TORNADO PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET F= QUE

1. DATE AND TIME THURS AUG 19, 1982 EARLY EVE

2. LOCATION OR PATH (attach map) Kazabazua, Que.

3. PATH LENGTH ☐ NOT KNOWN ☐ <1mi; ☐ 1-4mi; ☑ 5-10mi; ☐ 11-50mi; ☐ LENGTH IF>50m

4. PATH WIDTH 200 M 5. TORNADO PART OF SQUALL LINE? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☑ UNKNOWN:

6. ANY UNUSUAL COLORATION? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☑ UNKNOWN

7. ANY UNUSUAL SOUND? ☑ YES; ☐ NO; ☐ UNKNOWN

8. IF ANSWER TO 6 OR 7 YES, ELABORATE;

9. LIST ANY ASSOCIATED PHENOMENA SPECTACULAR SHEET LIGHTNING
(Such as hail, vivid lightning heavy rain, no rain, etc.)

10. TOTAL DAMAGE ESTIMATE $ UNK MANY COTTAGES 11. TOTAL DEATHS NONE

12. TOTAL INJURED NONE 13. TOTAL HOMELESS

14. LIST ALL REFERENCES

TROY WILSON AND FATHER ROBERT (NOT CONTACTED)
MORENA RD, KANATA 613-836-1345

ELIZABETH FENTON, OTTAWA (NOT CONTACTED)

15. SUMMARIZE REMARKS PERTAINING TO (a) FUNNEL; (b) INTERESTING OR CAPRICIOUS EVENTS.

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- TERRIFIC WIND
- MOVED IN LESS THAN A MINUTE
- WITNESSED CALLED IT A TORNADO

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'Miracle' no one killed in Kazabazua tornado

(From page 1, Kazabazua)

Cottagers in the area near Kazabazua, Que., hit by what they believe was a tornado Thursday night, say it was a miracle no one was killed.

Elizabeth Fenton of Ottawa said "Next to the cottage we are in is an A-frame cottage. "Luckily, all the trees fell away from it.

"Next to it is a cottage that was knocked off its foundation and turned right around. The trees around it were flattened like matchsticks."

Of the north end of Danford Lake, she said "It just cut a swath through the trees — the whole shoreline is changed."

Quebec Hydro crews worked around the clock to restore scattered power outages.

It was impossible Monday night to piece together a picture of the full extent of the damage. People talked of trees down everywhere. There was no figure for the number of cottages damaged.

"It was indescribable — the fury of it," Fenton said.

Troy Wilson, who was about to leave the family camp for home with his father, Robert, and two visitors from Germany, said "The storm came thundering down the river. The wind was terrific. It was just like something you would see in the movies."

He talked of spectacular sheet lightning just before the winds hit. While the four took refuge down beneath the supports of the camp building, small trees broke off around them and a large tree swayed menacingly.

"The roots of the swaying tree rocked the building and seemed to move it about four inches," Wilson said.

Small trees fell on the top of the family car, cracking one of two canoes strapped to the roof and breaking the carrying-rack, he said.

Like others, he felt the storm had moved on in less than a minute.

When it had passed the four tried to leave the area, but found the road leading to nearby Kazabazua blocked by trees. It was the next day before they were able to get out.

Kazabazua rocked by 'tornado'

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By Don Collins
Citizen staff writer

They were still talking in nervous tones Monday night, four days after a freak storm swung out of the skies like an unseen fist to knock cottages off their foundations and topple trees in the lake-dotted country near Kazabazua, Que.

"All of a sudden the trees started falling all around us and we just started running," said 18-year-old Troy Wilson, of Morrena Road, Kanata. "We ran to our camp (family fish camp bunk house on the Picanoc River) and jumped down under the tiers for protection."

A few kilometres away in a cottage on Lac Louis, Elizabeth Fenton, of Ottawa, Margaret Podhradsky and Laci Waldbott watched helplessly as the windows blew open and tall pines snapped, or were uprooted.

Although one tree broke through part of the roof at one end of the cottage and another smashed through a nearby cabin, the trio escaped unscathed.

No one appears to have been hurt in the short-lived storm witnesses called a tornado.

The Ottawa weather office had no official report on the storm in the area about 60 km north of Hull, but said it had received some accounts from people in the area.

Witnesses said it followed a course about eight km long and 200 metres wide.

Hard hit areas appear to have been the south side of Lac Louis, the north end of Danford Lake, a portion of Picanoc River and some other small lakes.

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