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The Executive Council, in a meeting held on today's date, approved the Department of Public Safety's request for an emergency allocation in the amount of \$40,000.00, subject to an audit of actual invoices. From April 26 to May 21, 2024, misaligned microwave dishes/loose cables on Underwood and Harrison ISICS Communication Towers due to severe storms. Request was to cover repair costs not covered by FEMA.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

*Kristi Onstot*

Kristi Onstot  
Executive Secretary

cc: Lieutenant Heath Hove, Interoperability Communications Bureau, Department of Public Safety  
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AOS Claim # 3859  
TOS Job # \_\_\_\_\_



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August 30, 2024

Kristi Onstot  
Executive Council  
L O C A L

Subject: Misaligned Microwave Dishes/Loose Cables on Underwood and Harrison ISICS  
Communication Towers due to Severe Storms from April 26 to May 21, 2024  
Department of Public Safety  
Claim dated August 14, 2024  
AOS Claim ID: 3859

In accordance with Executive Council policy, we have examined the claim for 29C.20 funds for the above-mentioned damages. It is our conclusion that the above damages incurred by the Department of Public Safety is covered by Chapter 29C.20 of the Code of Iowa. The damages will likely qualify for disaster assistance provided through FEMA Declared Disaster 4784. Therefore, we recommend Executive Council approval in the amount of \$40,000.00, subject to an audit of actual invoices. Once the amount of disaster assistance provided through FEMA has been determined, the approved allocation should be reduced by that amount. A reimbursement request should be submitted by the Department for the State's share of costs only.

Sincerely,

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

Brian R. Brustkern, CPA  
Deputy Auditor of State

cc: Lieutenant Joshua Duden, Communications & Interoperability Bureau, Department  
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Heather Hackbarth, Department of Management

**Kim Reynolds**  
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Lt. Governor



Department of Public Safety

**Stephan Bayens**  
Commissioner

August 14, 2024

AON 29C20 allocation request ref. Underwood ISICS tower misaligned microwave dishes and loose cables

State of Iowa Executive Council:

On 6-6-24, while conducting damage assessments regarding the 5-21-24 tornadic event and the subsequent ISICS Tower damage that occurred it was discovered on 5-21-24 the **Underwood ISICS Tower** sustained misaligned microwave dishes and loose cables that are affecting regional radio communications. These tower dishes must be realigned, and cables re-attached. It is possible this tower could qualify for FEMA funding.

Motorola Warranty Representative Dave Gordon was able to provide the DPS Interoperability Communications Bureau an estimate of \$25,000 for repairs to the tower. Repairs will commence when a tower crew becomes available.

The DPS Interoperability Communications Bureau is respectfully submitting a 29C20 Allocation Request for \$25,000 regarding this act of nature damage.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lieutenant Joshua Duden  
Iowa DPS Communications & Interoperability Bureau  
Office of the Commissioner  
215 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
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## Newton, Victoria [TOS]

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**From:** Duden Joshua <duden@dps.state.ia.us>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 3, 2024 12:04 PM  
**To:** heidi.brown@iowa.gov; Hollingsworth, Tammy [AOS]; ExecutiveCouncil [TOS]; Ludwig Nathan; Wittenwyler Jim; Seiler Katelyn; Dostal Sandra  
**Cc:** Hove Heath  
**Subject:** Updated ISICS communication tower damage for FEMA

Hello Heidi,

This email is a follow up to the previous message (see below) from Captain Pierce regarding ISICS tower damage and consideration for FEMA disaster funding. I believe Poweshiek and Tama counties are also included in the disaster declaration. In addition to the Adair South ISICS tower, we also sustained damage at the Poweshiek and Tama towers due to the tornados and severe storms that occurred between May 20, 2024 - May 31, 2024. Please add these to the list of tower damage for consideration for FEMA disaster funding. I have also included an updated list of the tower sites we believe will qualify for FEMA assistance. Let me know if you have any questions.

