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The Honorable Walter B. Jones
U.S. House of Representatives
2333 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Jones:

Thank you for your letter of September 17, 2013, on behalf of the Town of North Topsail Beach's application for Community Facilities (CF) funding. The CF program is administered by the Department of Agriculture (USDA)'s Rural Development (RD). Applications for funding are handled by USDA RD field offices. I apologize for the delayed response.

We are pleased to notify you that the application was approved and funds were obligated for the beach restoration project for the Town of North Topsail. If you or your constituents have any questions regarding the application process, we encourage you to contact the North Carolina Community Programs Director, Garland Burnett, at (919) 873-2063.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact Ann Wright, Acting Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations, at (202) 720-7095.

Again, thank you for writing and for your support of this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom J. Vilsack".

Thomas J. Vilsack
Secretary