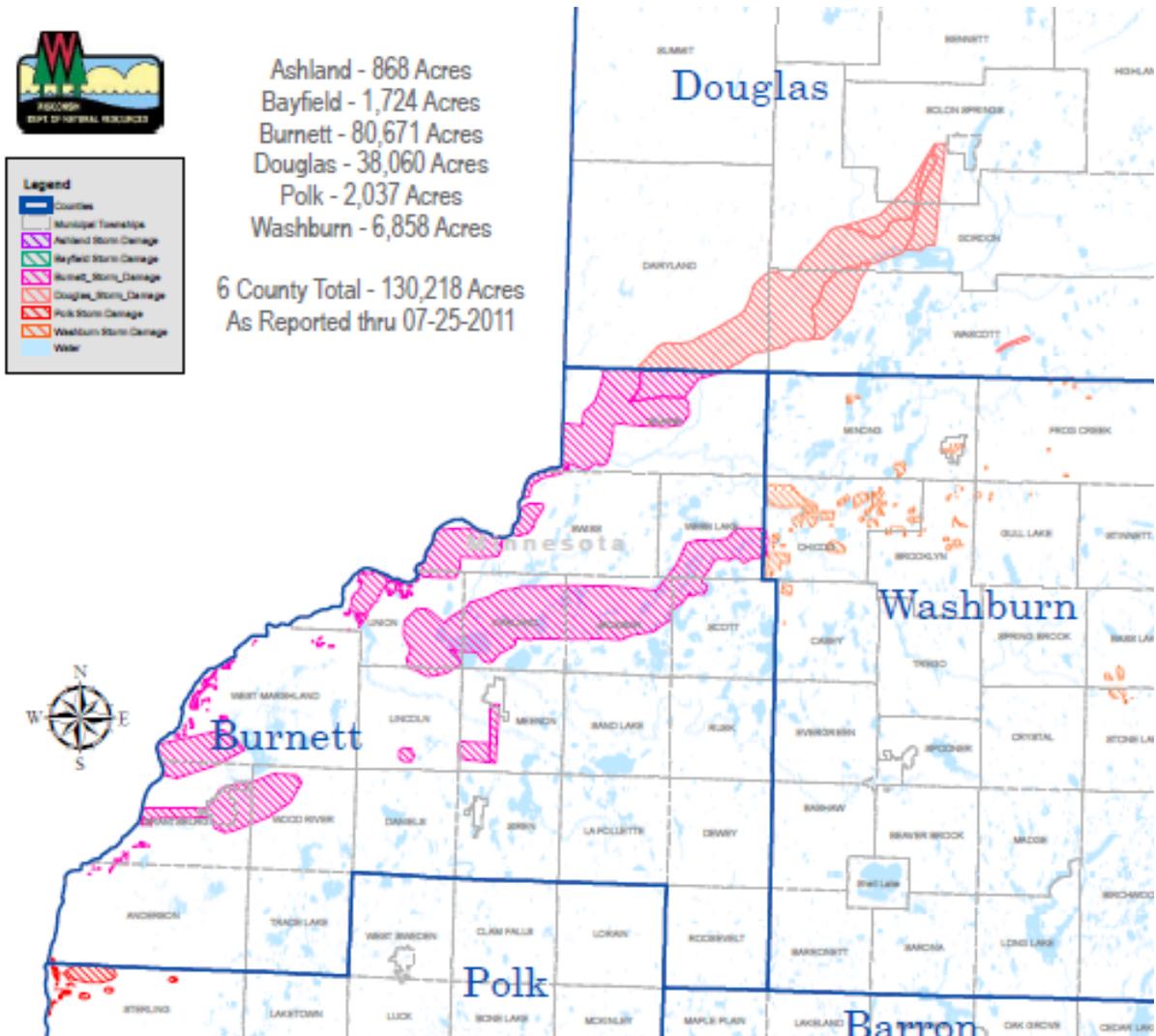


# After the Storm

Cleaning up after the July 1st, 2011 wind storm



## If you have...

## Consider...

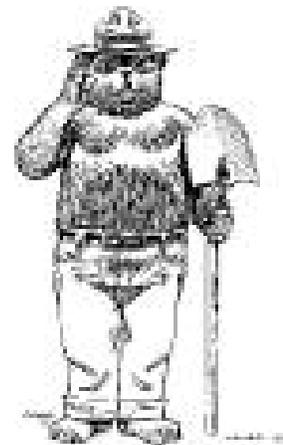
1 to 50 trees around or touching the house. Or less than 5 acres of localized damage.	Utilize locally for firewood. Or hire a tree service for clean up.
50 forest trees (not yard trees) to ten acres of damage.	Combine efforts with neighbor(s) for a group timber harvest. Or work with a logging operation already in the immediate area.
10 acres (200 cords) or more of damage	You have enough volume for a stand-alone timber sale. Work direct with a logging operation or a consulting forester.

## Additional Forestry Information

- Currently, oak and pine pulp markets are poor. Aspen and mixed hardwoods markets are fair.
- Salvage harvest should be prioritized:
  1. Harvest snapped and broken trees.
  2. Harvest pine and aspen, they have the shortest window before stains and decay move in.
  3. Harvest oak and hardwood.
  4. Root connected and bent trees should hold their value longest.
- County cutting notices must be filed with the County Clerk before any salvage or timber harvesting occurs.
- If your property is in the MFL (Managed Forest Law) program, a MFL cutting notice must also be filed prior to any salvage harvest.
- Why salvage harvest? Areas of blowdown become serious wildfire hazards if not cleaned up, creating a much more difficult fire to suppress. Also, insects such as two-lined chestnut borer (in oak) and pine bark beetle populations will explode in dying trees and then infest and kill healthy trees.
- Consider harvesting undamaged trees at the same time, dependent upon the needs of your forested land. This would also improve the marketing of your timber.
- Finally, be careful especially when using a chainsaw.

## Burning in the Blowdown

- You still need to obtain a burning permit and follow all restrictions.
- You can obtain a burning permit or check daily restrictions by calling 1-800-WIS-BURN (1 800 947-2876). Burning permits are also available from DNR stations or Emergency Fire Wardens.
- Remember to keep your pile manageable, attend the fire at all times and ensure it is out completely before leaving the fire unattended.



## For more information

Visit the DNR website for lists of tree service companies, logging operations, consulting foresters, brush collection sites, timber sale establishment tips and more.

<http://dnr.wi.gov/forestry/stormRecovery>

You may also call or stop at your local DNR Ranger Station:

Grantsburg: 715-463-2897

Webster: 715-866-8201

Spooner: 715-635-4086

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