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STATE OF IOWA

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Auditor of State

State Capitol Building  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0004  
Telephone (515) 281-5834

July 14, 2025

Kristi Onstot  
Executive Council  
LOCAL

Subject: Exposed Warning Tape and Shallow Fiber Optic Cable Due to Excessive  
Erosion on April 15, 2025  
Iowa Communications Network (ICN)  
Claim dated April 24, 2025  
AOS Claim ID: 4024

In accordance with Executive Council policy, we have examined the invoices and supporting documentation for final payment related to the damages and have found the items to be in order as shown below:

Documented request		\$ <u>4,865.22</u>
Executive Council Allocation		\$ 9,129.00
Less:		
Previous payments	\$ 0.00	
This payment	<u>4,865.22</u>	
Total		\$ <u>4,865.22</u>
Remaining Executive Council allocation		\$ <u>4,263.78</u>

We recommend reimbursement be made in the amount of \$4,865.22. This represents full and final payment of the loss. The remaining allocation should be reverted to the State Treasury.

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



June 23, 2025

Executive Council  
State Capitol Building  
Des Moines, IA  
LOCAL

*Attn: Kristi Onstot*

Reimbursement Request – 29C.20

Invoice Number: 64525066

Tenant #: EXEC00000001

OSP Log #: 84250707

Cost to repair ICN fiber in Sioux County \$ 4,865.22

Along 400<sup>th</sup> Street west of Jackson Avenue

April 15, 2024

*See attached detail*

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Net Amount Due:	\$ 4,865.22
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~Payment Due Upon Receipt~  
Please send a copy of this invoice with remittance.  
Please remit payment within 30 days to:  
Iowa Communications Network

**ICN Accounting String:**

**Fund: 0645 DEPT: 336 ORG: 2700 REV: 0709 APPR: 0000**



May 29, 2025

Actuals for ICN Fiber Cable Damage Repair: Outside Plant Log #84250707

This invoice is for the relocation of an exposed and shallow fiber optic cable at a culvert along 400<sup>th</sup> St west of Jackson Ave in Sioux County. The exposure was the result of excessive erosion at the base of the creek. The Executive Council was notified of the ICN's intent to submit this as a claim for reimbursement on April 15, 2025.

Restoration required placement of approximately 900 feet of new conduit and cable, relocation of an handhole, and splicing material and labor to cut over to new cable alignment. Some cost savings were obtained by working with another telco (Premier Communications) who also required relocation for the same reasons.

ACTUAL COSTS:

Contracted Labor and Materials	
Construction & Splicing Labor & Material	\$4,865.22
ICN Provided Materials	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$4,865.22</b>

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

**Dave Augspurger**  
**Sr Telecom Specialist | OSP Lead**  
Outside Plant  
Iowa Communications Network  
400 East 14th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319  
515-725-4604 office  
515-229-2013 cell  
[daugspurger@icn.state.ia.us](mailto:daugspurger@icn.state.ia.us)  
[icn.iowa.gov](http://icn.iowa.gov)

Budget FY	Ref Doc	C Ref Doc ID	Fund	Unit	Object	Object Class	Appropriation	Vendor	Customer	Vendor Customer Name	Vendor Invoice Number	Doc Record Date	Posting Am.	Line	Descr	Check Number	Doc Accounting Ltr
2025	GAX	25JEC28568	0645	2700	2516	409	0000	00003102309	H & D UNDERGROUND INC	H & D UNDERGROUND INC	INC0314016A	06/17/25	2,210.22	4		000001000111914	
2025	GAX	25JEC28568	0645	2700	2519	409	0000	00003102309	H & D UNDERGROUND INC	H & D UNDERGROUND INC	INC0314016A	06/17/25	2,655.00	3		000001000111914	
													4,865.22				

## Invoice



24434 240th St  
Sleepy Eye, MN 56085

## Bill To

Iowa Communications Network  
Dave Augspurger  
400 East 14th St  
Des Moines, IA 50319

