



**09-003, Spring Flooding
July 22, 2009
12:30 p.m. CDT
Incident Summary Report #83**

Incident Overview

Summaries are published after 12:00 p.m. every Wednesday until further notice. Information related to the Dickinson tornado is recorded in the 09-025, Statewide Summer Storms, Incident Summary.

Updated information is in red.

The following is a summary of key issues related to the 2009 spring flood of the Red River of the North, Souris, Devils Lake, James and Sheyenne River Basins.

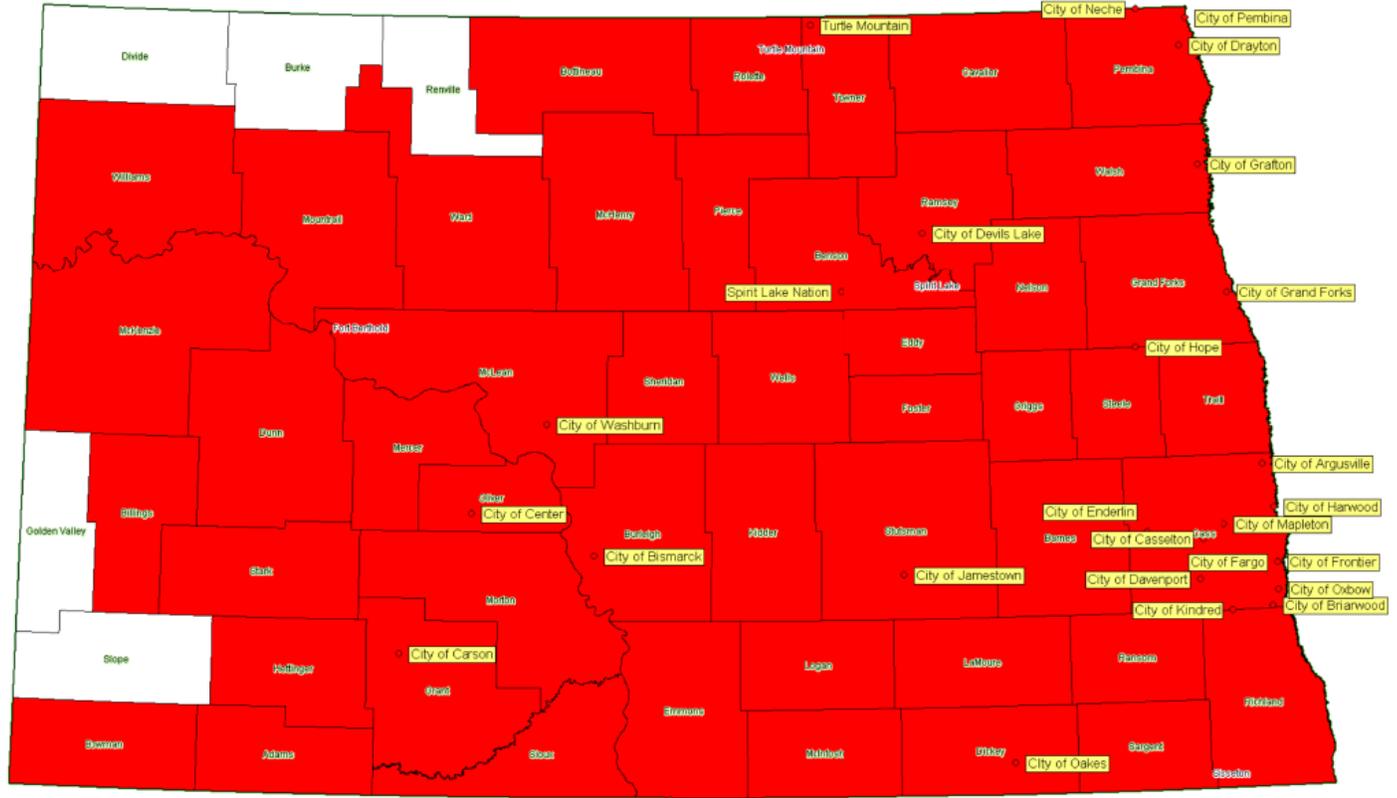
State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) Activation – Level III (Monitoring Activation). N.D. Division of Homeland Security (NDHLS) personnel staff the SEOC daily from 8:00 a.m. until to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The NDHLS Duty Officer has responsibility for incident-related calls between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. and on weekends and holidays.

