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TOM O'HALLERAN 1st District, Arizona

August 23, 2022

The Honorable Deanne Criswell, Administrator Federal Emergency Management Agency Federal Center Plaza 500 C St, SW Washington, D.C. 20472

Dear Administrator Criswell,

I am urgently requesting assistance for the town of Duncan in Graham County, Arizona. On August 22, heavy monsoon flooding caused the water levels of the Gila River to reach a point where water began to spill into the town of Duncan. As a result, the Duncan Valley Rural Fire District declared a mass evacuation of more than a dozen streets in the small town with just 712 residents. The Gila River gauge, located about 5 miles southeast of Duncan, broke the site's all-time water level record at 30.28 feet.

The town of Duncan needs significant and immediate federal assistance to help ensure the safety of residents and their properties, help with cleanup, and help implement future flood mitigation measures. Thank you for your consideration of this request and please do not hesitate to contact my office moving forward.

Sincerely,

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Tom O'Halleran Member of Congress