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On Monday, February 14, Karen Voss (West Central Region non-point source coordinator) in Eau Claire and her husband lost their home to fire. No one was home at the time, although the family dog perished in the fire. The family has located temporary housing.

"Our thoughts are with Karen and Marty as they cope with this catastrophic physical and emotional loss," said regional director Scott Humrickhouse.

Staff in the region has begun accepting donations to help Karen through the difficult days ahead, as they rebuild their home. If you would like to make a donation, send a check made payable to Karen Voss to her supervisor **Paul LaLiberte** at the Department of Natural Resources, 1300 W. Clairemont Ave., Eau Claire, WI 54701.

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On Tuesday, February 15, Secretary Cathy Stepp, Deputy Secretary **Matt Moroney** and Executive Assistant **Gundy Gunderson** hosted a drop-in meeting for department employees in the central office and regional employees via Live Meeting to answer questions and hear comments about the budget repair bill now being heard in the legislature. If you weren't able to attend either meeting, you now can listen to the 10 a.m. [budget repair bill meeting](#) and the 11 a.m. [budget meeting](#) webcasts.

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