



Bruce Andrews Seamless Gutters and Roofing Notes Impact of Recent Hail Storms on Shingles and Gutters in Minnesota and Wisconsin

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Bruce Andrews Seamless Gutters and Roofing has observed increased interest in roofing and gutter assessments following the severe storms that moved through southern Minnesota and western Wisconsin on April 13 and 14, 2026. Reports from the National Weather Service documented hailstones reaching up to 3.5 inches in diameter in areas of southern Minnesota, with additional large hail reported in parts of western Wisconsin, including stones up to 4 inches in some locations near Madison. These events produced dozens of hail reports alongside strong winds and, in some cases, tornado activity.

The storms highlighted how hail can affect asphalt shingles and gutter systems. According to studies by the Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety, repeated exposure to hail, even at sub-severe sizes, can lead to granule loss on asphalt shingles, accelerating aging and reducing resistance to future impacts. Field observations have shown that hailstone sizes around 1.75 to 2 inches or larger often correlate with increased bruise counts on shingle surfaces, particularly on roof slopes facing the storm direction.

In response to such conditions, the company performs evaluations of existing roofing and drainage systems.

Asphalt shingle projects typically include full tear-offs, deck inspections, and installation of ice and water barriers, along with appropriate flashing. Metal roofing alternatives, such as standing seam or pro rib panels formed on-site, are also available for properties seeking different performance characteristics in variable weather.

Seamless gutter installation involves custom fabrication to match specific rooflines, with downspouts sized to handle runoff volumes common after hail or heavy rain. The company integrates features such as the Valley Kicker to manage water flow in steep valleys and offers the LeafLock Gutter Protection System to help maintain open channels.

Bruce Andrews, owner of Bruce Andrews Seamless Gutters and Roofing, stated, "The recent hail activity in our service area serves as a reminder of the role that roofing and gutter systems play in managing storm impacts. Assessments can identify areas where repairs or replacements may be needed based on observed conditions."

The company provides guidance to clients navigating insurance claims processes after storm events. This assistance focuses on documentation and coordination support rather than direct claims administration.

Additional exterior services include siding, soffit and fascia work, and protective wraps for windows and doors. For conditions that can follow hail events, such as ice dam risks in spring thaws, the firm offers solutions including heat tape and snow bars.

Customer reports from prior projects describe installations completed with attention to site-specific requirements, including combinations of new shingles, seamless gutters, and related components on both residential and commercial structures.

Andrews added, "Local weather patterns in Minnesota and Wisconsin often involve rapid shifts that test building exteriors. Timely evaluations after events like the April storms can help property owners address issues before they lead to further complications."

Founded in 2000 by Bruce Andrews as a one-man operation in a home shop, the business relocated to Bay City, Wisconsin, in 2015 after a fire. It now serves the greater Twin Cities area in Minnesota and Western Wisconsin, working on single-family homes, multi-unit dwellings, HOA properties, and commercial buildings for property managers, contractors, and developers.

The company operates under principles of faith, integrity, quality, respect, and pride in workmanship. A

satisfaction guarantee accompanies its projects. As spring continues, the firm continues to support property owners in the region with evaluations related to the recent hailstorms and other weather-related concerns.

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