

Missouri River Flooding – State Joint Information Center Update

DES MOINES – The Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division (HSEMD) is working closely with personnel from the Iowa National Guard, Department of Human Services, Department of Public Safety, Department of Transportation, Department of Natural Resources and other agencies as appropriate at the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) in response to the flooding situation in Western Iowa. SEOC is staffed daily from 7 a.m. until 10 p.m.

Until further notice, the Missouri River Flooding – State Joint Information Center Update will be issued daily by 10:30 a.m. and a daily media briefing daily at 3:30 p.m. Visit www.iowahomelandsecurity.org or <https://governor.iowa.gov/news/missouri-river-flooding> for more information.

GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATIONS	
County	Declaration Date
Fremont, Harrison, Mills, Monona, Pottawattamie and Woodbury	06/02/2011
DOT Transportation Waivers – all declared counties	06/02/2011

State Response Summary

- **HSEMD**
 - Hamburg flooding operations are ongoing. Emergency levees have been constructed around Hamburg Water Works and 2 wells on the south side of town. Levee district personnel throughout the county are building sand bag rings around sand boils at multiple sites along the USACE levee system.
 - Army Corps of Engineers, County officials, and local Department of Public Works continue to work on Ditch 6 Levee, (protecting Hamburg) estimated to be completed on Monday, June 13.
- **DOT**
 - All southbound and northbound lanes of Interstate 29 between mile post 55 and the I-680/I-29 interchange at mile marker 71 (near Loveland) are closed.
 - I-680 is closed from the I-29/680 interchange (exit 61 near Crescent) in Iowa to North 30th Street in Omaha, Nebr. (exit 13). This closure includes the Mormon Bridge across the Missouri River.

- Call center established for road closures: 1-866-452-8510
- For more information on road closures, visit <http://www.iowadot.gov/floods/index.html> or www.511ia.org, or call 5-1-1 or 1-800-288-1047.
- **DHS**
 - Disaster Behavioral Health Response Team will be deployed to Pottawattamie County, effective Tuesday, June 14.
- **DNR**
 - DNR has coordinated with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and determined that a stretch of levees will not need to be built up near Pacific Junction, as believed earlier.
- **DPS**
 - Iowa State Patrol will be assisting Fremont County Sheriff's Dept. with enhanced security patrols along the I-29 corridor where residents have evacuated. There are no reports of looting at this time.

Weather

Thunderstorms are possible mainly after midnight tonight. While severe storms are not expected, some stronger storms could produce hail, especially across southeast Nebraska. Minor to moderate flooding will continue along the Missouri River.

Thunderstorms are expected tomorrow morning with the strongest storms moving across southeast Nebraska through southwest Iowa. Severe storms are not expected. Periods of thunderstorms are possible from Sunday night through Tuesday night, and again Thursday night and Friday. Severe storms could develop Tuesday afternoon and evening, but the timing and placement are not certain.

Flooding will continue along the Missouri River, with increasing river levels expected through early next week as outflows from Gavin's Point Dam continue to increase.

For updated weather information, visit the National Weather Service website at www.weather.gov.

EVACUATION SUMMARY

County	Location	Population
Woodbury		
Monona		
Harrison	Modale (6/7/2011)	200-300 voluntary evacuation
Pottawattamie	100 homes in Council Bluffs 6/9/2011	unknown
Mills		

Fremont	Mandatory evacuation in effect in the South Hamburg area – between Hamburg and the Missouri River (south end of City of Hamburg)	300+
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SHELTER SUMMARY – IOWA SHELTERS

County	Location	Population
Woodbury	West Middle School, Sioux City, IA 3301 W. 19th St., Sioux City	0
Monona	West Monona High School, Onawa, IA 1314 15th St., Onawa	0
Harrison	Missouri Valley, Missouri Valley High School 605 Lincoln Highway, Missouri Valley	0
Pottawattamie	Lakin Human Services Campus 915 North 16th St., Council Bluffs	1
Mills	No shelters at this time	
Fremont	Sidney High School, Sidney, IA 2754 Knox Rd., Sidney	2

SHELTER SUMMARY – NEBRASKA SHELTERS

County	Location	Population
Dakota	South Sioux City Middle School 3301 W. 19th St., Sioux City	2
Washington	West Monona High School, Onawa, IA 1314 15th St., Onawa	2

Donations and Volunteering

- **Donations of items such as clothing, food, furniture, etc, are NOT needed at this time.** Unsolicited donations cause additional staffing and storage problems that local officials do not have the resources to manage.
- **If you want to help, cash is best.** It doesn't need to be sorted, stored or distributed, and cash allows the receiving voluntary agency to direct the donation to the most urgent needs. To donate cash, visit www.aidmatrixnetwork.org/CashDonations/Default2.aspx?ST=Iowa
- Those wishing to volunteer in a disaster-related capacity may sign up to do so at <https://volunteer.truist.com/icovs/volunteer/register/>.

More Links, Social Media, and Contact Information

- The Office of Governor Terry E. Branstad has launched of the Iowa “Flood Watch Flickr Page.” The page will be updated regularly with the most up-to-date aerial photos taken by various state agencies. The photos can be found at: www.Flickr.com/MoRiverFlood.
- The Iowa Department of Public Health’s Flood Page contains FAQs and fact sheets regarding health and safety during flooding. Visit www.idph.state.ia.us/EmergencyResponse/Flooding.aspx.
- Donation, volunteer, county-specific links and more can be found on the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division (HSEMD) website at www.iowahomelandsecurity.org.
- Those wishing to follow the events via Twitter should follow and use the hash tag #MORiver. This hash tag will be used throughout the duration of flooding along the Missouri River.
- Gov. Branstad’s office has set up a webpage, <https://governor.iowa.gov/news/missouri-river-flooding>, for Iowans to get updates on flooding along the Missouri River.
- Council Bluffs has a **flood hotline** at **712-328-4672**
- Mills County has a **flood hotline** at **712-527-4231** or online at <http://www.millscoia.us/flood2011.htm>
- Residents in the affected areas may call the **Iowa Concern Hotline 24/7** at **1-800-447-1985**. All calls are free and confidential, and the operators are willing to assist wherever possible.
- In addition, residents may call **2-1-1** with questions or concerns about critical health and human services available in their community.

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