears to be down about one foot from its peak last night, but will rise again as the snow melts. Officials will be monitoring it throughout the weekend. No houses are in danger of flooding at this time. There are still a few houses without power in the south west end of the county.

**Sawyer County** - At this time there is no flooding. Main roads are clear. Secondary roads are still snow covered and slick. Power outages have all been resolved.

Wisconsin Emergency Management has not received any requests for state assistance. The State Emergency Operations Center remains on the 24-hour duty officer system, which is level 4. The WEM Senior Duty Officer and the Duty Officer will continue to monitor the situation.