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May 4, 2026

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The Executive Council, in a meeting held on this date, approved Iowa Communications Network's request for an emergency allocation of \$18,549.50, subject to audit of actual invoices and supporting documentation and demonstration that no costs covered by the maintenance contract have been included. On March 12, 2026, cable along Highway 5 North of Moravia in Monroe County was exposed due to continued erosion. Request was to cover repair costs.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

Kristi Onstot

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Executive Secretary

cc: Ryan Mulhall, Executive Director, ICN
Kammy McHone, Finance Division, ICN
Dave Augspurger, Operations Division, ICN
Heather Hackbarth, Department of Management
Matt Bender, Department of Management

AOS Claim # 4277
TOS Job # _____



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Rob Sand
Auditor of State

April 8, 2026

Kristi Onstot
Executive Council
L O C A L

Subject: Exposed Cable Due to Continued Erosion along Highway 5 North of Moravia in
Monroe County on March 12, 2026
Iowa Communications Network (ICN)
Claim dated March 20, 2026
AOS Claim ID: 4277

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 Iowa Communications Network (ICN) is covered by Chapter 29C.20 of the Code of Iowa. The amount requested may include costs that will be covered by a monthly maintenance contract for technician services that are not additional expenses to ICN. The actual claim for reimbursement should only be for expenses that exceed the technician hours per the maintenance agreement.

Therefore, we recommend an Executive Council allocation for the requested amount of \$18,549.50, subject to audit of actual invoices and supporting documentation and demonstration that no costs covered by the maintenance contract have been included.

Sincerely,

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

Brian R. Brustkern, CPA
Deputy Auditor of State

cc: Ryan Mulhall, Executive Director, ICN
Kammy McHone, Finance Division, ICN
Dave Augspurger, Operations Division, ICN
Heather Hackbarth, Department of Management



March 20, 2026

Ms. Kristi Onstot
Executive Secretary
Executive Council of Iowa
State Capitol

Re: Emergency Allocations of Funds

Dear Ms. Onstot,

On or about March 12, 2026 the Iowa Communications Network (ICN) received physical damage to ICN Communications equipment in Des Moines, Iowa. An email was sent to the Office of the Auditor of State and the Executive Council. This letter represents a claim for \$18,549.50 in accordance with Chapter 29C.20 of the Code of Iowa for an emergency allocation of funds to repair damages sustained. Paid invoices will be included upon completion of repairs.

It was determined ICN equipment was exposed due to continued and excessive erosion along Highway 5 north of Moravia, IA in Monroe County. Enclosed are the damage assessment and cost estimate to restore that damaged equipment to normal operating condition.

If you have any questions regarding this claim, please call my office at 515-725-4666.

Sincerely,

Ryan Mulhall
Executive Director

cc: Office of Auditor of State (Tammy Hollingsworth)
ICN Operations Division (Dave Augspurger)
ICN Finance Division (Kammy McHone)



March 17, 2026

Estimate for ICN Fiber Cable Damage Repair: Outside Plant Log #68260507

This estimate is for the relocation of an exposed fiber in a creek along Hwy 5 approximately 3000-ft north of Hwy J18 in Monroe County. The exposure is the result of excessive erosion at the creek banks. The Executive Council was notified of the ICN's intent to submit this as a claim for reimbursement on March 3, 2026.

Restoration will require placement of approximately 800 feet of new conduit and cable, relocation of an existing splice/handhole, and splicing material and labor to cut over to new cable alignment.

ESTIMATED COSTS:

Contracted Labor and Materials

Construction Labor	\$14,581.50
Construction Material	\$1,038.00
Splicing Labor	\$2,930.00

TOTAL: \$18,549.50

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Dave Augspurger
Sr Telecom Specialist | OSP Lead
Outside Plant
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ESTIMATE

PROJECT	Monroe - Moravia - Exposed Fiber at Creek North of Mora	COUNTY	Monroe
OSP LOG #	68260507	INC/PRB	0
LINK ID(S)	1517	FIBER CT	4

Contracted Labor and Materials	
Construction Labor	\$14,581.50
Construction Materials	\$1,038.00
Splicing Labor	\$2,930.00
ICN Provided Materials	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00
Engineering Design	\$0.00
TOTAL:	\$18,549.50

VENDOR CONSTRUCTION

CATEGORY	ITEM	UNIT	RATE	QTY	SUBTOTAL
Horizontal Boring	Rural 1 ea 1.25" conduit	LF	\$10.00	800	\$8,000.00
Handhole Placement	Rural Std 24x36x30	EA	\$600.00	1	\$600.00
Fiber Installation	New Duct Rural	LF	\$1.25	950	\$1,187.50
Expose/Lower Cable	Rural Expose Existing Live Cable	LF	\$25.00	150	\$3,750.00
Misc	Mobilization	LS	\$750.00	1	\$750.00
Misc	Mobilization mileage adder	MILES	\$3.00	98	\$294.00
VENDOR CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL:					\$14,581.50

SPLICING LABOR

CATEGORY	ITEM	UNIT	UNIT RATE	QTY	SUBTOTAL
Splicing labor	Splicing Mobilization	LS	\$1,250.00	1	\$1,250.00
Splicing labor	Prep Splice Closure	EA	\$350.00	2	\$700.00
Splicing labor	Fusion Splicing	Splicing	\$60.00	8	\$480.00
Splicing labor	Off Hours Charge	LS	\$500.00	1	\$500.00
SPLICING LABOR SUBTOTAL:					\$2,930.00

ICN PROVIDED MATERIALS

CATEGORY	ITEM	UNIT	QTY	UNIT RATE	SUBTOTAL	PART #
ICN PROVIDED MATERIALS SUBTOTAL:					\$0.00	

VENDOR PROVIDED MATERIALS

CATEGORY	ITEM	UNIT	QTY	UNIT RATE	SUBTOTAL
Duct	1.25" Orange HPDE Duct	LFT	800	\$0.68	\$544.00
Fiber Cable	12F Armored SM Cable	LFT	950	\$0.52	\$494.00
VENDOR PROVIDED MATERIALS SUBTOTAL:					\$1,038.00

ENGINEERING DESIGN

CATEGORY	ITEM	UNIT	QTY	UNIT RATE	SUBTOTAL
ENGINEERING DESIGN SUBTOTAL:					\$0.00

MISCELLANEOUS

CATEGORY	ITEM	UNIT	QTY	UNIT RATE	SUBTOTAL	NOTES
MISCELLANEOUS SUBTOTAL:					\$0.00	



McHone, Kammy <kammy.mchone@iowa.gov>

Monroe Co - Exposed cable north of Moravia along Hwy 5 - 68260507

1 message

Augspurger, Dave <daugspurger@icn.state.ia.us>
To: ICN Executive Council Notice <ICNExecutiveCouncilNotice@iowa.gov>
Cc: Jacob Jordan <jacob.jordan@iowa.gov>

Fri, Mar 13, 2026 at 8:42 AM

Good morning,

Yesterday, ICN field technicians discovered exposed ICN fiber optic cable at a creek along Iowa Highway 5 north of Moravia. The exposed cable is the result of continued and excessive erosion. Restoration will require placing new conduit, cables, and maintenance splices. The ICN would like to submit this as a claim for reimbursement for damages due to natural causes (erosion). Please let me know of any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

Dave Augspurger

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