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## Executive Council of Iowa

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May 4, 2026

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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 \$9,641.87, subject to an audit of actual invoices. On August 21, 2025, Wildlife Management areas within the Upper Iowa Wildlife Unit in Allamakee & Winneshiek Counties were damaged due to flooding. Request was to cover repair costs.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

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Acting Executive Secretary

cc: Kayla Lyon, Director, Department of Natural Resources  
Monica Thelen, Executive Officer, Wildlife Bureau, Department of Natural Resources  
Kara Bryant, Budget and Finance, Department of Natural Resources  
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AOS Claim # 4157  
TOS Job # \_\_\_\_\_



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Rob Sand  
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April 8, 2026

Kristi Onstot  
Executive Council  
L O C A L

Subject: Flooding Damages at Wildlife Management Areas within the Upper Iowa  
Wildlife Unit in Allamakee & Winneshiek Counties on August 21, 2025  
Department of Natural Resources  
Claim dated November 20, 2025  
AOS Claim ID: 4157

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 \$9,641.87, subject to an audit of actual invoices.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian R. Brustkern".

Brian R. Brustkern, CPA  
Deputy Auditor of State

cc: Kayla Lyon, Director, Department of Natural Resources  
Monica Thelen, Wildlife Bureau, Department of Natural Resources  
Kara Bryant, Budget & Finance, Department of Natural Resources  
Heather Hackbarth, Department of Management

November 20, 2025

Auditor's Office, Executive Council

Subject: CLAIM ID #4157; Flooding Damage in NE Iowa within the Upper Iowa Wildlife Unit

On August 21, 2025 you were sent notification of flooding impacting Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) within the Upper Iowa Wildlife Unit in Allamakee and Winneshiek counties. After staff made their final inspections, flood damages were located at only the Pine Creek and Coldwater Creek WMA. At the Coldwater Creek WMA, there was damage to the parking lot, public access road and stream bank. At the Pine Creek WMA, there was damage to the sediment pond dike and spillway.

There was no FEMA disaster declared for this flooding, so no Public Assistance will be available for these repairs. Our Engineers have put together repair estimates for each WMA, with a total project cost of \$9,641.87. Please find that estimate enclosed.

This information is being submitted to Executive Council as a request for a total allocation of \$9,641.87.

I thank you and the Executive Council members for your time and consideration of this request. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

*Monica Thelen*

Monica Thelen, Executive Officer II  
Wildlife Bureau

**ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COSTS**

Project # TBD  
 Pine Creek WMA  
 sediment pond dike and emergency spillway  
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		Full Project			
Item No.	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost	Cost
1	dirt work (excavator)	10	hours	\$250.00	\$2,500.00
2		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
3		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
4		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
5		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
6		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
7		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
8		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
9		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
10		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
				<b>Estimate</b>	<b>\$2,500.00</b>

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**ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COSTS**

Project # TBD  
 Cold Water Creek WMA  
 Parking Lot, Road, stream bank  
 tanderson

		Full Project			
Item No.	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost	Cost
1	fill removal	46	cubic rards	\$6.56	\$301.76
2	class D riprap (haul and place)	187	tons	\$33.53	\$6,270.11
3	road rock	30	tons	\$19.00	\$570.00
4		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
5		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
6		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
7		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
8		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
9		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
10		0		\$0.00	\$0.00
				<b>Estimate</b>	<b>\$7,141.87</b>

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