



# INCIDENT REPORT

## Wisconsin Emergency Operations Center

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### **Incident Report #13 – August Wisconsin Flooding**

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Heavy rains continued to move across southern Wisconsin today. Since 8:00 a.m., some areas have received ½ to 1 ½” of rain. Tonight through Tuesday, the heavy rains are expected in central and northeast Wisconsin where some areas could receive 2-4” of rain. Elsewhere, the southern areas could receive less than 1-2”.

Flood warnings remain in effect for the following rivers: Rock, Pecatonica, Baraboo, Crawfish, Fox, Milwaukee, and Kickapoo. Both the Baraboo and Kickapoo Rivers are falling after record crests.

Approximately 75 Wisconsin National Guard soldiers completed their mission earlier today filling sandbags in Columbia County. More than 10,000 sandbags were filled and 8500 were emplaced at I-90/94 near Highway 33 and I-39 near Cascade Mountain Road. Portions of the Interstates were closed due to high water. The Guard remains ready to provide assistance to communities as needed.

Both I-39 and I-90/94 are now open. However, many county and local roads remain closed due to floodwaters. Drivers are urged to check [511wi.gov](http://511wi.gov) for current road closure information. If drivers encounter a closed route or standing water on a roadway, turn around and find another route. Do not drive around barricades or through water.

City of Madison is reminding motorists heading to the Isthmus area tomorrow morning should plan on leaving up to an hour early due to flooding and street closures.

Earlier today, the National Weather Service confirmed an additional tornado from the August 28 storms, bringing the total to 17. It was a EF 0 near Brandon in Fond du Lac County. It traveled .63 miles and had 70mph winds.

Private property owners should report flood and storm damage by calling 2-1-1 or 877-947-2211. Make sure to document damage by taking pictures and speak with your insurance agent. Multiple resources designed to help residents with their recovery efforts is being posted online at <http://readywisconsin.wi.gov/flooding/AUG2018.asp>

The Statewide Emergency Operations Center is currently elevated. The state is monitoring the situation and providing assistance to local emergency responders as requested.