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This notice is being posted due to the large number of questions from local homeowners who share property boundaries with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Coralville Lake. Many suffered damages from the Derecho that hit on August 10, 2020.

Trees that fall from during a storm is considered a "natural act" in terms of insurance processes. Trees and branches that have fallen to the ground on your private property are able to be cut up and removed by the homeowners. Debris on government property should remain as habitat. Any tree(s) on government property that are still standing but have sustained heavy damage should be reported to our office so that an inspection can be scheduled. If standing trees are removed without written permission, it may be considered trespass and a violation of federal regulations.

At this time, due to the extreme volume of tree inspection requests, we are unable to have on-site visits with everyone. If you have trees or damage in question, please send us an email at <u>Coralville.Lake@USACE.army.mil</u> with your contact and property information along with any photos to help us assist you better.

If you have any questions, please call the Coralville Project Office at 319-338-3543.

Respectfully,

Shawna Polen Park Ranger