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Inmates Assist in Hot Springs, Fulton Storm Clean-Up Efforts

(Pierre) - State prison inmates assisted in storm clean-up efforts on both ends of the state over the past few days.

On June 21st, fifty-seven inmates helped in cutting up, clearing and stacking fallen and broken timber at the State Veterans Home in Hot Springs following a wind storm the previous night.

Today, a group of twenty inmates from Unit C of the Jameson Annex to the South Dakota State Penitentiary assisted in cleaning up and removing debris from a storm that destroyed a home in the Fulton, SD area June 9th.

Prison inmates have worked on twelve natural disaster clean-up projects across the state in the past two years and twenty-seven disaster projects in the past eight years. Inmates have worked nearly 75-thousand hours on those projects.

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