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AFTER THE STORM

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HAS DETERMINED 80-MPH STRAIGHT LINE WINDS DAMAGED NEARLY 200 HOMES AND SLAMMED THE CITY'S INDUSTRIAL AREA. SOME OF THE CITY'S BIGGEST COMPANIES HAVE SUSTAINED SERIOUS DAMAGE TO THEIR BUILDINGS. THREE HAVE BEEN DEEMED UNSAFE. FEMA HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH GRANDVIEW FIRE CHIEF RON GRAHAM WHO PLACES **PRELIMINARY DAMAGE ESTIMATES AT AROUND APPROXIMATELY \$5 MILLION.**

THE I-49 OUTER ROAD SOUTHBOUND IS CLOSED FROM 135TH STREET TO 140TH STREET AS KCP&L CREWS WORK TO REPLACE SNAPPED UTILITY POLES AND DOWNED POWER LINES. A MAJORITY OF THE REMAINING POWER OUTAGES ARE IN THIS AREA. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS CONCERNED TODAY'S WINDY CONDITIONS COULD BRING DOWN POWER MORE LINES WEAKENED BY LAST NIGHT'S STORM AND WARN RESIDENTS TO STAY ALERT.

PUBLIC WORKS CREWS EXPECT THE CLEAN UP TO TAKE A FEW DAYS. GRANDVIEW RESIDENTS WANTING TO KNOW ABOUT A DROP-OFF SITE FOR TREE DEBRIS WILL NEED TO CALL (816) 316-4800 FOR THE LOCATION.

AFTER THE STORM: BY THE NUMBERS

196 HOMES WITH MINOR DAMAGE
27 HOMES WITH MAJOR DAMAGE
3 COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS DEEMED UNSAFE
FIRE RESPONDED TO 40 CALLS WITHIN SIX HOURS
TWO FIRES CAUSED BY DOWNED POWER LINES
0 INJURIES

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