



## Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security

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### New Debris Drop-Off Site Opening in Peninsula Township

Grand Traverse County Emergency Management and Homeland Security is opening a new debris drop-off site in Peninsula Township this weekend to be closer to residents with tree debris caused by the Aug. 2 severe storms.

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 22, and Sunday, Aug. 23, citizens can drop off brush, limbs and logs at the gravel overflow parking lot at Bowers Harbor Boat Launch on Ne Ah Ta Wanta Road. Personnel will be at the site to assist and answer questions. Partnerships among the State of Michigan, MDNR, MDOC, Peninsula Township, and Grand Traverse County have made this debris site possible.

“This new drop-off site will make it easier for the residents of Peninsula Township to dispose of tree debris,” said Gregg Bird, Grand Traverse County Emergency Management Coordinator. “We also have two other locations hard at work accepting debris from other areas of the county.”

Grand Traverse County residents can still drop off storm debris at the following locations also:

- Whitewater Township, 7304 Skegemog Point Road (Ashmore Gravel Pit)
- East Bay Township, 656 Rasho Road (Former East Bay Township Recycling Site)

The Whitewater Township and East Bay Township sites will be open from 3-7 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 21, and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 22. Both sites will be closed on Sunday, Aug. 23.

### Voluntary Assistance

Citizens are reminded to work with their insurance companies to cover damages caused by the severe storms on private property.

Anyone needing additional assistance is asked to call 616-841-5399 to be put in touch with voluntary services. At this time, there is no governmental financial assistance available for disaster survivors.

### About the Disaster

Gov. Rick Snyder declared a "state of disaster" on Aug. 10 for Grand Traverse County. By declaring a "state of disaster," the state of Michigan has made available all state resources in cooperation with local response and recovery efforts in the disaster area.

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