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Midland County Flooding Updates – May 30, 12:00 p.m.

As rain showers leave the area on Saturday, chances of precipitation fall significantly for the remainder of the weekend.

Following are updates related to flood recovery resources and activities:

Laundry Vouchers

Free vouchers for access to laundry facilities for Midland and Gladwin County residents impacted by the flood are available at the nine United Way distribution sites in both counties. The following laundry locations will accept the vouchers beginning Saturday, May 30:

- Lifestyle Garment Care – 2706 N. Saginaw Road
- Totally Clean Coin Laundry – 2 locations
 - 717 Waldo Avenue
 - 1720 N. Saginaw Road
- Coleman Laundryland - 403 E. Washington Street, Coleman
- Sun and Suds Laundromat - 352 Ross Street, Beaverton
- Gladwin Cleaners – 231 E. Cedar Ave., Gladwin

COVID-19 Mass Testing Site Planned at Dow Diamond May 30-31

Due to ongoing impacts from the recent flooding event in Midland County, the Midland County Department of Public Health will host a mass COVID-19 testing clinic in conjunction with the Michigan National Guard, Michigan State Police, and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

Testing will take place via a drive-thru clinic at Dow Diamond, 825 E. Main Street in Midland, on Saturday, May 30 from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sunday, May 31, from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Nasopharyngeal testing will be done by the National Guard with data collection assistance by the Midland County Department of Public Health. Individuals do not need to have symptoms to be tested. Residents are asked to stay in their vehicles if possible as this will be a drive-thru clinic. Residents should enter the clinic via the main Dow Diamond entrance off Buttles Street.

There is no cost for testing. Tests are positive/negative result only and do not detect antibodies.

Resources for Residents with Diabetes

The American Diabetes Association and the Diabetes Disaster Response Coalition are offering support to residents with diabetes during the recent flooding event. For questions or support regarding diabetes, diabetes supplies, and management, contact the American Diabetes Association at 1-800-342-2383, Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. or visit

www.diabetesdisasterresponse.org/resources. For residents who would prefer to contact a representative in Midland County, please contact Kerri LaFore at 989-859-2339.

Vaccine Clinic Available Monday

The Midland County Department of Public Health will be hosting a vaccine clinic to provide vaccinations that can protect residents in the event they are injured while working in flood-contaminated areas. Injuries sustained in unsanitary conditions carry a risk of contracting a disease. Vaccines for Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) and Hepatitis A will be available at both clinics.

The clinic will be held Monday, June 1, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Jerome Township Fire Station 1, 725 Irish Street in Sanford.

Potable Water Stations Available in Edenville

Midland County residents without water service can get potable water at both Edenville Township fire stations.

These stations are located at:

- 420 Moore Street
- 4708 N. Lake Sanford Road

Residents should bring their own containers for transporting water.

Assistance for Residents with Non-Functioning Wells

Residents who are experiencing issues with their groundwater wells should contact the Midland County Department of Public Health at 989-832-6380 to report their concerns. A member of Environmental Health will be dispatched to assist property owners with options.

TDS Telecom Service Restoration Ongoing in Sanford

TDS Telecom will continue work on its temporary equipment hub site Saturday, May 30. Switch equipment is currently being delivered and work on electrical and HVAC systems is ongoing. Additional TDS staff will be on-site to aid in and continue network assessment.

REMINDERS FROM PREVIOUS RELEASES:

Construction Permits and Inspections for Flood-Damaged Properties and Infrastructure

Property owners in Midland County are reminded that they should secure all required permits and inspections as they make repairs and replace infrastructure in their homes and businesses. The process for requesting these services is outlined below.

Midland County:

Residents in townships, the City of Coleman, or the Village of Merrill are encouraged to contact a licensed building contractor or restoration company to obtain the needed permits for their homes and businesses. To schedule an inspection or apply for a permit, contact the Township Code Authority of Midland County at 989-837-6521 or contact the appropriate department.

Individual inspection departments can be reached as follows:

- Plumbing/mechanical – 989-246-4817
- Electrical – 989-737-6375
- Building – 989-313-2168

To find building permit applications forms, building permit and inspection information coverage areas, and more, please visit www.townshipcodeauthority.com.

