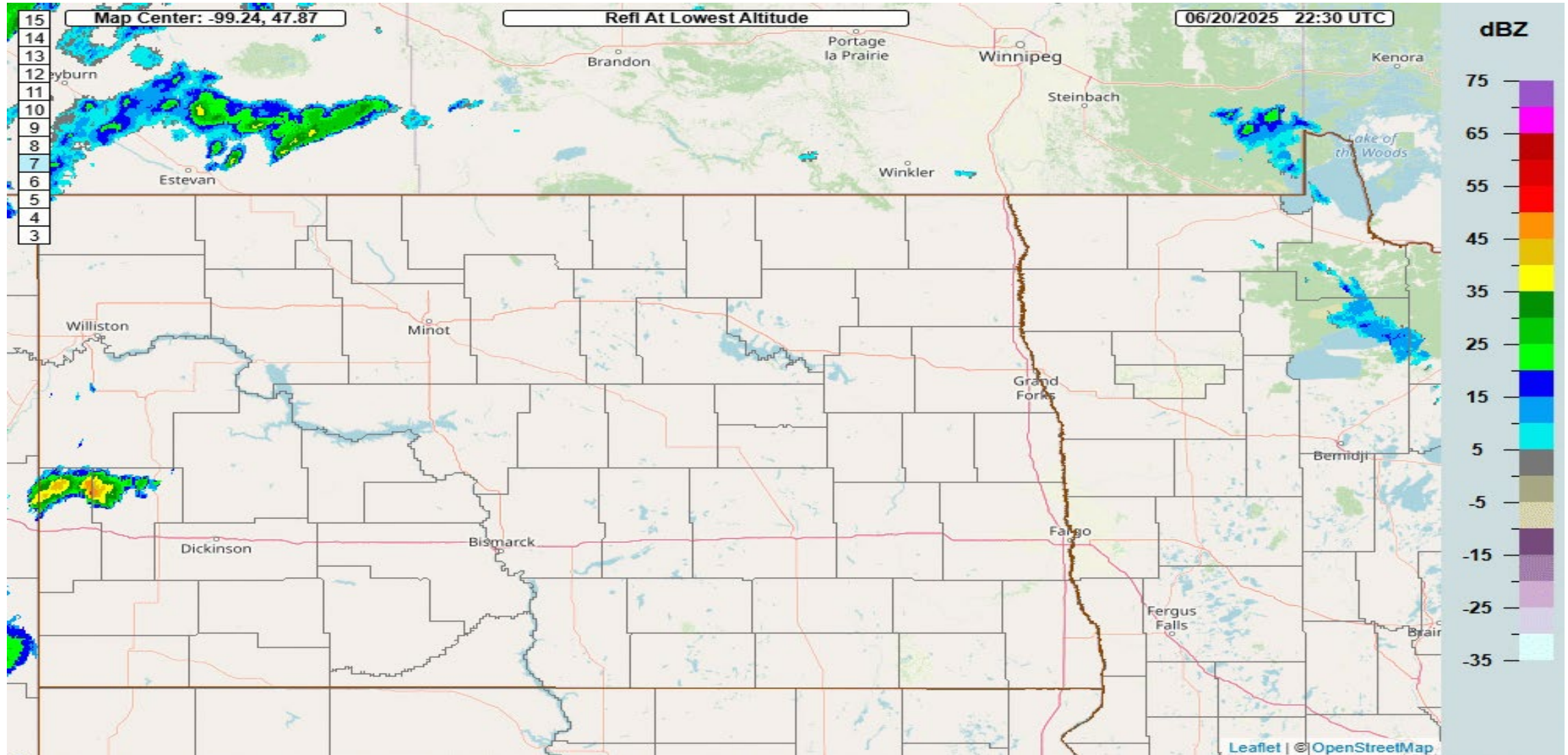


WHEN DISASTER STRIKES...
COUNTIES RESPOND



June 20th/21st, 2025 - Tornadoes, Derecho, and More



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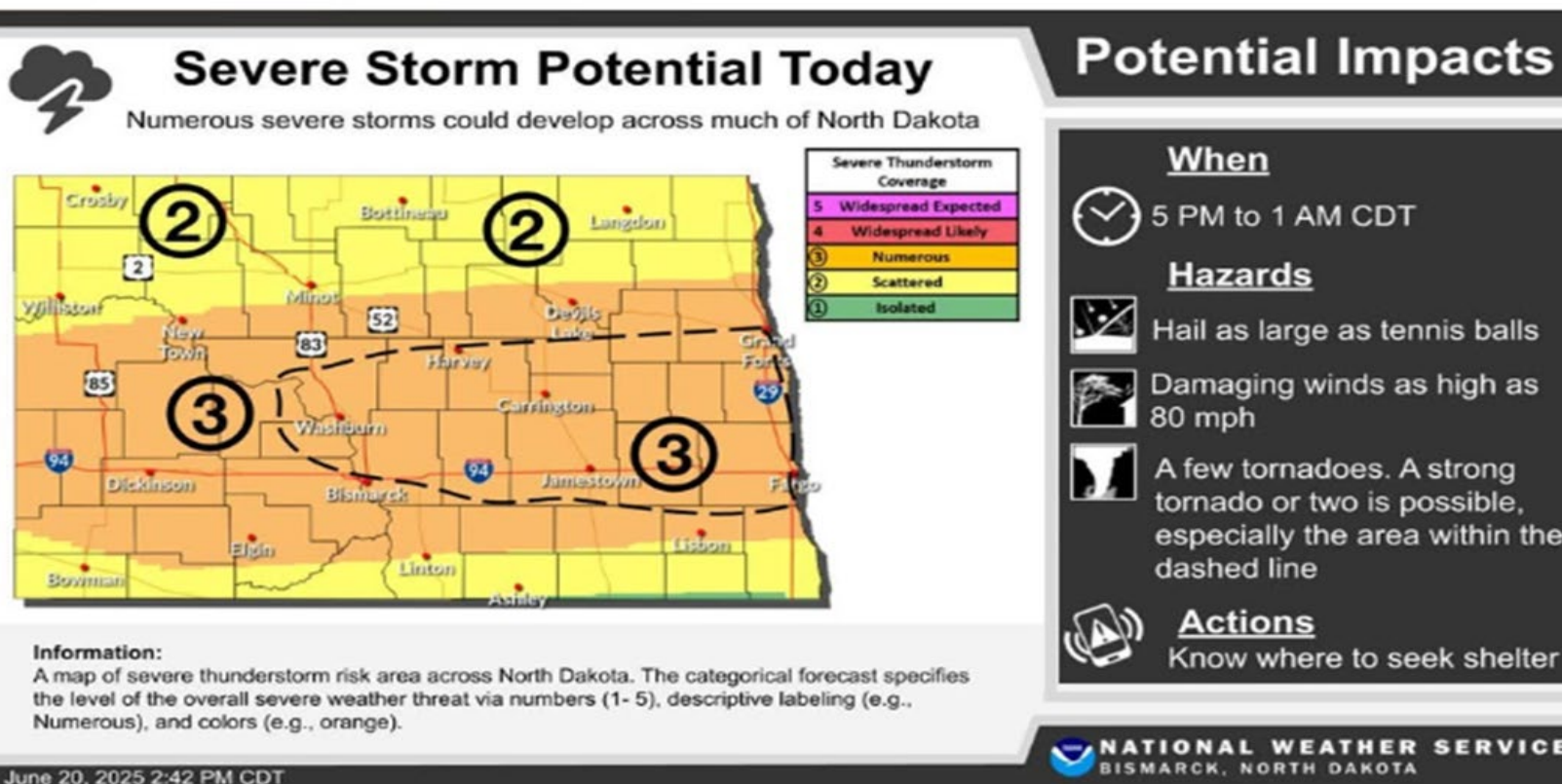
How/Where do we Communicate Scenarios/Probabilities?



US National Weather Service Bismarck North Dakota

June 20 · 🌐

We are still watching the potential for numerous severe thunderstorms late this afternoon through the evening. Potential hazards include hail as large as tennis balls, damaging winds as high as 80 mph, and a few tornadoes possible. A strong tornado or two is possible, with the favored area shifted a bit north from previous updates (black outlined area).



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Focusing on Areas of Highest Severe Storm Potential

SEVERE STORMS TONIGHT 745 PM Update

Updated: Friday June 20, 2025 7:45 PM CDT

Be Prepared For...



Damaging wind gusts
over 80 mph



Tornadoes



Damaging hail up to
Baseballs

Red Area

This region has the potential to see supercells with ALL modes of severe weather in the next 4 hours, including tornadoes, very large hail, and damaging winds.

ALL Areas

Widespread damaging winds are expected after dark. Some areas will see winds of over 80 mph.

Actions You Can Take...



Have multiple reliable ways
to receive warnings.



Stay indoors until the
storms pass.



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Event Gets Underway (and I'm Happy to not be Camping!)

Tornado Watch

Valid Until
3:00 AM CDT Saturday
June 21, 2025

Threat Information



TORNADOES

A Couple Tornadoes
Possible



HAIL

Scattered Hail Up To
Two Inch Size Possible



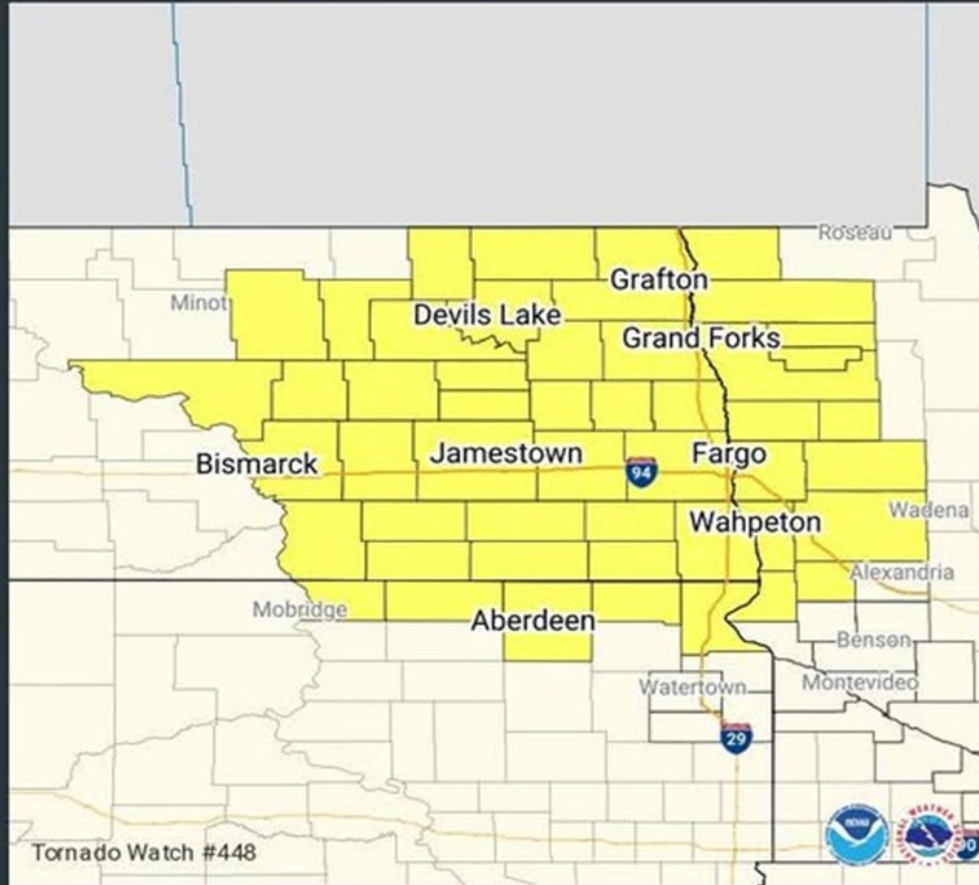
WIND

Widespread Gusts
Up To 105 MPH Expected

Potential Exposure



Population: 810,836
Schools: 574
Hospitals: 56



Severe Thunderstorm Warning

Expires in 19m
North Dakota
Grant & Morton

Extremely Dangerous Situation

Hail: <.75", Radar Indicated
Wind: 90 mph, Observed
Threat: Destructive

* **Severe Thunderstorm Warning for...** Northwestern Morton County in south central North Dakota... Northwestern Grant County in south central North Dakota...

* **Until 845 PM CDT/745 PM MDT/.**

* At 820 PM CDT/720 PM MDT/, a severe thunderstorm was located near Heart Butte Dam, or 44 miles north of Lemmon, moving east at 70 mph.

THIS IS A DESTRUCTIVE STORM FOR NORTHWEST GRANT COUNTY, INCLUDING HEART BUTTE DAM.

HAZARD...90 mph wind gusts.

SOURCE...Trained weather spotters.

IMPACT...You are in a life-threatening situation. Flying debris may be deadly to those caught without shelter. Mobile homes will be heavily damaged or destroyed. Homes and businesses will have substantial roof and window damage. Expect extensive tree damage and power outages.

* **Locations impacted include...** New Salem, Glen Ullin, Elgin, Carson, New Leipzig, Almont, Heart Butte Dam, Lark, Raleigh, Leith, and Heil.



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Expectations Downstream Continued to be Refined

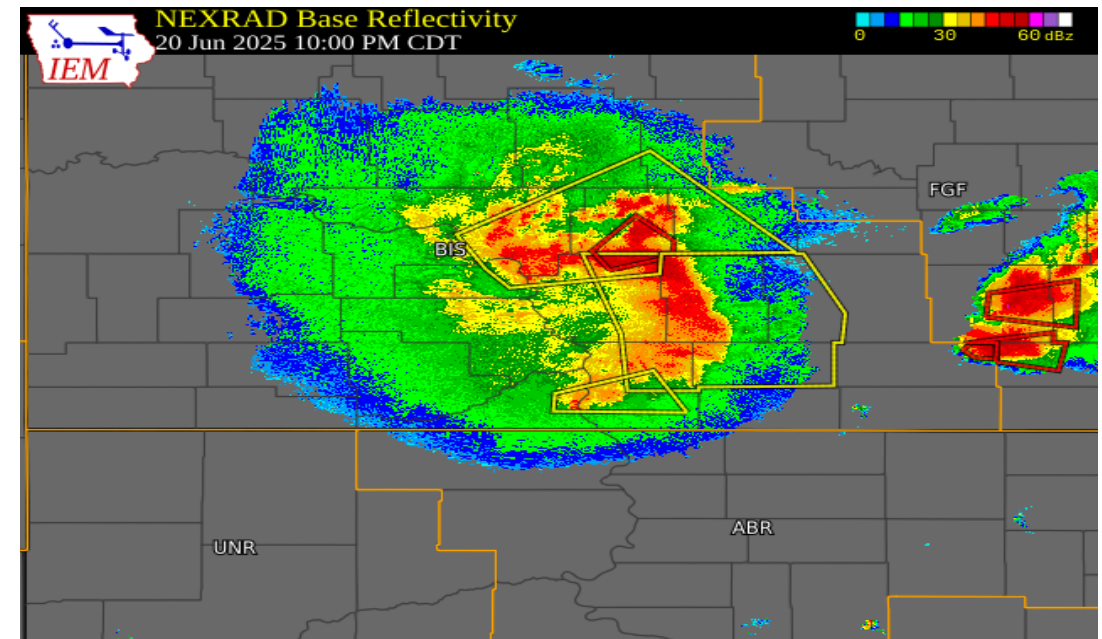


NWS - Grand Forks - Blake Rafferty 10:23 PM

Here is a bit of an update about what our expectations are over the next few hours. The initial concern is near Fargo. Two supercells with a history of producing tornadoes are approaching Fargo. These storms are not expected to weaken over the next few hours. Therefore, a persistent tornado and hail threat will continue through at least midnight. Those in Fargo need to be monitoring these storms closely.

Further west, an approaching line of storms with **observed** winds of 80 to 100 MPH winds will impact the area at or after 11 PM. The orange area will see impacts first from this line. These are VERY DANGEROUS STORMS. This line will hold together further east, persisting well after midnight. (edited)

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Slack Allows us to Provide You Near-Continuous Updates



NWS - Grand Forks - Blake Rafferty 11:13 PM

Partners: **A VERY LARGE TORNADO** is ONGOING east of Enderlin. Receiving multiple reports.

Also have a new tornado warning for Nelson, Griggs, Eddy into Steele counties. Radar indicates rotation in this area along the leading edge of the line. The environment remains VERY favorable for tornado spin ups along the leading edge of this line.



NWS - Grand Forks - Blake Rafferty 11:30 PM

Still getting tornado reports on that southern supercell leading the line. In addition to the west, we are seeing WIDESPREAD reports of 60 to 90 MPH gusts with this line of storms. Several new warnings have been issued to account for this. **THESE ARE DANGEROUS STORMS!**

The environment downstream would favor the line to turn a little more easterly then the northeast direction its traveling currently. Add in the storm interactions with the supercell ahead of the line, expect the line to deviate a bit in its direction/speed in the next couple of hours.



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Enderlin Tornado #1 - Photo Credit: Alex Resel



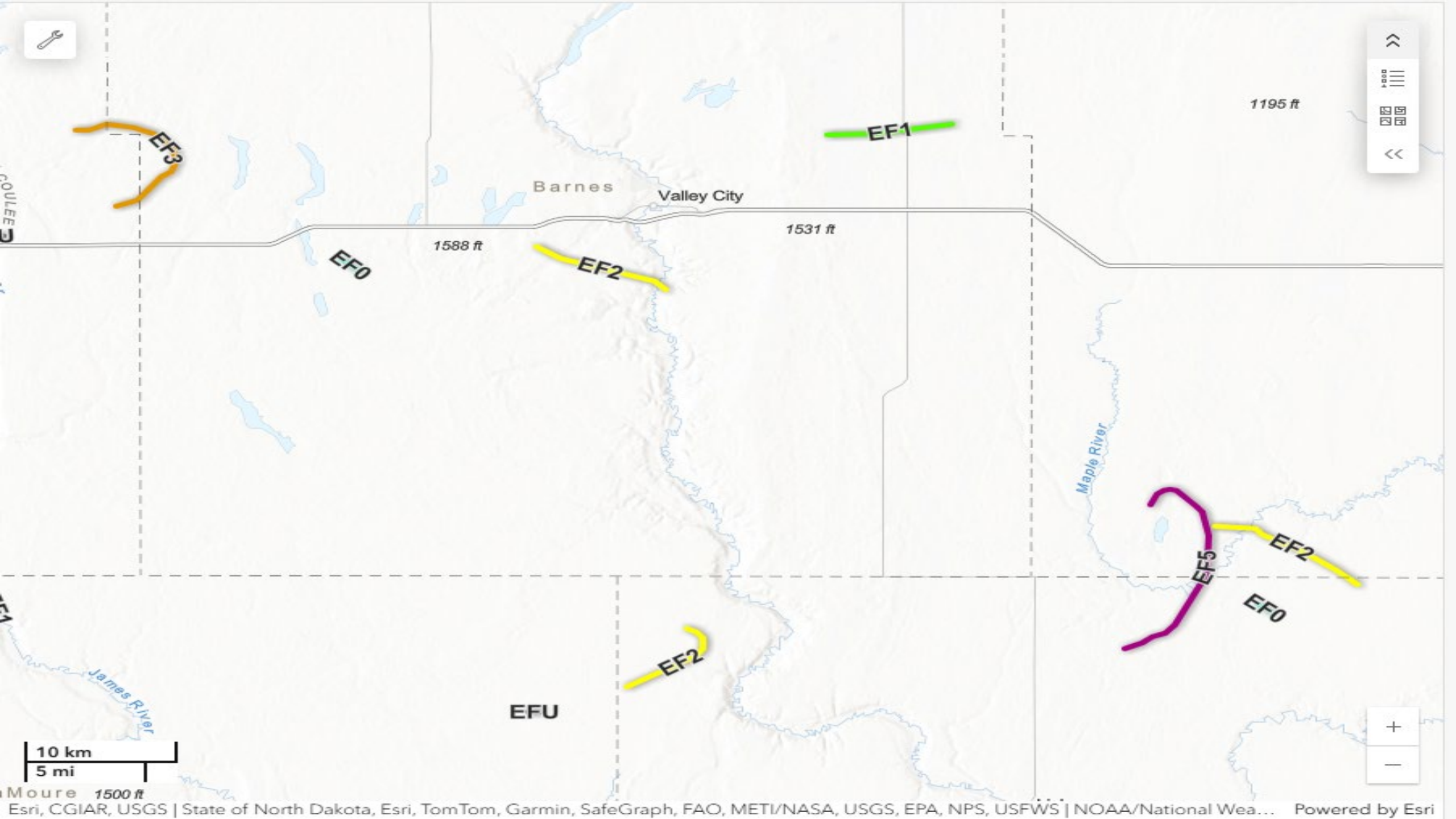
Alex Resel

Train Damage - Photo Credit: Aaron Rigsby



Train Damage - Photo Credit: Aaron Rigsby





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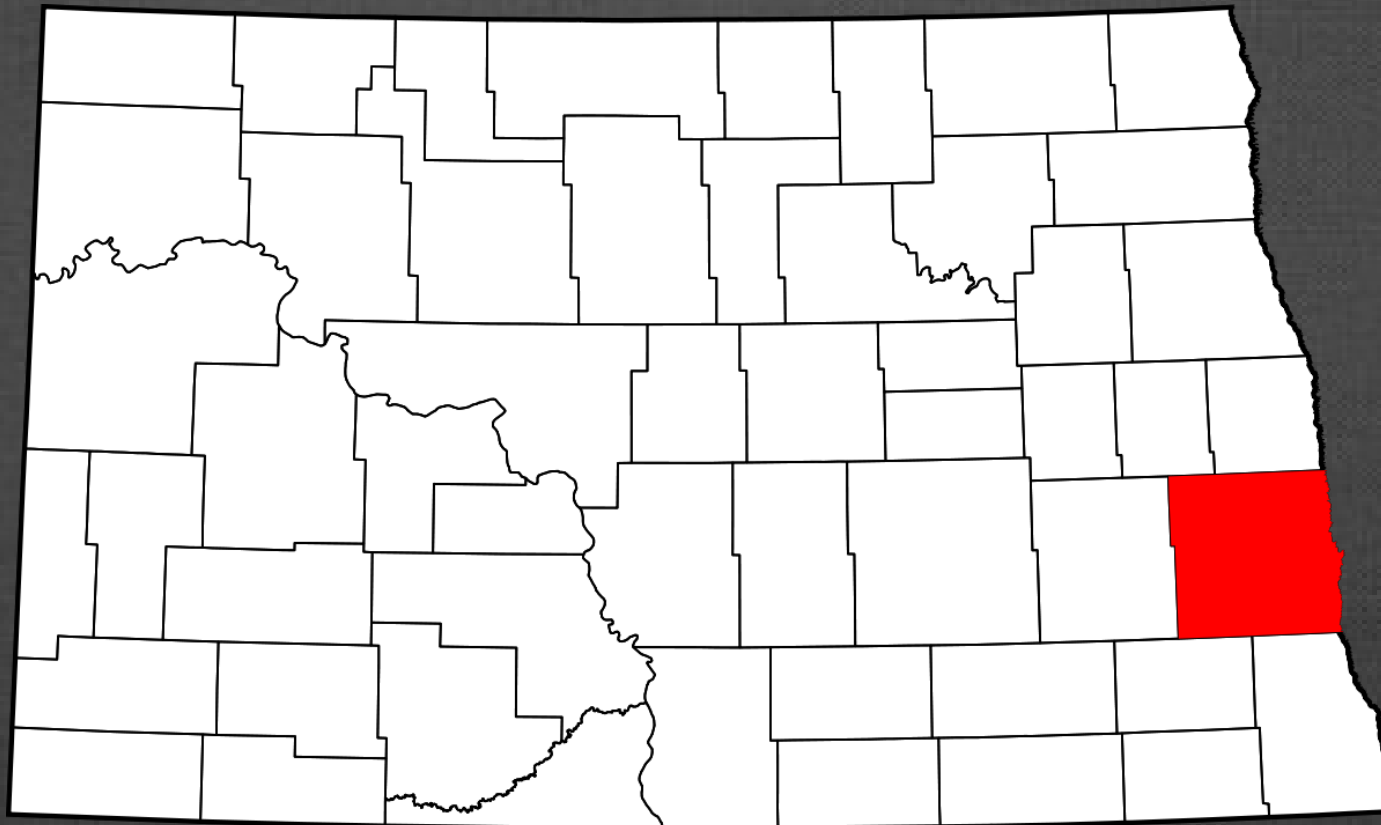
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AFTER ACTION REPORT
JUNE 20-21 2025 STORM
RESPONSE



