

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

September 7, 2021

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden  
President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Biden:

We are writing in support of Governor Ducey's request for a major disaster declaration for the state of Arizona.

During the period of July 22 to 24, 2021, monsoonal storms produced heavy rainfall in Apache County, Coconino County, and Navajo County. Up to four inches of rain fell on a burn scar from a recent fire, increasing the severity of flooding. The intensity of this monsoon season and anticipated future storms in the region have severely affected communities, with streets where children once played transformed into storm channels by concrete barriers and sandbags. Without federal support, these communities will be unable to recover.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §§5121-5207, and implemented by 44 CFR §206.36, we ask that the state of Arizona receive a major disaster declaration.

Mr. President, we respectfully request your swift consideration and approval of this designation in accordance with all laws, rules, regulations, and agency policies. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kyrsten Sinema  
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U.S. Senator

/s/ Tom O'Halleran  
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U.S. Representative

/s/ Greg Stanton  
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U.S. Representative

/s/ Mark Kelly  
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U.S. Senator

/s/ Paul A Gosar, D.D.S.  
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U.S. Representative

/s/ Andy Biggs  
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U.S. Representative

/s/ David Schweikert  
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/s/ Raúl M. Grijalva  
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/s/ Ruben Gallego  
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/s/ Ann Kirkpatrick  
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CC: Deanne Criswell, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency