

Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

December 21, 2022

President Joseph R. Biden, Jr.  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Biden:

In light of the severe flooding that recently impacted the Havasupai Reservation, we are writing in support of Chairman Siyuja's request for a major disaster declaration for the Havasupai Tribe.

On October 1, 2022, heavy rainfall caused severe flooding throughout the Havasupai Reservation. All six bridges in the Reservation's primary community, Supai Village, were damaged. Multiple homes require mold mitigation and water and sewer lines were exposed. Given that the Reservation is a remote community located within the Grand Canyon and Supai Village is accessible only by helicopter or an 8-mile-long hiking trail, repairing the damage is not a simple task because repair materials and labor must be flown in.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §§5121-5207 (Stafford Act) and implemented by 44 CFR §206.36, we request a major disaster declaration for the Havasupai Tribe.

Mr. President, we respectfully request your swift consideration and approval of this request. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,



Kyrsten Sinema  
United States Senator



Mark Kelly  
United States Senator



Tom O'Halleran  
Member of Congress