

Section 12: Utility Restoration General Information

I PURPOSE

To describe how utility restoration will be accomplished in Swift County after a disaster.

II RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Each county municipality, to the extent of their capability, will be responsible for restoration of utilities after a disaster. Outside of municipal capabilities, the Swift County Emergency Manager will bring in assistance as needed, including coming from a rural electric COOP. (*29)

B. The Swift County Emergency Manager will prepare a list of priorities for restoration and may include accommodations to support emergency operations.

1. All medical facilities
2. Active shelters
3. Offices of government
4. Assisted living facilities
5. Local businesses
6. Residential

C. In the event it appears imminent that a community will lose their sewer treatment facilities the County Emergency Manager will contact the State Duty Officer for assistance in providing sanitation service. (*29)

Standard Operating Procedures for Section 12 Utility Restoration

I PURPOSE

This SOP is intended to provide general information and guidance necessary to provide utility restoration after a disaster in Swift County.

II RESPONSIBILITIES

All utility providers within Swift County will provide the Swift County Emergency Manager with a procedure for 24-hour contact of emergency personnel. Personnel to contact in the event of an emergency are listed in the Resource Manual. (*29)

- A. *Electrical Service* restoration will be conducted by the service provider for that area.
 - 1. Agralite Rural COOP
 - 2. Otter Tail Power Company
 - 3. Municipal Power Companies in the County
- B. *Gas Service* restoration will be conducted by the service provider for that area.
 - 1. Centerpoint Energy
- C. *Telephone Service* restoration will be conducted by the service provider for that area.
 - 1. CenturyLink
 - 2. Cell Phone Providers
- D. In the event the disaster is too large for the service provider, subcontractors will be hired to complete the work.
- E. Water service (municipal)
- F. Sewer service (municipal)
- G. Safety inspections prior to re-entry of a facility will be provided by local building inspectors at the municipal and county level. Consultations for safety inspections may include the local historical preservation office, Countryside Public Health, Swift County Human Services, and Private Care organizations.