

August 22, 2003

Robert Willis  
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Dear Mr. Willis:

Thank you for your assistance in preparing the "Emergency Bridge Replacement" grant application to the Delta Regional Authority for critical improvements to County Road No. 93 in Carroll County. Our staff has reviewed Supervisor Marvin Coward's letter to DRA Federal Co-Chairman Pete Johnson and I have relayed your sense of urgency in this matter to the Governor.

It is our understanding that Federal Co-Chairman Johnson has indicated to you and the Carroll County Board of Supervisors that he would approve this project for funding with un-obligated funds from the 2001/2002 grant program. Please be assured that the Governor is committed to recommending this project for DRA funding as soon as all issues involving outstanding projects are resolved and an accurate accounting of Mississippi's un-obligated funds has been provided. With the help of DRA staff, we hope to have this accomplished within a month's time.

We appreciate your work on behalf of the citizens of Carroll County and the Delta Region. Please pass along our thanks to the Carroll County Board of Supervisors as well. I will contact you again when we recommend your project application to the Delta Regional Authority.

Sincerely,

Bill Renick,  
Chief of Staff