



INCIDENT REPORT

Wisconsin Emergency Operations Center

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Incident Report #2 – July 2019 Statewide severe weather incident

July 22, 2019 – 5 p.m.

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SUMMARY

Governor Tony Evers toured Langlade and Oconto counties today meeting with local officials and viewing damage caused by the severe weather. Yesterday, the Governor declared a statewide State of Emergency and directed state agencies and the Wisconsin National Guard to provide assistance if needed.

Approximately 53,000 customers are without power. Utility crews continue to work hard and it is anticipated all power should be restored by midweek.

The Wisconsin National Guard activated two dozen personnel today to deliver potable water to distribution points in Langlade County.

The Red Cross is working with local emergency management in continuing to operate reception centers where people can get food, water and other supplies om Balsam Lake, Rosholt, Gresham, Koshena, Neopit, and Mishicot.

LOCAL EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTERS OPEN

Langlade County

Oconto County

Portage County

Menominee Nation

Menominee County

Outagamie County

Wood County

LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS

Clark County

Oconto County – July 20, 2019

Menominee County – July 22, 2019

Menominee Nation – July 22, 2019

Polk County – July 22, 2019

Langlade County – July 22, 2019
Ojibwa Nation – July 22, 2019
Sawyer County – July 22, 2019
Town of Enterprise – Oneida County – July 22, 2019
Town of Ojibwa – Sawyer County – July 22, 2019
Town of Schoepke – Oneida County – July 22, 2019
Town of Rock – Wood County – July 22, 2019
Vernon County – July 19, 2019

ESTIMATED PUBLIC DAMAGES

Unknown. Damage assessments ongoing.

ESTIMATED PRIVATE DAMAGES

Unknown. Damage assessments ongoing.

COUNTY/TRIBAL STATUS REPORTS

East Central

Manitowoc County:

WPS is reporting outages are down to approximately 1,500 customers, most of which remain in the Mishicot area. The Red Cross Reception Center remains open until 8 p.m. and we plan to assess whether it will be open tomorrow (Tuesday) based on the outage status this evening.

Waupaca County:

Damage assessment crews were deployed today.

Northeast

Langlade County

Areas of White Lake, Post Lake, and Elcho are heavily damaged. Additional resource requests include; bulk potable and non-potable water delivery and distribution, temporary showers, debris management assistance.

Menominee County

Some areas have had power restored, but there are still residents affected. Red Cross has locations open to provide residents with bathroom/shower access and power for charging phones.

Oconto County

All State and County roads are open. They are starting damage assessments.

Oneida County

The Town of Schoepke and Enterprise declared a Disaster Proclamation for their respective towns. Clean up continues in both townships.

Portage County

Portage County opened EOC on Sunday and it remains open.

Wood County

Town of Rock has declared a disaster.

Northwest

Bayfield County

Bayfield County had minimal impact from the recent storms. Pigeon Lake in Drummond continues to rise. Some homeowners are having to pump basements.

Sawyer County

The Town of Ojibwa declared a disaster declaration. Debris is still being cleared throughout the county. Some cabins and homes have minor damage to roofs.

Vernon County

Damage assessments are underway. Heavy rains last week resulted in flash floods.

Tribes

Lac Courte Oreilles Nation

Most of the downed trees over roadways have been cleared from roadways. Xcel Energy is working on power restoration.

Menominee Nation

Some areas have been restored with electricity. There are still many without power and residents are asking for assistance with food and water supplies. Menominee Tribe and County are working together to provide resources.

Oneida Nation

Department of Public Works, Conservation and Forestry is working together to provide assistance dealing with trees debris and other debris from the storm.

West Central

Clark County

Crews continue to clear downed trees and power lines. Damage assessment is ongoing.

Jackson County

NWS confirmed an EF-0 tornado in the southeastern part of Jackson County. Damage confined to corn fields and trees.

STATE AGENCY RESPONSE

WI Department of Health Services:

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Division of Medicaid Services is sending out a CARES Coordinator Notice that will remind affected areas of the policy for providing replacement FoodShare benefits to individuals whose FoodShare purchased food was destroyed due to the power outages.

WI Department of Natural Resources:

DNR Forestry Division is contacting chain saw crews for cleanup. Teams will work directly with WEM regional director for specific assignments. Hazardous waste handling guidelines will be made available.

VOLUNTEER AGENCY (VOAD) RESPONSE

American Red Cross

Providing support for numerous reception centers listed above. Opened approximately 6 cases. 2 in Barron County, 1 Polk County, 1 La Crosse County, 1 Wood County. Fund development staff is working to procure donations of bottled water. Providing clean up kits to Outagamie County reception centers due to some water in basements.

Provided 480 Meals Ready to Eat (MREs) to Menominee County.

Salvation Army

Dropped off water to Wood County. Reports from Salvation Army field staff are still pending.

Team Rubicon

Met with Langlade County today to assist with damage assessments and potential mobilization of chainsaw crews.

2-1-1 Wisconsin

211 Wisconsin is collecting damage reports and referring callers to available disaster resources

WEATHER CONDITIONS

There is another chance for isolated showers Tuesday, July 23 afternoon across eastern Wisconsin in association with the lake breeze. The next chance for rain is a threat for isolated showers and thunderstorms across northeastern Wisconsin Wednesday afternoon. No severe weather is expected.

RIVER FLOODING

Moderate Flooding:

Kickapoo River at Gays Mill: Currently cresting

Kickapoo River at Stueben: Crest near 14.0 feet tomorrow