Adair South ISICS Tower - AON Direct Tornado strike (Severe site damage)	29C20 & FEMA
Tama ISICS Tower - Broken antenna AON	29C20 & FEMA
Poweshiek ISICS Tower - Loose cabling AON	29C20 & FEMA
Adams ISICS Tower - Tower sway damaged cement leg braces AON	29C20 & FEMA
Harrison ISICS Tower - Microwave dish misalignment due to tornadic winds AON	20C20 & FEMA
Underwood (Pottawattamie County) ISICS Tower - Microwave dish misalignment due to tornadic winds AON	20C20 & FEMA

This is the prior message from Captain Pierce:

Heidi,

Per our prior conversation, attached is an updated list and damage estimates for the DPS Interoperability Bureau ISICS Communication Tower Damage. You were sent photos during our previous email. This list reflects the dates of damage and Adair County's Sheriff Office equipment damage that was on our tower was removed from this spreadsheet as that equipment was not State of Iowa Property. Adair County damaged property will need to be submitted by Adair County. All ISICS damage that occurred on or shortly after 5-21-24 is included on this spreadsheet. Please accept this list as the notification of damage for consideration for FEMA Disaster Funding. Please copy **Lt. Heath Hove and Sgt. Josh Duden** on all future communications and add them to the DPS Point of Contact list for the FEMA Grant Application Portal for future information and application processing. I will be retiring effective 6-28-24 and want to ensure logistic continuity.

**Sergeant Joshua Duden** ★184★

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## Newton, Victoria [TOS]

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**From:** Richardson Scott <[richards@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:richards@dps.state.ia.us)>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 29, 2024 12:59 PM  
**To:** ISICSNOC; DAVID GORDON; Battles Robert  
**Subject:** Underwood

All,

For the most part Underwood looks good for radomes and dish health visually from the ground. I did notice some movement in what I believe to be microwave cables about 45ft up the tower. The lines were swaying in the wind ... it appears there is a 25 ft section that is loose. I have photos however it may be difficult to see the looseness ... I will try to upload a video as well ... I will upload photos/video in the near future ...

On to Glenwood ....

### **Scott Richardson**

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**5-21-24 thru 5-31-24  
ISICS Sites Storm Damage  
Budgetary Repair Estimates for FEMA Notification**

