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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 \$13,925.00, subject to an audit of actual invoices. On April 15, 2026, a portion of the Fire Tower Road at Yellow River State Forest washed out due to heavy rainfall. 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
Matt Bender, Department of Management
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AOS Claim # 4295
TOS Job # _____



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July 8, 2026

Kristi Onstot
Executive Council

Subject: Portion of Fire Tower Road at Yellow River State Forest Washed Out Due to Heavy
Rainfall on April 15, 2026
Department of Natural Resources
Claim dated May 12, 2026
AOS Claim ID: 4295

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 \$13,925.00, 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: Kim Bohlen, Acting Bureau Chief, Parks, Forests and Preserves Bureau, Department of
Natural Resources
Kara Bryant, Budget and Finance, Department of Natural Resources
Heather Hackbarth, Department of Management

May 12, 2026

Kristi Onstot
Executive Council
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Tammy Hollingsworth
Auditor's Office
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RE: Road Washout at Yellow River State Forest

Dear Kristi and Tammy:

On April 15, 2026, Yellow River State Forest experienced extremely heavy rainfall following two weeks of prolonged precipitation. Approximately 0.2 miles of Fire Tower Road washed out on both sides, creating unsafe traveling conditions. Seth Moore sent an initial e-mail notification of the damages on April 17, 2026. A cost estimate of \$13,925.00 is attached.

The supporting documents include:

- Estimated cost for road repairs

This information is being submitted to the Executive Council as a request for allocation of \$13,925.00 for AOS ID #4295.

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,

Kim Bohlen, Acting Bureau Chief
Parks, Forests and Preserves Bureau

Cc: Kara Bryant, DNR Budget and Finance

Attachments: 1

ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COSTS

DNR Project #					
Project Location		Yellow River State Forest			
Project Description		Road Washout Repair			
		Full Project			
Item	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost	Cost
1	Mobilization	1		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
2	Road Rock (0.2 miles long, 12 feet wide, 3 inches thick of Class A Road Rock, with fines)	225	ton	\$45.00	\$10,125.00
3	Class E Rock for foreslope reshaping and stabilization	80	ton	\$35.00	\$2,800.00
				Total	\$13,925.00