

News Release From . . . Congressman Rodney Alexander

5th Congressional District of Louisiana

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ALEXANDER, VITTER ANNOUNCE GRANT FUNDING FOR CONCORDIA PARISH

\$95,000 SECURED IN FEDERAL FUNDING

Washington, D.C. -- U.S. Rep. Rodney Alexander, R-Quitman, and U.S. Sen. David Vitter, R-Louisiana, announced today that the Town of Ferriday will receive both a USDA Rural Development Grant totaling \$45,000 and a Delta Regional Authority Grant totaling \$40,000.

These funds will be used toward the pavement of an access road to the industrial park located in the Town of Ferriday. The reason for this improvement is that the current infrastructure will not accommodate larger delivery trucks. According to the USDA, this project is in a special emphasis parish located in the Lower Mississippi Delta Development Initiative.

"This project funding is good news for the Town of Ferriday and Concordia Parish," Alexander said.

"As long as I'm in congress, my goal is to secure as much federal funding for infrastructure projects as possible. This is an investment for the Town of Ferriday and Concordia Parish."

Vitter added, "I'm pleased that the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Delta Regional Authority made this federal money available to Ferriday. This access road will stimulate the local economy and provide for the long-term growth of the Ferriday Industrial Park."

For more information this funding, contact Ferriday Mayor Gene Allen at 318-757-3411.

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