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September 11, 2025

Kristi Onstot
Executive Council
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Subject: Damages to Manchester Fish Hatchery due to Strong Winds on July 4, 2025
Department of Natural Resources
Claim dated August 15, 2025
AOS Claim ID: 4161

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 \$75,000.00, subject to an audit of actual invoices.

Sincerely,

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

Brian R. Brustkern, CPA
Deputy Auditor of State

cc: George Scholten, Supervisor, Fisheries Bureau, Department of Natural Resources
Kara Bryant, Budget and Finance, Department of Natural Resources
Heather Hackbarth, Department of Management

August 15, 2025

Victoria Newton	Tammy Hollingsworth
Executive Council	Auditor's Office
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Subject: Wind Damage at Manchester Fish Hatchery, Delaware County

Victoria and Tammy:

On July 7, 2025 you were sent notification of damage to several buildings at the Manchester Fish Hatchery that resulted from strong winds over the weekend of July 5-6, 2025. This wind blew trees down that completely destroyed a stand-alone storage structure and damaged the roof and gutter on the main building and tank room building.

As far as I know, Delaware County was not included in a FEMA Declaration for this incident, so no Public Assistance will be available to make these repairs. Our Engineers have put together repair estimates for these structures, with a total project cost of \$75,000. Please find that estimate enclosed.

This information is being submitted to Executive Council as a request for a total allocation of \$75,000.

I thank you and the Executive Council members for your time and consideration of this request. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,



George Scholten, Supervisor
Fisheries Bureau

Iowa DNR Engineering repair estimate for damages at Manchester Fish Hatchery.

Manchester Fish Hatchery Repair

Item	Total
Tree Removal	\$1,500.00
Demo damaged 20 x 60 pole building	\$4,000.00
Replace 20 x 60 pole building on existing concrete footing	\$45,000.00
Repair 25 x 50 section (1,250 sq ft) of standing seam steel roof on main building	\$16,000.00
Replace 50 linear feet of steel wrapped fascia on main building	\$1,500.00
Replace 35 ft of corner trim steel on Tank Room Building	\$1,000.00
Replace 35 x 10 (250 sq ft) of standing seam steel roof on Tank Room Building	\$6,000.00
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Total Estimate	\$75,000.00