

CASE STUDY

EMERGENCY RESPONSE, HOWARD COUNTY, IN



RESPONDING TO A NATIONAL DISASTER

AWP manages traffic control in the aftermath of a natural disaster

POWER UTILITIES SERVICES

Howard County and the city of Kokomo, IN initially declared a state of emergency on August 24th, and ordered everyone to stay off the roads to make room for emergency responders, government, and other public workers.

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PROJECT TYPE

Emergency response for Howard County, IN

THE CHALLENGE

On Wednesday, August 24, 2016, three tornadoes touched down in Howard County, Indiana, causing structural damage and leaving several people injured. It was reported that there were 29,000 outages caused by the storm. A temporary state of emergency was declared for Howard County, which called for all roads to be closed except for public safety and emergency vehicles.

THE SOLUTION

In the 96 hours following the storm, AWP worked around-the-clock with Power Companies and INDOT as their teams worked to restore power. A fleet of 76 AWP trucks, carrying 61 members of our crew, responded immediately, and the first round of traffic control crews were organized overnight to begin work early Thursday morning.

- 76 AWP trucks
- 61 AWP team members
- 122 Traffic Control Specialists
- 16-hour shifts
- Crews from Peru, IN; Indianapolis, IN; & Niles, IN

PROJECT RESULTS

Our crews worked day and night for 96 consecutive hours to satisfy the temporary traffic control needs of our customers safely and efficiently. Pulling crews from multiple nearby facilities allowed us to keep each facility running with enough staff to continue to serve customers locally, even during this emergency event. By Sunday evening, power had been restored to the entire area.