



McIntyre Announces \$1,150,000 in Economic Development Funds for Town of Faison

Investment will create 80 jobs and save 75 jobs

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Congressman Mike McIntyre announced today that the Town of Faison has received \$1,500,000 in economic development funds which will create 80 new jobs and retain 75 existing jobs. Total project investment is \$2,285,000.

Congressman McIntyre stated, “This is great news for the Town of Faison! Creating jobs and helping build stronger communities is my #1 priority, and it is great to see our taxpayers’ dollars coming home to make a difference! Congratulations to Mayor Elmer Flake and all the others who worked so hard on this application.”

This Economic Development Administration (EDA) investment funds construction of water infrastructure necessary to retain and expand industries that add value to the region’s agricultural economy. In August 2011, Hurricane Irene severely damaged the region’s crops – including cotton, sweet potatoes, and tobacco. The extreme drought worsened the economy by withering crops and delaying harvests. This project is funded through the 2012 Disaster Relief Opportunity administered through EDA.