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Plan for the Worst, Hope for the Best

Over the last six months there have been a lot of natural disasters and crises including rooftops collapsing, flooding, power outages, and tornadoes not only in our neck of the woods but across the state. The important thing to remember is to prepare for these events before they do occur.

In our district we have seen last winter take a toll on our barns, sheds, and other buildings as some of the rooftops on our buildings came crashing down due to the weight from the vast amounts of snow that had piled up. With all of the snowmelt and the massive amounts of rain, flooding has been widespread. More recently there have also been power outages and tornadoes that have affected Buffalo, Jackson, and Trempealeau Counties.

Often we do not prepare in advance for possible natural disasters, but it is necessary to plan for the worst to have the best outcome. It is important to have adequate materials such as a snow rake and a means to remove snow so that our rooftops do not collapse.

For individuals that live or have property along any waterways, making sure there are no obstructions in the water, placing sandbags or building berms while following rules and regulations set forth by our municipalities and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) in doing so will help to prevent flooding, especially in basements. It is equally important to volunteer your help in these situation even if it does not directly affect you.

During power outages and tornadoes, it is important to have extra food, cases of water, and medical supplies. We can never be too prepared when our power may be out or we may be in our basement seeking cover from tornadoes, especially in heat temperatures of 90 degrees and higher.

I encourage you and your families to plan for the worst, and to hope for the best.

As always, feel free to contact my office with questions, comments, or concerns.

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