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# NEWS RELEASE

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## Storm response continues as Dubuque prepares for more rain

DUBUQUE, Iowa – City staff are responding to issues related to last night's storm and preparing for the additional rain forecasted for today and tonight.

Crews have been working since last night's rain event began to clear debris from streets and stormwater intakes and inspecting catch basins, detention basins, and other stormwater facilities.

Public safety officials urge residents to keep out of water running in the streets. The record amount of rainfall has caused street flooding and the additional rain forecasted may create dangerous stormwater situations. Dubuque residents are urged to avoid areas where stormwater may be rapidly flowing through streets, creating dangerous currents at stormwater intakes and causing manhole covers to be displaced. Pedestrians, especially children, and vehicle traffic should avoid these areas.

Dubuque residents with flooded basements can call the Dubuque Fire Department at 589-4260 or 589-4415. Fire department staff are pumping water from flooded basements and will continue to do so as conditions warrant.

A number of trees are down throughout the city and the current priority for the City's Leisure Services staff is to clear trees blocking streets and situations where utilities (power lines) are involved. Property owners are responsible for downed private trees and the disposal of tree debris. To report a downed City tree, or private tree in the public right-of-way, please call Leisure Services at 589-4263.

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