



# State Of Wisconsin

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**DATE:** July 2, 2011 3:00 p.m.

**TO:** Governor Scott Walker

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**SUBJECT: Situation Report #2 on NW & NE Wisconsin Severe Weather**

Cleanup continues across northwest and northeast Wisconsin following last night's damaging straight-line winds. Power remains out in several locations as utility crews are trying to repair downed power lines.

**Northwest Region** – The hardest hit areas of the storm include Douglas, Burnett and Washburn counties. Utilities report at least 12,000 homes in Burnett and Washburn counties are without power. No word on when power will be fully restored.

**Burnett County** – Law enforcement reports that an 11 year old girl was killed when a tree fell on her at a campground in Burnett County last night. In addition, a Burnett County man died from an apparent heart attack that may be indirectly storm related. Officials say 39 people were injured with three remaining in critical conditions. Most of those injured were treated and released.

A search continues along the St. Croix River for missing canoeists.

The Red Cross has set up a feeding shelter at the Grantsburg Middle School. They also are providing assistance at the Blaine Township Hall.

The Salvation Army is providing water to residents in the Danbury and Webb Lake areas of Burnett County. The St. Croix Tribe is also providing work crews and assessing other needs.

The county's emergency operations center will tentatively close tonight at 8:00 p.m. and reopen tomorrow morning. The command post in Grantsburg is deactivating. WEM's Northwest Regional Director Rhonda Reynolds is in Burnett County assisting with damage assessments.

**Washburn County** - The Red Cross is providing water and other assistance at the Spooner and Chicog Fire Halls.

**Douglas County** - Douglas County Emergency Management reported they are having problems this afternoon with phone lines across the county and with the county's 9-1-1 lines.

The 9-1-1 lines were rerouted to Bayfield County. Officials are working to repair the problems.

Last night's storm caused damage in the Solon Springs area. Two houses and a couple of out buildings were destroyed. In Wascott, the Red Lake Resort was damaged. Many cabins sustained damage and some RV's had trees fall on them. No reports of any injuries. Home damage is also reported in Dairyland area.

Local utilities are estimating about 400 homes without power. These homes are in remote areas and it may take a few days until crews are able to restore power.

At the airport in Solon Springs, a wall of a hanger collapsed, dropping the building on a single engine plane. Much of the roof of the structure was taken away by the winds.

**Northeast Region** - Storm damage and power outages were reported in Wood, Portage, Lincoln, Langlade, Marathon and Forest Counties. Wisconsin Public Service reports that 15,000 customers lost power at the peak of the damage and crews are focusing today on Stevens Point, Antigo, Waubeno and Waupaca. Power should be back on by tonight or tomorrow.

Damage reported is mainly downed trees and power lines as well as trees on homes and out buildings. Officials are still assessing damage. Cities that were impacted included Wausau, Wisconsin Rapids, Stevens Point, Antigo, Minocqua, Tomahawk and Wabeno.

Wisconsin Emergency Management continues to monitor the situation. Additional situation reports will be issued as new information becomes available. State assistance has not been requested at this time.

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