Date	Invoice #
5/23/2025	ICN0314016A

Project Number	Project/Drop	Terms
84250707	EXTENSION	Due on receipt

Address	ORANGE CITY
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Description	Completion Date	Quantity	Unit Price	Amount
BFO 48W- including material (joint)		900	1.75	1,575.00
Remove HH		1	400.00	400.00
BHF(30x48x36)		1	450.00	450.00
BM 2(5/8)(8)		1	87.25	87.25
Backhoe per ft		68	10.00	680.00
SPLICING				
HO-1 including material		8	47.00	376.00
HBFO 48 including material		1	1,265.97	1,265.97
FO TRAY including material		1	31.00	31.00

**APPROVED**

By David Augspurger at 9:49 am, May 29, 2025

VENDOR: H & D Underground  
INVOICE: ICN0314016A  
AMOUNT: \$4,865.22  
LOG #: 84250707  
AFE: na  
BILLABLE: Yes, Executive Council  
FY: 25  
P.O.: na

Thank You for the opportunity	Fax #	E-mail	<b>Total</b>	\$4,865.22
507-794-2500	507-794-4128	hdunderg@mtcnet.net	<b>Balance Due</b>	\$4,865.22





April 24, 2025

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

Re: Emergency Allocations of Funds

Dear Ms. Newton,

On or about April 15, 2024 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 \$9,129.00 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 damaged due to continued and excessive erosion at the base of culverts along 400<sup>th</sup> Street west of Jackson Avenue in Sioux County, IA. Enclosed are the damage assessment and cost estimate to relocate and restore that damaged equipment to normal operating condition.

If you have any questions regarding this claim, please call my office at 515-725-4666 located in the Grimes State Office Building.

Sincerely,

Ryan Mulhall  
Executive Director

Enclosures

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



McHone, Kammy &lt;kammy.mchone@iowa.gov&gt;

**Sioux Co - erosion along 400th St approx 1500-ft west of Jackson Ave 84250707**

2 messages

**Augspurger, Dave** <daugspurger@icn.state.ia.us>

Tue, Apr 15, 2025 at 6:41 AM

To: "Harris, Victoria [ICN]" <victoria.harris@iowa.gov>, Kammy Mchone <kammy.mchone@icn.state.ia.us>, Executive Council group email <ExecutiveCouncil@tos.iowa.gov>, "Dana [AOS] Davis" <Dana.Davis@aos.iowa.gov>, Scott Pappan <scott.pappan@icn.state.ia.us>, "Hollingsworth, Tammy [AOS]" <tammy.hollingsworth@aos.iowa.gov>, Ryan Mulhall <ryan.mulhall@icn.state.ia.us>, Connor Kuehl <connor.kuehl@icn.state.ia.us>

Good morning,

An ICN field technician discovered exposed warning tape and shallow fiber optic cable along 400th St approximately 1500-ft west of Jackson Ave in Sioux County. Erosion and exposure are the result of continued and excessive erosion at the base of culverts along the road. Repair will require lowering the cable in place or replacing a section of cable if that is not feasible. The ICN would like to submit this a claim for reimbursement for damages due to natural causes (erosion). Please let me know of any questions.

