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CONGRESSMAN

Nick Rahall

WEST VIRGINIA-4th DISTRICT

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WASHINGTON D.C. --- U.S. REPRESENTATIVE NICK J. RAHALL (D-4TH), HAS VOICED ADDITIONAL CONCERNS OVER THE PROPOSED PLAN 5 TO BE INSTITUTED BY THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS.

IN A LETTER TO LT. GENERAL J.W. MORRIS, CHIEF OF THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS, RAHALL SAID, "PLAN 5... WOULD EXTEND FLOOD WALLS FOR PRACTICALLY THE TOTAL EXPANSE OF THE RIVER BANK WHICH ADJOINS WILLIAMSON, LEAVING AN UNEXPLAINED GAP WHICH WILL FUNNEL FUTURE FLOOD WATERS DOWN THE FULL LENGTH OF VINSON STREET."

THE FOURTH DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN WENT ON TO SAY, "I AM CONCERNED FOR THE RESIDENTS OF VINSON STREET AND I AM REQUESTING AN IMMEDIATE EVALUATION OF A POSSIBLE MODIFICATION OF PLAN 5 TO CORRECT THIS SITUATION."

RECENTLY, CONGRESSMAN RAHALL ALSO VOICED HIS CONCERN OVER THE CORPS LACK OF FLOOD PROTECTION FOR THE TOWN OF KERMIT. THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS HAS INFORMED RAHALL THAT THEY INTEND TO GIVE MATTER EXTENSIVE CONSIDERATION.

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