number of things the Extension Service is doing in addition to managing on main street. So I think that's important that we don't put somebody out there with the idea that I'm here from Lincoln and I'm here to help you and I'm going to make you more dependent on government than you already are. I'm not going to try to train local people, I'm just here to be a fount of wisdom, I'll have coffee with you guys and kind of entertain you, but I don't really think there is much I can do for you. Ι think that is unfair to little towns. I think you've got to go out there and have some confidence that you can succeed, and you have to believe that there is some value in preserving those small communities. I'm not at all convinced that is the case. It doesn't seem to matter who the Governor is, and it doesn't seem to matter who the director is. I've been here six years and the problems with DED seem to be the same. It doesn't matter who is in charge, so this doesn't have anything to do with the current administration. I think, if there is a commitment to doing something for small towns in rural Nebraska, we've got to look very seriously, if there isn't a better way to deliver services than just trying and retrying the same old things that have failed. So I guess that is why I feel very, very strongly about this and very, very strongly about trying a different approach. Frankly the proposal that Senator Baack is putting forward and that I have supported, in fact had a bill in that is related to that, is a more tested procedure. There has been more success on the regional basis with that than I have seen come out of field offices. Senator Smith alluded to ever some of those yesterday about where she had seen success with Silver Lake group. So I think we really to think really the seriously about that. If you want to take a historical look at this, I don't know where Senator Bernard-Stevens went, but maybe you ought to take a look at the history of that agency and how far back it goes. This isn't anything that I just got up one morning and decided to do. I have very serious concerns about our inability and seemingly unconcern about really small towns. You get kind of some lip service once in a while. But if you look at the real commitment that is there in terms of the kinds of budget requests that were made and the kinds of efforts that were made, it just doesn't seem to be enough. I realize it's difficult. There is not a perfect model anywhere in the world that I have found for rural development. But to just keep repeating past mistakes, to me, doesn't seem to make any sense at all.

PRESIDENT: One minute.