City of Midland:

To schedule a building inspection or apply for a building permit related to the recent flooding event in the City of Midland, residents should call the Building Department at 989-837-3383 and leave a voicemail message regarding their project or email the appropriate staff member.

Individual inspectors can be reached as follows:

- Steve Taglauer, Chief Building Official – staglaue@midland-mi.org
- Mike Streeter, Electrical Inspector – mstreeter@midland-mi.org
- Jim Armstrong, Plumbing/Mechanical Inspector – jvarmstrong@midland-mi.org

For fire safety inspections and other plans related to fire safety, please contact Midland Fire Department Fire Marshal Tony Lelo at 989-837-3413 or alelo@midland-mi.org.

To find City building permit applications forms, building permit and inspection information, and more, please visit www.cityofmidlandmi.gov/building. For fire department permit and inspection information, visit www.cityofmidlandmi.gov/fire. Fees will be waived for all City permits related to flood damage.

Donation Information

Beginning Wednesday, May 27, the following locations will serve as both drop-off sites for individuals who wish to donate the items listed above and pick-up sites for individuals who need access to these supplies. These sites will be open seven days a week from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the following locations:

- West Midland Family Center, 4011 W. Isabella Road
- Coleman High School, 4951 N. Lewis Road
- Sanford Senior Center, 3243 N. West River Road
- Meridian Elementary School, 3343 N. Meridian Road
- North Family Center, 2601 E. Shearer Road
- Gladwin – Parking lot behind Forge Fitness, 237 W. Cedar Avenue, Gladwin (Parking lot is at the corner of Arcade Street and Grout Street)
- Midland High School, 1301 Eastlawn Drive
- Bullock Creek High School, 1420 S. Badour Road

The current list of items needed includes:

- Personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Cleaning supplies
- Food
- Water
- Personal care items
- Household goods

Clothing donations will not be accepted at this time.

In collaboration with Dow and the Midland Emergency Operations Center (EOC), United Way of Midland County has created a process for those who wish to donate and those in need of items for flood relief. The Supplies Donations Plan provides a framework to collect and distribute donated items to those in need.

Businesses or organizations who wish to donate items must first fill out the Supplies Donations Survey online at www.reliefmidland.org and click the link under Corporate Supplies Donations to

complete a donation survey. United Way will be in contact with all survey submissions within 72 hours to discuss next steps. Urgent donations needs will be processed as soon as possible. Individuals should drop off donations only at the locations listed above.

Midland Sanitary Landfill Hours Extended to Sunday

The Midland Sanitary Landfill is currently open during its regular operating hours, daily 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. The Landfill will be open Saturday, May 30 and Sunday, May 31 from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Customers accessing the Landfill will be required to show proof of Midland County residency. Debris generated outside of Midland County will not be accepted. Due to the high anticipated volume of customers accessing the Landfill, wait times may be significant.

Due to the presence of heavy equipment and the high volume of vehicle traffic and debris in flood-damaged areas in the City of Midland, customers with Friday refuse, Friday Week 4 recycling collection, and yard waste collection who live on streets where significant amounts of flood debris remain at the curb may not receive regular refuse and yard waste collection on Friday, May 29. These residents will see collection resume once debris collection has completed in their area.

Shower Facilities Available

Displaced residents in need of shower facilities may access showers at the following locations during the specified hours:

- North Midland Family Center - 2601 E. Shearer Rd, Midland
 - Open Monday through Friday, 6:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- West Midland Family Center – 4011 W. Isabella Rd, Shepherd
 - Open Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Rest Station Available

Meridian High School, 3303 N. Meridian Road in Sanford, is open as a rest station daily from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. providing Wi-Fi, electrical charging stations,, and water resources.

For previous updates, flood response information, and details on release efforts, please visit the following resources:

- www.midland911.org
- www.cityofmidlandmi.gov
- www.co.midland.mi.us
- Facebook channels for the following entities:
 - Midland County Emergency Management (MI)
 - Midland County 911
 - City of Midland, Michigan – Municipal Government
- Twitter: @CityofMidlandMI
- Twitter: @MidlandCountyMI
- Call 2-1-1
- Sign up for 911 text and email alerts through Nixle.com

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