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The Honorable W. Craig Fugate
Administrator
Federal Emergency Management Agency
500 C Street SW
Washington, DC 20472

Dear Administrator Fugate,

I am writing to ask for your expedited help for my constituents in Hawaii County, suffering from the damage caused by Hurricane Iselle. State, and local agencies are working collaboratively toward mitigating the electrical outages, fresh water availability, access to roads and medical needs of our citizens.

Under the leadership of Mayor Billy Kenoi, Hawaii County government continues to extend its resources, but much more needs to be done. Governor Neil Abercrombie activated the Hawaii Civil Defense including the Hawaii National Guard to clear roads, distribute supplies, contribute to command and control, and augment security and safety personnel.

This Friday, August 15th, I will accompany FEMA's assessment task force as they assess the damage on Hawaii Island. I strongly urge you to support our efforts to deliver help as quickly as possible. The isolated communities have experienced hundreds of fallen trees affecting access to power, and rendering many roads completely impassable. Additionally, many of our senior citizens and residents with medical needs are cut-off from health professionals and medicine.

I ask you to be rapid in your response to our natural disaster in Hawaii. We need your help to reduce suffering and restore basic necessities to citizens across this devastated area. Please contact me if there is any way that I can help. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Tulsi Gabbard
Member of Congress