State of IA Property	Site Name	County	Tower Height (FT)	Address	Date Damage Occurred	Storm Damage Summary	Budgetary Repair Estimate
DPS ISICS Communication Tower	Adair South	Adair	195	602 SW 2nd St, Greenfield, IA 50849	5/21/2024	<p>This tower site and compound has severe damage from a tornado. The tower was originally built by the State of Iowa -ISICS and used as a microwave system (relay) tower to connect adjacent ISICS towers. The adjacent ISICS towers are Adams and Adair North.</p> <p>This estimate is based on the worst case scenario that the tower will need to be torn down and a new tower built. At the time of the estimate it is too early to know if it can be repaired and be reused.</p> <p>The tower is not safe to be climbed by tower crews. A plan is in the works to get a crane with a basket so the crew can remove all the debris and look for safety hazards. This had to be done in order to get tower climbers on the tower to try and stabilize things on the tower to keep it operational. Another big wind storm could take this site off line and cause various communication issues for ISICS users and Adair County.</p> <p>This estimate is based on all new equipment to be installed on the tower for ISICS. The initial site inspection shows too much damage and everything should be replaced. One of the microwave dishes was blown off the tower and could not be located. Five of the microwave dishes were severely damaged. Only two dishes are working at very poor levels. The microwave cables are hanging off the tower and have been damaged.</p> <p>The fence around the compound was damaged and will need to be replaced completely.</p> <p>Please note that this tower initially did not have radio system equipment. A separate estimate is below for Adair counties' system.</p>	\$ 2,000,000.00
DPS ISICS Communication Tower	Adams	Adams	345	2000 200th St, Coming, IA 50841	5/21/2024	<p>This tower site was damaged by a tornado. The initial site inspection noted that the foundation of the tower was damaged.</p> <p>This estimate is based on the worst case scenario that the tower will need to be torn down and a new tower built. At the time of the estimate it is too early to know if it can be repaired and be reused.</p>	\$ 1,900,000.00
DPS ISICS Communication Tower	Tama	Tama	300	3277 L Ave, Tama, IA 52339	5/21/2024	<p>The initial site inspection noted that one of the radio system antennas is damaged from the storm. This antenna will need to be replaced by a tower crew.</p> <p>This estimate is based on removal of the damaged antenna and a new antennas installed.</p>	\$ 20,215.00
DPS ISICS Communication Tower	Cerro Gordo	Mason City	350	4425 South Washington, Mason City, IA 50401	5/21/2024	<p>The initial site inspection found damage on this tower due to recent storms.</p> <p>One of the radio system antennas was tilted due to high winds. This will require a tower crew to climb the tower and straighten.</p> <p>Clear Lake PD reported that they started having radio coverage issues around 5-22. There were severe storms on 5-21-24.</p>	\$ 17,750.00
DPS ISICS Communication Tower	Underwood	Pottawattamie	300	2025 Hunt Ave, Council Bluffs, IA 51503	5/21/2024	<p>In reviewing the microwave radio health report it was found that the microwave dishes between the Harrison site and Underwood site were affected. The Receive Signal Levels (RSL's) changed which indicates one or more of the dishes have moved due to high winds. This change happened between 5-21 and 5-24. This will require a tower crew to climb the tower and align the dishes to improve the RSL's.</p>	\$ 18,840.00
DPS ISICS Communication Tower	Harrison	Harrison	360	600 N Tower Road, Logan, IA 51546	5/21/2024	<p>In reviewing the microwave radio health report it was found that the microwave dishes between the Harrison site and Underwood site were affected. The Receive Signal Levels (RSL's) changed which indicates one or more of the dishes have moved due to high winds. This change happened between 5-21 and 5-24. This will require a tower crew to climb the tower and align the dishes to improve the RSL's.</p>	\$ 18,840.00
DPS ISICS Communication Tower	Bremer	Bremer	325	3001 East Bremer Avenue, Waverly, IA 50677	5/26/2024	<p>The initial site inspection found that this tower was struck by lightning.</p> <p>Upon arrival several AC breakers had been tripped in the main box. Damage was found on the microwave system. Three RAC cards were not working. One ODU radio was not working. The propane tank monitor system was not working.</p> <p>This estimate is based on replacing all the damaged equipment. The ODU radio is up on the tower mounted to the microwave dish. This will require a tower crew to climb the tower to remove the damaged ODU and install a replacement.</p>	\$ 16,660.00
DPS ISICS Communication Tower	Fayette	Fayette	395	11562 210th St, West Union, IA 52175	5/26/2024	<p>The initial site inspection found damage on this tower due to recent storms.</p> <p>The microwave dishes between the Fayette site and Clayton site were affected. The Receive Signal Levels (RSL's) changed which indicates one or more of the dishes have moved due to high winds. This will require a tower crew to climb the tower and align the dishes to improve the RSL's.</p>	\$ 18,840.00
DPS ISICS Communication Tower	Story	Story	395	57073 US-30, Ames, IA 50010	5/31/2024	<p>The initial site inspection found damage on this tower due to recent storms.</p> <p>The radio system antennas were tilted due to high winds. This will require a tower crew to climb the tower and straighten them.</p> <p>The microwave dishes between the Story site and Mitchellville site were affected. The Receive Signal Levels (RSL's) changed which indicates one or more of the dishes have moved due to high winds. This will require a tower crew to climb the tower and align the dishes to improve the RSL's.</p>	\$ 32,417.00
<b>* Total Budgetary Repair Estimates</b>							<b>\$ 4,043,562.00</b>

*\* The information provided in this budgetary estimate submission is provided for evaluation purposes only and does not constitute a binding offer to sell or license any Motorola Solutions product or services. Motorola Solutions is making no representation, warranties, or commitments with respect to pricing, products, payment terms, credit, or terms and conditions. A firm offer would require more information and further detailed analysis of the requirements.*

## Newton, Victoria [TOS]

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**From:** Pierce Richard <pierce@dps.state.ia.us>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 6, 2024 5:31 PM  
**To:** ExecutiveCouncil [TOS]; Hollingsworth, Tammy [AOS]  
**Cc:** Hove Heath; Duden Joshua; Dostal Sandra; DAVID GORDON; Seiler Katelyn  
**Subject:** Cancel 4-26-24 Underwood ISICS Tower - Loose tower cables, Tornado AON  
**Attachments:** 4-26-24 29C20 Initial Notification of Possible ISICS Tower Damage - Multi Tornado Event

Executive Council and Tammy,

You will shortly be receiving an initial notification for misaligned microwave dish that occurred on 5-21-24 at the Underwood ISICS Tower. There was a previously submitted 29C20 Notification submitted regarding 4-26-24 AON regarding loose cables on the Underwood tower. I have spoken to Dave Gordon, Motorola Customer Representative, and he advised they will repair the loose cables on the Underwood ISICS Tower as a part of the 5-21-24 AON event repairs. Therefore, please **cancel just the 4-26-24 Underwood ISICS Tower Notification** as we will be proceeding with the damage as it occurred on 5-21-24. I feel this will lessen any confusion later.

