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Congressman Bob Dole (R-Kans), speaking at the Kansas Association of Soil Conservation District's Area I Meeting in Stockton, Kansas, today, said, "The 89th Congress has been, by any measuring stick, a Conservation Congress. This Congress has displayed an admirable bipartisanship in supporting sound soil and water conservation development as a benefit to all people."

Dole pointed out that Congress passed and the President signed into law several programs of national concern. Dole listed these as:

- "1. The Water Resources Planning Act, which authorizes the President to establish river basin planning commissions and a Water Resources Council.
- "2. The Water Quality Act, which establishes a new water pollution control agency and authorizes additional funds for pollution control efforts.
- "3. The Rural Water Facilities Act, which makes possible the planning and building of community water supply and sanitation facilities in rural areas.
- "4. The Water Resources Recreation Act, which establishes a uniform policy for fish and wildlife enhancement and recreation in Federal water projects.
- "5. An amendment to the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, which increases the maximum capacity of watershed structures from 5,000 acre-feet to 12,500 acre-feet."

"Kansas does not have to take a back seat to any State when it comes to resource development," Dole continued, "and you people, you supervisors and co-operators in soil conservation districts, deserve much of the credit."

Dole pointed out that Kansas leads the Nation in miles of terraces and acres of grassed waterways established, and it ranks among the top 10 States in many other conservation accomplishments. More than 24 million acres of land in Kansas are covered by basic soil conservation plans. Kansas is also one of the leading states in watershed project applications, planning, and construction. It has 26 small watershed projects completed or under development, and 17 additional projects have been authorized for planning assistance.

Dole said, "The small watershed program offers the best opportunity for soil and water resource development within the soil conservation district. These projects are inspired and initiated by local people and developed largely through local effort. We Kansans can be proud of the interest in soil and water conservation thus far shown by the State and local governments."