



# INCIDENT REPORT

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### ***For Immediate Release***

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Clean-up continues today after a line of powerful thunderstorms with heavy rains and strong winds moved through Wisconsin Monday morning. The National Weather Service (NWS) issued tornado warnings for Dodge and Outagamie Counties. NWS meteorologists surveyed the damage and determined it was caused by straight line winds of 90 to 110 mph. The city of Columbus declared a State of Emergency due to the widespread damage in that community. Utility crews continue working to restore numerous power outages. Flash flooding was reported in parts of Dodge and Columbia County with as much as three to four inches of rain reported by the National Weather Service early this morning. Here is the latest update by region:

### **Southwest Region:**

**Columbia County :** Storms caused widespread damage in the Columbus area. Many trees down and roadways blocked by debris. Debris removal is well under way. County highway crews are assisting with clearing the roads. Extra power crews have been called into to restore power. The Red Cross has opened a shelter at the Columbus Middle School for those without power to seek relief from the heat. Crawfish River is high (approx. 1 foot below the main bridge girder running through the city at Highway 60/16). Crews are monitoring the river and the dam gates are wide open.

**Green County:** Only minor damage reported from the storms that came through this morning. Dispatch has received six calls of tree limbs across roads and just outside of Belleville (to the south) a house sustained damage when half the roof was blown off.

**Adams County:** Many trees down in Petenwell Park, Town of Monroe. Some trees down on campers, seasonal homes and year round homes. One minor injury was reported at a campground.

### **Northwest Region:**

**Polk County:** Roof damage reported at True Value Hardware in Amery, WI.

### **West Central Region:**

**Chippewa County:** Power outages in Stanley and a radio transmitter in the village of Boyd was down for a short time due to electrical outages.

### **East Central Region:**

**Brown County:** There are reports of downed trees that took power lines down; some minor road flooding in the construction area at Hwy 29 & I-41.

**Dodge County:** Many reports of tree damage, power lines down, and multiple power outages. A handful of barns and outbuildings damaged. The hardest hit area is the southern half of the county; east of Columbus is the most significant number of reports. One injury was reported in a rollover accident on Hwy 151 near Beaver Dam due to pooling water on Hwy 151 northbound.

**Fond du Lac County:** Several tree branches down, a couple of power lines burning in trees or down in the roads, some reports of hail and 60 mph wind gusts.

**Green Lake County:** Northern half of the county had numerous trees down, with large limbs and branches; some reports of power outages. The City of Berlin reports about 10-12 trees down along with large limbs and branches down and some power outages.

**Marquette County:** A number of trees down on the roads, a couple of power lines down, and a couple of transformers popped; power was out to most of the northern half of the county.

**Outagamie County:** A barn roof was reported to be blown off in Hortonville. The power outages were spread throughout the county with major outages in Appleton, Kimberly, and Darboy areas.

**Sheboygan County:** Power outages, trees down with minor street flooding.

**Waupaca County:** A couple of trees down with a few power outages.

**Waushara County:** Storm cut path right through the center of the Waushara County with more than 20 trees reported down.

**Winnebago County:** Dispatch Center reports only a few trees down and less than a dozen outages in the extreme norther portions of Winnebago County.

#### **Southeast Region:**

**Jefferson County:** Trees down throughout the county. Lighting struck a transformer in Palmyra. Wires down in Aztalan and Lake Mills.

**Kenosha County:** Numerous power outages including the public safety building (Dispatch, jail, Sheriff's Dept., City of Kenosha Police, Kenosha County Emergency Management) have been repaired. Numerous reports of tree limbs and power lines down throughout the area.

**Milwaukee County:** Small areas of ponding on roads, especially in construction areas.

**Ozaukee County:** Very light damage with a few branches down.

**Racine County:** A few tree limbs down and sporadic power outages throughout the county.

**Walworth County:** Trees down and some power lines down as result of branches; small areas of power outages.

**Washington County:** Trees/branches/wires down with some scattered power outages.

**Waukesha County:** Numerous trees down across the county. Power lines down in Eagle, Ottawa, Sussex. Wires down/arching at HWY 83 and Northwoods Drive. Lightning strikes to house S50W23420 Woodchuck Ln and S101W34711 HWY LO. A tree fell on an occupied van at Highway E and ZZ.

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