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The Honorable Anthony Foxx
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

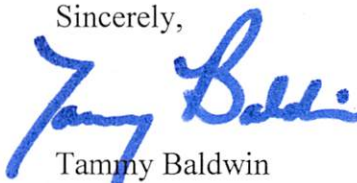
I am writing to urge you to make Emergency Relief funds from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) available to help repair roads damaged by severe storms and subsequent flooding in Wisconsin.

Severe storms on July 11-12, 2016 caused devastating flooding and damage throughout northern Wisconsin. Sections of highways and roads have been destroyed, dozens of people were stranded and at least three fatalities have been confirmed. As a result of damaged roadways, many residents are left without access to gas, food or water.

Governor Walker has declared a State of Emergency in Ashland, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, Iron, Price, Sawyer and Washburn counties, and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is working with FHWA to assess damage and secure relief funds. I ask that these federal emergency funds be made available without delay to help repair and reopen roads and bridges to ensure residents have access to a safe transportation system.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,



Tammy Baldwin
U.S. Senator

CC: Gregory G. Nadeau, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration