

U.S. Rep. Kind: Tours Vernon and Crawford counties to survey flood damage

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Gays Mills – Today, U.S. Rep. Ron Kind toured towns and villages across Vernon and Crawford counties with local community leaders and law enforcement to assess the damage caused by recent flooding and severe storms.

“As we face more rain in the forecast, it’s important that we continue to come together to help our neighbors digging out from this week’s flooding and storms,” said Rep. Ron Kind. “I’m traveling around the District today meeting with residents, business owners and farmers that are beginning the recovery process, and will keep working together to make sure every Wisconsinite can get back on their feet.”

Damage to homes, crops, roads and train tracks has been reported throughout La Crosse, Monroe, Vernon, Crawford, Richland, Juneau, and Adams Counties. Many communities are without power, and have seen record breaking flood levels. Several disaster relief shelters have been set up across western and central Wisconsin counties impacted by flooding and severe storms.

Earlier this week, Rep. Ron Kind called on President Trump to put the full support of the federal government behind cleanup and recovery efforts in Wisconsin. Additional assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for damage assessments, road and bridge repair assistance from the Department of Transportation (DOT), and farm and crop damage assistance from the Department

of Agriculture (USDA) has been requested.

Rep. Kind is urging impacted Wisconsinites to report home, property and farm damage to 211, their local county emergency management office, or their local Farm Service Agency. Rep. Kind's office can also help Wisconsinites work with federal agencies after flooding and severe weather. More information can be found by calling toll-free: 1-888-442-8040 or by visiting kind.house.gov.