CASS COUNTY

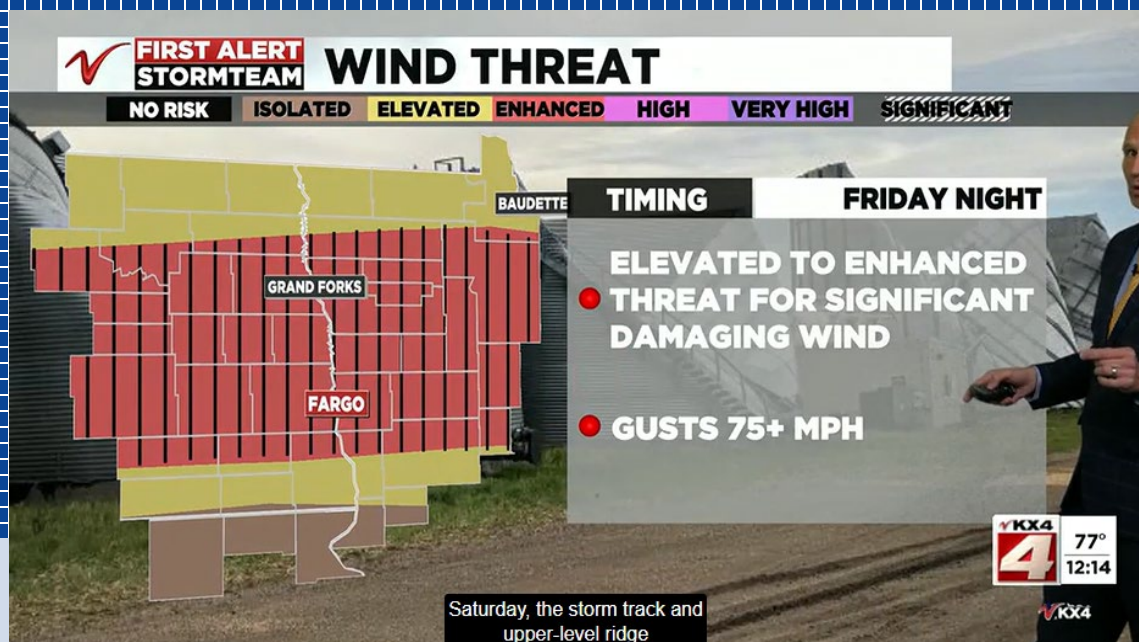
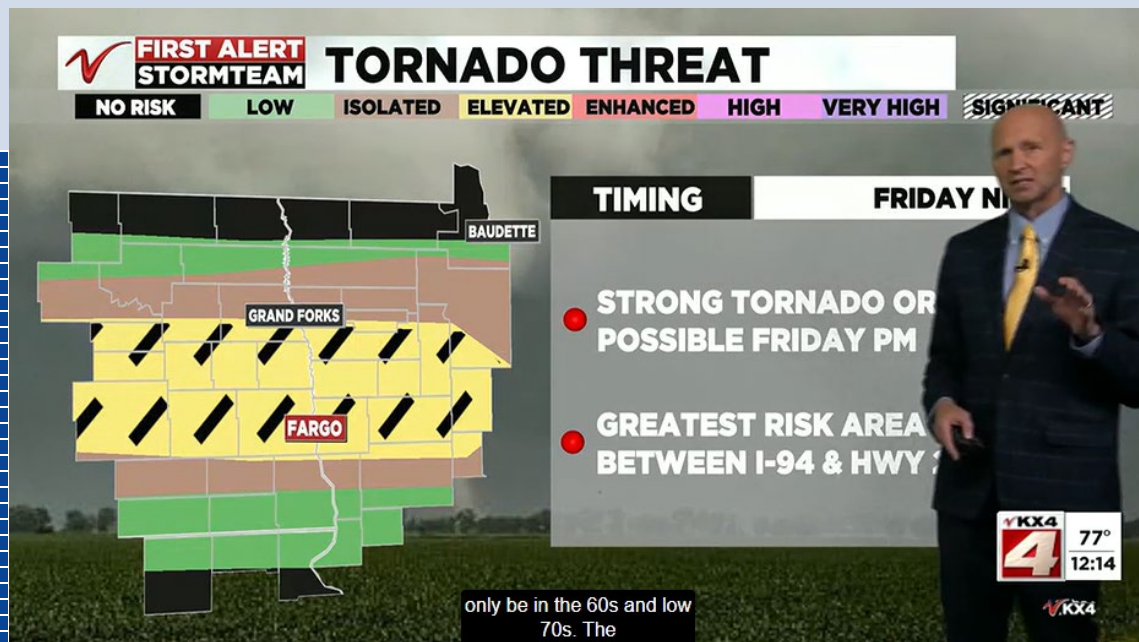
Cass County encompasses 1,768 square miles which includes 27 cities.



Breakdown of Sheriff's Office Employees

Command Staff	8
Patrol	27
School Resource Deputies 6 (With Sergeant)	
Investigations	7
Task Force	5
Civil/Warrants	8
Court Security	20
Support Services	13
Sheriff's Roster/Reserve	25
Jail	148
Total	267





Valley News Live (First Alert Weather Day)

<https://www.valleynewslive.com/2025/06/20/first-alert-significant-severe-thunderstorm-threat-tonight/>

- **FRIDAY (FIRST ALERT WEATHER DAY):** Today is a First Alert Weather Day to include a more significant severe weather threat this evening into the overnight hours. Tornadoes, some strong, will be possible, mainly south of Hwy. 2. There is potential for significantly large hail- more than 2" in diameter. We also have the potential for significant damaging wind gusts of more than 75 mph.
- Since these will be overnight severe storms for some, it is more crucial that you have ways to receive alerts and warnings overnight. Now is a great time to download the Valley News Live Weather app if you don't already have it, and make sure you have notifications turned on! It's also a good idea to make sure you have your phone fully charged before you head to bed. If possible, park the car in the garage. Securing outdoor furniture, bringing in potted plants, and protecting the garden are also good ideas.
- **SATURDAY - SUNDAY:** By Saturday, the storm track and upper-level ridge lifts north, bringing a lower chance for severe weather across our region, and more heat! However, If we can overcome warm air aloft, there is a risk of isolated severe storms. Temperatures will be in the 80s and 90s through the weekend.

Timeline – National Weather Service (Pre-Event) 6/20/2025

- Weather Alerts and information put out to the public regarding the risk of severe weather to include wind, up to 2 inch in diameter hail, 75+ mile wind, and risk of tornados for Cass County.
- National Weather Service puts out a Severe Thunderstorm Watch for Southwest and South Central, ND at 3:45 PM.
- National Weather Service notes at 7:17pm MDT NDAWN Station 10 miles Northwest of Elgin windgusts up to 94 mph.
- National Weather Service notes a supercell developed south of Jamestown and produced hail up to 3 inches in diameter. The storm moved Northeast and produced a tornado.
- National Weather Service notes around 9pm CDT a larger more damaging tornado formed 2 miles East-Northeast of Spiritwood and moved into Barnes County.
- National Weather Services notes a 2nd Supercell formed south of the initial storm moving Southeast through Stutsman and Lamoure Counties. This storm produced a tornado near Adrian and another North of Verona.

BIG-TIME TORNADO THREAT TODAY NORTH DAKOTA



Reed Timmer Extreme Meteorologist   Follow

A big-time #tornado threat is expected this late afternoon and evening in North Dakota from Bismarck to Fargo! Dominator 3 is in full-blown tornado intercept mode

Dominator 3 In ND

Well known storm chasers like Reed Timmer and his Dominator Storm Chaser Vehicle were seen in North Dakota due to the likelihood of tornadic activity.



Reed Timmer Extreme Meteorologist  is with LocalMan Weather and 2 others. ·

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June 20 · 

Photo of the monster barrel #tornado east of Jamestown, North Dakota near peak intensity just before destroying a house. Thankfully the residents were okay after taking shelter in the basement and holding the door shut



   10K

522 comments 2.2K shares

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE - TIMELINE

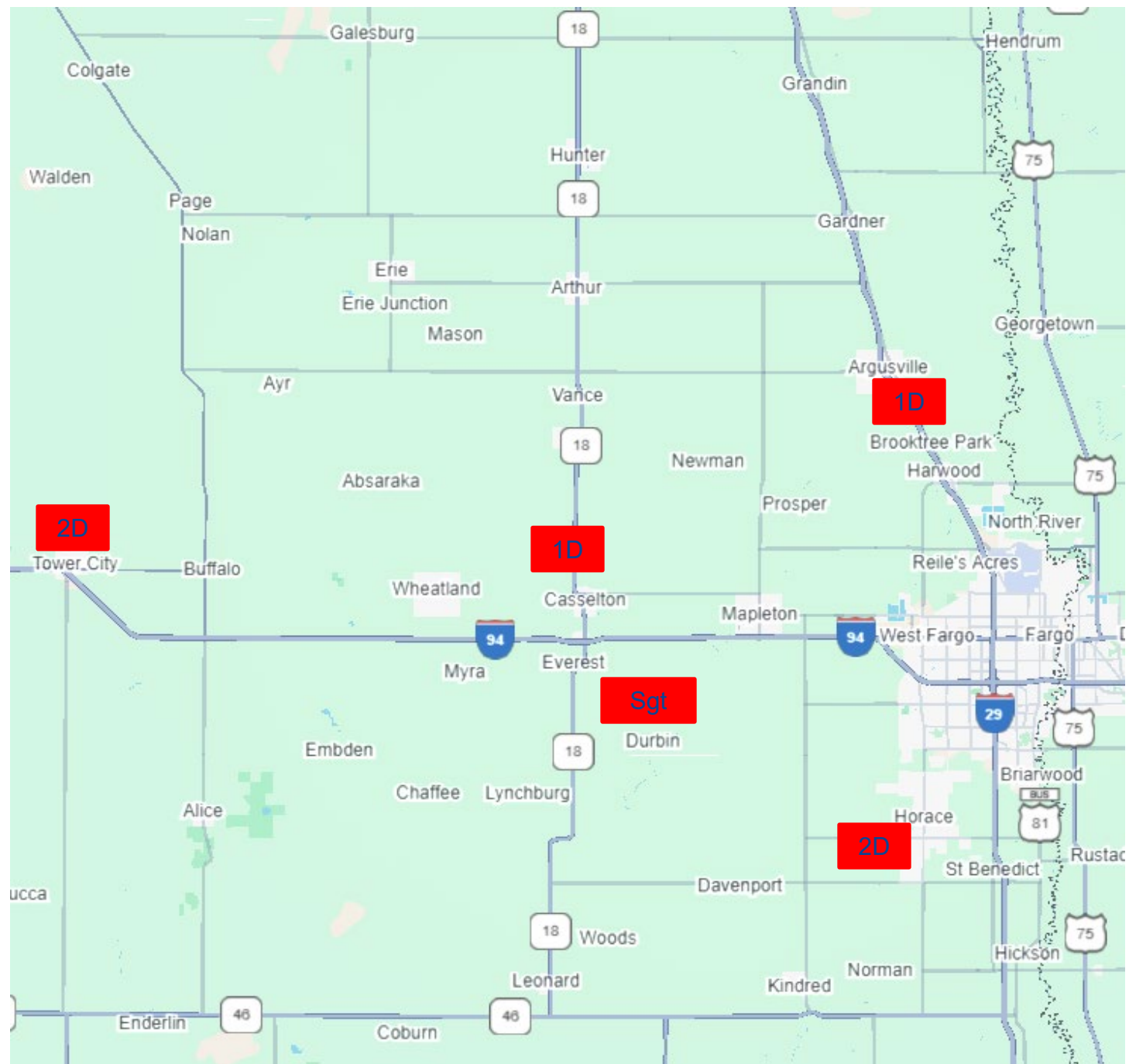
National Weather Service reports that as the main line of storms moved into Eastern North Dakota a phenomenon known as a Mesoscale Convective Vortex developed on the Northern end of the bowing line of storms. This feature is essentially a small-scale low pressure system that developed due to the intensity of the line of storms. The Mesoscale Convective Vortex that developed in this event was uniquely intense, and brought 1 to 2 hours of hurricane force winds to the areas of East Highway 83 and between Highway 200 and Interstate 94. The strongest gust associated with the Mesoscale Convective Vortex in central North Dakota was 99 MPH in Northern Kidder County.

NWS Wind Speeds

Location	Date	Time	Speed	Reported
Galesburg	6/21	0125 AM	99 MPH	NDAWN
Ayr	6/21	0131 AM	96 MPH	NDAWN
Leonard	6/21	1206 AM	90 MPH	STORM CHASER
Gardner	6/20	1148 AM	79 MPH	NDAWN
Hillsboro	6/21	0147 AM	78 MPH	NDAWN
Prosper	6/20	1142 PM	67 MPH	NDAWN
Casselton	6/20	1151 PM	59 MPH	NDAWN
Leonard	6/20	1145 PM	57 MPH	NDAWN
Valley City	6/21	1249 AM	80 MPH	PUBLIC

Emergency Operations Status & Staging

- Strategically space resources around the County to provide better response times to our citizens.
- This is done during the following;
 - Flooding
 - W inter Storms
 - Summer Storms
 - Emergency Situations

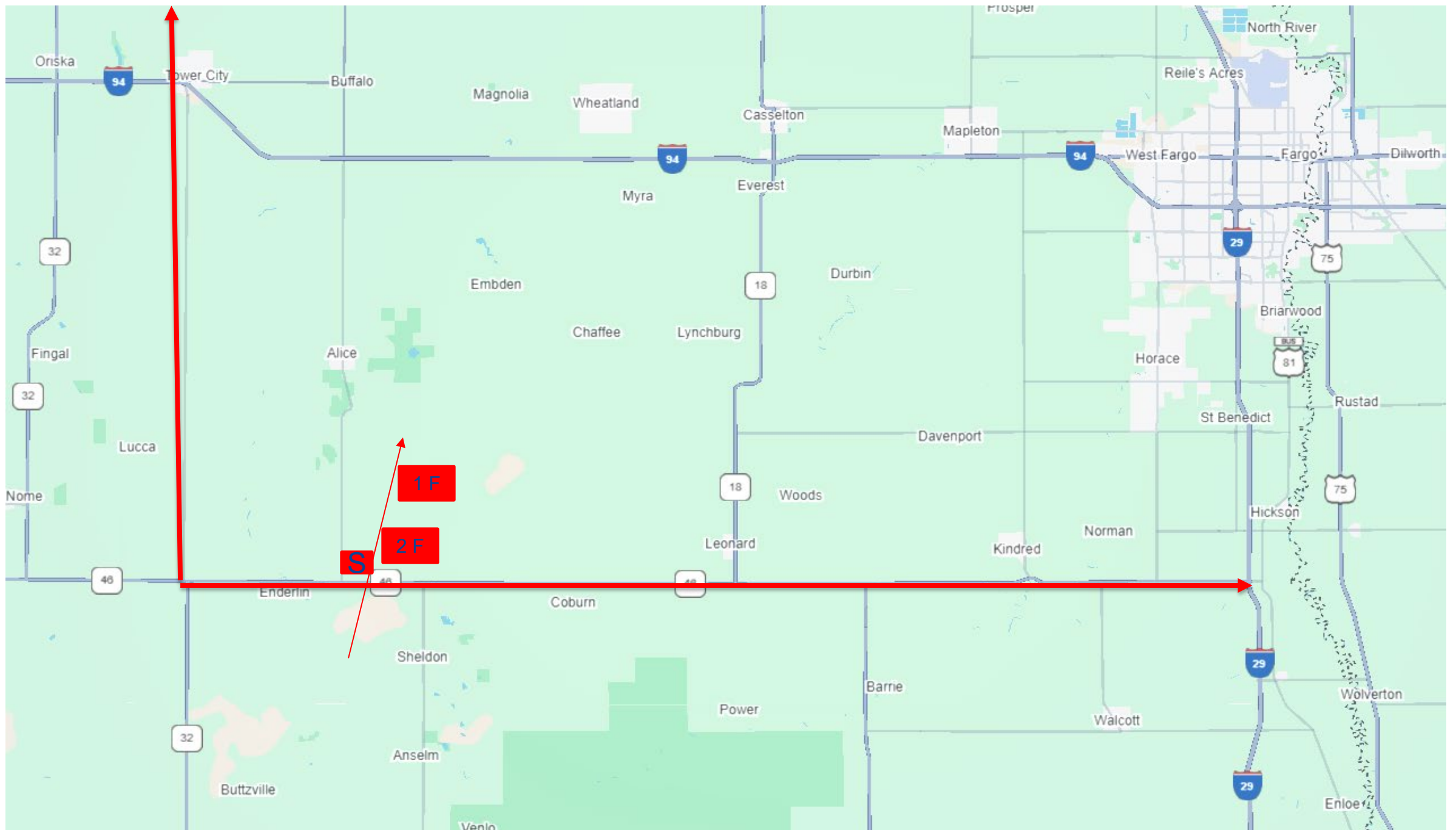


Timeline – Cass County Dispatch 6/20/2025

- **6/20/2025 2117 Hours Documentation Storm Details Call for Service at I-94 Exit 307** caller said possible funnel clouds south of the Interstate. Heavy rain and lightning noted and power is flickering. Deputies responded to Tower City gas station to check on motorists and weather.
- **06/20/2025 2212 Hours Documentation Storm Details Call for Service** from Cass County Deputies. Advised at gas station in **Tower City** said 30 travelers were there. Manager said they would keep the doors open. One traveler came in and said there was a tornado south of this location. Deputies requested Tower City Tornado sirens be set off again. Deputies could barely see outside but they could not see a tornado.
- **06/20/2025 at 2340 Hours (2025-20864) Structure Damage Call For Service** from a person called Dispatch advising they were watching a live stream on YouTube that showed a tornado going through this intersection and Storm Chasers were live streaming it. He said a few buildings were destroyed and did not know if anyone was hurt. He was calling from Ohio. The intersection was **53rd St SE and 138th Ave SE Enderlin, ND**.
- **06/20/2025 at 2345 Hours** there was an **Automatic Crash Alert Call For Service** that came into dispatch on **I-94 and MM332**. State radio called and advised there was a semi flipped over east of mile marker 333 in the Eastbound lane. The driver's arm was bleeding and Highway Patrol would take this call.
- **06/20/2025 at 2347 Hours** Davenport Fire called in **Documentation Storm Details Call for Service (2025-233)** advising there were funnel clouds west of **Davenport**. Information was broadcasted to Cass County Cars.
- **06/20/2025 at 2349 Hours Accident Call for Service** to Red River Valley Dispatch at **I-29 and Exit 78 (2025-11344)** for an automatic crash alert. The caller was a semi driver advising his rig was tipped over at MM82. Sergeant Mcnamara responded and marked with tape. He gave driver a ride to Fargo.
- **6/20/2025 2339 Hours Gas Leak Call for Service** from T.P. **(2025-20865)** at **13991 54th St SE Enderlin, ND** for a gas leak. There were no injuries. He and wife went into bathroom. They have no car or anywhere to go. They are shaken up. It is raining heavily and their roof fell on their car. They cannot take shelter in their car. Corporal Hutton asked Enderlin Fire to be paged out due to gas at 007 hours. They called State Radio at 0009 hours. State was going to page them out as the POUR phone system was not working. At 0012 hours it was noted a Trooper was standing by if needed. The complainant was not answering, and they requested Alice Fire be paged out. Corporal Hutton was on his way but had to stop North side of Alice due to tree being on road. At 0026 hours Dispatch noted that Alice Fire was still asking to respond due to Enderlin Fire not responding to pages yet. Dispatched noted that contact with Corporal Hutton needs to be with phone as radio was not working, and powerlines are down. Dispatch noted at 0041 hours that there is a possible fire person Corporal Hutton was talking to regarding possible deceased individuals at or near 13991 54th St SE Enderlin. It was noted that there was one positive deceased at 0042 hours. At 0051 hours State Radio is sending CAD Mapping for Corporal Hutton showing 14019 54th St SE Enderlin. He noted at 0100 hours the propane tank leaking. Deputies advised the address was right off Highway 46 to the North. At 0114 hours he noted that a drone was flying over.

