



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Illinois State University

Resolution Number 2026.10/47

Authorization for Mitigation, Remediation, and Restoration of August 13, 2026, Storm Damage

Resolution

Whereas, beginning August 13, 2026, and continuing through August 15, 2026, a significant weather event impacted Illinois State University, with extreme wind and several inches of rain overwhelming campus and community storm water systems, and

Whereas, the Campus Quad, grounds, and various buildings, including the Center for Visual Arts, Center for Visual Arts Rotunda, State Farm Hall of Business, Old Union, Fell Hall, and DeGarmo Hall sustained extensive water intrusion and damage because of wind and flooding, and

Whereas, immediate wind and water damage mitigation, remediation, and restoration efforts are necessary to return the affected facilities to full operational status and to support the University's teaching, learning, research, and public service missions, and

Whereas, the full extent of damage to technology equipment is still being assessed, and

Whereas, the University is evaluating exterior drainage improvements and other preventive measures to reduce the risk and impact of future flooding events, and

Whereas, the University has filed an insurance claim with its carrier related to losses associated with the August 13, 2026, weather event, and

Whereas, the University submitted estimated losses associated with the storms and flooding to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for a Presidential Disaster Declaration, and

Whereas, the request did not result in a Presidential Disaster Declaration applicable to the University's losses, eliminating the potential for FEMA reimbursement of the insurance deductible and other eligible uninsured losses associated with the event.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves the contracts with CORE Construction Services of Illinois, Inc., in the amount of \$636,955.00; SERVPRO of Normal, Illinois, in the amount of \$210,083.52; BELFOR USA Group Inc., in the amount of \$194,000.00; and university expenditures of \$1,200,000.00 and contingency funds of \$500,000.00, for a total of \$2,741,038.52, for the mitigation, remediation, and restoration of university facilities damaged by the August 13, 2026, weather event.

For Office of the President use only:

Board Action on _____
Motion by _____
Second by _____
Vote _____ Yeas, _____ Nays

ATTEST: Board Action, October 23, 2026

Secretary / Chairperson

Board of Trustees
Illinois State University
Authorization for Mitigation, Remediation, and Restoration of August 13, 2026, Flood Damage

Background

On August 13, 2026, a significant weather event impacted Illinois State University with extreme wind and several inches of rain overwhelming the campus and community storm water system. Due to the volume of water that needed extraction and the area that needed to be dried out, the University's Environmental Health and Safety Office did not have adequate resources to properly mitigate this flood. With the quick turnaround time required to restore the spaces in preparation for the fall semester, utilizing emergency purchasing procedures with CORE Construction, SERVPRO, and BELFOR was in the best interest of the University.

Project Scope

Under the direction of Illinois State University's Environmental Health and Safety Office, along with professional staff from SERVPRO and BELFOR, buildings were assessed with water measurement tools. As required, flooring and wallboard were removed. Reconstruction of walls and floors will be restored. Technology replacement and exterior prevention enhancements will be added to the project as full assessment is completed.

Project Development

Following the storm event and building assessment, state emergency procurement procedures were followed to bring SERVPRO and BELFOR onto campus to begin mitigation and remediation. To ensure the timely return of the affected facilities to full operational status as well as support the University's teaching, learning, research, and public service missions for the fall semester 2026, The University used state emergency procurement procedures to award contracting with CORE Construction.

Project Resource Requirements

Table 1: August 13, 2026, Damage Mitigation, Remediation, and Restoration Cost Estimate

ITEM	ESTIMATED AMOUNT
Mitigation and Remediation – SERVPRO	\$210,083.52
Mitigation and Remediation – BELFOR	\$194,000.00
Interior Construction – CORE Construction	\$636,955.00
University Housing Services	\$180,000.00
Event Management, Dining and Hospitality (EMDH)	\$25,000.00
Elevators	\$95,000.00
In-house Trade Teams	\$125,000.00
Grounds	\$20,000.00
Athletics	\$155,000.00
Learning Spaces and Audio/Visual Technologies	\$600,000.00
Contingency	+ \$500,000.00
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$2,741,038.52

Funding Source

General Revenue Reserves to be reimbursed by insurance claim.