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FLOOD-RELATED CANCELATION: Ellendale, N.D., Governor's Committee on Aging Forum Canceled

BISMARCK, ND - In a flood-related announcement, the Chairman of the Governor's Committee on Aging, Amy Clark, announced today that the Aging Forum scheduled for April 22 in Ellendale has been canceled.

Committee members and N.D. Department of Human Services Aging Services staff had organized seven forums across the state from April 20-24. Many featured national experts on health promotion and disease prevention. This is the second forum canceled due to flooding concerns; the committee canceled the Lisbon, N.D., forum last week.

"Many communities need to focus on flood fighting and recovery efforts, and we were also concerned about how transportation issues would affect seniors who planned to attend," Clark said. "We want people to be safe during this difficult time."

Many North Dakota roads are damaged, and some remain impassable. In addition, the senior buses from Dickey County have been moved to Valley City, she said.

Forums will go on as planned in Dickinson and Grand Forks on April 20, New Town on April 21, Bismarck on April 23, and Rugby on April 24. For details about the five remaining forums see www.nd.gov/dhs/info/pubs/docs/aging/2009-gov-committee-on-aging-forums.pdf

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