Timeline – Cass County Dispatch 6/21/2025

- **06/21/2025 at 0025 Hours (2025-20870)** at **49th St SE and 139th St SE Enderlin** there was a **Call For Service for an Accident**. A semi was tipped over on a gravel road, per State Radio. Corporal Hutton advised that there were downed power lines for about a mile and Dispatch would page out Enderlin Fire. Trooper checked the area and did not see the semi. State Radio notified about power lines over road.
- **06/21/2025 at 0107 Hours (2025-20872)**, there was a **Traffic Complaint** called in by Sergeant Canales regarding a lot of debris in the road and downed powerlines. The address was **54th St SE and 146th Ave SE Enderlin**.
- **06/21/2025 at 0111 Hours (2025-20873)** **Medical Call for Service at 5110 140th Ave SE Enderlin, ND** for a possible deceased tornado victim and Enderlin Fire was on scene. Air Med was paged out for the trauma victim that was found. At **0149 Hours Information** noted there was a downed power line blocking the route on **140th Ave SE**. Coroner was in route to Enderlin Fire Hall, including Enderlin Fire and Lisbon Ambulance.
- **06/21/2025 at 0121 Hours** it was **Information Noted that Incident Command is at 13991 54th St SE Enderlin, ND**. Ingress route was provided as going through State Highway 38 through Alice and to go east. It was noted that there were lots of power lines down.
- **6/21/2025 at 0107 Hours (2025-20872)** there was a **Traffic Complaint** created for a lot of debris in roadway and downed powerlines. Address noted is **54th St SE and 146th Ave SE Enderlin**.
- **06/21/2025 at 0127 Hours Information Noted** that the nephew (we now know is T.P.) said that his aunt and uncle at the neighboring house were possibly deceased and he was too scared to check. The narrative pertaining to deceased is related to a possible tornado at **2025-20876 at 14019 54th St SE Enderlin**.
- **06/21/2025 at 0154 Hours (2025-20875)**, at **201 Main Street Hunter, ND** a **Structure Damage Call for Service** came in regarding the 1st Elevator Bin at the Hunter Elevator being down. **Information Noted** that there are **downed powerlines at 1st Ave West (east of)**. At 0154 hours Deputy BUSHAW noted he arrived on scene and remained there until winds died down. He spoke with local officials to let them know about the power lines and damage.
- **06/21/2025 at 0149 Hours (2025-20877)** at **343 4th Ave W Hunter, ND** for a **Public Assist Call for Service** involving a concerned citizen. She was staying in her camper while her house was being renovated and she was worried her camper was going to blow over. She was wondering if she should go to her house. She was told a structure is always safer.
- **06/21/2025 at 0150 Hours** there was a **Call for Service at 14019 54th St SE Enderlin** as there were two deceased individuals. A Trooper was just pulling up to assist and was rerouted to the Enderlin Fire Hall. At 0234 hours there was a manual page sent for the drone team response. At **0239 Hours Information Noted** that there were downed power lines at **Highway 46 and County Road 7**.



Storm Damage 2025-20865 13991 54th St SE Enderlin, ND



Enderlin couple survived the tornado likely due to type of construction on their home as well as a weather emergency alert they received, prompting them to go into an interior bathroom right before it hit their home. Their relatives and neighbors did not survive the storm.



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Storm Damage – 2 Fatalities - 2025-20876 14019 54th St SE Enderlin, ND



Farm was owned by older Enderlin couple. It is believed the couple was likely in bed when the storm hit as they did go to bed early.

Neither survived the storm.

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Storm Damage With 2 Fatalities – 2025-20876

14019 54th St SE Enderlin, ND



Storm Damage With 2 Fatalities – 2025-20876

14019 54th St SE Enderlin, ND



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Incident Command

CCSO

Highway Patrol
Cass County Coroner

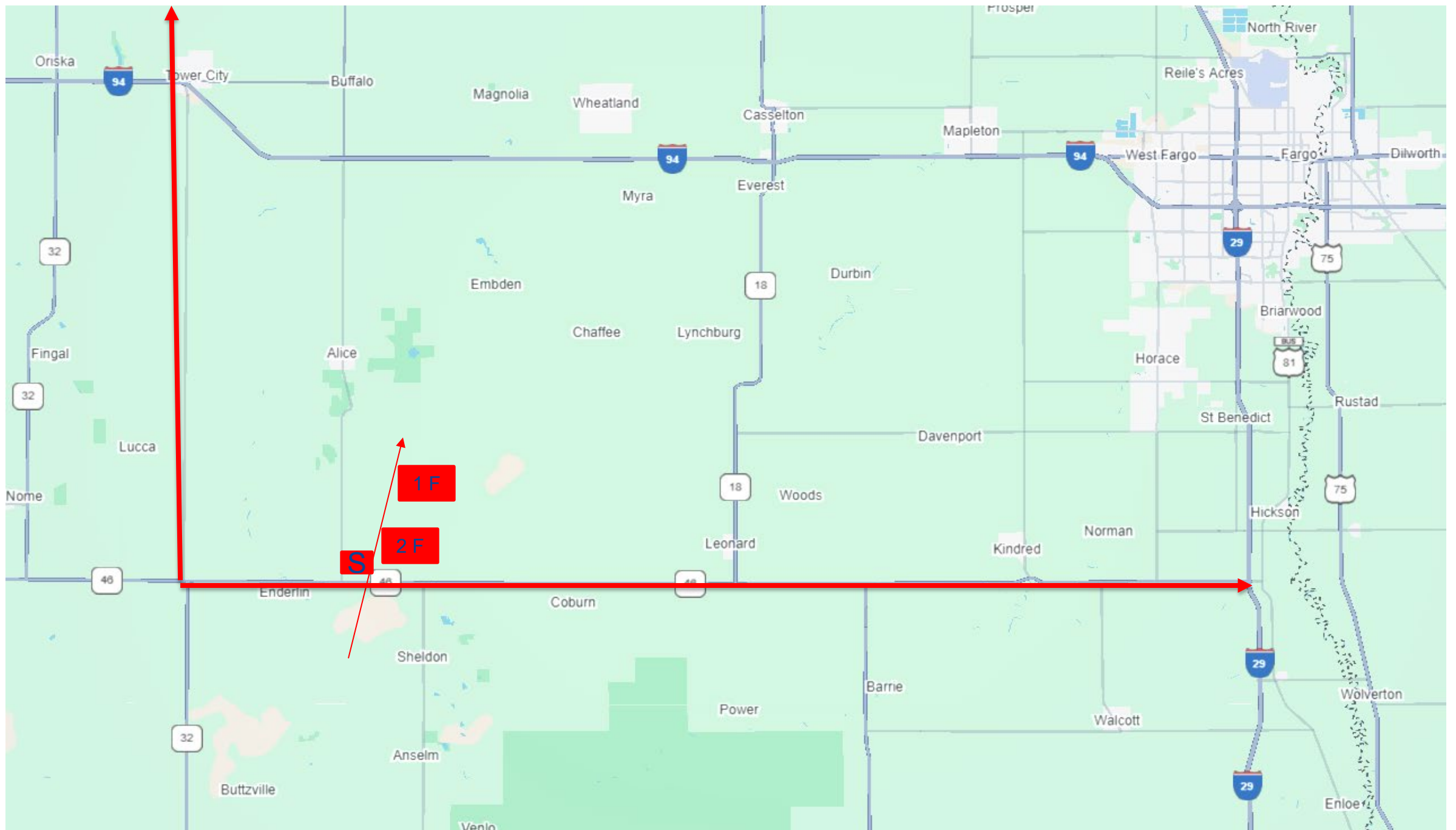
6/21/2025

Enderlin, ND

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Storm tracked North

- We could see the path it cut/took
- We began to send resources North to check if we had other residences affected
- Cell towers and radio communications were severely impacted



Storm Damage With 1 Fatality - 2025-20873

5110 140th Ave SE Enderlin, ND



This farm belonged to an elderly Enderlin couple. The wife was in Enderlin for a family reunion so she was not home when the storm hit. The husband was home when the storm hit and had talked with his wife over the phone saying the weather was getting kind of bad.

Medical intervention was attempted by First Responders but the husband did not survive.

Photo Credit:

<https://www.inforum.com/news/north-dakota/we-lost-a-good-man-friends-remember-man-killed-in-enderlin-tornado>

Timeline – Cass County Dispatch 6/21/2025

- Cass County Deputies started a **Grid Search (Search and Rescue)** to determine if any other residents needed assistance. The following notes are regarding the searches:
 - At **0402 Hours** all residents accounted for and no issues at **5331 141 st Ave SE**.
 - At **0423 Hours** no answer but no apparent damage at **5162 143rd Ave SE**.
 - At **0429 Hours** that there was no answer and no apparent damage at **5150 143rd Ave SE Enderlin**
 - At **0429 Hours** there was a dog on the porch a vehicle in the garage and no answer at the previous address.
 - At **0442 Hours** there was no answer and no damage noted at **4925 142nd Ave SE**.
 - At **0454 Hours** they contacted the homeowner and there were no issues at **5220 142nd Ave SE**.
 - At **0457 Hours** there was no answer and no damage noted at **5242 142nd Ave SE**.
 - At **0503 Hours** there was no answer and no damage at **5268 142nd Ave SE**.
 - At **0507 Hours** there was severe damage and the vehicle is under the garage at **14050 52nd St SE**.
 - At **0522 Hours** there was light damage and no injuries at **14006 52nd St SE**.
 - At **0150 Hours** there is severe damage with the older home being removed from the concrete foundation and spread to the North. Scattered wood, uplifted trees, and trees snapped off from the base were observed. There was significant damage noted to this farm and two deceased were located by Storm Chasers. Chasers placed green marking tape where they located the deceased and covered the people for respect. Incident Command set up at this location. At **1159 Hours** on 06/21/2025 the National Weather Service was on scene to survey this property.
- **06/21/2025 at 0201 Hours** a **Traffic Hazard Call for Service** came in regarding a tree blocking the road at **Main St and 139th Ave SE Buffalo**. The road was completely impassable. The NDDOT and State Radio were notified.
- **06/21/2025 at 0232 Hours Information Noted** that the **City of Arthur** was **Without Power**. There were downed trees at various locations. There were large tree braches in the southbound lane by 6th Ave and Main St blocking the roadway.
- **06/21/2025 at 0254 Hours (2025-20882) Information Noted on Traffic Hazard** that there was a down tree near the intersection of **Chaffee Ave and Miller St**. Structures appear to be in tact and power appears to be on in town.
- **06/21/2025 0301 Hours Utility Information Noted** powerline down in complainants back yard. At 0315 hours Cass County Electric on scene. At 0332 City Workers were out and attempting to clean streets. Call location was **130 1st Ave Arthur, ND**.

Timeline – Cass County Dispatch 06/21/2025

- **06/21/2025 at 0558 Hours (2025-20894)** there was a **Utility Call for Service** at **162nd Ave SE and 51st St SE Kindred, ND** for a power pole partially blown over. Ottertail Power notified.
- **06/21/2025 at 0642 Hours** there was a **Call for Service** at **136th Ave SE and 54th St SE Enderlin** for a **Train Derailment**. There were 18 cars overturned near the refinery. The address is 136th Ave SE just north of the oil refinery on their off track.
- **06/21/2025 at 0647 Hours 16151 52nd St SE Kindred Traffic Hazard Call for Service** for a tree blocking road. Made contact with City Maintenance and it was removed.
- **06/21/2025 at 0659 Hours 155th Ave SE / 23rd St SE Arthur, ND (2025-20889) Utility Call for Service** for a power line down out in the field. Ottertail power notified.
- **06/21/2025 0701 Hours Main St / 2nd Ave Buffalo, ND (2025-20890) Traffic Hazard Call for Service** for a tree down blocking **county road 10**. Road Department was able to remove the tree and cut it up.
- **06/21/2025 at 0722 Hours 4th St and Clement Ave Grandin, ND (2025-20892) Damage Report Call for Service** for a tree fell onto the car. They were able to get the car out.
- **06/21/2025 at 0749 Hours (2025-20901) Call for Service** for a caller requesting **Welfare Check** on his father was told by neighbor that their house is gone and they have passed. Call transferred to Sheriff Jahner and Detective Gress.
- **06/21/2025 0758 Hours 16625 18th St SE Gardner, ND (2025-20903) Utility / Public Assist Call for Service** for a complainant has no power and is unable to open the gate at the end of the drive. Neighbor helped pry the gate open and resident was going to go stay with daughter.
- **06/21/2025 0759 Hours Pearl St N and 1st Ave E Buffalo ND (2025-20899) Traffic Hazard Call for Service** for trees down in the roadway here. Moved without issue.
- **06/21/2025 0804 Hours (2025-20900) 200 2nd St E Hunter, ND Traffic Hazard Call for Service** for multiple power lines down, trees on roads, Hunter Fire not responding to radio, Arthur Fire paged out at 0812. Page received on both.

Timeline – Cass County Dispatch 6/21/2025

- **06/21/2025 0805 Hours (2025-20902) County Road 5 / Country Road 6 Traffic Hazard Call for Service** for large tree branches all down the roadway on County Road 16 and all were removed.
- **06/21/2025 0808 Hours (2025-20904) 206 5th Ave N Buffalo, ND Traffic Hazard Call for Service** for large trees down in the roadway and city was informed to take care of it.
- **06/21/2025 at 0821 Hours (2025-20905) Buffalo Lutheran Church 505 3rd St N Buffalo, ND Traffic Hazard Call for Service** noted that tree debris removed from the roadway here.
- **06/21/2025 0842 Hours (2025-20907) 409 Main St Absaraka, ND Traffic Hazard Call for Service** for trees being down here partially blocking County Road 32 going through Absaraka. Unable to remove by hand. Highway Department was notified. Road is passable.
- **06/21/2025 at 0849 Hours (2025-20908) Structure Damage Call for Service for Valley Plains in Hunter** north most shed collapsed in the storm. Keyholder Lonnie was called and was left a voicemail.
- **06/21/2025 at 0859 Hours 113 3rd St Hickson (2025-20909) Traffic Hazard Call for Service** for line is not arcing or sparking but is across the street. Complainant has already contacted the power company. Complainant was concerned someone will hit it and run over it. The cable was broken and connected to a pole and the end of the cable was in a bush. It was not sparking but was a small traffic hazard due to the cable hanging over the road. Fire Department arrived on scene and took over.
- **06/21/2025 at 0905 Hours (2025-20911) Call for Service for a Welfare Check** was conducted at **106 4th Ave Ayr, ND**. There was a large tree that fell and landed on what appears to be chicken coop. The trailer was not damaged at all. The couple had stayed elsewhere last night anticipating the storm and reported no injuries or damages to other parts of the property.
- **06/21/2025 at 0912 Hours (2025-20913) Call for Service for a Welfare Check**. No notes.
- **06/21/2025 0927 Hours (2025-20914) Call for Service for a Welfare Check 320 Main St Arthur, ND**. No notes.
- **06/21/2025 0932 Hours (2025-20914) Call for Service Welfare Check 410 3rd St Ayr**. Deputies stopped to see how people were doing after they saw them outside taking photos of their home. They reported a tree struck their garage on the SW corner. They allowed him to come on the property and take some photos for logging purposes. Man he spoke to said he may have seen a tornado touchdown just to SE Ayr.

Timeline – Cass County Dispatch 6/21/2025

- **06/21/2025 at 0936 Hours (2025-20916) Fire Call for Service at 14873 40th St SE Wheatland, ND** for smoke alarms going off due to no power in the home.
- **06/21/2025 at 0950 Hours (2025-20919) Structure Damage Call for Service at CHS Sunflower Office 220 Clement Ave Grandin, ND** they had 2 grain bins that are down due to the storm. They have people coming onto the property and climbing the debris and they are wondering if we could tape it off to prevent people.
- **06/21/2025 at 1022 Hours Traffic Hazard Call for Service at 159th Ave SE and 51st St SE Kindred, ND** snapped power pole north of this intersection with lines on the ground.
- **06/21/2025 at 1033 Hours (2025-20922) Public Utility Call for Service at 16097 51st St SE Kindred, ND** for power lines were down west of this address.
- **06/21/2025 1045 Hours (2025-20923) Structure Damage Call for Service at 2357 155th Ave SE Arthur, ND** for damaged shop and farm equipment from the storm the night before.
- **06/21/2025 1045 Hours Call for Service at 147th Ave SE and 20th St SE Erie, ND for Train Derailment.** Three miles of trains were tipped over. BNSF contacted and they will come check on contents. They called back and said they are empty. There were approximately 200 cars tipped over from the city of Erie going north approximately 3 miles. Tree blocking the road through Erie by County Road 5. One lane is still passable. As Deputy was driving through Erie to check on residents after the storm they saw train cars had been tipped off the tracks. When moving along the track he found approximately 200 cars that had been tipped off the tracks by the storm. This went for 2.5 to 3 miles. Drone was flown over to document. BNSF employee arrived on scene and informed us there are approximately 800 train cars tipped from here to Clifford, ND.
- **06/21/2025 at 1140 Hours (2025-20930) for Traffic Hazard Call from State Radio** regarding a large transmission line across the road that is not sparking. It is ¼ mile south of intersection. First responder volunteer stated Ottertail has been at the location and told people it is okay to drive over the downed lines until they can fix it. They witnessed multiple vehicles drive over them without any issue.
- **06/21/2025 at 1141 Hours Information Noted on 3rd St and Industrial Grandin, ND the City of Grandin is out of power** and most of the residents are out helping with clean up. Most of the trees in town are down. A lot of houses and businesses are damaged.
- **06/21/2025 1210 Hours (2025-248) Fire Call for Service at 13693 54th St SE Enderlin, ND** as a shop is on fire. Alice Fire was paged out at request of Enderlin Fire. Deputy arrived on scene and assisted Enderlin, Lisbon, and Alice Fire Departments.
- **06/21/2025 1214 Hours (2025-20932) Call for Service at 139th Ave SE and 49th St SE Enderlin, ND** for unoccupied farm equipment tipped over vehicle in the field. Canvassed the area did not see any signs of people present.

