



STATE OF WISCONSIN

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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Current Incident

Federal assistance through the Stafford Act is based on a defined incident period. The incident period began on **August 17, 2018** and will continue until the last NWS river gauge goes below major flood stage, which is forecast to be **Sunday, September 9, 2018**.

Stafford Act Declaration Process

To request a Presidential declaration the Governor will submit a request through FEMA within 30 days from the end of the incident period, based on the following process:

- County emergency management offices will develop **initial damage estimates** for public infrastructure, homes, businesses and agricultural losses resulting from the incident, and will submit them to Wisconsin Emergency Management.
- County emergency management offices will develop impact statements to identify the adverse effects on homes and businesses, local roads, economy, government services, etc., to be included with the county initial damage estimates.
- If the county estimates meet or exceed **both** the state and the county per capita indicator, the state will request a Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA), which is FEMA's formal validation of the reported damages.
- The PDA will provide the formal estimates, from both Individual Assistance (primary residences) and Public Assistance (public infrastructure), that forms the basis for the Governor's request for the Presidential declaration(s).

Important Contact Information

- Funding for assisting eligible, low to moderate income homeowners for housing rehabilitation, business assistance, and repair local infrastructure - (608) 266-7531
- Grants to assist with short-term and emergency housing needs are disbursed through a local agent. For more information contact Debi Towns, (608) 267-5200.
- Assistance in determining if food can be salvaged – James Beix -(608) 224-4665 or food complaint emergency response line (608) 224-4714.
- Complaints of transient home improvement workers and scams can be reported to Contact the Bureau of Consumer Protection at (800) 422-7128 or dacphotline@wisconsin.gov
- Farmers should contact their local FSA Office to report damaged crops. FSA will also direct farmers to 211 and or the Local/County Emergency Management (EM) Office to report losses not tracked by the FSA. Visit <http://offices.usda.gov> for local FSA office information.
- Motorists are advised to check 511wi.gov before traveling
- Assistance for filing insurance claims can call Office of the Commissioner of Insurance at (800) 236-8517 or ocicomplaints@wisconsin.gov.
- To make a request for volunteer assistance, call 2-1-1 and they will confidentially share your information with volunteers that may become available in your area.
- Emergency Assistance payments to eligible low-income parents who have at least one child in the house and are facing an emergency due to natural disaster, to learn more about the program, including eligibility and where to apply, visit <https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/ea>.
- Those with additional needs or outstanding questions should call 2-1-1 and they will be directed to the appropriate resource.