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# Missouri River Flooding – State Joint Information Center Update

DES MOINES – The Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division (HSEMD) continues to work 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 7:30 a.m. until 7:30 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. until further notice. Visit <a href="www.iowahomelandsecurity.org">www.iowahomelandsecurity.org</a> or <a href="https://governor.iowa.gov/news/missouri-river-flooding">https://governor.iowa.gov/news/missouri-river-flooding</a> 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

- NEW: HSEMD is working with multiple state agencies and private companies to procure and transport materials to build up the secondary levee being constructed near Hamburg. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Omaha District notified HSEMD late Monday afternoon that based on new data, the Missouri River levels will be higher and the secondary levee needs to be built up another three feet. Ten-thousand tons of fill material and 14,000 linear feet of HESCO barrier will be used to build up the levee. HSEMD has procured the materials and is coordinating transportation through the lowa Department of Transportation, the lowa National Guard and private trucking companies. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.iowahomelandsecurity.org">www.iowahomelandsecurity.org</a>
- NEW: HSEMD deployed a four-member advance team from the Sioux City Urban Search and Rescue Team to Council Bluffs to assist with catastrophic evacuation planning.

NEW: HSEMD deployed the state's Incident Management Team (IMT) to Pottawattamie
 County to assist with planning and incident command support June 14-19.

#### Iowa National Guard

- NEW: Guard personnel will be working with the Army Corps of Engineers to build up
  the secondary levee near Hamburg. Guard personnel will be placing HESCO barriers on
  the levee and the Corps will fill the barriers with trucked-in materials.
- The Iowa National Guard currently has 180 soldiers performing levee patrol duties in Pottawattamie and Mills County. The Guard has 24 personnel on duty in Sioux City doing levee patrol.

## DOT

- NEW: The Iowa Department of Transportation is providing dump trucks and drivers to transport filling materials to build up the secondary levee near Hamburg.
- The Iowa Department of Transportation launched a map to help travelers navigate around flooded roads in western Iowa. The map can be accessed at <a href="www.iowadot.gov">www.iowadot.gov</a>.
   click on the "Flooding Ahead" sign.
- o Call center established for road closures: 1-866-452-8510
- For more information on road closures, visit <a href="http://www.iowadot.gov/floods/index.html">http://www.iowadot.gov/floods/index.html</a>
   or www.511ia.org, or call 5-1-1 or 1-800-288-1047.

#### DHS

 Disaster Behavioral Health Response Teams have been deployed to Blencoe and Council Bluffs.

## • 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 continues to assist the Fremont County Sheriff's Dept. with enhanced security patrols along the I-29 corridor where residents have evacuated.

#### • DOC

 The Iowa Department of Corrections continues to provide inmates for sandbagging operations as needed.

## **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	125 homes	unknown
Fremont	Mandatory evacuation in effect in the South Hamburg area – between Hamburg and the Missouri River (south end of City of Hamburg)	300+

## 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	0
	1314 15th St., Onawa	
Harrison	Missouri Valley, Missouri Valley High School	0
	605 Lincoln Highway, Missouri Valley	
Pottawattamie	Lakin Human Services Campus	1
	915 North 16th St., Council Bluffs	
Mills	No shelters at this time	
Fremont	Sidney High School, Sidney, IA	2
	2754 Knox Rd., Sidney	

# SHELTER SUMMARY - NEBRASKA SHELTERS OPEN

Location	Address	Population
Fort Calhoun High School	1506 Lincoln Street	Unknown
South Sioux City Middle School	3625 G Street	Unknown

## **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 <a href="https://www.aidmatrixnetwork.org/CashDonations/Default2.aspx?ST=lowa">www.aidmatrixnetwork.org/CashDonations/Default2.aspx?ST=lowa</a>
- 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: <a href="https://www.Flickr.com/MoRiverFlood">www.Flickr.com/MoRiverFlood</a>.
- 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, <a href="https://governor.iowa.gov/news/missouri-river-flooding">https://governor.iowa.gov/news/missouri-river-flooding</a>, for lowans 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 **lowa 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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