

Brale, Loeb sack Discuss Key Flood Recovery Issues with President Obama

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Eastern Iowa lawmakers reiterate importance of continued support

Washington, D.C. – Congressmen Bruce Braley and Dave Loebsack today spoke with President Obama about the importance of continued support to ensure Cedar Rapids, and all communities affected by the Floods of 2008, fully recover. Following the floods, the Congressmen worked on a bipartisan basis with the entire Iowa delegation to secure disaster assistance to start the rebuilding process. During their meeting with the President, Loebsack and Braley discussed the challenges many families, businesses and communities are still facing.

“Four years later, Cedar Rapids is still recovering from some of the worst flooding in Iowa history,” said Braley. “That’s why Congressman Loebsack and I made sure to discuss with President Obama the challenges the people of Cedar Rapids are still facing, and urged him to ensure FEMA expedites the approval of projects to help rebuild and prevent future disasters.”

“As the recovery from the Floods of 2008 continues, it is as important as ever that we don’t lose sight of the needs of the families, businesses and communities that were so badly damaged,” said Loebsack. “The flood struck right at the beginning of the current economic downturn, making a bad situation even worse. When I spoke with the President, I stressed the need for continued support in order for Iowa to rebuild stronger and more resilient than before.”

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