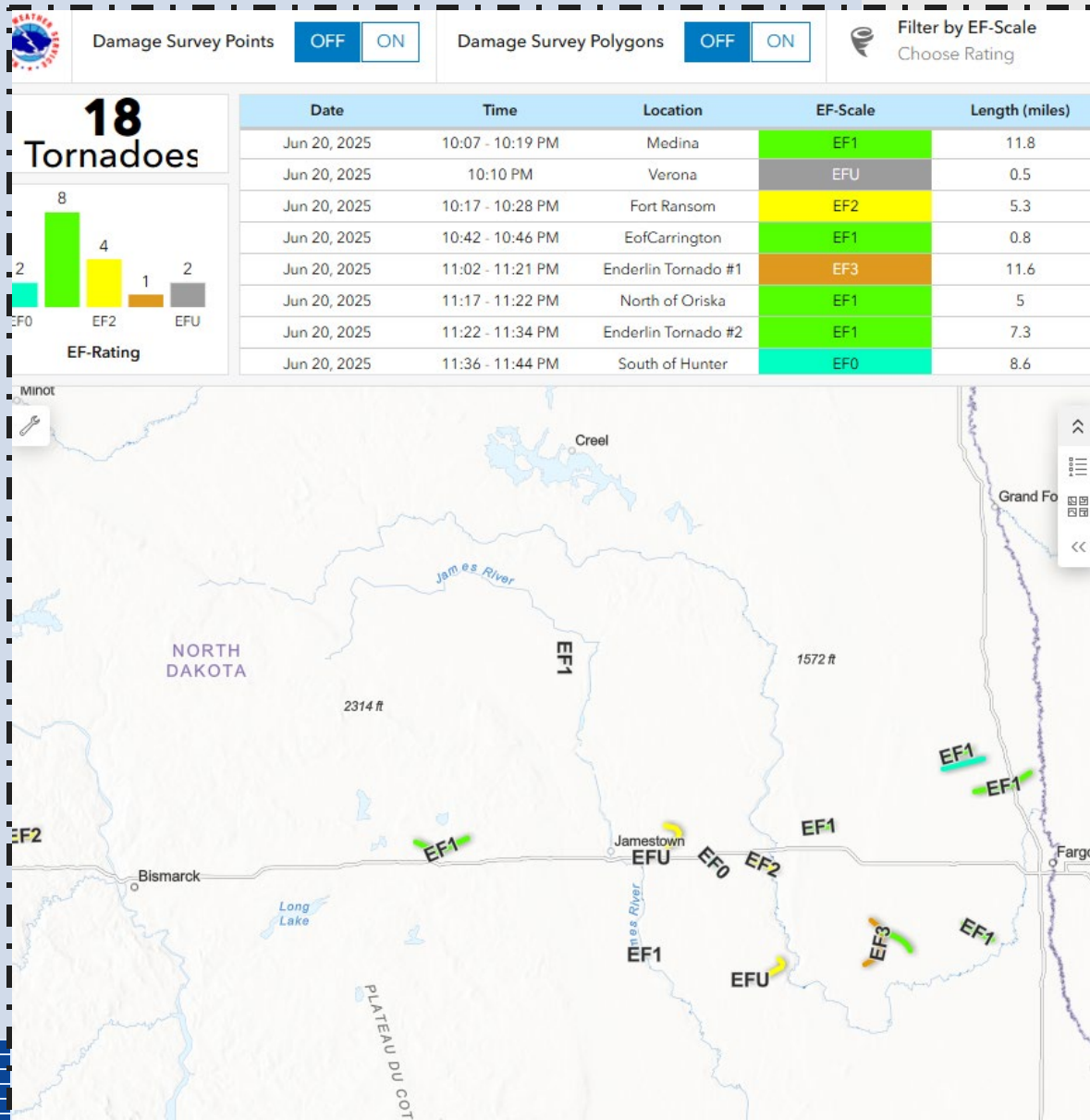
Timeline – Cass County Dispatch

6/21/2025 & 06/22/2025

- **06/21/2025 1214 Hours (2025-20933) Fuel Leak Call for Service at 1204 162nd Ave SE Grandin, ND** while in Grandin the Deputy received a report of a possible fuel leak in the area. There was a lot of damage but did not find the leak or any people in the area.
- **06/21/2025 1223 Hours (2025-20935) Alarm Call for Service at 1st Community Credit Union 115 Morton Ave Page, ND.** There is an alarm that covers the back door. All can clear they are working on the building due to significant damage.
- **06/21/2025 1249 Hours (2025-20938) Welfare Check Call for Service 1750 155th Ave SE Hunter, ND.** Deputy stopped out at the residence on a welfare check and it appeared unoccupied.
- **06/21/2025 1433 Hours (2025-20944) Public Assist Call for Service at 604 2nd St Tower City, ND** caller from Maple Valley School is out of town and worried about damage to their home. Deputies checked out the house. Everything was good other than a down tree in front of their yard.
- **06/21/2025 1454 Hours (2025-20945) Documentation Call for Service. Drone Photography taken of the city of Page.**
- **06/21/2025 1637 Hours (2025-20951) Medical Call for Service at 136 Morton Ave Page, ND** for a male using a chainsaw and sliced his calf open. Leg is in a tourniquet and chainsaw is now off. Male was transported by Page Ambulance.
- **06/21/2025 1855 Hours (2025-20958) Traffic Hazard Call for Service at 142nd Ave SE and 27th St SE Ayr, ND.** Deputies cleared debris from roadway.
- **06/22/2025 1424 Hours (2025-21024) Public Assist Call for Service at 14050 52nd St SE Enderlin, ND.** Ransom County Deputy wanted information on Utke because they have volunteers from church to help with clean up and cutting branches. Utke said he had a lot of help at his residence today but would like to be kept in mind for the next time.
- **06/22/2025 1610 Hours (2025-21032) Public Assist Call for Service at Casselton West Station.** Male wanted to give **Assistance** to people in Enderlin or Page and was wondering if anything was set up for this. He already had contact information for Mayor in Page (Jim). He was referred to the Ransom County authorities for information on how to help those in Enderlin and reach out to CCSO for the rural residents north of 46.
- **06/22/2025 at 1814 Hours (2025-21039) Public Assist Call for Service** for a caller indicated she had **Donations** for the Enderlin and storm area. She saw a church in Enderlin was accepting items but it was not open. During the call LE stated different areas were hit and she said she just wanted the donations to go to who needs them. She indicated she could meet someone in Casselton to drop them off and we will assist.

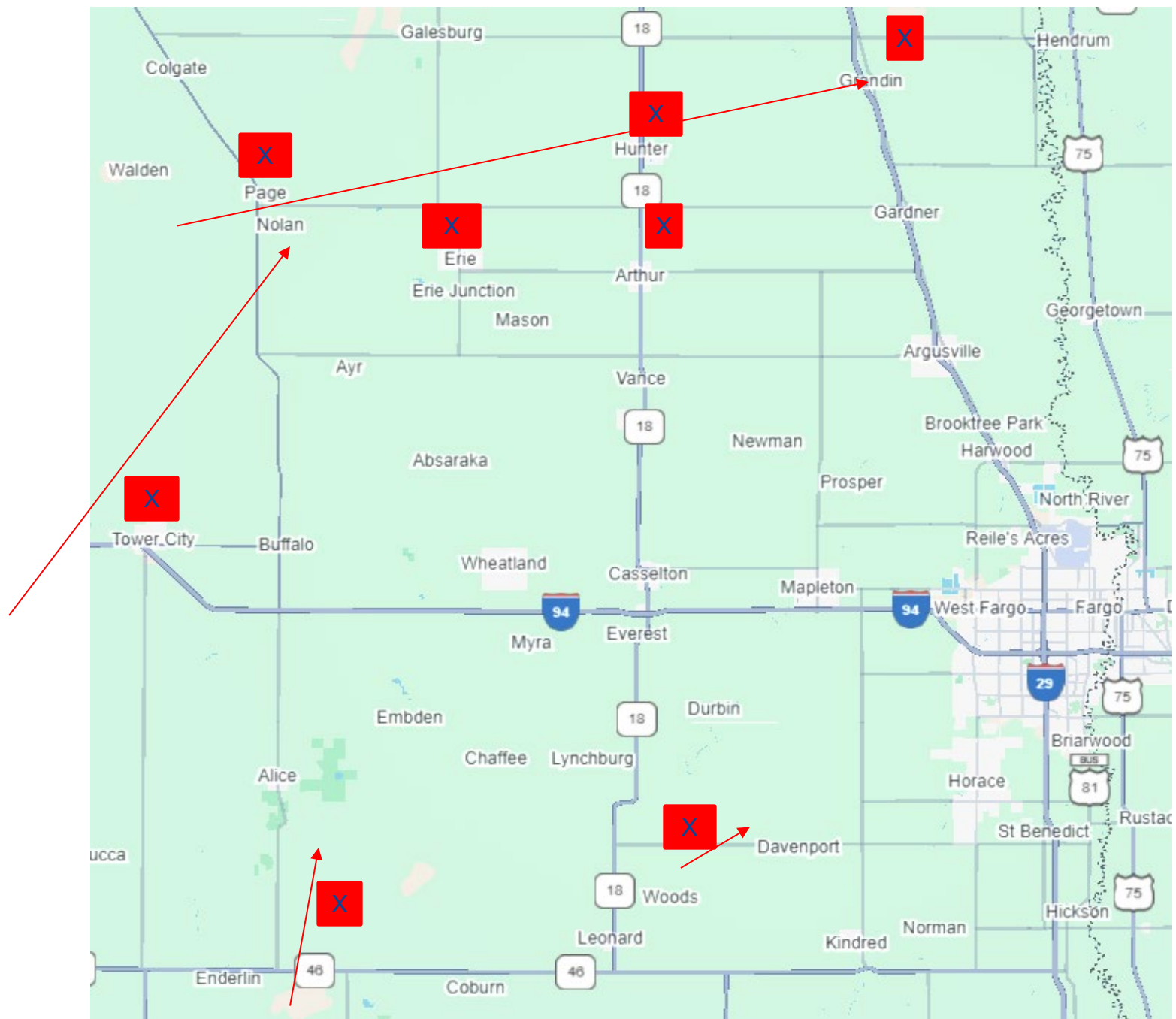
Timeline – Cass County Dispatch 6/23/2025

- **06/23/2025 at 0836 Hours (2025-21090) Main St / 3rd Ave E Hunter Storm Documentation Call for Service** the location was the landfill. The drone flew over this and logged the photos under this ICR.
- **06/23/2025 at 0905 Hours (2025-21095) Public Assist Call for Service 4107 162nd Ave SE Mapleton, ND** Deputy spoke with two males about damage from the storm. One male lives on the property said he had no damage. The other male said he flew the whole area by plane and did not see a lot of damage in this area but there was a lot between Hope and Hunter.
- **06/23/2025 at 0903 Hours at Public Assist Call for Service at 136th Ave SE and 54th Ave SE Enderlin, ND (2025-21098)** Melissa Wagner said she is with Disaster Imaging. They are a non-profit tracking tornado damage and will be in the area throughout the week. They will be flying drones in the area.
- **06/23/2025 at 0914 Hours (2025-21099) Public Assist Call for Service at 4175 151st Ave SE Wheatland** Deputy spoke with Dan who stated that they got a lot of water but did not lose a single tree.
- **06/23/2025 at 0918 Hours (2025-21101) Storm Documentation Call for Service at Page 4th St and May Ave Page, ND.** Three drone flights to document the damage to the roadways.
- **06/23/2025 0944 Hours (2025-21108) Storm Damage Documentation Call for Service 13900 50th St SE Enderlin, ND.** Three large trees were down in the cemetery. Did what I could to move the debris off most of the headstones. One large tree could not be moved. A couple of name plates were shattered by the damage.
- **06/23/2025 1010 Hours (2025-21117) Public Utility Call for Service at Highway 46 MM86.** Smoking downed powerline by north side of bridge. Enderlin Fire on scene and Cass County Electric were on scene. They notified the homeowners. All personnel to stay away from the fence as it is energized from the down line. Deputy cleared.
- **06/23/2025 at 1015 Hours (2025-21120) Wall Ave and Apple Lane Public Assist Call for Service in Horace.** A Deputy was flagged down stating he was going to go **Volunteer** in Enderlin was wondering who to call. Was not sure where to send him so directed him to the fire hall.
- **06/23/2025 1142 Hours (2025-21139) Public Assist Call for Service, Expert Roofing is contacting people in the area of Enderlin (141st Ave SE and 53rd St SE).**
- **06/23/2025 1415 Hours (2025-21168) Utility Call for Service approached by homeowner at 141 4th Ave E Hunter, ND** as she was worried about her power line. Deputy was going to help her contact them and they showed up on scene.
- **06/23/2025 at 2041 Hours (2025-21282) Public Assist Call for Service.** Caller had questions about damage in Cass County and wanted to know who to contact to send help (**volunteers**) to effected areas. Gave information to Church of Christ Tennessee of local contacts for donations and clean up effort. He stated he will call tomorrow and coordinate with the churches in Fargo to send up what they can for resources for residential assistance.

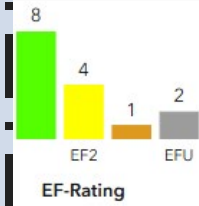


National Weather Service Tornado Map

- https://www.weather.gov/fgf/2025_06_20_Summary
- 18 Tornadoes in North Dakota 6/20/2025
- Highest Rated on EF Scale was an EF3 at Enderlin
- Cass County had the following Tornadic Activity noted:
 - Enderlin Tornado 1 EF3 11.6 Miles on 6/20/2025 11:02 to 11:21 PM
 - Enderlin Tornado 2 EF1 7.3 Miles on 06/20/2025 11:22 to 11:34 PM
 - South of Hunter EF0 8.6 Miles on 06/20/2025 11:36 to 11:44 PM
 - North of Hunter EF1 6 Miles on 06/20/2025 11:38 to 11:44 PM
 - South of Gardner EF1 12.2 Miles on 06/20/2025 11:41 to 11:51 PM
 - Kindred Tornado EF1 6.8 Miles on 06/20/2025 11:44 to 11:51 PM



18 tornadoes



Date	Time	Location	EF-Scale	Length (miles)
Jun 20, 2025	10:10 PM	Verona	EFU	0.5
Jun 20, 2025	10:17 - 10:28 PM	Fort Ransom	EF2	5.3
Jun 20, 2025	10:42 - 10:46 PM	EofCarrington	EF1	0.8
Jun 20, 2025	11:02 - 11:21 PM	Enderlin Tornado #1	EF3	11.6
Jun 20, 2025	11:17 - 11:22 PM	North of Oriska	EF1	5
Jun 20, 2025	11:22 - 11:34 PM	Enderlin Tornado #2	EF1	7.3
Jun 20, 2025	11:36 - 11:44 PM	South of Hunter	EF0	8.6
Jun 20, 2025	11:38 - 11:44 PM	North of Hunter	EF1	6

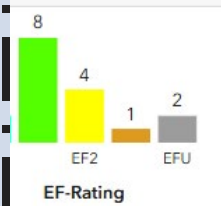


NWS – Enderlin Tornado 1 – EF3

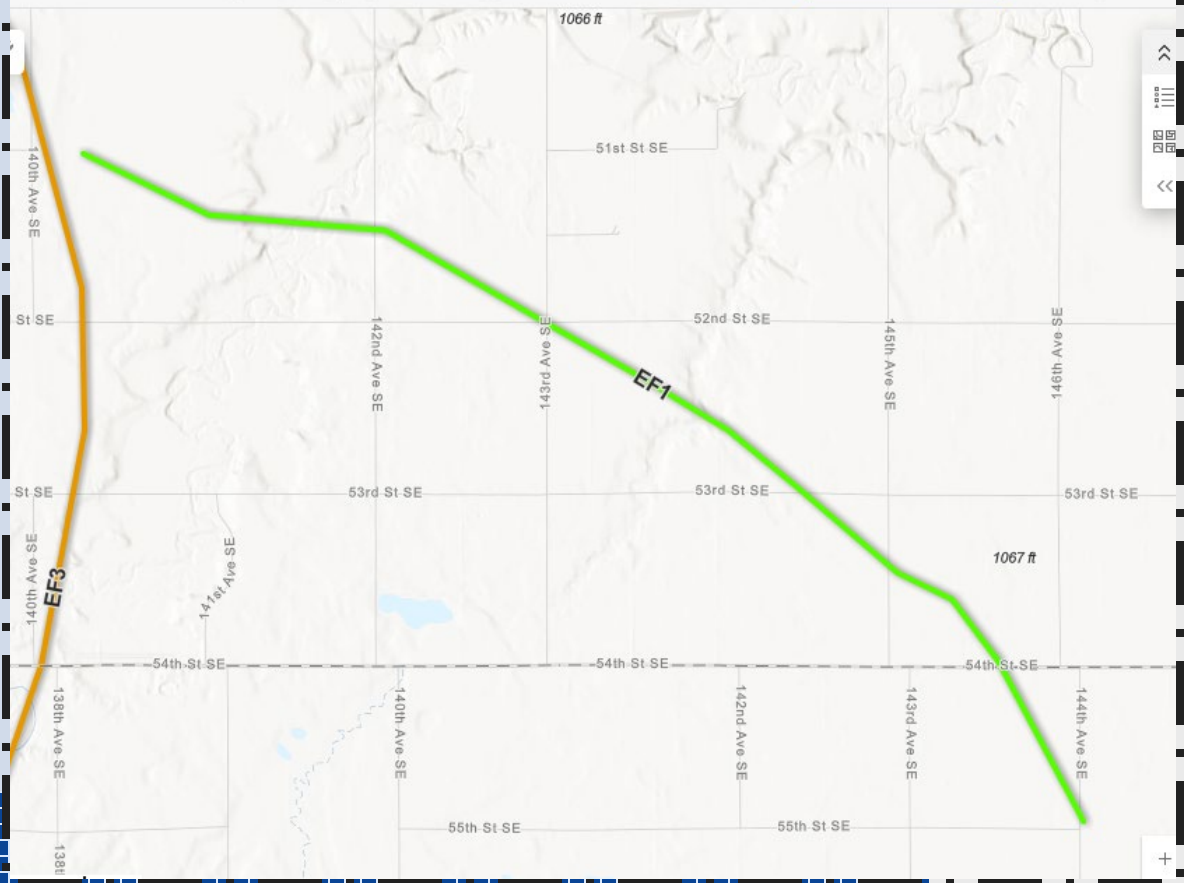
- Date:** Jun 20, 2025
Time: 11:02 - 11:21 PM
EF Scale: EF3
Est. Peak W inds: 160 mph
Track Length: 11.6 miles
Max W idth: 1800 yards
Injuries/Deaths: 0/3
Summary: The first tornado began 3 miles south of Enderlin and tracked to the northeast, then north across highway 46, and finally to the northwest where it weakened and dissipated. This tornado was on the ground for around 12 miles, and at its widest was about one mile wide. Damage indicators along the path of this tornado correlates to EF-3 damage, with peak winds estimated to be around 160 mph. EF-3 damage was noted along about 7.5 miles of the total path.

The damage began as just a few branches but within 2.5 miles of the track, the tornado gained intensity and significantly widened. While south of Highway 46, the tornado derailed several train cars and threw one train car approximately 300 feet. Additionally, a cell tower was blown over, crops destroyed, and many large trees snapped with some debarked. A farm house was leveled with many outbuildings destroyed. As the tornado moved north of Highway 46, it caused devastating damage to two houses, one being a farmhouse that was leveled and led to 2 fatalities. The tornado continued north, causing tree damage and eventually leveling another farm house, leading to 1 fatality. As the tornado moved to the northwest, it bent over tall steel electrical transmission towers, and then eventually weakened and dissipated.

18 Tornadoes



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NWS – Enderlin Tornado 2 – EF1

- Date:** Jun 20, 2025
Time: 11:22 - 11:34 PM
EF Scale: EF1
Est. Peak Winds: 110 mph
Track Length: 7.3 miles
Max Width: 800 yards
Injuries/Deaths: 0/0
Summary: A second tornado developed from the same supercell thunderstorm about 4 miles northeast of Enderlin and tracked to the southeast, crossed Highway 46, and then weakened and dissipated. This tornado was on the ground for around 8 miles, at its widest was about a half mile wide. Damage indicators along the path of this tornado correlates to EF-1 damage, with peak winds estimated to be around 110 mph.

Along the path of this tornado was extensive tree damage, including trees snapped and uprooted. Several roofs were partially blown apart as well. This tornado crossed the path of the first tornado which is evidenced by drone footage showing field scour marks in different directions.

Enderlin, ND

Brian Emfinger (Sto Chaser)

<https://youtu.be/OL2CUDVMHW A?SI=ROQ6XA4FLJ6HPH0Q>

Train Car Picked Up & Thrown South of
Enderlin, ND



National Weather Service Images of Tornadic Activity

EF3 ENDERLIN



Photo Credit: Aaron Rigsby

ROPE EF3 ENDERLIN



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National Weather Service Photos – Enderlin Tornadic Activity

SUPERCCELL PRE ENDERLIN EF3



Photo Credit: George Ilstrup

ENDERLIN EF1



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Train Tracks Near Enderlin – Enderlin Tornado



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Videos Enderlin Tornado

Live Storm Chaser Media Video of Enderlin Tornado

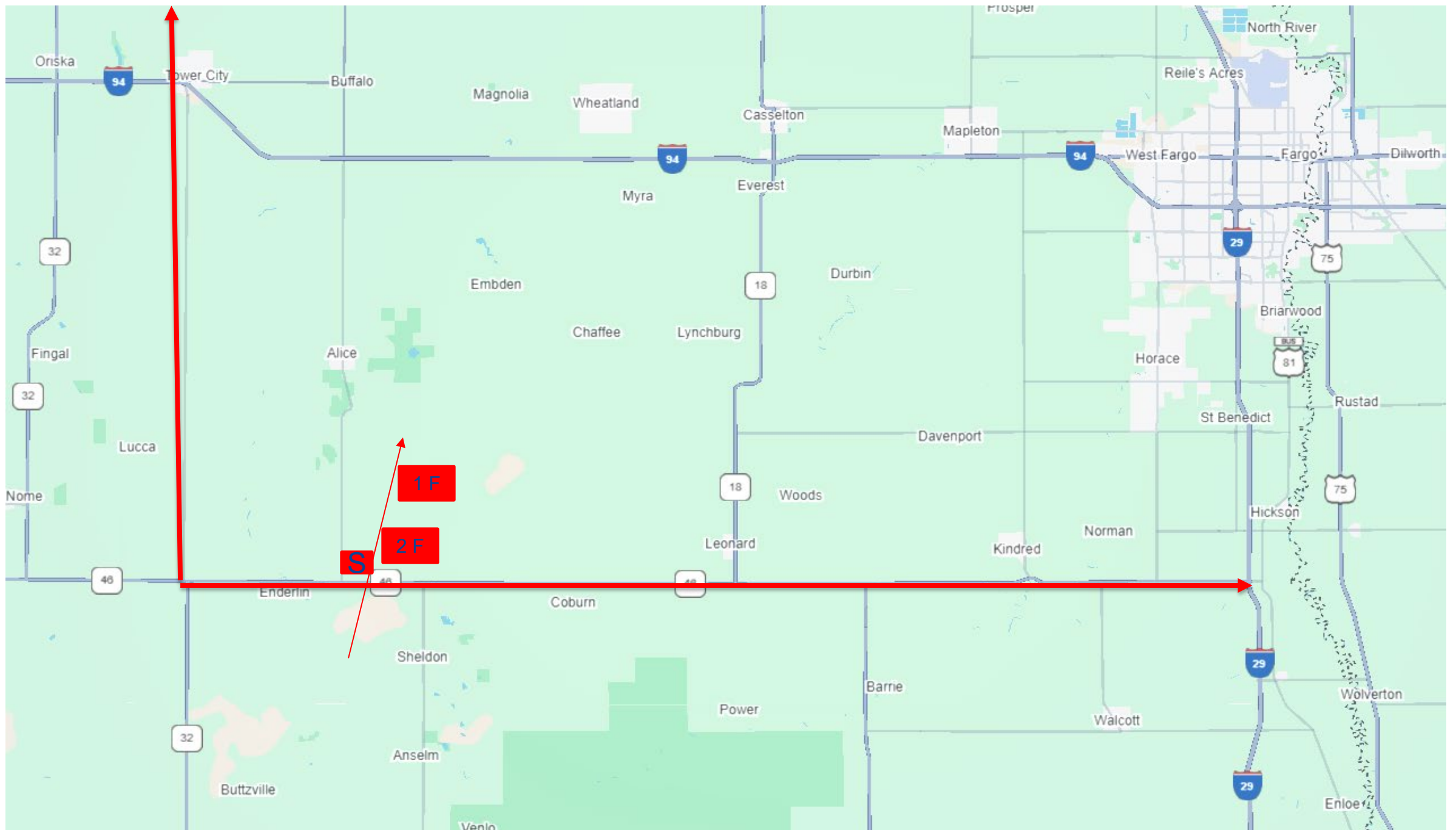


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DOORBELL VIDEO FROM HANNAH DIEGEL OF ENDERLIN, ND



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Navigating Scene Hazards During Recovery Efforts

