THIS IS CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL

A MAJOR STEP HAS BEEN TAKEN TODAY, TO PROVIDE BOTH SHORT-TERM AND LONG TERM FLOOD PROTECTION FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE TUG FORK VALLEY.

THE HOUSE WATER RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE APPROVED A MEASURE OFFERED BY CONGRESSMAN CARL PERKINS AND MYSELF, THAT WILL FUND \$10 MILLION DOLLARS FOR SNAGGING AND DREDGING OPERATIONS ALONG THE BIG SANDY RIVER AND ITS TRIBUTERIES. The Appropriation Bill cleared

MORE IMPORTANT HOWVER, IS THAT THIS SUBCOMMITTEE HAS APPROVED THE ELIMINATION OF THE COST-BENEFIT RATIO FOR FLOOD CONTROL IN THE TUG FORK AREA, AND WILL APPE TE \$100 MILLION FOR THE COMM. Thee & CESSARY PROJECTS is expected soon.

I BELIEVE THIS ACTION WILL GO A LONG WAY TOWARDS PREVENTING A RECURRENCE OF THE APRIL 1977 FLOODS.

This is Can. Mid Roha

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