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## Sen. Mayer Urges Flood Victims to Seek Help at Disaster Recovery Centers

JEFFERSON CITY – Sen. Rob Mayer, R-Dexter, expressed concern today for citizens affected by this week’s heavy rainfall and significant flooding in southeastern Missouri and those still dealing with the aftermath of last month’s devastating floods.

“The damage caused by the recent flooding left us especially vulnerable to more rainfall,” Sen. Mayer said. “Many Missourians are struggling with how they will be able to recover, especially business owners and those who lost their homes or loved ones.”

As of yesterday afternoon, the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) reported that Wayne County had received another four inches of rain, causing officials to evacuate 100 people from the county’s low-lying areas. Most southeastern Missouri counties are currently under a flood warning or watch.

To aid flood victims, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is operating two Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) in Butler and Stoddard counties for those needing assistance.

“I urge anyone who needs help to contact either of these Disaster Recovery Centers,” Sen. Mayer said. “I commend county officials in southeastern Missouri and all other agencies that are working to offer relief and assistance to people in our area.”

Visitors should register with FEMA before visiting a DRC. Individuals can register by calling FEMA’s toll-free registration line at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily, or at [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov). Registrants should use the name on their Social Security card when registering.

DRCs are operating at the following locations and hours and will remain open until no longer necessary:

Butler County DRC  
1018 S. Westwood - Suite 5  
(Located in the office/retail strip across the street from Bluff City Printers)  
Poplar Bluff, MO 63901  
Open 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily, except Sundays

Stoddard County DRC  
Knights of Columbus Building  
33925 State Highway 91  
Advance, MO 63730  
Open 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily, except Sundays

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*Senator Rob Mayer represents the people of Wayne, Ripley, Butler, Stoddard, New Madrid, Pemiscot and Dunklin counties in the Missouri Senate.*