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## **State Extends Damage Reporting Deadline**

INDIANAPOLIS – The deadline for reporting severe weather damage from earlier this month has been extended. Hoosiers that sustained damage from wind and flooding that began March 8 are urged to call a toll free number to report damage. The number (866-210-1925) is staffed from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. EST through Friday, **March 27, 2009**. Damage reports also may be made online via the IDHS web site at <http://www.in.gov/dhs> until Monday March 30, 2009.

Those reporting damage will be asked to provide their name, address, phone number, damage to property and type of damage the property sustained. Losses can include structural damage to homes and loss of personal property.

Individuals will **not** be in conversation with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Information collected will be used to help local emergency management agencies and the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) preliminarily assess damage to determine if federal assistance can be pursued.

Damage assessment teams from IDHS will be evaluating damage caused by severe weather during the next several days. The counties are Carroll, Fulton, Kosciusko, Marshall, Noble, Pulaski, White and Whitley. More counties may be added as flood water recedes and additional damage is reported.

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