**Captain Richard Pierce**  
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## Newton, Victoria [TOS]

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**From:** Pierce Richard <pierce@dps.state.ia.us>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 6, 2024 5:28 PM  
**To:** ExecutiveCouncil [TOS]; Hollingsworth, Tammy [AOS]  
**Cc:** Dostal Sandra; Hove Heath; Duden Joshua; DAVID GORDON; Seiler Katelyn  
**Subject:** 5-21-24 Initial 29C20 Notification ref. Underwood & Harrison ISICS Towers - AON Microwave dish Misalignment

Executive Council and Tammy,

On 6-6-24, while conducting damage assessments regarding the 5-21-24 Tornadic event and the subsequent ISICS Tower damage that occurred. During the assessment, it was discovered on 5-21-24 both the **Underwood and Harrison ISICS Towers** sustained misaligned microwave dishes that are affecting regional radio communications. Both tower dishes must be realigned. Repair estimates will be submitted upon receipt.

FYSA - It is possible this tower could qualify for FEMA funding as a result of the 5-21-24 AON. Please accept this email as the initial 29C20 Notification of AON damage.

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## Newton, Victoria [TOS]

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**From:** Duden Joshua <duden@dps.state.ia.us>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 18, 2024 12:49 PM  
**To:** ExecutiveCouncil [TOS]; Hollingsworth, Tammy [AOS]  
**Cc:** Dostal Sandra; Hove Heath; DAVID GORDON; Seiler Katelyn  
**Subject:** RE: 5-21-24 Initial 29C20 Notification ref. Underwood & Harrison ISICS Towers - AON Microwave dish Misalignment  
**Attachments:** Underwood radome damage.jpg

Executive Council and Tammy,

On 6-16-24 DPS inventory specialist Rob Battles discovered radome damage and a missing radome cover at the Underwood ISICS tower site. Please accept this email as initial notification of 29C20 damage. This damage is most likely related to the tornadic event referenced below and could possibly qualify for FEMA funding. Let me know if you have any questions or need additional information. Thank you.

**Sergeant Joshua Duden** ★184★

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**Subject:** 5-21-24 Initial 29C20 Notification ref. Underwood & Harrison ISICS Towers - AON Microwave dish Misalignment

Executive Council and Tammy,

On 6-6-24, while conducting damage assessments regarding the 5-21-24 Tornadic event and the subsequent ISICS Tower damage that occurred. During the assessment, it was discovered on 5-21-24 both the **Underwood and Harrison ISICS Towers** sustained misaligned microwave dishes that are affecting regional radio communications. Both tower dishes must be realigned. Repair estimates will be submitted upon receipt.

FYSA - It is possible this tower could qualify for FEMA funding as a result of the 5-21-24 AON. Please accept this email as the initial 29C20 Notification of AON damage.

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## Newton, Victoria [TOS]

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**From:** Pierce Richard <pierce@dps.state.ia.us>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 27, 2024 8:26 AM  
**To:** ExecutiveCouncil [TOS]; Hollingsworth, Tammy [AOS]  
**Cc:** Hove Heath; Duden Joshua; Dostal Sandra; Seiler Katelyn; Anderson Kristy; Brittain David; Richardson Scott; Stufflebeem Connie; DAVID GORDON  
**Subject:** 4-26-24 29C20 Initial Notification of Possible ISICS Tower Damage - Multi Tornado Event

Executive Council and Tammy,

During the night on 4-26-24, multiple tornados touched down throughout Iowa and more are anticipated to manifest the remainder of the weekend. Due this is prolonged severe related event, we anticipate several ISICS Towers and related site equipment may sustain damage from high winds and flying debris. Currently, we believe we may have damage at our Shelby ISICS Tower Site, however the extent is unknown. It may take us several days or over a weeks to get a comprehensive assessment of the status of our towers due to the number and locations around the state. In the meantime, please accept this email as the initial 29C20 notification of possible tornado damage to several ISICS Towers. A comprehensive list of towers will be forthcoming.