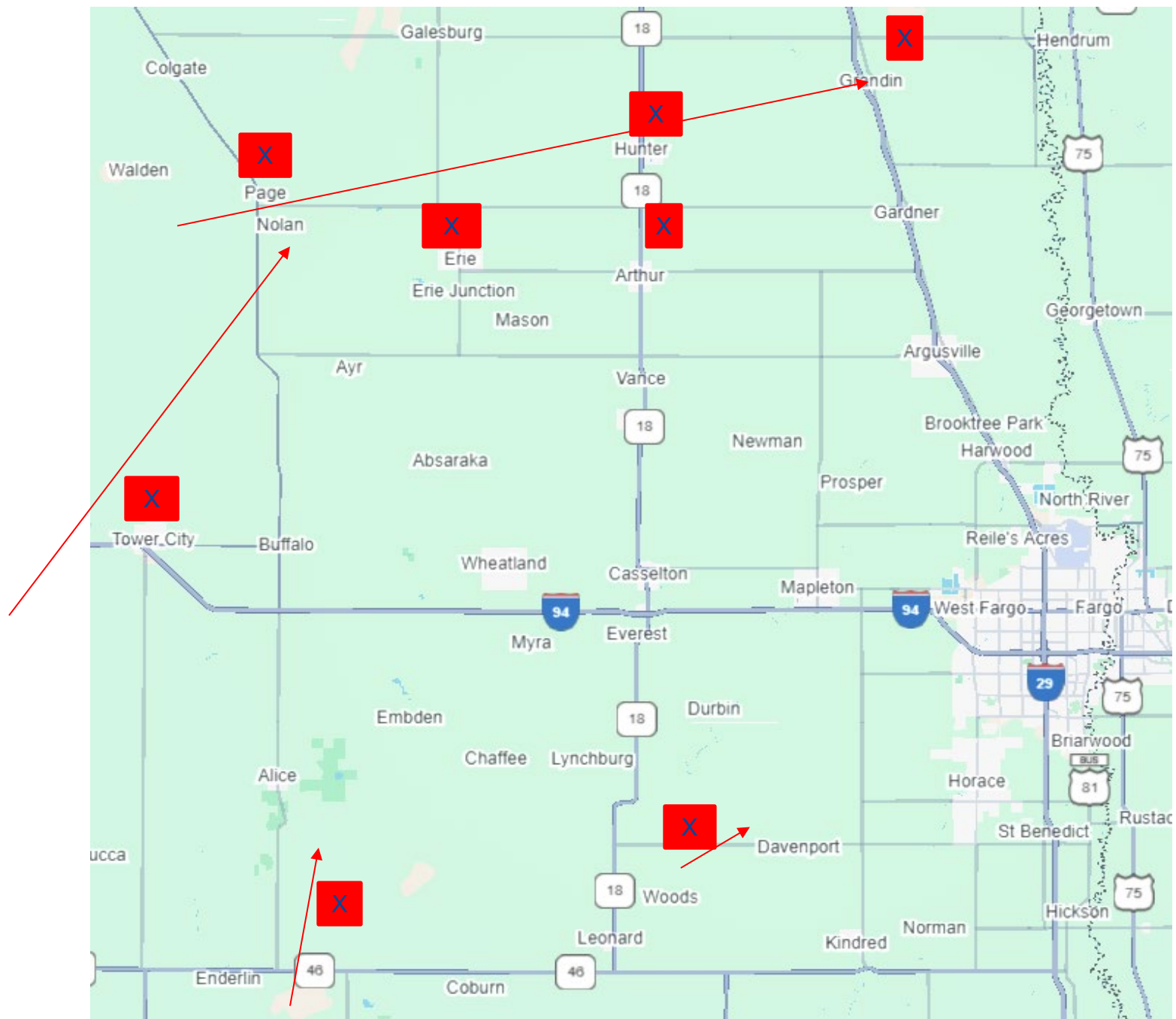


When performing search and rescue or recovery efforts Deputies as well as first responders were faced with a variety of scene hazards. The hazards were more difficult to see in the dark with limited portable light sources. Hazards include: sharp objects, trip hazards, glass, nails, wires (unknown if live), down power poles, and flammable materials (propane tanks, etc.).



NWS – Hunter EF1 (North) & EF0 (South)

- North of Hunter:**
 Date: Jun 20, 2025
 Time: 11:38 - 11:44 PM
 EF Scale: EF1
 Est. Peak W inds: 100 mph
 Track Length: 6.0 miles
 Max W idth: 300 yards
 Injuries/Deaths: 0/0
 Summary: Radar confirmed TDS: Shelterbelt tree damage, and satellite imagery shows scouring in fields intermittent for roughly 6 miles.
- South of Hunter :**
 Date: Jun 20, 2025
 Time: 11:36 - 11:44 PM
 EF Scale: EF0
 Est. Peak W inds: 80 mph
 Track Length: 8.6 miles
 Max W idth: 100 yards
 Injuries/Deaths: 0/0
 Summary: Radar confirmed TDS: Shelterbelt tree damage, and satellite imagery shows scouring in fields intermittent for roughly 8 miles.



Hunter 2025-21090 06/23/2025



Page Storm Damage 06/21/2025 2025-20945

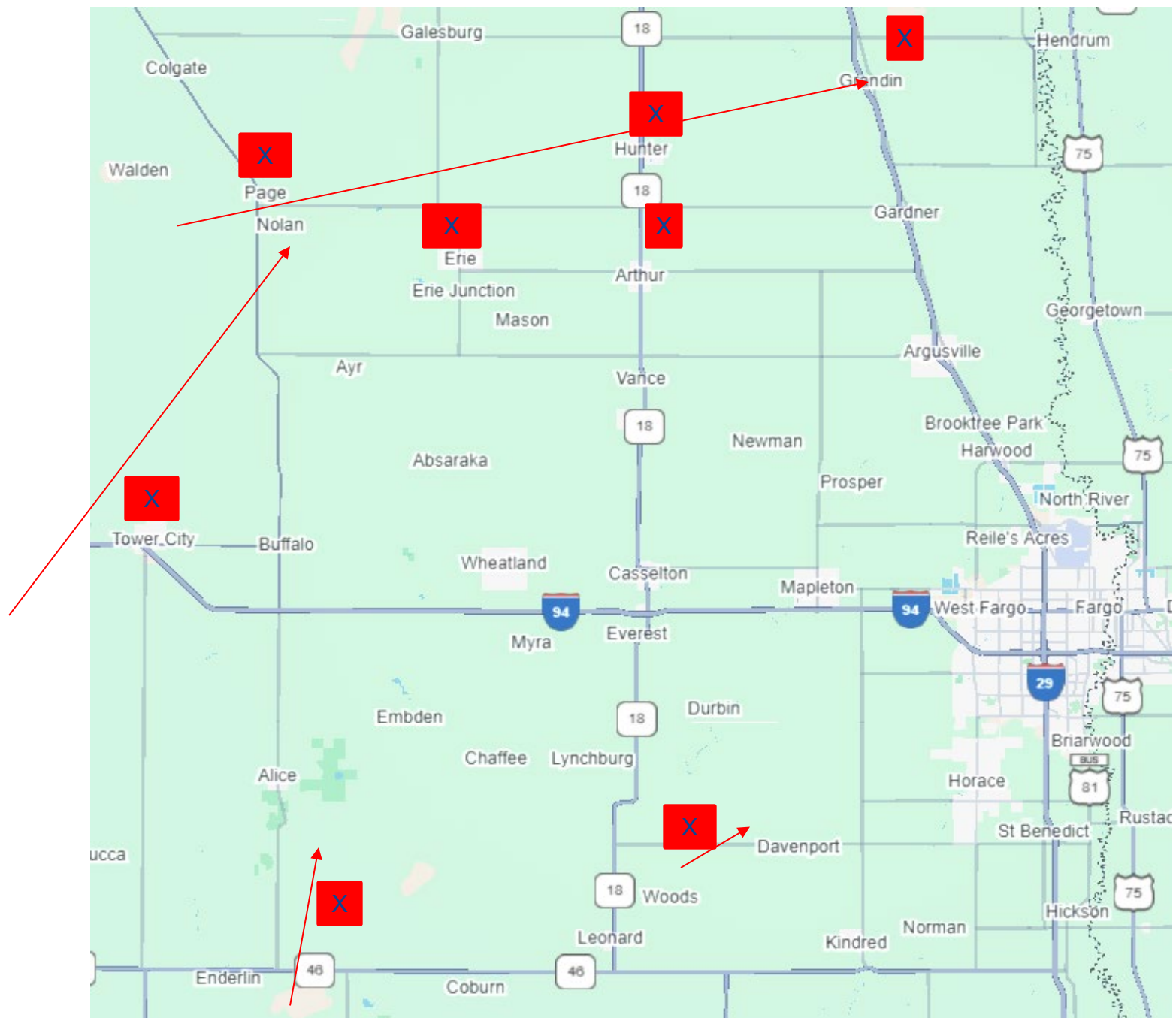


Page Storm Damage 06/21/2025 2025-20945



Page Storm Damage 2025-21101 6/23/2025





Drone Footage to Document Storm Damage

Erie 2025-21348 6/24/2025





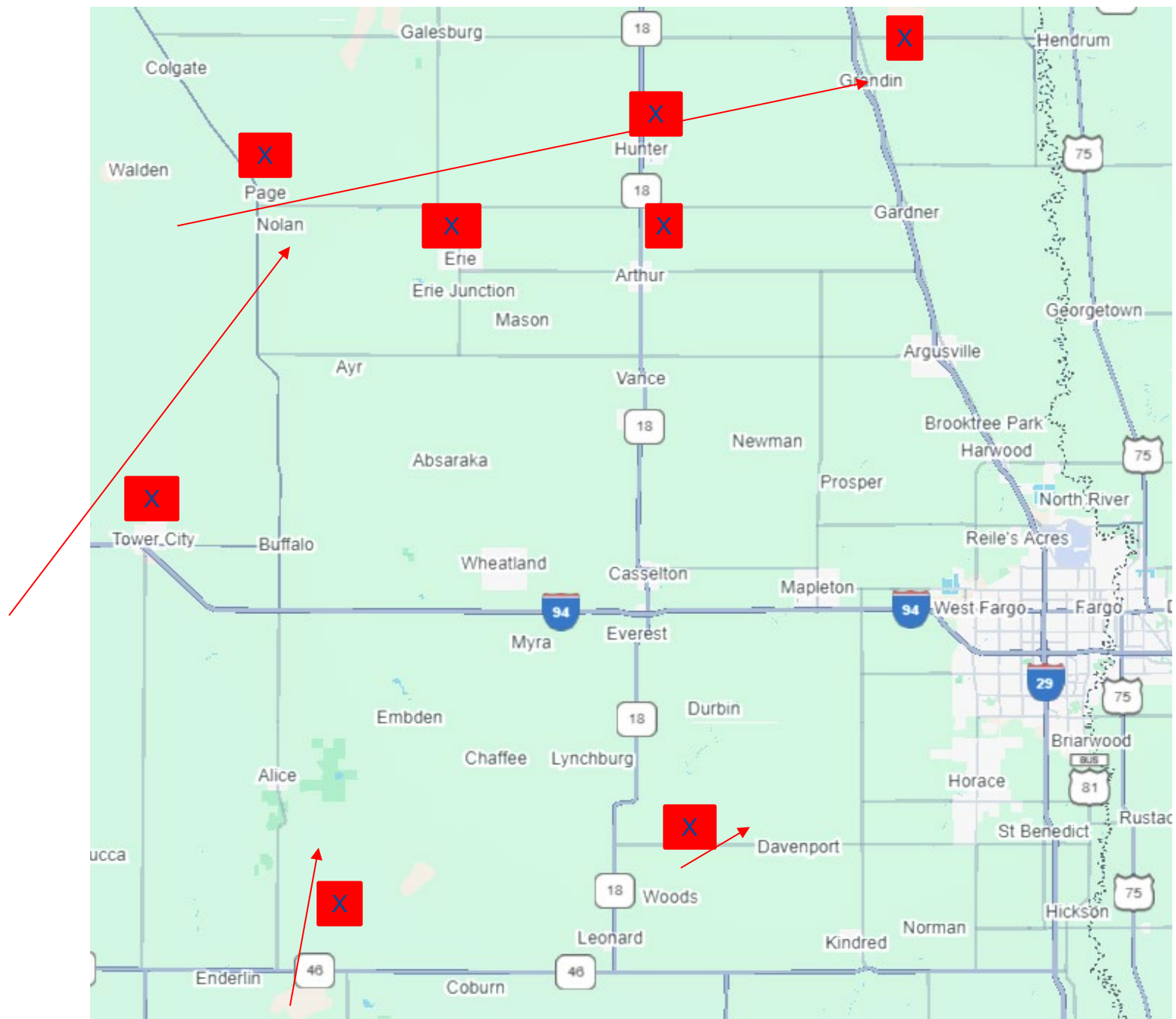
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Grandin Storm Damage 2025-20929 & 2025-20919 6/21/2025



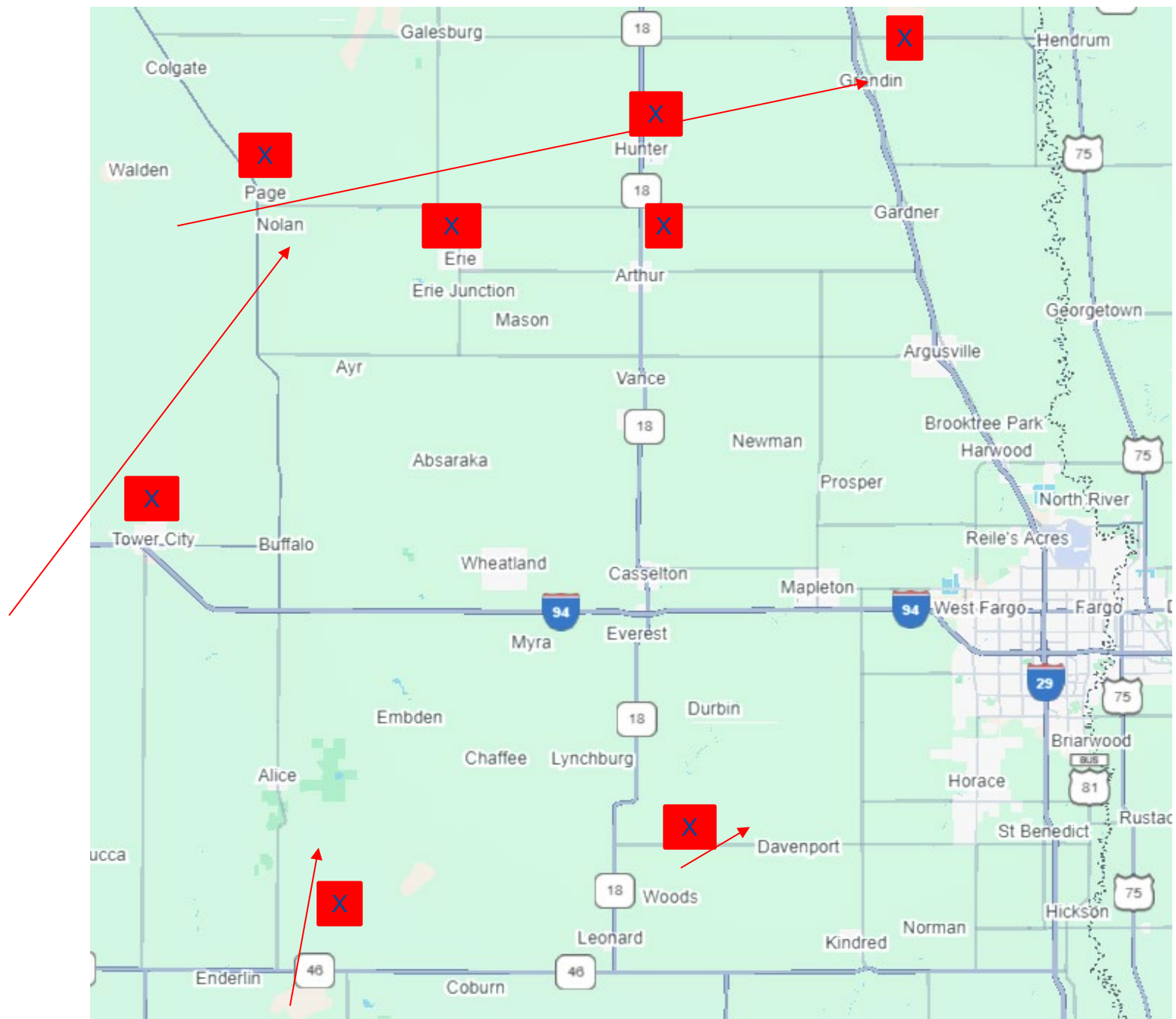
Call details note that on 06/21/2025 at 1141 Grandin was without power. Residents were helping with clean up. Deputy notes most of the trees in Grandin are down and houses/ businesses are damaged. Grain Bins at Elevator were also damaged (2025-20919).



Arthur Storm Damage 2025-20923 06/21/2025
2357 155th Ave SE Arthur, ND



Deputy notes indicate a shot and farm equipment were damaged in the storm.



Ayr Storm Damage 2025-20911 06/21/2025

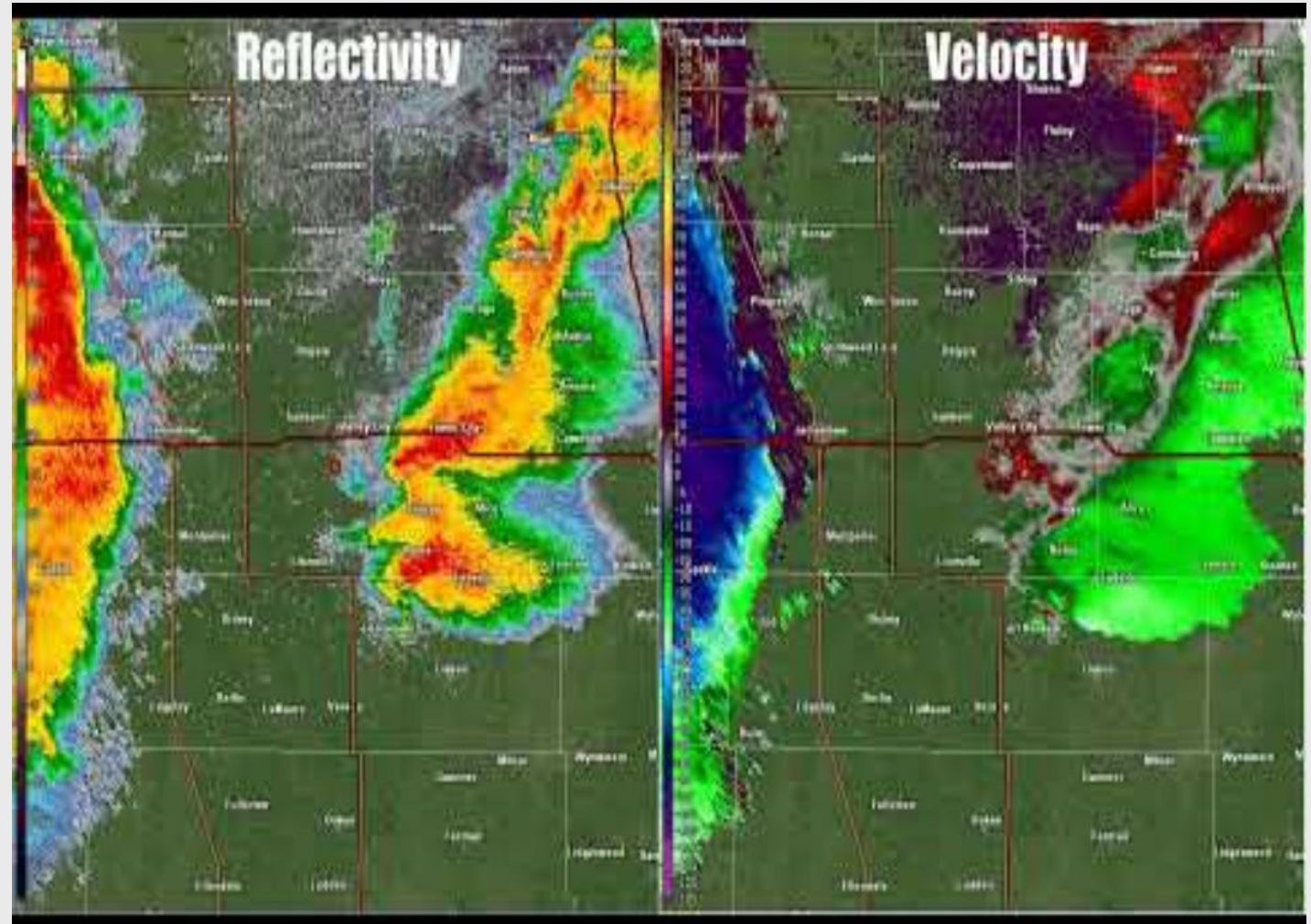
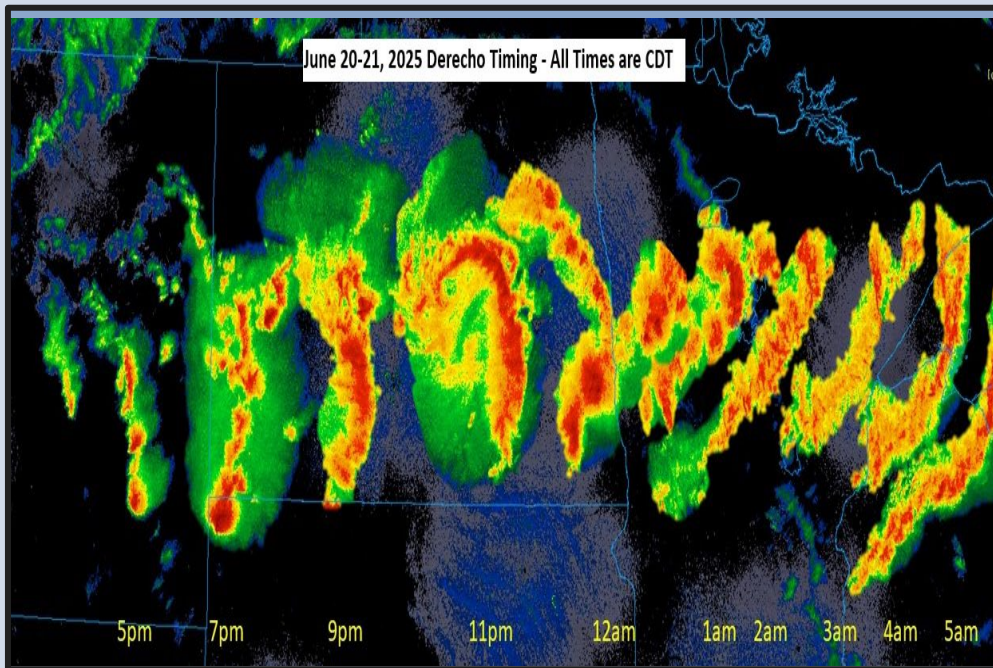


Derecho

The derecho portion of this severe event tracked from west to east across North Dakota during the evening hours, with widespread wind gusts over 60 mph, with some locations gusting over 100 mph. As the derecho moved into eastern North Dakota, it caught up with the tornadic supercell storms. The northern portion of the derecho weakened as it moved into Minnesota, but the southern portion regained strength and moved across portions of Minnesota through the early morning hours. Extensive damage was reported, especially in areas that gusted over 100 mph.

