



DELAWARE COUNTY HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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Delaware County EMA Releases Storm Damage Information Following April 2 Tornado

Delaware County, IN – The Delaware County Emergency Management Agency has released updated information regarding the severe weather event that impacted the area on the evening of Wednesday, April 2, 2025.

Following a survey conducted by the National Weather Service in Indianapolis, it has been confirmed that a tornado touched down in Delaware County with the following details:

- **Start Time:** April 2, 2025, 9:57 PM
- **End Time:** April 2, 2025, 10:17 PM
- **EF Scale Rating:** EF-2
- **Estimated Peak Winds:** 125 mph
- **Track Length:** 15.2 miles
- **Maximum Width:** 200 yards
- **Injuries/Deaths:** None reported

Summary:

The tornado began in a wooded area south-southwest of the first reported property damage. It grew to a width of approximately 200 yards as it struck the first homestead, continuing north-northeast before curving slightly more northeast. The tornado eventually dissipated west of Eaton. While significant damage occurred along the tornado's path, damage near Eaton was determined to be caused by straight-line winds as the storm transitioned to an outflow-dominated system.

Non-tornadic Severe Thunderstorm winds also caused widespread damage throughout the county.

Delaware County Highway Department Urges Caution Due to Downed Trees and Flooded Roads:

Residents are urged to **exercise extreme caution when traveling on county roads**, particularly after dark. Many areas remain **hazardous** due to lingering storm damage and ongoing flooding. Road crews are actively responding to reports of blocked roads caused by downed trees and are working as quickly as conditions allow to clear routes.

However, the cleanup effort is being slowed by several factors:

- Continued tree falls due to **oversaturated soil**
- Delays caused by necessary **utility work** that must be completed before roads can fully reopen
- **Flooded areas** creating additional travel hazards

Drivers are advised to stay alert, drive carefully, and avoid unnecessary travel in affected areas. Your cooperation and patience are greatly appreciated as response and recovery efforts continue.

Remember, never drive through flood waters!

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