Thank you

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**From:** Richardson Scott <richards@dps.state.ia.us>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 26, 2024 6:58:49 PM  
**To:** Mohr Celeste <mohr@dps.state.ia.us>; ISICSNOC <ISICSNOC@DPS.STATE.IA.US>  
**Cc:** stormlake <stormlake@dps.state.ia.us>  
**Subject:** RE: SHELBY SITE

I am aware ... I'm watching the alarms come in .... Shelby is currently in Commercial Power Failure ... Generator should be running however ... The Shelby site is still online and has 164 radios with voice traffic passing ...

Tornado on the ground SW of Manilla now ... The Manning and Denison sites are North and NW of there ..

**Scott Richardson**

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**From:** Mohr Celeste <mohr@dps.state.ia.us>  
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**To:** ISICSNOC <ISICSNOC@DPS.STATE.IA.US>  
**Cc:** stormlake <stormlake@dps.state.ia.us>  
**Subject:** SHELBY SITE

SHELBY SITE ALARM  
1124 ST F32  
HARLAN  
TICKET # 572236  
CFS # 000 211-6990

HE ADV'D ALARM WAS CALLED IN  
TORNADO JUST WENT DOWN IN THAT AREA W LOTS OF DAMAGE.  
ALL OFFICERS ARE BUSY IN MINDEN W CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE THERE.

THANKS

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**From:** Pierce Richard <pierce@dps.state.ia.us>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 10, 2024 5:03 PM  
**To:** ExecutiveCouncil [TOS]; Hollingsworth, Tammy [AOS]  
**Cc:** Seiler Katelyn; DAVID GORDON; Dostal Sandra; Duden Joshua; Hove Heath; Anderson Kristy  
**Subject:** 4-26 thru 5-9-24 AON ISICS Tower Damage due to series of tornadic events across Ia  
**Attachments:** 4-26-24 29C20 Initial Notification of Possible ISICS Tower Damage - Multi Tornado Event; Re: Shelby; \*\* External Email Alert \*\* Iowa Site - Radome Damage; \*\* External Email Alert \*\* Van Wert Storm Damage; \*\* External Email Alert \*\* Clarinda (Page) Site - Storm Damage Report; \*\* External Email Alert \*\* Storm Lake Site - Storm Damage Report; \*\* External Email Alert \*\* Calhoun Site - Storm Damage Report; \*\* External Email Alert \*\* Marion Site - Storm Damage Report; \*\* External Email Alert \*\* Newton Site - Storm Damage Report; \*\* External Email Alert \*\* Davis Site - Storm Damage Report; 29C20 & FEMA Request Tracking Spreadsheet 310 Copy.xlsx

Executive Council and Tammy

On 4-26-24 several ISICS Towers sustained Tornado damage (See attached original notification); however, from 4-26-24 until 5-9-24 a series of tornadic events and severe weather events has pummeled Iowa statewide. In the days following the initial notification, ISICS and Motorola Personnel have been inspecting towers for damage. Below is a list of all AON damage that has been discovered since 4-26-24. Since it is difficult to determine the exact dates the damage occurred at each site due to the number of storm events, I am using the date the damage was discovered and reported to me as the date of occurrence for record keeping. Damage photos and the reports of AON damage for each site are also attached.

4-26 and 5-6-24, **Shelby ISICS Tower** – sustained 2 direct hits by tornados. Radomes X3 damaged, one radio dish destroyed, and antennas tiled AON.

4-26-24 **Underwood ISICS Tower** – Loosened Microwave Cables AON.

5-8-24 **Iowa ISICS Tower** – Broken Radome AON. *\*\* Note: on 3-31-23 Iowa Tower had a previously reported broken radome and has been waiting on repairs. With the 5-8-24 damage, Iowa ISICS Tower now has 2 broken radomes. An updated Allocation Letter will be sent updating the cost of repairs.*

5-9-24 **Van Wert ISICS Tower** – Multiple Titled Antennas AON

5-9-24 **Clarinda ISICS Tower** – Several Loosened Microwave Cables AON

5-9-24 **Calhoun ISICS Tower** – Lightning Strike Damage & Broken Radome AON

5-9-24 **Marion ISICS Tower** – Several Loosened Microwave Cables AON

5-9-24 **Newton ISICS Tower** – Several Loosened Microwave Cables AON

5-9-24 **Davis ISICS Tower** – Several Loosened Microwave Cables AON

The damage estimates for the radomes continues to be delayed due to the new manufacturer being in Italy and they must be imported. I am still awaiting updated prices so estimates can be provided. Also attached is an updated ISICS Tower Damage Spreadsheet for your records.

**Captain Richard Pierce**

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