

**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY FOR:**

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**LAST WEEK:**

**CONGRESS PASSES EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING BILL -**

On Thursday, June 5, the conference report on HR 1469 was passed by Congress. It passed the House 220-201 and the Senate in a 67-31 vote. Passage of the measure cleared the way for the bill to go to the President early in the week of June 9. The President made it very clear that he will veto the measure as soon as it arrives at the White House because of two policy issues attached to the bill that are not related to disaster relief.

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**THIS WEEK:**

**VETO OF EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING BILL -**

As promised, the President vetoed the emergency supplemental bill on Monday because of the extraneous attachments and had the bill headed back to the Congress in less than 20 minutes after it had been delivered to the White House. The Senate may begin reconsideration of the H.R. 1469 as early as Tuesday and the House later in the week.

**CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM HEARING -**

The Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research Subcommittee (Chairman Combest, R-Texas) of the House Agriculture Committee will hold a hearing on the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). The hearing will focus on the recent allocations announced by Secretary Glickman.

June 11            9:30 a.m.            1300 Longworth Bldg.

USDA Witness:

Dallas Smith, Acting Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services  
Parks Shackelford, Asst. Director for Farm Programs, FSA  
Tom Hebert, Deputy Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment  
Paul Johnson, Chief, NRCS

**HOUSE BRIEFING ON BUFFER INITIATIVE -**

On Friday, the Chief will discuss the agency's conservation buffer initiative with Members of Congress and their staffs.

June 13            10:30 a.m.            1300 Longworth Bldg.

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**LOOKING AHEAD:**

**AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH** - The Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research Subcommittee (Chairman Combest, R-Texas) of the House Agriculture Committee will hold a hearing on agricultural research.

June 17      9:30 a.m.      1300 Longworth Bldg.  
Federal, state, and private efforts

June 18      9:30 a.m.      1300 Longworth Bldg.  
Public and private partnership efforts

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