Respectfully,

**Dave Augspurger****Sr Telecom Specialist | OSP Lead**

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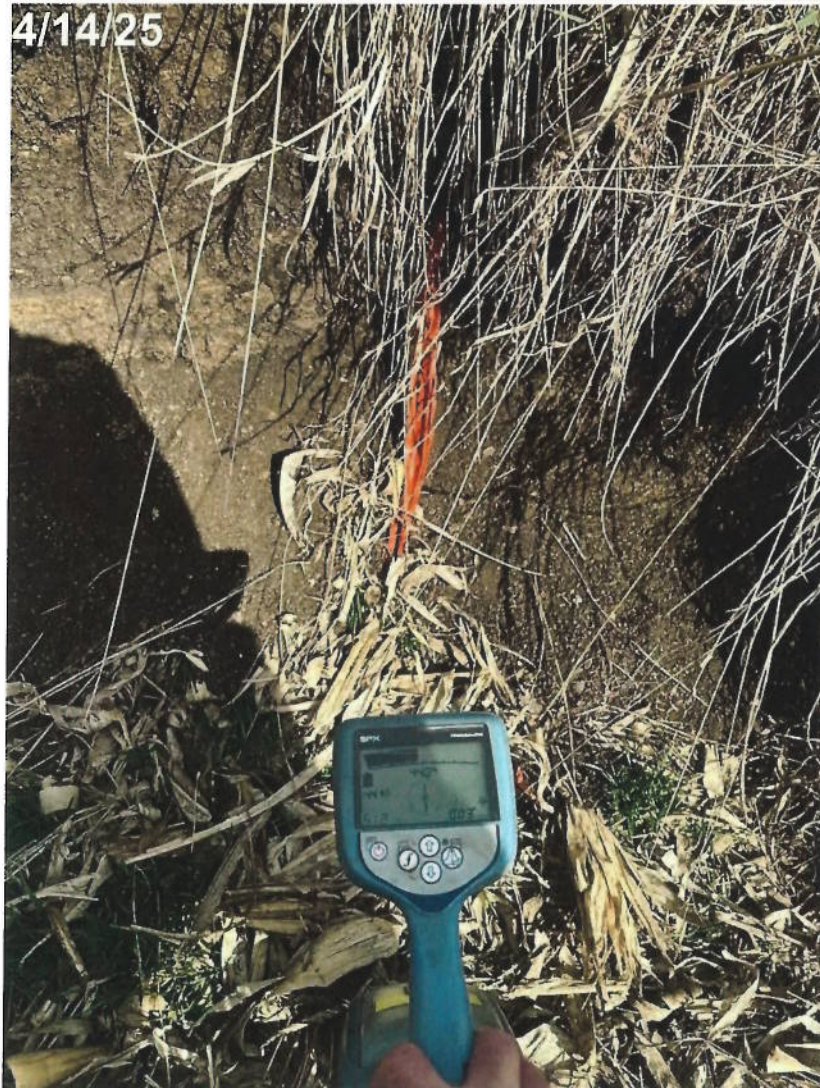
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**Tammy Hollingsworth** <Tammy.Hollingsworth@aos.iowa.gov>

Tue, Apr 15, 2025 at 8:51 AM

To: "Augspurger, Dave" <daugspurger@icn.state.ia.us>, "Harris, Victoria [ICN]" <victoria.harris@iowa.gov>, Kammy Mchone <kammy.mchone@icn.state.ia.us>, Executive Council group email <ExecutiveCouncil@tos.iowa.gov>, Dana Davis <Dana.Davis@aos.iowa.gov>, Scott Pappan <scott.pappan@icn.state.ia.us>, Ryan Mulhall <ryan.mulhall@icn.state.ia.us>, Connor Kuehl <connor.kuehl@icn.state.ia.us>

**Notification of 29C.20 Damages Received – AOS Claim #4024**

**From:** Augspurger, Dave <daugspurger@icn.state.ia.us>

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 15, 2025 6:42 AM

**To:** Harris, Victoria [ICN] <victoria.harris@iowa.gov>; Kammy Mchone <kammy.mchone@icn.state.ia.us>; Executive Council group email <ExecutiveCouncil@tos.iowa.gov>; Dana Davis <Dana.Davis@aos.iowa.gov>; Scott Pappan <scott.pappan@icn.state.ia.us>; Tammy Hollingsworth <Tammy.Hollingsworth@AOS.IOWA.GOV>; Ryan Mulhall <ryan.mulhall@icn.state.ia.us>; Connor Kuehl <connor.kuehl@icn.state.ia.us>

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