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Kristi Onstot
Executive Council
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Subject: Damages to Maintenance Shed at Shimek State Forest Due to Severe Storms
on July 14, 2025
Department of Natural Resources
Claim dated August 20, 2025
AOS Claim ID: 4105

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 \$4,472.00, 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: Sherry Arntzen, 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

8/20/2025

Victoria Newton
Executive Council
State Capitol
LOCAL

Tammy Hollingsworth
Auditor's Office
Lucas Building
LOCAL

RE: Storm Damage at Shimek State Forest

Dear Victoria and Tammy:

On Monday, July 14, 2025, it was discovered that a large tree branch had fallen on the maintenance shed at Shimek State Forest due to storms that passed through the area. Seth Moore sent an initial e-mail notification of the damages on July 16, 2025. A cost estimate of \$4,472.00 is attached.

The supporting documents include:

- Estimated cost of repairs

This information is being submitted to the Executive Council as a request for allocation of \$4,472.00 for AOS ID #4105.

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,

Sherry L. Arntzen, Bureau Chief
Parks, Forests and Preserves Bureau

Cc: Kara Bryant, DNR Budget and Finance

Attachments: 1

ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COSTS							
DNR Project #							
Project Location		Shimek State Forest					
Project Description		Storage Building Roof Repair					
Date		8/14/2025					
Author		B. Flippin					
		Full Project				Cost Center	
Item No.	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost	Cost	Quantity	Cost
1	Remove/Replace Roof Tin	216	SF	\$12.00	\$2,592.00	216	\$2,592.00
2	Remove/Replace Gutter Apron	20	LF	\$8.00	\$160.00	20	\$160.00
3	Remove/Replace Fascia Tin	20	LF	\$11.00	\$220.00	20	\$220.00
4	Reinstall Soffit Tin	20	LF	\$10.00	\$200.00	20	\$200.00
5	Replace Gutters	70	LF	\$15.00	\$1,050.00	70	\$1,050.00
6	Mobilization	1	LS	\$250.00	\$250.00	1	\$250.00
				Total	\$4,472.00	Subtotal	\$4,472.00