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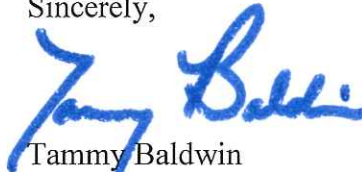
Dear Lt. Col. Sugrue:

I write to request federal assistance for Saxon Harbor in response to serve storms and flooding in Iron County, Wisconsin.

Beginning on June 16, severe storms and flash flooding in northern Wisconsin caused widespread damage in Ashland, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, Price, Sawyer and Iron counties. Unfortunately, Saxon Harbor sustained damage due to the flooding, which deposited additional sediment within the federal channel. As the county works to reopen the harbor, it is imperative that dredging and any other necessary repairs to the federal structure are completed quickly, and with the Army Corps' full financial support. Restoring Saxon Harbor and its assets is essential to safe navigation on Lake Superior and the region's economic stability.

I understand the Army Corps is currently working to survey the additional sediment from this most recent storm while also working to repair damages and perform dredging from the storm that hit this area in July of 2016. If combining the work needed to recover from the 2016 storm and this flooding event would result in efficiency and cost savings, the Army Corps should consider doing so. Your continued attention to the dredging and repair needs of Saxon Harbor is appreciated as residents and local officials in Iron County work to rebuild and plan for the future.

Sincerely,



Tammy Baldwin
United States Senator