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November 6, 2023

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The Executive Council, in a meeting held on this date, approved the Department of Natural Resources' request for an emergency allocation in the amount of \$75,200.00, subject to audit of actual invoices. On May 12, 2023, the Jones Creek Pond overflowed and caused damages at the Loess Hills State Forest. Request was to cover repair costs.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

Victoria Newton

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Executive Secretary

cc: Kayla Lyon, Director, Department of Natural Resources
Sherry Arntzen, Parks, Forests and Preserves Bureau, Department of Natural Resources
Kara Bryant, Federal Aid Coordinator, Department of Natural Resources
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AOS Claim # 3550
TOS Job # _____

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October 18, 2023

Victoria Newton
Executive Council
L O C A L

Subject: Damages due to Overflow of Jones Creek Pond at Loess Hills State Forest
on May 12, 2023
Department of Natural Resources
Claim Dated September 1, 2023
AOS Claim ID: 3550

In accordance with Executive Council policy, we have examined the claim for 29C.20 funds for the above-mentioned damage. It is our conclusion that the above-mentioned damage incurred by the Department of Natural Resources is covered by Chapter 29C.20 of the Code of Iowa. Therefore, we recommend an Executive Council allocation in the amount of \$75,200.00, subject to audit of actual invoices.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ernest H. Ruben, Jr.".

Ernest H. Ruben, Jr., CPA
Deputy Auditor of State

cc: Kayla Lyon, Director, Department of Natural Resources
Sherry Arntzen, Parks, Forests and Preserves Bureau, Department of Natural Resources
Kara Bryant, Budget and Finance, Department of Natural Resources
Joel Lunde, Department of Management



September 1, 2023

Victoria Newton
Executive Council
State Capitol
LOCAL

Tammy Hollingsworth
Auditor's Office
Lucas Building
LOCAL

RE: Jones Creek Pond Overflow at Loess Hills State Forest

Dear Victoria and Tammy:

On May 12, 2023, the Jones Creek Pond overflowed and washed out the road at Loess Hills State Forest in Harrison County. Elizabeth Thacker sent an initial e-mail notification of the damages on May 19, 2023. The road was damaged. A cost estimate of \$75,200.00 is attached.

The supporting documentation includes:

- E-mail notifying the Executive Council and the Auditor's Office of the incident
- Estimate for the cost of repairing the road

This information is being submitted to the Executive Council as a request for an allocation of \$75,200.00.

I thank you and the Executive Council members for your time and consideration in reviewing this material. Please inform me if it would be advantageous to participate in the Executive Council meeting in order to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

Sherry L. Arntzen Digitally signed by Sherry L. Arntzen
Date: 2023.09.01 08:37:32 -05'00'

Sherry L. Arntzen, Bureau Chief
Parks, Forests and Preserves Bureau

cc: Kara Bryant, DNR Budget and Finance

Attachments: 2

Notification of Damages - Jones Creek Overflow

Thacker, Elizabeth <elizabeth.thacker@dnr.iowa.gov>

Fri, May 19, 2023 at 12:16 PM

To: "Tammy A. Hollingsworth" <tammy.hollingsworth@aos.iowa.gov>, "ExecutiveCouncil [TOS]" <ExecutiveCouncil@tos.iowa.gov>

Cc: "Arntzen, Sherry" <sherry.arntzen@dnr.iowa.gov>, Kim Bohlen <kim.bohlen@dnr.iowa.gov>, Jacob Schaben <jacob.schaben@dnr.iowa.gov>, "Bryant, Kara" <kara.bryant@dnr.iowa.gov>, Seth Moore <seth.moore@dnr.iowa.gov>

Hi Tammy and Executive Council,

Late Friday, May 12, 2023, the Jones Creek Pond overflowed and washed out the road at Loess Hills State Forest. I apologize for the late notification. The road was damaged. At this time we do not know the amount of damage. I have attached a photo of the road.

Once we have more information and are able to evaluate the damage, an allocation request will be submitted.

Thanks and if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to ask.



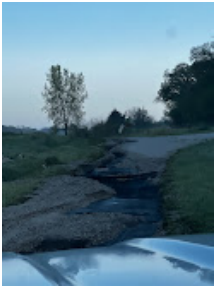
ELIZABETH THACKER • Guest Service and Reservation System Assistant

Parks, Forests, and Preserves Bureau

Iowa Department of Natural Resources

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Jones Creek Overflow road damage.jpeg
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Jones Creek Overflow Repair

Item	Total
Flexamat (Includes Installation)	\$ 67,200.00
Road Rock (Delivery and Installation)	\$ 5,000.00
Seed and Materials (Includes Seedbed Prep and Seeding)	\$ 3,000.00
 Total Estimate	 \$ 75,200.00