



Vilas County

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NEWS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE #

Date: July 28, 2010

Time: 10:00AM

Municipal, County and Utility Crews Working on Storm Clean-up

Reported incident

- ◆ A series of severe storms moved through Vilas County last night and early this morning creating widespread damage. There have been no reports of injuries.

Reported damage

- ◆ Heavy damage in the Conover area with a significant amount of trees down on West to East Buckatabon Roads, West and North Hunter Lake Roads, Chicago Avenue and Old 26.

Responding agencies/volunteers

- ◆ Municipal and County road crews are working on clearing roadways while the utility companies are working on restoring all power to the areas.

Power Outages

- ◆ Widespread throughout the southern and eastern parts of Vilas County

Citizens should know:

- ◆ For refrigerated and frozen food safety during a power outage keep the refrigerator and freezer doors closed as much as possible to maintain the cold temperature.
- ◆ The refrigerator will keep food safely cold for about 4 hours if it is unopened; a full freezer will hold the temperature for approximately 48 hours (24 hours if it is half full) if the door remains closed.
- ◆ If you are unsure about an item, the safest course is to throw it away.

Citizens should do:

- ◆ Residents should be careful while cleaning up yard of storm debris, as there are may be power lines down in the area.
- ◆ Stay away from downed or sagging power lines, and do not touch anything that is on or near them (i.e., trees or tree limbs, cars, ladders).
- ◆ Keep children and family pets away from areas where lines may have fallen.

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