

Mahoney Fights for Drought Relief Funding

Drought Relief On Its Way

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(Washington, D.C.) - Congressman Tim Mahoney today emphasized support for drought relief, joining Majority Leader Steny Hoyer and other Members of Congress at a press conference in support of the drought relief provisions included in the omnibus appropriations bill." The droughts have had a devastating impact on Florida's growers, ranchers, and farmers. Our farmers have already lost more than \$300 million from the drought. I am proud that we could deliver these funds to help our rural communities that have been hurt by the droughts," said Congressman Mahoney. The omnibus appropriations bill includes nearly \$600 million in Agriculture Disaster Assistance to cover losses for 2007. Farmers will be eligible if their county was declared a disaster area by the President or Secretary of Agriculture for disasters, as all of Florida's 67 have been declared.

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