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Mr. Woody Ray Wetzel County Action Group HC 60, Box 277 New Martinsville, West Virginia 26155

Dear Mr. Ray:

I have received your correspondence regarding roads in Wetzel County.

While it is always my wish to try to be helpful, I must advise that, as a U.S. Senator, I exercise no control or supervision over the funding, construction, or maintenance of roads and bridges across our state. All such activities come under the authority of a state agency, the West Virginia Division of Highways.

In an effort to be of assistance to you, however, I will be pleased to bring your concerns to the attention of the appropriate state officials. I hope that my efforts prove helpful, and I will be sure to keep you informed of my findings.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Robert C. Byrd

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