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Acting Administrator Brandye Hendrickson Federal Highway Administration 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Acting Administrator Hendrickson:

I write to urge you make federal Emergency Relief funding from the Federal Highway Administration available to help repair roads and bridges damaged by severe storms and subsequent flooding in Wisconsin.

Beginning on June 16, severe storms and flash flooding caused widespread road damage in at least five counties in northern Wisconsin—including Ashland, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas and Iron counties. Over several days, these heavy storms damaged roads and bridges, resulting in road washouts and closures.

Emergency managers were immediately at work assisting those stranded by flooded roads, mitigating impacts to road and bridge infrastructure, and assessing damages. As these communities work to recover, I ask that you quickly make federal emergency transportation funding available to Wisconsin to stabilize roads, including tribal roads and federally owned roads, and make permanent repairs to ensure that residents have access to safe and reliable transportation.

Thank you for your attention and consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,

Tammy Baldwin

United States Senator