

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

September 6, 2018

The Honorable Brock Long
Administrator
Federal Emergency Management Agency
500 C Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20024

Dear Administrator Long:

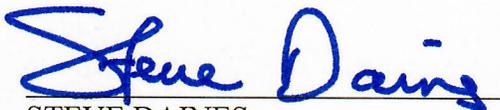
We write to urge you to reconsider the denial of Public Assistance for Carbon, Golden Valley, Missoula, Musselshell, Petroleum, and Powell Counties as the result of major flooding this spring in Montana. These counties are in desperate need of federal assistance to rebuild their infrastructure and communities.

On August 30, 2018, President Trump granted a major disaster declaration for the State of Montana, allowing for federal funds to assist communities across Montana recover from the spring flooding. Hazard Mitigation was approved statewide and Public Assistance was designated for Blaine, Hill, Liberty, Pondera, Toole, and Valley Counties. However, Carbon, Golden Valley, Missoula, Musselshell, Petroleum, and Powell Counties were denied the State's request for Public Assistance.

Should you receive an appeal of the denial from Governor Bullock, we ask that you approve the request for these remaining six counties in Montana that desperately need help. These communities cannot afford any further delay and need federal assistance for their cleanup and recovery efforts.

We appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



STEVE DAINES
United States Senator



GREG GIANFORTE
United States Representative