

Storm Damage Resource Summary

Severe thunderstorms impacted Polk County on July 19th and 20th and many residents have reported extensive tree damage, damage to property, and debris. The information below provides useful information.

- Please note that the County does not have funds or equipment to help clear debris on private property. Please contact private contractors to assist with this work. It is possible that Polk County may receive some reimbursement from FEMA at a later date, but this will cover government cost associated with debris removal from public highways and other facilities, rights of way, and cost to dispose of materials at the debris collection sites. If residents have a medical emergency and there is debris blocking access, please call 9-1-1 for assistance.
- The County has established two official debris collection sites that will serve as the primary points to deposit debris:
 - 773 Mains Crossing Ave., Amery, WI
 - Property immediately north of 2193 80th St., Luck, WI.
- At the current time, there is not heavy equipment available to help unload debris at these sites, but the County has requests pending to attain State equipment assistance.
- If residents who live along County Trunk Highways are physically unable to make it to the debris sites, they can deposit the debris in the ditch along the right of way (not in the road). Residents who live in other areas should contact their local municipality to see if this is permissible.
- Businesses that have costs associated with storm cleanup may be eligible for a loan program offered by West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Corp (attached)
- We expect more news may be available by the end of July 22 or early July 23, but please stay tuned to the Polk County Sheriff's Office Facebook page for the most current news and resources.