Significant Events

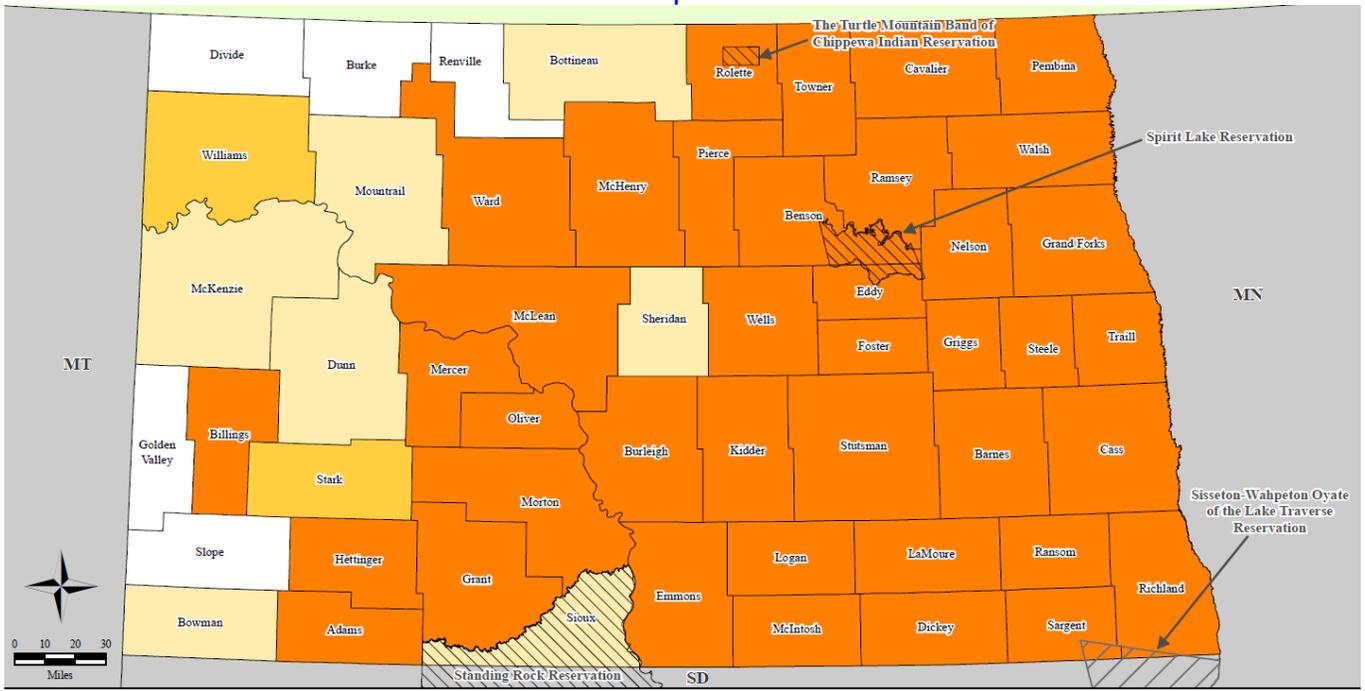
- **Deaths/Injuries/Illnesses** – as reported by the N.D. Department of Health (NDDoH) and the N.D. Highway Patrol (NDHP)
 - Deaths – 3
 - Injuries – 252
 - Illnesses – 71
- **Dams** –June 2
 - **Pipestem and Jamestown Dams – July 20**
 - Releases at Jamestown Reservoir were reduced by from 550 cfs to 450 cfs on July 20. Pipestem Reservoir releases of 350 cfs remain unchanged. Combined releases are 800 cfs.
 - Current reservoir level along with inflow and outflow rates can be found at the following website: www.usbr.gov/gp/lakes_reservoirs/north_dakota_lakes.htm
- **Declarations (See map)**
 - The incident period for DR-1829-ND will close August 10, 2009, which coincides with the deadline for applying for individual assistance and takes into account additional flood damage expected in the Devils Lake area.
 - Governor John Hoeven issued a statewide emergency declaration on March 13.
 - The state was granted a Presidential Disaster Declaration for 34 counties and two Tribal Nations on March 24.

