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GO-AHEAD GIVEN TO GALLIPOLIS AND WHEELING PROJECTS

WASHINGTON D.C. --- WEST VIRGINIA'S FOURTH DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL ANNOUNCED TODAY, THAT THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS HAS TAKEN "FAVORABLE ACTION" ON TWO PROJECTS OF IMPORTANCE TO THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA.

RAHALL POINTED OUT, "I AM VERY PLEASED WITH THE DECISION TO PROCEED ON THE NAVIGATION IMPROVEMENTS AT THE GALLIPOLIS LOCKS AND DAM, BECAUSE THIS FACILITY IS IMPORTANT TO THE MOVEMENT OF PRODUCTS TO AND FROM SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA, ESPECIALLY COAL."

CONGRESSMAN RAHALL ALSO SAID THAT HE WELCOMED THE DECISION TO APPROVE THE STUDY FOR THE METRO WHEELING WATER PROJECT. "THIS EFFORT," RAHALL STATED, "IS IMPORTANT TO THE WHEELING COMMUNITY IN THEIR PLANS TO MEET FLOOD CONTROL, WATER SUPPLY, AND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT NEEDS."

CONCERNING THE GALLIPOLIS PROJECT, CONGRESSMAN RAHALL OBSERVED, "IT HAS BEEN OBVIOUS FOR SOME TIME NOW, THAT IMPROVEMENTS WERE NECESSARY AT GALLIPOLIS TO ALLOW FOR THE EFFICIENT SHIPMENT OF GOODS. THE DELAYS HAVE BECOME LONGER, AND THE FINANCIAL LOSSES HAVE MULTIPLIED. I AM GRATIFIED THAT THE MUCH NEEDED UP-GRADING WILL MOVE FORWARD."

RAHALL, AS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, HAS LONG BEEN A SUPPORTER OF FUNDS FOR THE GALLIPOLIS LOCKS AND DAM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.