National Weather Service:

Radar Loop Tornadic Supercells (every 15 minutes from 7:15 to 12:15 am)



Radio Towers / Dishes

(Radio Communication Issues)

Buffalo

- The storm caused the dish to turn out of alignment which caused a signal decrease which made link inoperable. Crews arrived on 6/26 and saw the antenna cable (waveguide) was kincked due to extreme movement of the mount. The antenna cable was lagging shipment but the Tower Crew got everything working the week of 07/28.
- Issue: Radios out of alignment will experience site trunking meaning they can communicate with another radio on same tower but not one not in Fargo area. Meaning a communication with dispatch.
- The Buffalo to Alice Lin. It was operational but slightly down in signal. The Tower Crew was going to realign the dish when they returned.

Kindred

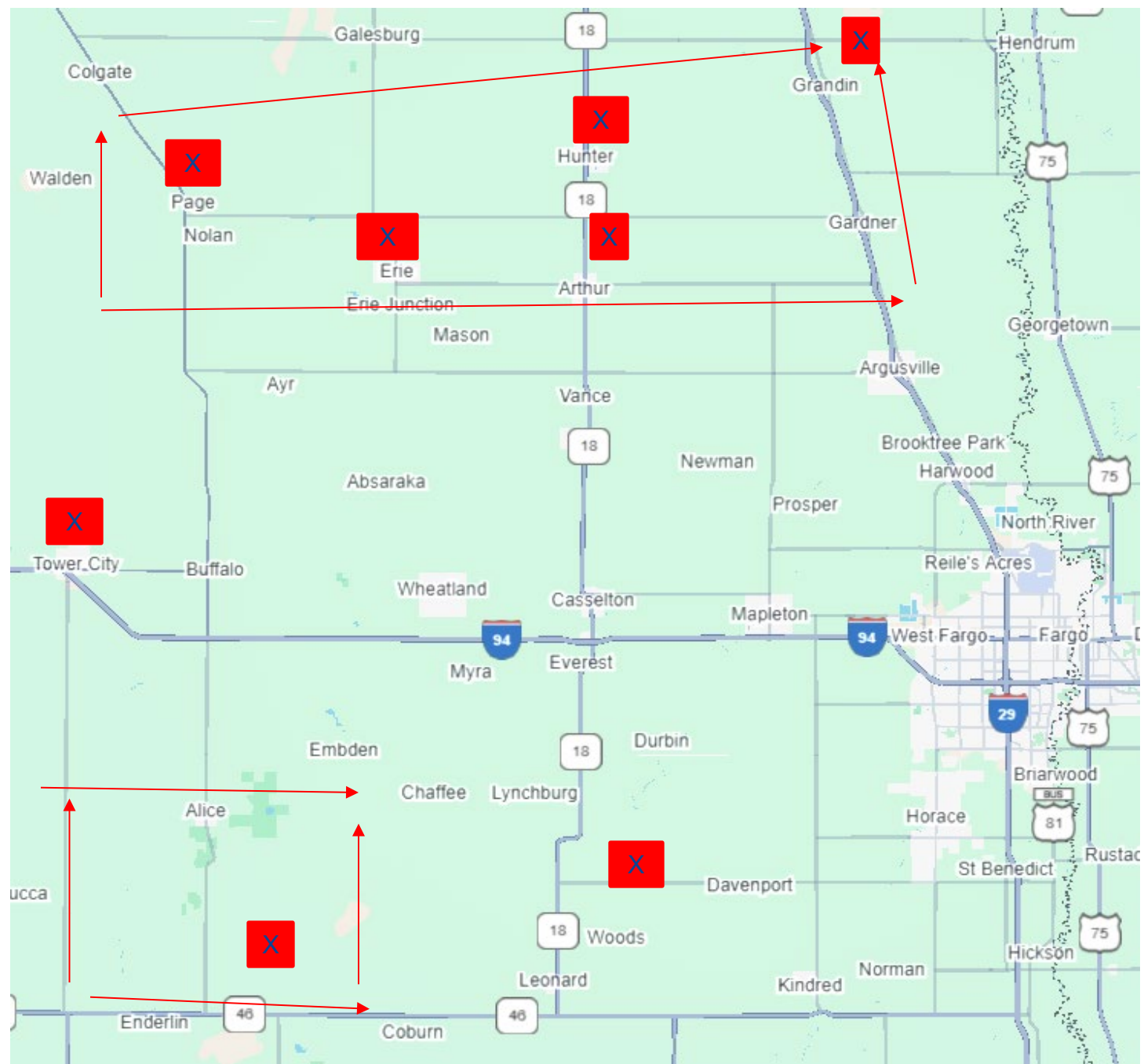
The dish became misaligned just before midnight. Although it was not totally out of service the link is generating errors due to the path no longer in alignment and the loss of 8 db of signal. Dish has been realigned as of 06/27.

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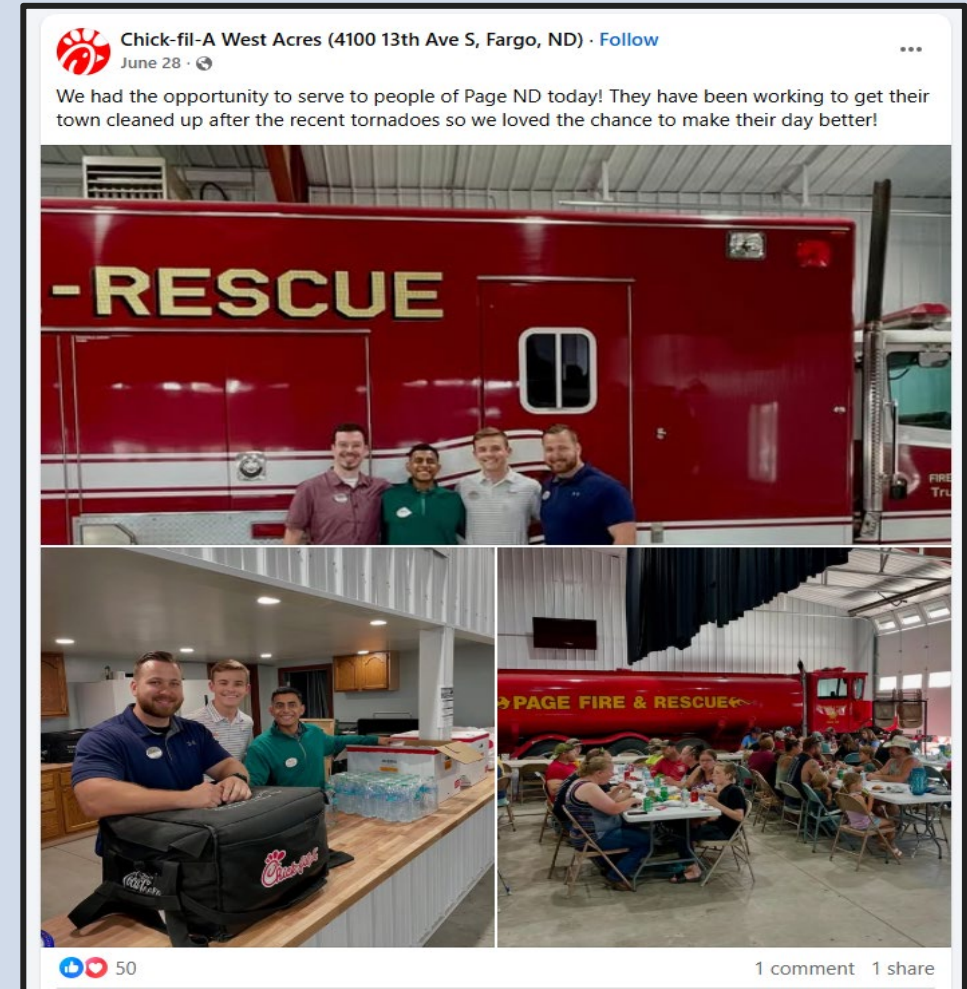
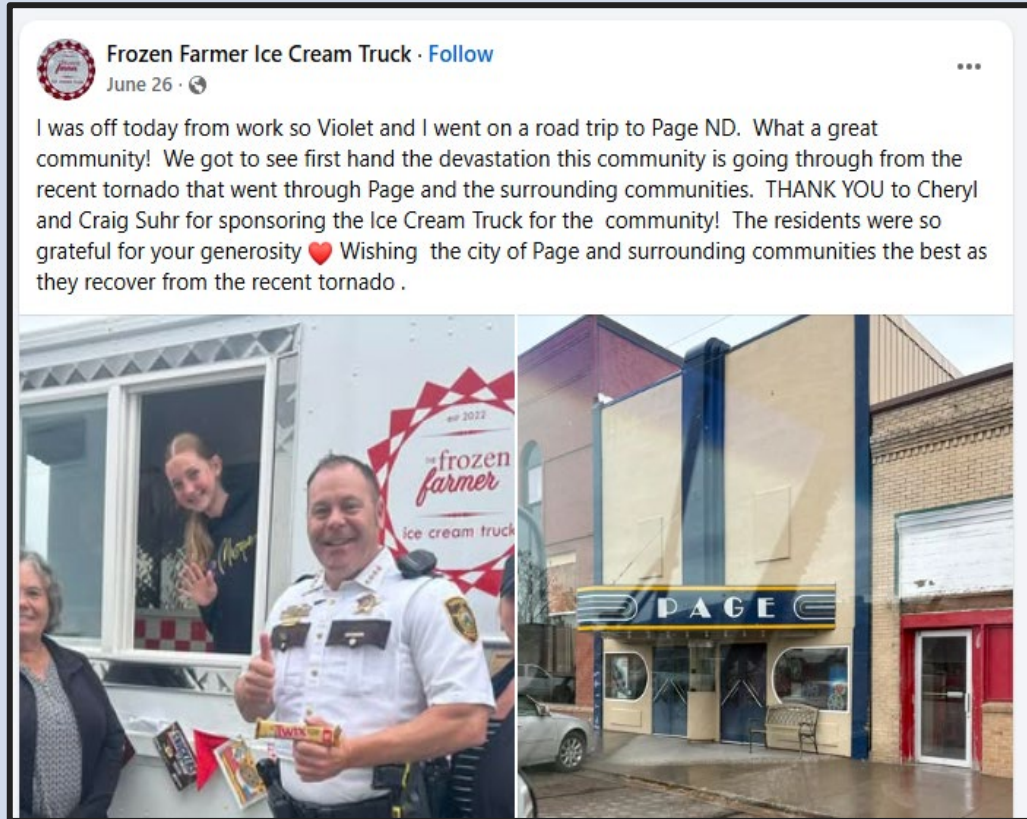
- Page Fire Dept. per Sheriff Jahner SST (Self Supporting Tower) adjacent to Page Fire Hall toppled during storm (currently on top of fire hall roof).
- This tower was originally installed by county (as part of VHF Public Safety Radio System).
- Today, it is used for county wide digital paging (First Responders). However this tower does not affect current 800/Public Safety Radio System.
- There is some overlapping paging coverage into Page from other sites (Arthur).
- Short Term- RRRDC has instructed dispatchers to be vigilant when sending Page Fire or Ambulance.
- Long Term – County to assess viability of rebuilding tower, or locating equipment at other possible existing locations (in Page area) for 1st Responder Paging.
- Patrol Update – Radios are Loud and Clear in Page as of 07/29/2025.

Sheriff's Office Relief and Recovery Operations

- We went into Emergency Operations Mode
 - Good relationship with County Administrator, County Commissioners, Rural First Responders, City Leaders
 - 12-Hour Shifts June to beginning of July
 - Allows us to have more resources available
 - Extra Patrol from Thefts
 - Residences, Garages, Businesses could not be looted
 - No electricity for lighting, security cameras, alarms
 - Our citizens have us as a resource-conduit to Commissioners/State-Emergency Manager
 - Incident Command Locations
 - Identify resources needed
 - Volunteers
 - Donations
 - Documentation-Packets
 - Never enough documentation-drones
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1. Immediate Needs

The storm may have impacted your day-to-day necessities including access to shelter, food, and water. Contact the American Red Cross for immediate needs: 1-800-722-2767

2. Damage Assessments

Contact the American Red Cross to conduct a damage assessment at 1-800-722-2767
Contact your local NDSU Extension agent for agriculture damage assessment.

3. Document and Submit Insurance Claims

Work to submit homeowner's insurance claims by providing documentation and photos of damage. See the ND Insurance Department for a post-disaster checklist or for help.

4. Safely Clear Debris

Disasters can cause or expose dangerous elements including sewage, asbestos, mold. Learn how to stay safe as you clear debris from your property.

5. De-stressing and Asking for Help

Disasters can cause trauma and stress. Give yourself space and grace on the road to recovery, and ask for help when you need it.

See full list of information, programs, and resources that can help you navigate the road to recovery





NDResponse

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Impacted by the June storm? Check out this recovery page for resources and support to get back on your feet: <https://ndresponse.gov/be-prepared/severe-summer-weather/20...> See more

City of Fargo on Behalf of Cass County Emergency Management

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REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS

Updated Volunteer
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Hunter and Erie, North Dakota



The City of Fargo - Government

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UPDATE!! Volunteers are still needed in the city of Hunter and surrounding farmsteads. Volunteers are no longer needed after today in Hunter. Volunteers are no longer needed in the city of Page. People are encouraged to contact the following people before arriving in Hunter to know what equipment and what resources are needed.

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Anyone that needs additional support should contact the Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767

Cass County Sheriff's Office

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NEWS RELEASE



Sheriff Jesse Jahner

CASS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



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City of Page Requests Assistance

CASS COUNTY, N.D. (June 21, 2025)—Late this morning, the City of Page reached out to the Cass County Sheriff's Office with a request for assistance after last night's tornado. Page is in need of people who can either assist with physical removing debris from the streets, or has a chainsaw, and is will to assist with cutting downed tree limbs. If you are able to assist or have any questions, please call City of Page Mayor, Jim Heidorn, at 701-866-5916.



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**UPDATE **

CASS COUNTY, N.D. (June 22, 2025) - The Cass County Sheriff's Office is releasing the names of the three people who lost their lives during this weekend's tornado:

Michael Dalton Dehn

>73 years old

>Enderlin

Katherine Ann Pfaff-Dehn

>73 years old

>Enderlin

Marcario Machuca Lucio

>89 years old

>Enderlin

The Cass County Sheriff's Office extends its heartfelt sympathies to the victim's families, the community of Enderlin, and all other communities affected by this weekend's tragic storm.

Cass County Sheriff's Office Responds to Tornado Fatalities in Rural Enderlin

CASS COUNTY, N.D. (June 21, 2025)—At approximately 11:40 p.m. on 06/20/25, the Cass County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to rural Enderlin for tornado damage to a residence. Once deputies arrived on the scene, the Enderlin Fire Department let them know that storm chasers had located two deceased people as a result of the tornado. Shortly after learning of this, the Enderlin Fire Department was dispatched to another location, and a third deceased person was found as a result of the tornado. Deputies found extensive damage to the area and began conducting well-being checks on people with several partner agencies. Law enforcement, the Enderlin Fire Department, and other first responders continue searching the area and checking on residents now.

The Cass County Sheriff's Office continues to work through the specifics of this incident as this investigation moves forward. Sheriff Jahner will hold a press conference in the Northeast corner of County Road 38 and Highway 46 at 7:30 a.m.

Assisting Agencies:

North Dakota Highway Patrol

Cass County Coroner's Office

Red River Valley UAS Unit

Enderlin Fire Department

Alice Fire Department

Casselton Ambulance Service

Lisbon Ambulance Service



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Cass County Sheriff's Office Assists with Structure Fire in Rural Enderlin

CASS COUNTY, N.D. (June 21, 2025) – At approximately 12:10 p.m., the Cass County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to a structure fire in rural Enderlin. When the deputy arrived, a shop on the property was fully engulfed. The shop was used to store vehicles, and no people were inside during the fire. This property lost power after the tornado had come through the area. The cause of the fire was attributed to a generator being used to supply temporary power to the property. There were no reported injuries to first responders or the homeowner; the shop appears to be a total loss.

The Enderlin, Alice, and Lisbon Fire Departments responded to the scene. No further information is available at this time.

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NEWS RELEASE



Sheriff Jesse Jahner

CASS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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CASS COUNTY, N.D. (June 22, 2025) - The Cass County Sheriff's Office is releasing the names of the three people who lost their lives during this weekend's tornado:

Michael Dalton Dehn

> 73 years old

> Enderlin

Katherine Ann Pfaff-Dehn

> 73 years old

> Enderlin

Marcario Machuca Lucio

> 89 years old

> Enderlin

The Cass County Sheriff's Office extends its heartfelt sympathies to the victim's families, the community of Enderlin, and all other communities affected by this weekend's tragic storm.

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Cass County Sheriff's Office June 22, 2025 Messaging



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Volunteers are currently needed in the City of Hunter, North Dakota, to help with storm cleanup. Anyone interested in assisting with the cleanup efforts is asked to contact Volunteer Coordinators Brad Bateman (701.430.3596) or Sean Richardson (701.367.2128) prior to arrival to ensure an organized effort.

The City of Fargo is working closely with Cass County, the North Dakota Department of Emergency Services, local school districts and other local governments on recovery efforts across areas impacted by the Friday, June 20, storms.

REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers needed to help
with storm recovery in
Hunter, North Dakota

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Cass County Sheriff's Office

6/23/2025 – 6/27/2025 Messaging



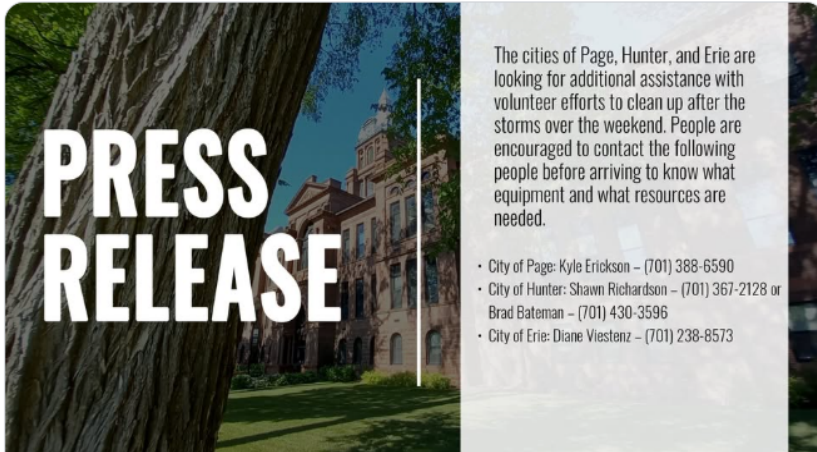
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PRESS RELEASE

Updated Volunteer Cleanup Contact Information for Cities of Page, Hunter, and Erie
CASS COUNTY, N.D. – The cities of Page, Hunter, and Erie are looking for additional assistance with volunteer efforts to clean up after the storms over the weekend. People are encouraged to contact the following people before arriving to know what equipment and what resources are needed.

