

## Colorado Senators want more federal aid

Colorado Senators Mark Udall and Michael Bennet introduced legislation September 24th to lift a \$100 million cap on federal highway emergency relief funds after massive floods severely damaged or destroyed more than 21,000 homes, 50 bridges, and killed at least 9 people in Colorado. The bill, the Deficit Neutral Infrastructure Disaster Relief Act, would take already appropriated money to fund the increase. A similar bill will reportedly be submitted on the House side, as well.

The Senators estimate that it will cost at least \$300 million to repair the destroyed and damaged roads and bridges across the state.

In the event of a federal shutdown, federal disaster aid to Colorado would not be affected.

Sources: Energy & Environment Daily, the House of Representative

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