

# News from Congressman Ron Kind

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## **Rep. Kind calls on President Trump to issue a federal disaster declaration for Wisconsin after July flooding**

*At Rep. Kind's urging, FEMA worked quickly to complete damage assessments*

**La Crosse, WI** – On Friday, **U.S. Rep. Ron Kind** sent a bipartisan letter to President Donald J. Trump, supporting Governor Scott Walker's request of a federal disaster declaration for public infrastructure in the Wisconsin counties impacted by flood damage during the July 19-23<sup>rd</sup> storms. Of the eleven impacted counties, nine counties are in Wisconsin's 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional district: Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, Jackson, La Crosse, Monroe, Richland, Trempealeau, and Vernon.

On July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017, Rep. Kind sent a letter to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requesting they work with the State of Wisconsin to expedite the damage evaluation process. This came after severe weather caused significant damage to homes, farms, infrastructure and businesses in western and central Wisconsin. At the urging of Rep. Kind, FEMA completed damage assessments in the eleven impacted counties last week.

"Wisconsin communities impacted by the recent flooding can't afford to waste any more time waiting to rebuild," said **Rep. Kind**. "I am calling on the President to quickly issue a disaster declaration for the State of Wisconsin, so FEMA can immediately begin working with the state of Wisconsin and local communities to expedite the recovery process."

Find a copy of the letter to President Trump attached.

Residents who have questions or are looking for help are encouraged to call Rep. Kind's office at 1-888-442-8040.