- Public Assistance: The declaration was subsequently amended and now includes 48 counties and 4 tribal reservations
- Individual Assistance: 41 counties and 3 tribal reservations.
- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP): All declared counties and tribes are eligible
- County Declarations – 48 counties
- City Declarations – 41 counties
- Tribal Declarations - 2 tribal nations

➤ Current County Declaration Map



➤ Current FEMA-DR-1829-ND Declaration Map

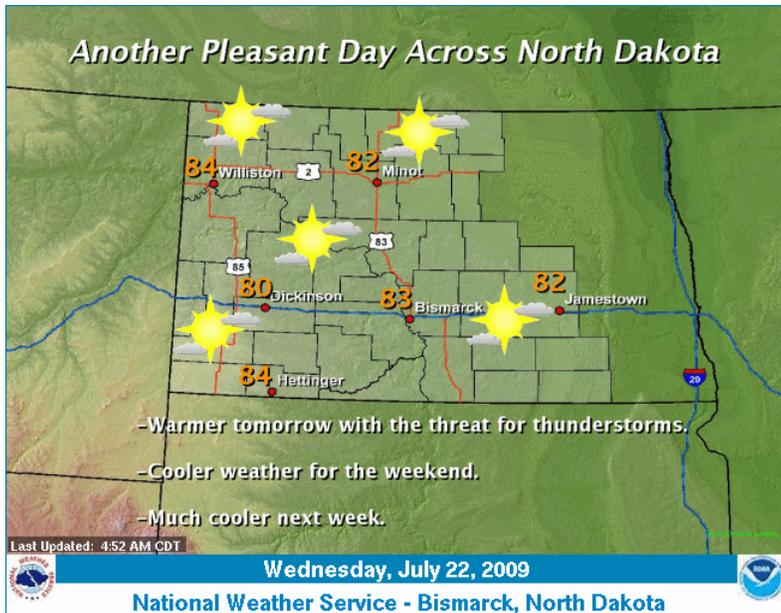


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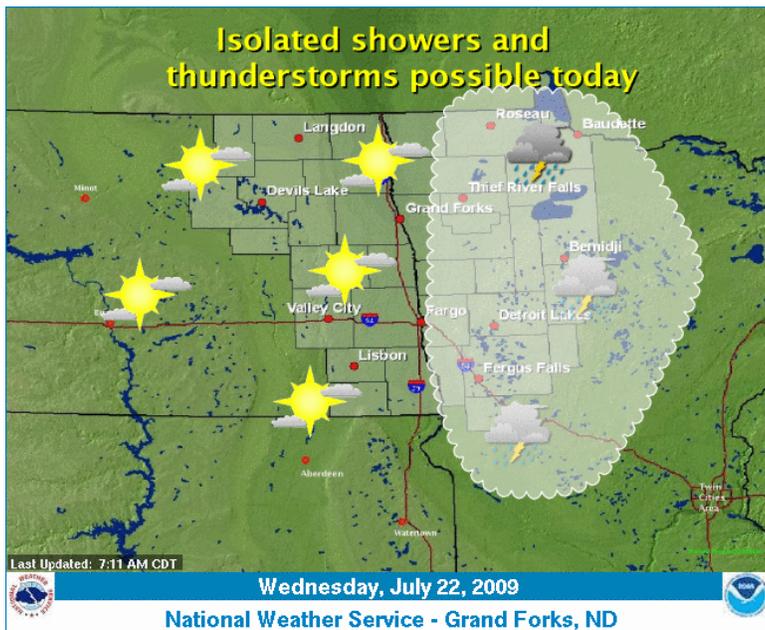
Designated Counties	Designated Reservations
No Designation	Public Assistance
Public Assistance	Individual Assistance and Public Assistance
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Individual Assistance and Public Assistance (Category B)	

All counties are eligible for Hazard Mitigation

Weather Forecast for WESTERN North Dakota: Today's forecast calls for pleasant temperatures. National Weather Service (NWS) meteorologists expect a brief warm up on Thursday, preceding a storm system dropping southeast through Saskatchewan. A cold front, associated with this system, will then push across the state late on Thursday. This will bring a chance of showers and thunderstorms to the region. Additionally, cooler air is expected for the weekend, with much colder air possible next week.



Weather Forecast for EASTERN North Dakota: Isolated showers and thunderstorms are possible over parts of eastern North Dakota today. The forecast for Thursday through next Tuesday indicates a potential for thunderstorms.



River Forecasts by River Basin – Listing Includes Rivers Above Flood Stage

Rising= Steady= Falling=

James River Basin

- Ludden Dam—13.13 ft—Flood Stage is 12 ft.

Devils Lake Basin

- Devils Lake  — 1,450.5 ft.
- Stump Lake  — 1,450.44 ft.
- Devils and Stump Lakes long-range probabilistic outlook valid June 1, 2009 - September 30, 2009. Chances of Devils and Stump Lakes rising above the given lake levels.

	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%	20%	10%
Creel Bay	1450.8	1450.9	1450.9	1451.0	1451.0	1451.0	1451.1	1451.2	1451.5
Stump Lake	1450.8	1450.9	1450.9	1451.0	1451.0	1451.0	1451.1	1451.2	1451.5

Resource/Assistance Requests

- The State Emergency Operations Center has processed 628 requests for assistance since March 12, 2009.

Detailed Reports

Refer to previous Incident Summaries, as necessary.

LOCAL

Barnes County

- On July 20, Valley City officials submitted a formal request for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) assistance to remove clay levees in Valley City constructed in 2009 under an emergency contract. The request is currently assigned to the St Paul District of the USACE.
– July 20

Cass County

- The Fargo School District has requested USACE assistance in removal of a clay levee constructed on Centennial Elementary School property.

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N.D. Department of Agriculture (NDDoA)

- Nearly 300 North Dakota livestock producers will receive a total of \$1 million in compensation for additional feed transportation costs and feed losses resulting from 2008-09 winter storms and subsequent flooding. The 2009 North Dakota Livestock Feed Transportation Program checks were mailed July 17 to 295 five producers. Payments averaged \$20.15 per animal. The program was underwritten by a U.S. Department of Agriculture; additional funds were provided by the 2009 North Dakota Legislature. Losses had to be incurred between Jan. 1 and May 31, 2009 and exceed 125 percent of the prior three-year average for additional feed transportation costs, contracted snow removal or flooded feed losses.

The announcement coincides with the sign-up period for the Livestock Indemnity Program, which began this week. The program can help eligible producers with compensation for

livestock deaths attributable to the severe winter and flooding disasters. Governor Hoeven requested implementation of these programs and additional help from USDA in April. – July 17

N.D. Department of Emergency Services (NDDDES)

- NDDDES and FEMA Region VIII will co-host an acquisition workshop at 11:00 a.m. Friday, July 24 in the Bismarck-Burleigh County Emergency Management office, 2301 University Drive, Building 21.

N.D. Department of Health (NDDoH)

- After reviewing requests from the city of Devils Lake and the North Dakota State Water Commission, the North Dakota Department of Health implemented an emergency rule for a segment of the Sheyenne River. The department has amended the sulfate concentration level from 450 milligrams per liter (mg/L) to 750 mg/L for the segment of the river from the Sheyenne headwaters to a point just downstream of the Baldhill Dam. The department is taking this action to allow additional discharges from Devils Lake to address concern regarding the potential for uncontrolled overflow from the east end of the lake, loss of agriculture land, stresses on local infrastructure and increasing lake levels. This interim action will become may be finalized after appropriate public comment and department response.

