

IRS: Safeguard Financial Records Against Storms, Floods

CHICAGO — Springtime is finally here. Often, when Spring arrives so to severe storms and flooding. The Internal Revenue Service encourages South Dakotans to prepare by safeguarding their records. Some simple steps can help individuals and businesses protect their financial and tax records before springtime storms and floods.

"Planning what to do in case of a springtime weather emergency is an important part of being prepared," IRS spokeswoman Sue Hales said. "You want to protect tax and financial documents that can be hard to replace."

Here are a few preparation tips:

- Create a Backup of Paperless Financial and Tax Records

Taxpayers should keep a set of backup records in a safe place. The backup

records should be stored in a different location than the original set of records.

Copies of previous year tax returns and all attachments can be requested by filing Form 4506, Request for Copy of Tax Return <<http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f4506.pdf>>. If you just need information from your return, you can order a transcript by calling (800) 829-1040 or using Form 4506-T, Request for Transcript of Tax Return. There is no fee for a transcript (and no fee for copies of tax returns for taxpayers located in a federal disaster area qualifying for individual assistance). Transcripts are available for the current year and three prior years.

Keeping a backup set of records — including bank statements, tax returns, and insurance policies — is easier now than many financial institutions provide

statements and documents electronically, and much financial information is available on the Internet. Even original records provided only on paper can be scanned into an electronic format. With important documents in electronic form, taxpayers can download them to a backup storage device like an external hard drive, CD or DVD.

- Document Valuables and Business Equipment

Another step a taxpayer can take is to photograph or videotape the contents of his or her home, especially items of higher value. The IRS has disaster loss workbooks for individuals (Publication 584, Casualty, Disaster, and Theft Loss Workbook <<http://www.irs.gov/publications/p584/index.html>>) and businesses (Publication 584-B, Business Casualty,

Disaster, and Theft Loss Workbook <<http://www.irs.gov/publications/p584b/index.html>>) to help compile, in advance, a room-by-room list of personal belongings or business equipment. A photographic record can help taxpayers prove the market value of items for insurance and casualty loss claims.

Photos and videos should be stored with a friend or family member who lives outside of the area.

- Update Emergency Plans

Emergency plans should be reviewed and updated annually because personal and business situations change over time as do preparedness needs. Once updated, individuals should share emergency plans with family members and businesses should ensure their employees are aware of the revised plans.

- IRS Has Helpful Information

The IRS Web site at www.irs.gov <<http://www.irs.gov>> can be a valuable resource as you prepare for and recover from a disaster. The following documents contain information regarding disaster preparedness and what to do when a disaster strikes:

Preparing for a Disaster (Individuals and Businesses): <http://www.irs.gov/businesses/small/article/0,,id=180547,00.html>

Disaster Assistance and Emergency Relief for Individuals and Businesses: <http://www.irs.gov/businesses/small/article/0,,id=156138,00.html>

Publication 552, Recordkeeping for Individuals: <http://www.irs.gov/publications/p552/index.html>

Publication 583, Starting a Business and Keeping Records:

PUC, S.D. One Call Remind Public To Dig Safely

PIERRE — The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission and the South Dakota One Call Board remind excavators and homeowners to call 811 before digging for their own safety as well as to protect utilities.

South Dakotans are required by law to call 811 at least 48 hours before digging. Following a call, the call center notifies utility company representatives in the dig vicinity so companies can mark the approximate location of underground lines with spray paint or flags. Once a site has been marked, it is safe to dig away from the marked line areas.

"It is essential for anyone planning a project involving digging to make the call to 811 well in advance," said PUC Chairman Steve Kolbeck. "This applies not only to homeowners, but to contractors, fence builders, landscapers, and anyone digging within the state. The result of not calling 811 and paying attention to the line markings before digging can result in expensive fines and fees, harm to the individual digging, and even death. There is simply too much at stake by ignoring the 811 call and this law."

"Our mission as a board is to protect personal safety and minimize damage to utility lines in our state," said One Call Board President Bleu LaFave of NorthWestern Energy. "We continually remind those who excavate as part of their regular business routine as well as homeowners to follow safe digging practices. We have come a long way since the inception of the 811 number in 2005, but we must continue to get the word out to protect South Dakotans."

In 2010, the South Dakota One Call Center received more than 112,000 locate requests. As a result, more than 597,000 locate tickets were issued to utilities to mark underground facilities.

According to Common Ground Alliance, an international association promoting damage prevention practices, the most popular homeowner digging projects are planting shrubs and trees, and digging in preparation of pouring concrete. These do-it-yourself projects could cause serious damage if the individual digging is not aware of the location of buried utilities. CGA advises homeowners planning weekend projects to call 811 on Monday or Tuesday to allow ample time for companies to mark lines in advance of digging.

Learn more about digging safety, including a proclamation by Gov. Dennis Daugaard naming April as Safe Digging Month in South Dakota, at www.puc.sd.gov/safedigging.

Find out more about the South Dakota One Call program such as laws and color codes for marking lines at www.SDOneCall.com.

High School Students Can Register Now For USD Healthcare Careers Camp

VERMILLION — High school students interested in pursuing careers in health care can register now to attend the fifth annual Healthcare Careers Summer Camp at The University of South Dakota in Vermillion June 19-24.

High school students entering grades 10-12 this fall are eligible to attend the weeklong camp and participate in a variety of hands-on learning and information-gathering activities. Additionally, camp participants will be able to interact with health care professionals and faculty members. Staff advisers from the Sanford School of Medicine and the USD School of Health Sciences will be available during the week to discuss everything from education requirements to future employment

opportunities and salaries.

Highlights include tours of Sanford Medical Centers in Vermillion and Sioux Falls, a tour of the new Sanford Research facilities and a tour of Southeast Technical Institute in Sioux Falls. During the week, students will also have an opportunity to observe medical demonstrations, participate in a tour of the gross anatomy lab and attend presentations by area health professionals. Sponsors for the 2011 Healthcare Careers Summer Camp are the Sanford School of Medicine of The University of South Dakota, the USD School of Health Sciences, Sanford Health and the Dakota Hospital Foundation.

The U's Healthcare Careers Summer Camp is open to students

from South Dakota, northeast Nebraska, northwest Iowa and southwest Minnesota. Meals, lodging, and all educational and recreational activities are provided. All applications require a counselor

nomination, a parent or guardian signature, an official school transcript and a personal statement.

Application deadline is Saturday, April 30. For more camp info or to download an application, visit

www.usd.edu/medical-school/healthcareers-camp.cfm or contact Kathy Van Kley, Project Coordinator, INMED Satellite Office, at (605) 677-5167 or email kathy.vankley@usd.edu.

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