

Radio Feeds 2/11/82

THIS IS CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL.

MY PRESS CONFERENCE IN WILLIAMSON ON THURSDAY, DEALT WITH THE FACT THAT THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION HAS ELIMINATED ALL STUDY AND CONSTRUCTION MONEY FOR THE FLOOD PROTECTION PROJECT FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE TUG VALLEY IN SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA.

TO ME, THIS IS A DECISION THAT IS DOWNRIGHT HEARTLESS AND UNFAIR.

WHILE THE ADMINISTRATION HAS CUT OFF THE MONEY, THEY HAVE UNFORTUNATELY NOT CUT OFF THE WATER--WHICH DEVASTATED RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA IN APRIL OF 1977, NEARLY FIVE YEARS AGO.

MY COMMITMENT TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE TUG VALLEY IS JUST AS STRONG TODAY, AS IT WAS WHEN THE WATERS RECEDED, AND I HAVE ALREADY BEGUN EFFORTS TO SEE THESE MUCH-NEEDED FUNDS RESTORED.

IN THE COMING WEEKS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE REVIEWING THE REAGAN BUDGET, AND ~~XXXXXX~~ IT IS MY HOPE THAT THE PROTECTION AND CARE OF HUMAN LIFE WILL BE THEIR UTMOST GOAL.

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