

Washington -

Congressman Lee Terry has sent a letter inviting Rep. John Mica (R-FL), Chairman of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to visit areas affected by the flooding of the Missouri River.

The Committee holds jurisdiction over aviation, waterborne transportation, roads, bridges, and railroads. Mica's committee also oversees other aspects of our national infrastructure, such as clean water and waste water management, flood damage reduction, disaster preparedness and response, and activities of the Army Corps of Engineers.

Terry has toured the flooded areas in and around Omaha, has toured the Ft. Calhoun Nuclear Power Plant, and is hosting an emergency preparedness conference tomorrow from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Lake Pointe Building (2401 Lake Street).

**"My own district and many others have experienced substantial disruptions in commerce, damaged infrastructure, and flooded farmland. It is likely that our region of the country will be forced to deal with continued flooding throughout the summer.**

**"I would deeply appreciate the opportunity to host you on a tour of the flood-affected communities in the eastern Nebraska and southwest Iowa region. The attention focused on this issue would be invaluable in determining what contributed to this devastating flooding and what can be done to prevent it in the future," Terry wrote.**