

TAPE FOR WEEK OF JULY 22

THIS IS YOUR CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL.

LAST WEEK, THE HOUSE REJECTED AN AMENDMENT WHICH WOULD ~~WOULD~~ HAVE
DELETED FUNDING FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION. I ARGUED
on the floor for the EDA
~~AT LENGTH~~ DURING THE DEBATE ON THIS AMENDMENT BECAUSE I FEEL THAT THE
E.D.A. IS FAR TOO IMPORTANT TO US IN WEST VIRGINIA TO FALL UNDER THE
BUDGET KNIFE.

THE E.D.A. HELPS BUILD AND REBUILD OUR NATION'S INFRASTRUCTURE. IT
IS HELPING TO DEVELOP REGIONS OF OUR COUNTRY WHERE SO MUCH OF OUR COAL
IS MINED -- COAL WHICH WILL HELP MAKE OUR COUNTRY LESS DEPENDENT ON
FOREIGN SUPPLIERS OF OIL.

THE E.D.A. ALSO PROVIDES JOBS AND IS IMPORTANT TO THE DEFENSE OF
OUR COUNTRY, STRENGTHENING OUR INFRASTRUCTURE, ~~ALLOWING~~ *OF* FOR THE DEVELOPMENT
OUR RURAL LAND.

WE NEED THE E.D.A. IN WEST VIRGINIA AND I HOPE THAT YOU WILL JOIN ME
IN FIGHTING TO KEEP IT GOING.

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