

tape for week of Feb. 21

This is Congressman Nick Rahall.

Young Americans make up the largest segment of the unemployed---almost 30 percent nationwide. For this reason, I am the sponsor of legislation that rekindles an old program that was ^{very} successful during the years of the Great Depression.

HR 999, would establish a youth conservation work program, in the same way the Civilian Conservation Corps did nearly 50 years ago.

The purpose of this measure is two-fold: to provide jobs and training for young people who need them, and to accomplish needed conservation work in a cost-effective efficient way.

It is estimated that over 100,000 young people could be put to work by this effort, and like to old C.C.C., it would help restore both physical and land-based resources from which future industries and jobs could be derived.

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