N.D. Department of Human Services (NDDHS)

- South Central Human Service Center in Jamestown is returning to its pre-flood location at 520 3rd St. NW, on the banks of the James River. The center will be temporarily closed July 23-24 during the move. Full services will resume on July 27. People may call the center at 701-253-6300 (TTY 701-253-6414). The center's 24-hour crisis line may be reached at 701-253-6304 or toll free 1-800-260-1310, and vocational rehabilitation services at 701-253-6388. – July 20

FEDERAL

Congressional Offices – House of Representatives

- Congressman Earl Pomeroy secured \$46,194,000 to invest in flood control projects and bolster the water infrastructure in communities across North Dakota in the Fiscal Year 2010 Energy and Water Appropriations bill, which passed the House on July 17.

Funding includes the following:

- Lake Sakakawea Operation and Maintenance and Mosquito Control - \$14,746,000
- Garrison Diversion - \$26,347,000
- Fargo-Moorhead Metro Study – \$1,400,000
- Fargo-Moorhead Upstream Study – \$200,000
- Lake Ashtabula and Baldhill Dam – \$1,351,000
- Breckenridge Flood Control – \$2,000,000
- Red River Basin Wide Watershed Feasibility Study – \$150,000

Additional details of the projects can be found at the following website:

<http://www.pomeroy.house.gov/>

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

- The Dickinson Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) located at the Prairie Hill Mall will close on July 25. The Small Business Administration (SBA) office will remain open.
- Those affected by the disaster are encouraged to apply immediately for assistance by calling toll free **800-621-FEMA (3362)** or **TTY 800-462-7585**. Residents can register online anytime at: disasterassistance.gov. Registration must be completed by August 10.

- Homeowners, renters and businesses of all sizes may also be eligible for Small Business Administration (SBA) low-interest disaster loans. For more information, call SBA at **1-800-659-2955**, or TTY (**1-800-877-8339**), e-mail disaster customerservice@sba.gov, or visit the Web site at <http://www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance>.
- FEMA Cumulative Individual Assistance Registrations: **7,008– July 21**
 - Small Business Administration (SBA) Approvals: **362**
 - Disaster Unemployment Assistance Claims received: **1722**
 - Eligible Requests for Public Assistance: **365**
 - **Obligated Project Worksheets: 117**
- Dollar Amounts Approved: - **July 21**
 - Individual and Household Program: **\$6,935,129**
 - Disaster Unemployment Assistance: **\$873,963**
 - SBA Applications: **\$12,223,300**
 - Public Assistance Obligated: **\$10,912,405**
- Floodplain Management and Insurance:
 - Insurance Claims: **1,223 totaling \$13,000,000**
 - Total flood insurance policies in effect in-state: **13,360**

VOLUNTARY AGENCIES

Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD)

- The World Church Service is inviting pastors, lay leaders, and persons involved in flood recovery efforts to a dinner and after dinner forum in the city of Linton on Tuesday, July 28, at 5:30 p.m. Contact Val Reinhiller at vreinhiller@msn.com or at 701-222-3236. .
- The Northern Plains Conference UCC Disaster Ministry is hosting a special gathering on Friday, July 31 from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CDT at the Congregational United Church of Valley City for clergy, lay leaders, and others involved in recovery efforts. Participants are instructed to bring a brown bag lunch. Contact Lindy Holt at uccdisaster@polarcom.com or at 701-788-3755 to register.
- The Church World Service has scheduled two Emotional and Spiritual Care Workshops. These workshops will give pastors, long term recovery committee members, community caregivers and mental health workers additional tools to meet the needs of their friends and neighbors who are still coping with flooding and its emotional and spiritual aftermath. The workshops will be held at the following locations, dates and times:
 - July 30, 2009, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CDT at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 1000 5th Ave. NE, Jamestown, ND.
 - August 4, 2009, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Olivet Lutheran Church, 1330 South University, Fargo, ND.
 - To register or for additional information contact Lindy Holt at uccdisaster@polarcom.com or 701-788-3755.