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County Board Chairman Ken Koehler Proclaims McHenry County a Disaster Emergency Area

WOODSTOCK, IL – The McHenry County Board Chairman Ken Koehler has issued a proclamation to declare McHenry County a disaster emergency area. This proclamation is due to the damage from the storms of 7/11/11 that has resulted in thousands of tons of vegetative debris along county and township roadways. The volume of debris exceeds county and township resources available to remove and dispose of said debris.

Issuing this declaration will allow the state to provide state assets for assistance to the County. This proclamation is effecting July 15, 2011 and shall expire July 22, 2011 unless extended by the McHenry County Board. The Illinois Emergency Management Agency may also seek a declaration from the Governor, which would pave the way for a request of Federal Assistance through a Presidential Disaster Declaration.

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