

Waters in Iroquois County continue to recede. The west junction of US 24 and IL 1 is open, as well as all county roads. Curfew has ended in Watseka.

8 homes in Milford, 24 homes in Woodland, and approximately 200 homes in Watseka have been affected by flooding. Approximately 20 to 50 homes in rural parts of Iroquois County have been affected.

The American Red Cross shelter at Trinity Church is open, and currently has 40 occupants. The animal shelter at Jefferson Plaza is open, and currently has 22 pets.

Iroquois County, City of Watseka, and the State of Illinois have all declared disasters, with Watseka extending their declaration this evening. The Iroquois County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is open to coordinate recovery efforts. If your home was damaged by flood, please report it to the EOC at (815) 432-6997.

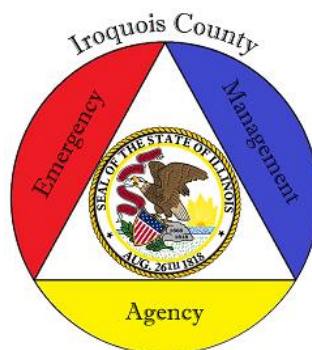
As families return to their homes, they will need to contact their insurance companies, qualified inspectors/contractors, and/or their landlords.

- Landlords are responsible for their property, including its maintenance and repair.
- Ameren and Nicor will not reconnect services until the homeowner has a qualified electrician and/or plumber inspect their home and provide a receipt.
- If you have insurance, call your insurance agent!
- Be wary of mold in homes. Further information on mold in homes can be found at the ICPHD website at <http://www.co.iroquois.il.us/health-department/environmental-health/emergency-preparedness/>.
- Beware of predatory contractors.
- Pets are susceptible to mold. Make sure your home is ready for your pet.

If people are looking to donate to the cause, monetary donations can be sent to the Iroquois County Long-Term Recovery Committee at the First Trust & Savings Bank at PO Box 1160, 120 E. Walnut Street, or your charity of choice. For material donations, check the WIQI radio website for drop off sites and what items to donate, or call them at (815) 432-1097.

Iroquois County is hosting a flood help resource center at the Big R warehouse at 433 W. Walnut Street in Watseka on Thursday & Friday from 9 AM to 9 PM. Numerous charities, governmental agencies, and other organizations will be setup there to meet with flood victims to provide assistance.

Lutheran Church Ministries and Team Rubicon are assembling to perform muck-out operations in Iroquois County on 3rd March. To request assistance, contact Iroquois County EOC at (815) 432-6997. In order to have these teams help clean your home, a responsible adult must be present. Muck out does not replace professional services.



“Be prepared. Respond without hesitation. Help recover.”