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Washington D.C. --- U.S. Representative Nick J. Rahall (D-4th), has learned that none of the federal water projects in West Virginia will lose their funding

President Jimmy Carter's Congressional liason chief Frank Moore, has assured Congressman Rahall that water projects in the state now receiving federal funds will continue to do so.

"It is my understanding that the President is reviewing water projects throughout the country that are operating with federal funds," Rahall stated. "However, I am pleased to learn that the West Virginia projects will continue to receive funding."

President Carter has been critizied by Congressional leaders, because they said that they were not consulted before the recent decision to halt the funding of 19 water projects. An additional 25 projects are under review at the present time on the status of their funding.

Congressman Rahall observed, "My contacts with the Administration have been very good, and I am looking forward to working with President Carter in the up-coming weeks on the energy program and the government re-organization proposals."

Rahall is preparing legislation, with the help of Administration officials to establish a separate Department of Education.

"I intend to have this proposal ready in the next few weeks, and expect President Carter's support," Rahall said.