- City of Page: Kyle Erickson – (701) 388-6590
- City of Hunter: Shawn Richardson – (701) 367-2128 or Brad Bateman – (701) 430-3596
- City of Erie: Diane Viestenz – (701) 238-8573



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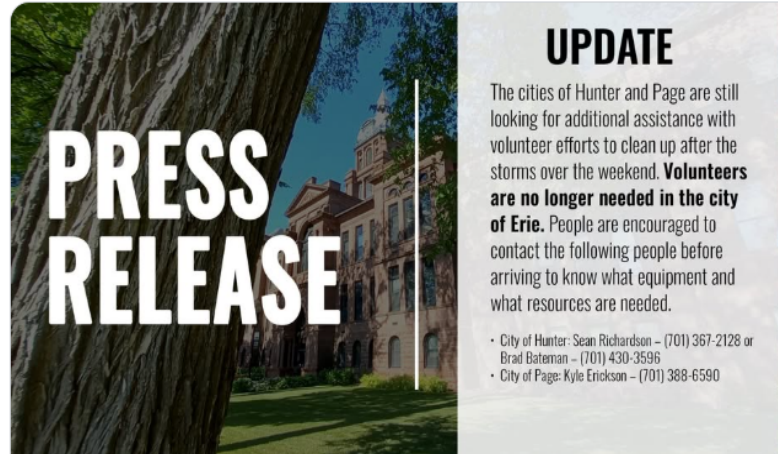
PRESS RELEASE... See more



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The cities of Hunter and Page are still looking for additional assistance with volunteer efforts to clean up after the storms over the weekend. Volunteers are no longer... [See more](#)



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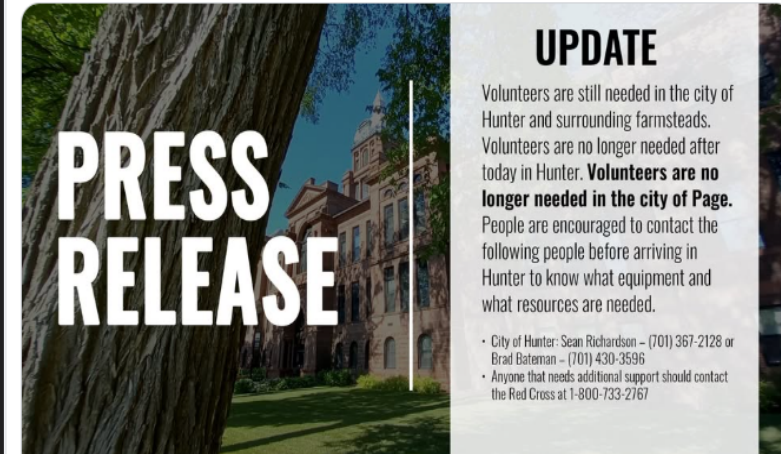
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June 27 · 🌐

UPDATE: Volunteers are still needed in the city of Hunter and surrounding farmsteads. Volunteers are no longer needed after today (June 27) in Hunter. Volunteers are no... [See more](#)



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June 27 · 🌐

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- City of Hunter: Sean Richardson – (701) 367-2128 or Brad Bateman – (701) 430-3596
- Anyone that needs additional support should contact the Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767

North Dakota Disaster Declaration & Request For Federal Aid

- North Dakota Governor Kelly Armstrong declared a statewide disaster on June 21st in response to the June 20th – 21st 2025 storms. There were 4 storm related deaths, 37,000 people without power, and significant property damage.
- July 21st, 2025 North Dakota Governor Kelly Armstrong requested presidential declaration from FEMA following the severe June storm. He seeks federal aid for 19 North Dakota counties that experienced significant damage from the storms including infrastructure and loss of life.
- Affected counties include: Barnes, Burleigh, Cass, Eddy, Emmons, Foster, Grant, Griggs, Kidder, Mclean, Morton, Oliver, Ransom, Sheridan, Sioux, Steele, Stutsman, Traill, and Wells.
 - Highest damage amounts include: Oliver County (2.6 Million), Cass County (1.5 Million), Barnes County (1.3 Million) and Stutsman County (1.1 Million).
- Preliminary damage estimates are approximately 11.5 million.
- <https://www.governor.nd.gov/sites/www/files/documents/7-21-25%20Final%20-%20ND%20Request%20for%20Major%20Disaster%20Declaration%20-%20June%2020-21%202025%20Severe%20Storms.pdf>
- Federal relief is requested pursuant to section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.
- Governor Armstrong issued Executive Order 2025-05 which activated our State Emergency Operations Plan to mobilize all available state resources to ensure a coordinated response to help impacted communities.
- Governor Armstrong stated in his letter that the most devastating tornado was documented near the City of Enderlin with wind speeds near 160 mph. It carved a 12 mile path of devastation as it leveled multiple farmhouses and led to 3 fatalities. The acting Emergency Manager Brady Schriber advised that agricultural sites and farmsteads sustained significant damage including destroyed grain bins, irrigation systems and power lines. Cass County Sheriff Jesse Jahner told reporters that the storm was still active when they (first responders) responded and was very dangerous.

Governor Armstrongs Request For Aid Letter Continued

- Many of the hardest hit homesteads were in deeply rural areas that do not have storm siren systems and these elements likely contributed to this tragic outcome.
 - The City of Page was without power for 6 days and a Cass County Emergency Management Generator was used to power the City's Command Center being used for Emergency Operations. A rented generator was also brought to power the Page Public School which was being used as an emergency shelter and feeding station. Hunter also used a rented generator to provide their community with an emergency shelter. Schribner advised, "We needed the generators not only for safety but for survival."
 - Jim Heidorn, Mayor of Page, told the AP that wind ravaged trees, roofs, and structures, stating, "Half of the town's trees are gone."
 - Transportation was also severely impacted as key roadways such as I-94 and I-29 were impacted or closed temporarily due to overturned semi trucks or vehicles that blocked the lanes of traffic.
- There were also three train derailments across the state. One near Enderlin (Cass / Ransom Counties) involving 12 empty train tanker cars, a second one near Galesburg (SW Trail County) involving 3 miles of empty grain cars (nearly 300 units off the track), and a third one near Mayville (Traill County) which involved 6 to 7 mile long trail hauling loaded grain cars which was pushed off the track.
 - The ND Watch Center was monitoring conditions and disseminating updated information through WebEOC and other communication channels.
 - The ND Department of Emergency Services activated the State Emergency Operations Plan (SEOP) to help assist local officials with recovery and restoration services.
 - Emergency Disaster Declarations were also made for the City of Hunter, the City of Page, and Cass County.
 - Schribner stated, "We coordinated generator deliveries, command center support, debris removal and public information outreach, all while trying to track costs and needs in real time. We did everything we could, but we've hit our ceiling."

Governor Armstrong's Letter Requesting Aid Continued

- Cass County and City of Fargo Communication Teams boosted messaging from community leaders in Hunter, Page, and Erie who were seeking volunteers.
 - Cass County also hosted daily recovery meetings to share updates, identify needs, report damages and address ongoing impacts.
 - One local business coordinated roughly 100 volunteers to support the community of Enderlin.
 - Community members also donated water, drinks, snacks and supplies to volunteers.
 - The ND Forest Service (NDFS) activated 5 wildland firefighters with chainsaw certification to help break down debris for removal in the community of Hunter. Firefighters were focused on breaking down large trees to better manage safety concerns.
 - The ND Department of Transportation (NDDOT) monitored incident updates for road closures, worked with local district offices to assess damage, and provided manual labor support for debris removal.
 - The NDDEQ worked with local landfill managers to ensure that appropriate procedures were followed for disposal and provide technical assistance for hazardous chemical spills.
 - The ND based Rural Electric Cooperatives (RECs), Transmission Organizations and Investor Owned Utilities worked nonstop to perform emergency repairs to restore electricity to all impacted residents.
- The ND Dept of Health and Human Services activated its Department Operations Center (DOC) contacting health care facilities to understand where the power outages existed. Following this outreach NDHHS mobilized refrigerated trucks and generators to several long-term care facilities and one human service center across the state.
 - NDHHS also coordinated with SNAP to replace lost food caused by extended power outages for residents who rely on the Snap Program.
 - Fargo Cass Public Health mobilized a generator to Page Public School where the ARC established respite care.
 - ARC staff and volunteers activated the shelter which provided warm showers, phone charging stations, snacks, water, recovery resources and damage assessments upon request. They also hosted a community meal and navigated requests for short-term housing and financial assistances.
 - The NWS provided critical technical support before, during and after the disaster offering warnings and post-event analysis that supported response and recovery operations.
 - The NDDES coordinated with the Joint Information Center to proactively share recovery resources to citizens on [Ndresponse.gov](https://ndresponse.gov) website.

CCSO AFTER ACTION FEEDBACK - COMMUNICATION

- As with any major incident there was communication issues in the beginning. Whether it was from the radios/lines being down, a breakdown in communication, Deputies / 1st Responders not getting all of the information or confusion over where things were happening or what happened. Deputies did their best to work through it. The breakdown in communication did lead to Deputies wasting a good amount of time looking for a child they believed was at one of the scenes (there was no child) and trying to find a tornado victim at their home when they were brought to the Enderlin Firehall.
- During this event the radio communication system was not functioning well due to downed power lines / radio tower damage. Radios and phones did not work in Enderlin which presented a challenge for responders. Outside of Enderlin the portable radios were not working the best therefore Deputies switched to using cell phones and CAD. One Deputy even suggested that a supervisor log in to his BW C so he could see what was going on as he could not communicate over the radio. This problem led to Law Enforcement not being able to get assets where they were needed to quicker.
 - If we needed additional radio support we believe there is a radio "Mobile Power Box" that may be stored in Detroit Lakes and is pulled by trailer that could help but it is quite a distance away and it would take a resource to go pick it up. Researching or brainstorming with Brian at RRVDC may be beneficial to find a workaround in the event coms went down in larger areas and a fix would be needed.

CCSO AFTER ACTION FEEDBACK – RESOURCES / IC

- Deputies did not have enough resources to manage the incident and had to call in additional assistance. The Sheriff, Patrol Captain, Investigative Sergeant, On-Call Investigator, and a Field Sergeant came out to assist. They attempted to call in additional investigative staff however they were unable to get ahold of them.
 - As a fix they met with the members they could not get ahold of and came up with a possible solution of using Everbridge for call outs.
 - Also while Deputies were responding on the ingress routes (all had downed lines over them) they ran over downed power lines. It would be beneficial to have a class or education on power lines and what companies do to mark them if they are not electrified. What is safe and not safe?
- Incident Command was established close to where it is believed that the tornado entered Cass County and also the location believed to have the most devastation (2 deceased). There were several entities represented at Incident Command. We really felt the gap of not having an Enderlin Fire Representative there as part of Unified Command to help with communication between all responders.
- When Deputies were performing a grid search looking for other victims or damage I don't think they were marking the residences off at the location. They were in the Command Truck but if another responder went to check there would be no indication this property was checked. Do Deputies have the training to know how to mark the properties as checked if need be during a major incident? If not it may be beneficial to bring that training in. It is taught in a FEMA course.

CCSO AFTER ACTION FEEDBACK - RECOVERY

- Cass County's Emergency Manager retired prior to this storm event and the only other Emergency Management employee was on vacation out of state when this incident happened. This employee had Brady Schriber with Fargo Emergency Management filling in. Given this was a retirement it would have been advantageous to have a new Emergency Manager hired and trained prior to the other one retiring. This likely would have allowed for better overall management of this incident from the County, which these small communities really rely on for guidance / leadership.
- In a community recovery meeting a member of the Red Cross mostly shared the things they could not assist with and when asked about the possibility of them assisting with getting water to the town they mentioned that Costco delivered. It may be beneficial to visit with them beforehand to find out what their capabilities are, resources they can provide, and what the extent of their resources are (given multiple communities were impacted).
- Some of the smaller contract communities did not seem to have an Emergency Operations Plan/Preparedness for a major event such as this. It would be beneficial for these communities to have their community leaders to attend Emergency Preparedness Training as well as to come up with an Emergency Preparedness Plan (if they do not have one) before an event to better help them during the incident as well as during recovery. If they do have a plan or looking to create a plan it should include:
 - A place for residents to have access to water for hydration or showers. Suggestions may be a school or firehall.
 - A place identified that will have electricity (running generator) for those that rely on it.
 - A place for residents to go to get information if communication methods were still down and a place to store donations.
 - A place for residents to go that will have food/water/refrigeration for medications.
 - A predetermined location or collection point in the event someone needed medical but lines are down.
 - Having a volunteer sign up sheet put in place at the beginning of the incident.

CCSO Deputy Comments

Deputy R.H. (Assistant Supervisor On Patrol Shift & Training a New Deputy)– The initial and secondary response was to be expected with the storm (delays, debris in road, etc.). Only thing to note would be to have a Chaplain and or resource on site with Incident Command should any need the resource; to include involved family, responders, and/or citizens. I know a majority on scene were asked if it was needed; but the ability to have the resource on site for an immediate use could be beneficial if someone was truly struggling with an incident. He advised that this maybe the only thing he could think of that was not present.

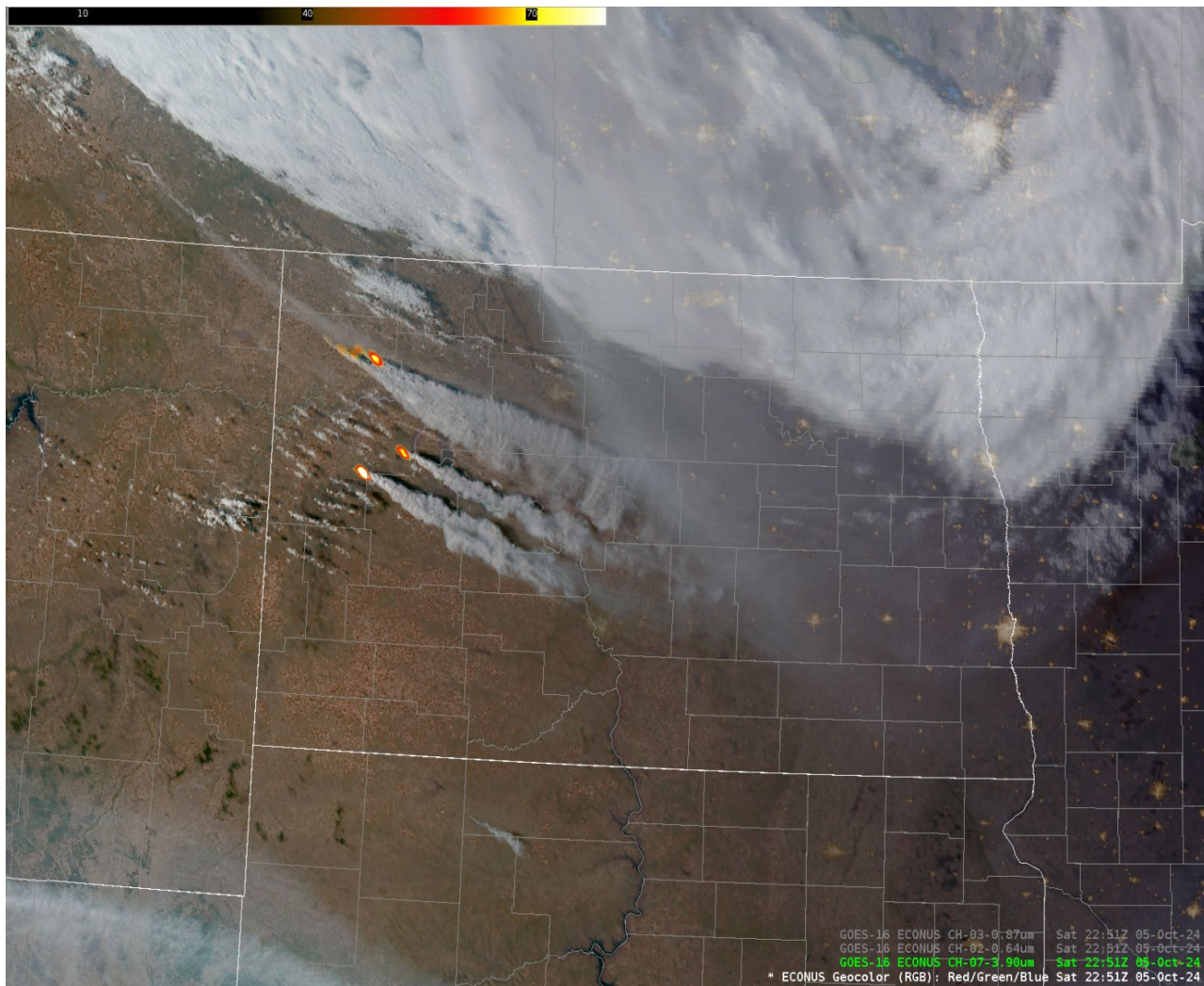
Deputy H.H. (Responding Investigator On-Call) –I liked having the crime scene truck there.

Deputy M.C. (Responding Supervisor in Agency Called Out To Assist)– I think the overall event response went very well. From the time of callout for me, hearing the events unfold over the radio, I think our response was timely and appropriate. I think all responding units did well and responded in a timely manner. Once on scene all assets worked together to search for any further victims.

Deputy T. M. (Supervisor on Shift): Based upon the whole response to the IC locations and resources that came out, I personally believe this agency did an amazing job. No one can really prepare for something like this but more or less be ready just in case. Based on every aspect of CCSO everyone did such an amazing job with what we had to work with. Overcoming and adapting to the situation – Search and Rescue, Grid Searches, Going Door to Door, Drone Operations, Command Truck, Well Ran ICS, Investigations/Ground Units, Communication with additional resources... this was a phenomenal job.

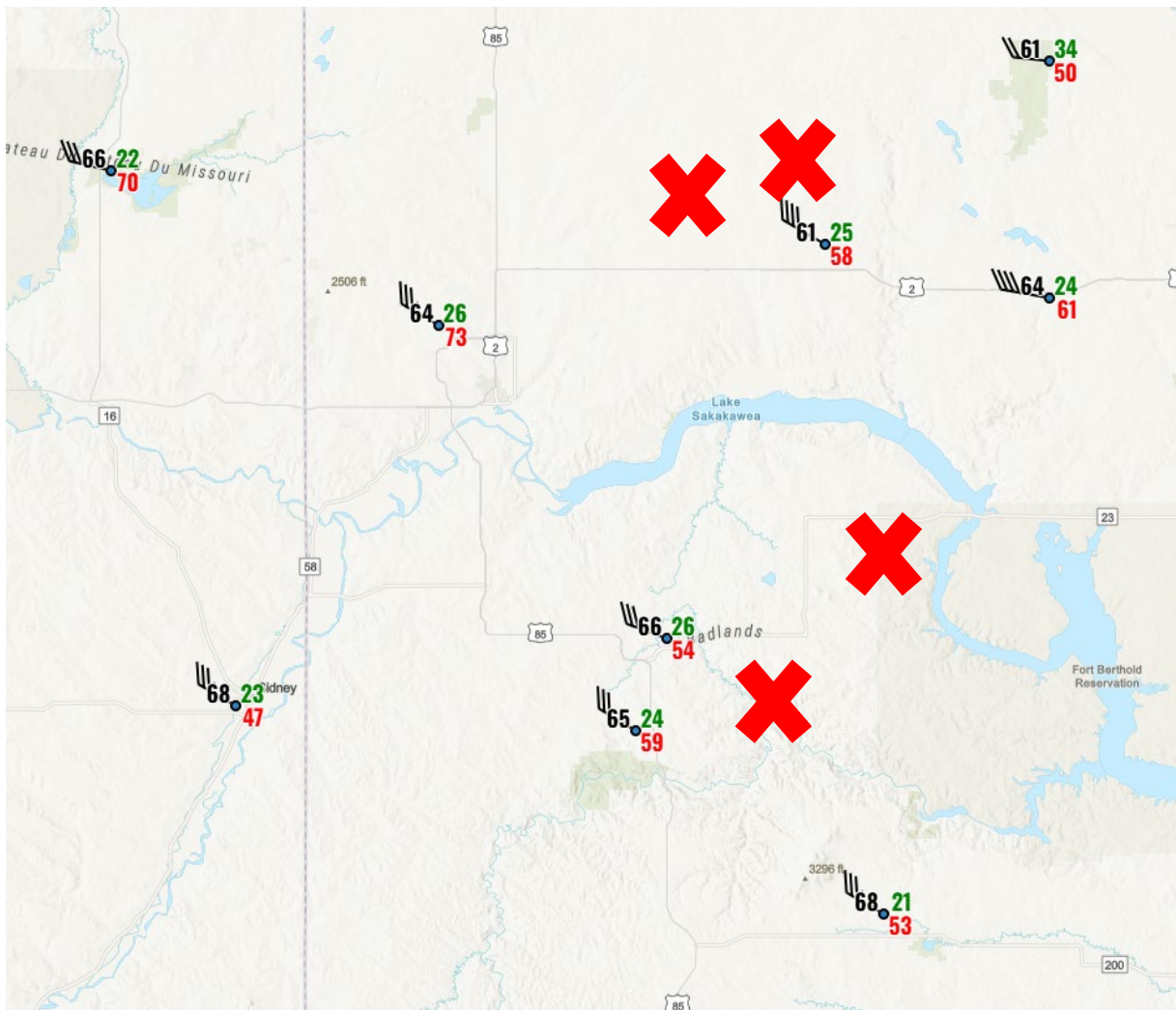
Deputy T. J (Responding Investigator Supervisor Called to Assist): I feel like Deputies did a great job working through this critical incident with loss of life. They recognized that the situation called for additional resources and appropriately requested them. They worked through communication issues, scene hazards, and weather that was likely a danger to their own lives. I do think having the Command Truck out there was beneficial for overall operations and to coordinate investigative activities. The CCSO response to this incident is a testament to the Emergency Preparedness, Planning, Training, and Leadership in the office.

