



EVACUATION RECOMMENDATION

Officials are recommending your voluntary evacuation from anticipated flood impact areas along and near the Missouri River. Forecast flooding indicates that most roads in the recommended evacuation areas will be forced closed and there is a potential for loss of utility services in flood inundated areas as well. Conditions may warrant evacuation in some areas as early as this evening.

Evacuation Area 1

In Northwest Pottawattamie County - Harrison County Line south to the Council Bluffs City Limits, and east from the Missouri River to Interstate 29.

Evacuation Area 2

In Council Bluffs - Emil Lane, Dog Bite Lane, and the east to west spans of Gifford Road between S 19th Street and S 35th Street.

Timely and reliable access to these areas for essential and emergency services will be significantly delayed and may, at times, be completely impassable based on the current forecast.

Residents of Pottawattamie County that elect to temporarily evacuate and have an emergency sheltering need should call 712-328-5777 between the hours of 8am – 3pm to arrange for sheltering.

For ongoing flood update information, visit <https://pcema-ia.org>

Flood Reminders			
Indoors	Outdoors	In a Vehicle	In an Evacuation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Turn on battery-operated radio or television to get the latest emergency information. ○ Get your pre-assembled emergency supplies. ○ If advised to leave, do so immediately. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Climb to high ground and stay there. ○ Avoid walking through any floodwaters. If it is moving swiftly, even water six inches deep can sweep you off your feet. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If you come to a flooded area, turn around and go another way. ○ If your car stalls, abandon it immediately and climb to higher ground. Many deaths have resulted from attempts to move stalled vehicles. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If advised to evacuate, do so immediately. ○ Evacuation is much simpler and safer before flood waters become too deep for ordinary vehicles to drive through. ○ Listen to a battery-operated radio for evacuation instructions. ○ Follow recommended evacuation routes if they are established; shortcuts may be blocked. ○ Leave early enough to avoid being trapped by flooded roads.

For more information on flood dangers and how to assemble an emergency kit, visit www.beready.iowa.gov.

To receive emergency weather warnings and community emergency alerts sign up for free alerts from Alert Iowa at <https://pcema-ia.org>.