October 5th, 2024 Wildfire Outbreak



- ❑ ~111,000 acres burned
- ❑ Two fatalities
- ❑ Six injuries
- ❑ Homes burned
- ❑ Extensive property losses

October 5th, 2024 Wildfire Outbreak

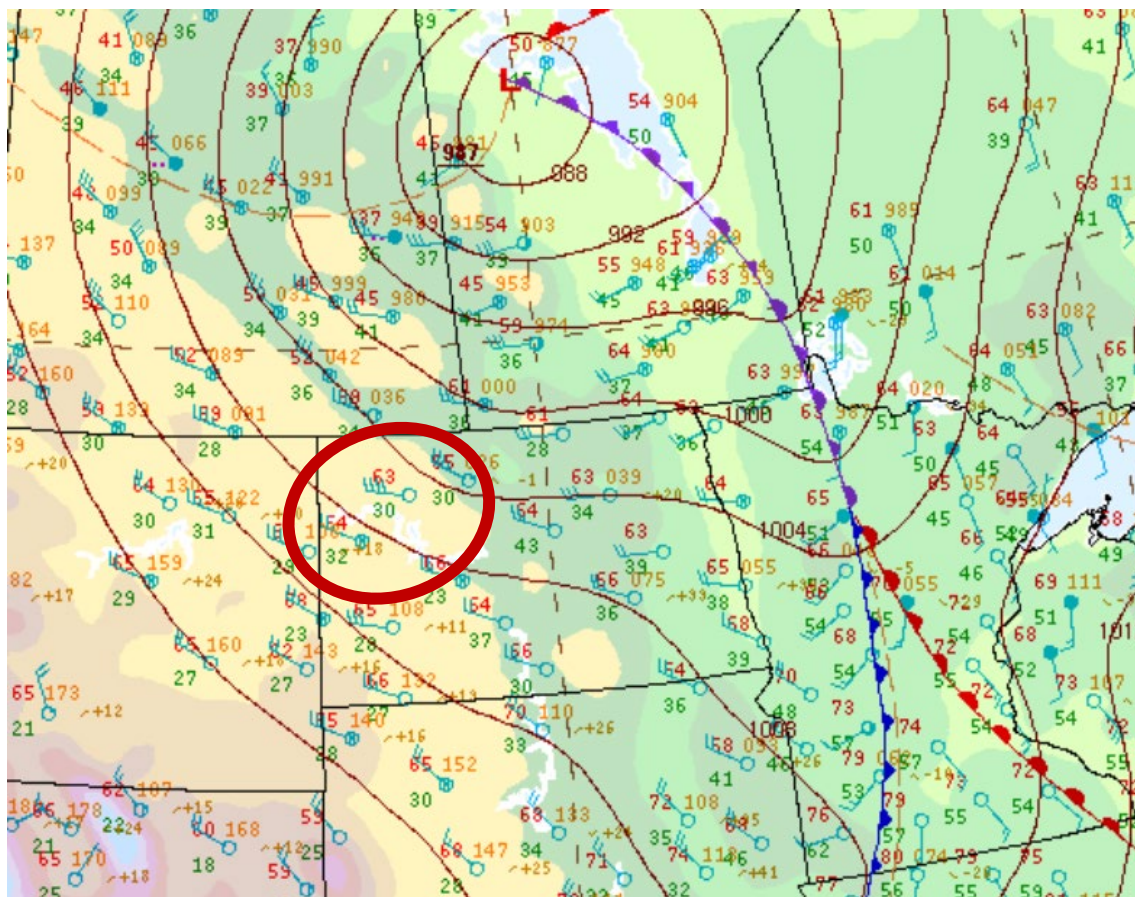


Wind Gusts of 60-75 mph, RH around 25%, Temps in the 60s F



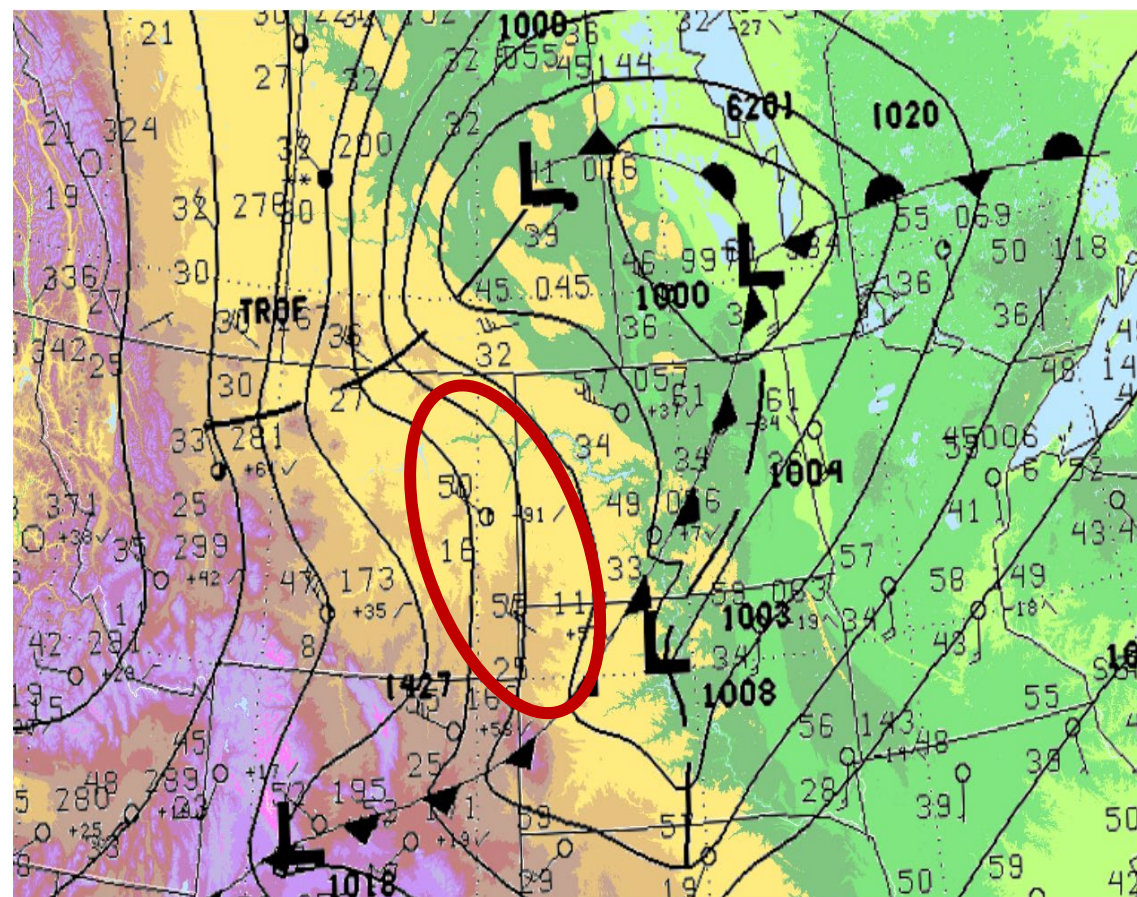
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October 2024



12 pm CDT Surface Observations/Fronts

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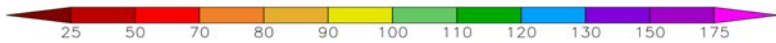
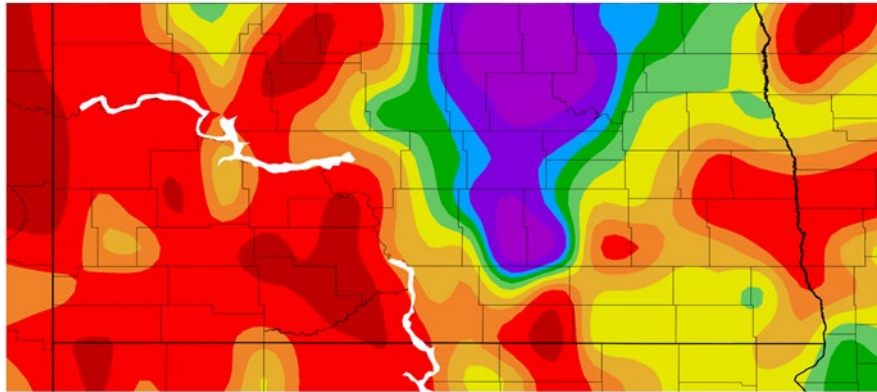


9 pm CDT Surface Observations/Fronts



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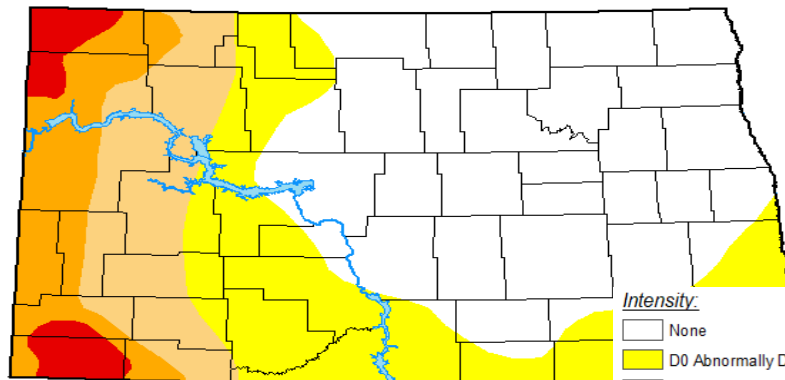
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7/1/2024 – 9/30/2024



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NOAA Regional Climate Centers

Drought Monitor October 1, 2024



Intensity:

None

D0 Abnormally Dry

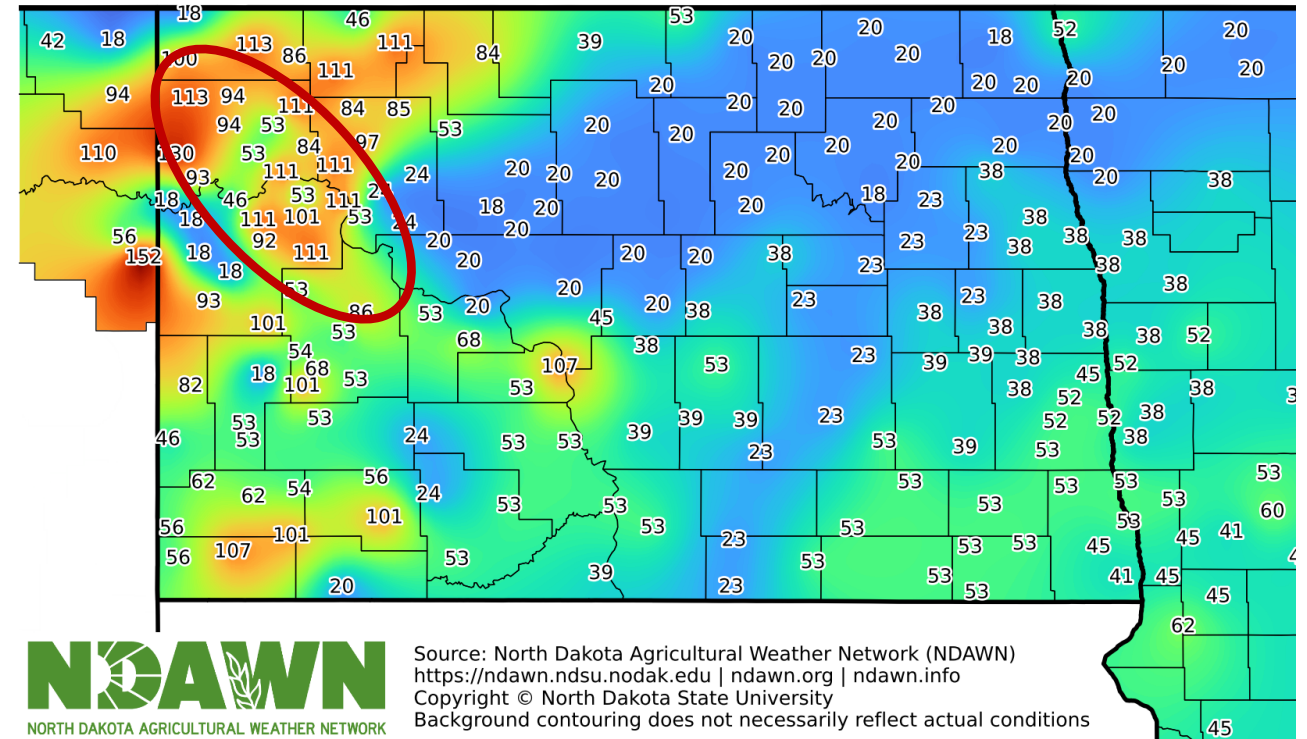
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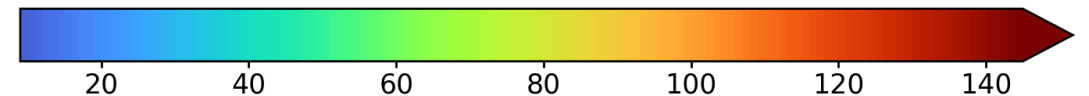
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Consecutive Days with Less Than .50 inch Precipitation



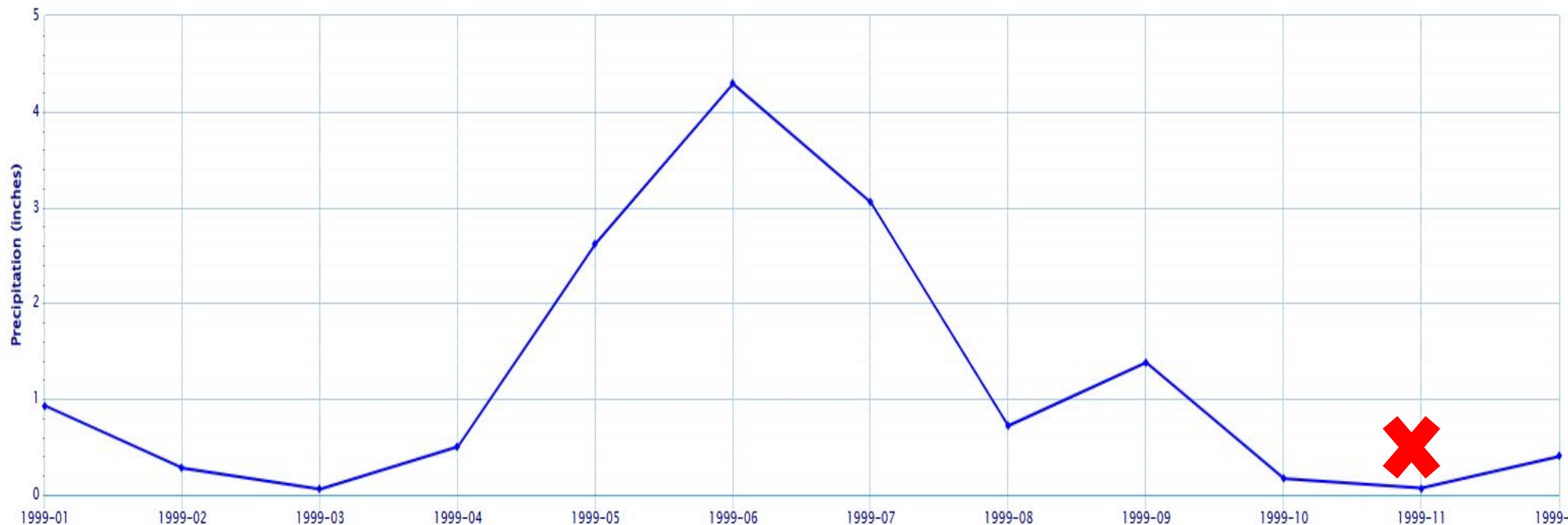
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1999 Priming: Long-Duration Late Season Drying

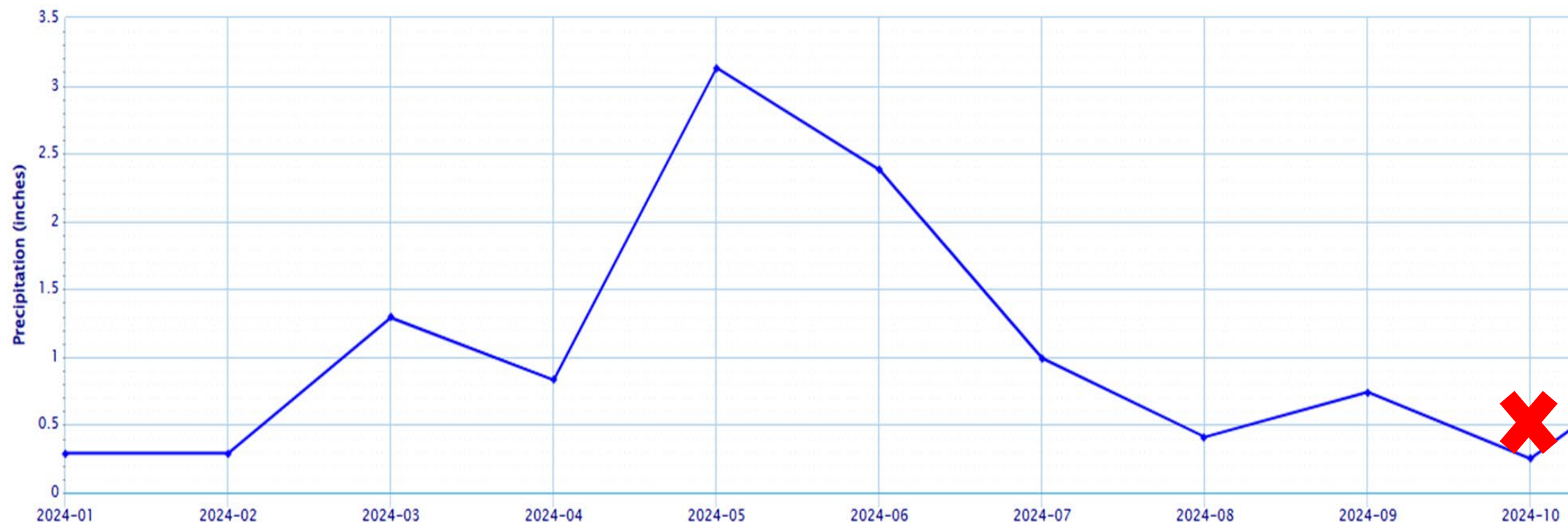
Sidney, Montana Monthly Precipitation



**Number of Consecutive Days Since 0.50" or
More of Precipitation: 108**

Comparing with the 2024 Precipitation Trends

Williston, North Dakota Monthly Precipitation

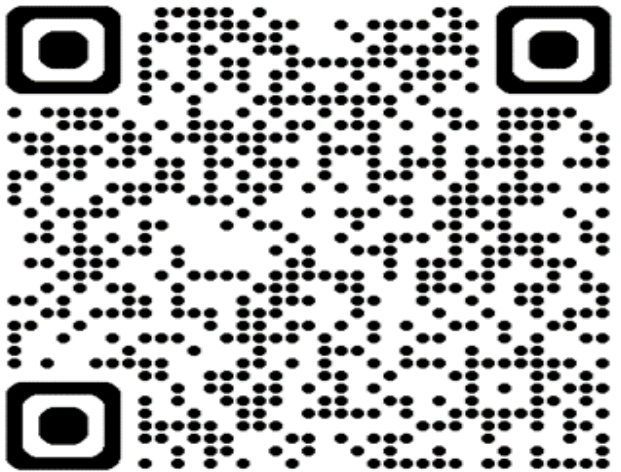


**Number of Consecutive Days Since 0.50" or
More of Precipitation: 95**



NWS: Supporting Government "Eye to Eye and Chat to Chat"

State/Local/Tribal Partners NWS Chat Sign- Up



Emails Sign-Up NWS Bismarck:



NWS Grand Forks:
James.Kaiser@noaa.gov

***We want to
become ingrained
in your decision-
making processes
in the best way to
help you!***



NWS Mission: we want government partners to make good (informed) decisions to support their missions based on the weather information being provided.



McKenzie County

October 2024 Fires



































North Dakota National Guard









**Can you tell how
hard the wind
was blowing!**







Bear Den Fire – October 2024

Those who stood on the fire line—and those who stood behind them.

From firefighters to support teams who provided food, water, and supplies—thank you for your courage, dedication, and heart.

MANDAREE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT



STATE

**ND Forest Service
Fire Mgmt Officer
Ryan Melin**

COUNTY

**McKenzie County
Emergency
Manager
Karolin Jappe**

TRIBAL

**Mandaree Fire
Chief Marle Baker**

What a Team!





The Fire Chief of Keene asked me to head North and then head East to see how far down the fire was. On the next slide you will see just how fare I made it.





























**At
times it
got a
little bit
too
close
for
comfort**







The Elkhorn
Fire had Hot
spots flaring
up for a
good 10
days.





McKenzie
County
Road
Department
was out in
full force
with multiple
blades,
water trucks
and
whatever
else was
needed.



**We are very
grateful for our
McKenzie
County Road
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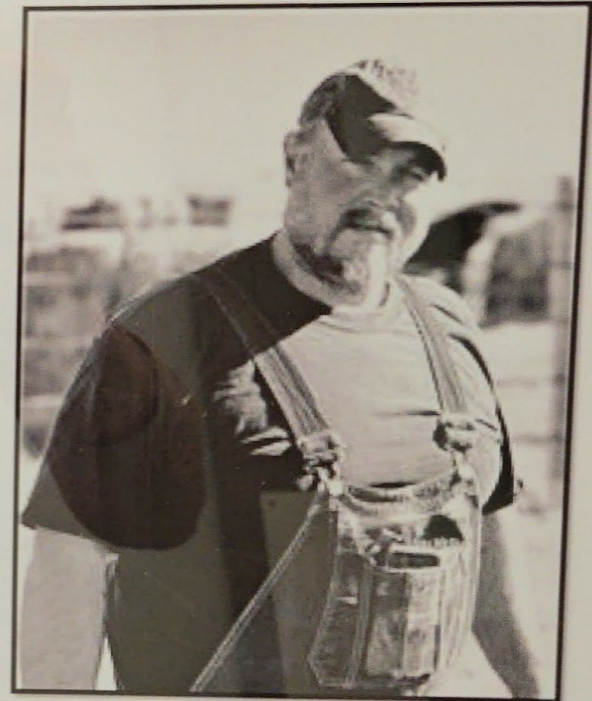
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There are things that death cannot touch

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Edgar Coppersmith, II



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~ Jack Thorne

Williams County lost two men in the October 2024 Fires.



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