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STATEMENT BY HONORABLE BOB DOLE  
TO THE PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
May 9, 1967

I appreciate this opportunity to again present a statement concerning various projects in my Congressional District for which funds are recommended in the budget for fiscal year 1968. My comments are given separately on each project in the following order.

- Construction:
1. Almena Unit (Norton Dam)
  2. Glen Elder Unit (Dam)
  3. Bostwick Unit
  4. Cedar Bluff and Webster Units

Advance Engineering and Design:

5. Hays Flood Protection Project, Hays, Kansas

General Investigations:

6. Arkansas River (Great Bend, Kansas to John Martin Dam, Colorado)
7. Cimarron River Basin (Kansas, New Mexico Oklahoma, and Colorado)
8. Glen Elder Irrigation Unit
9. Scandia Unit
10. Kanopolis Unit

No. 1 Almena Unit - The program for this project calls for minor deferred maintenance work on railroad locations, minor work on health and safety facilities and completion of permanent operating facilities. The budget contains \$56,000 for these activities.

No. 2 Glen Elder Unit - The Budget recommendation for the Glen Elder Unit is \$13,530,000 for fiscal 1968. This will permit continued

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construction on the Dam, and cover costs of relocating state and county roads and various other aspects of the project. I am informed land acquisition in the reservoir area is scheduled to be completed and contracts are to be let for clearance of the basin area, a caretaker's residence, as well as fish and wildlife and other activities.

No. 3 Bostwick Unit - The budget includes \$405,000 for construction on subsurface drains and much-needed earthlining work on main canals. The Courtland pump system on which much work was performed during the past year is scheduled for completion in fiscal year 1968. All but \$78,000 of this appropriation will be spent in Kansas.

No. 4 Cedar Bluff Unit - Webster Unit - A total of \$70,000 divided equally between these projects is being recommended for construction of drainage structures and earth lining work on the Osborne Canal.

neering. This city has suffered extensively as the result of recurring floods over the past 15 years, and it is my hope construction work may commence soon on this much-needed project so additional loss of life and property may be averted from floods in the future.

No. 6 Arkansas River - (Great Bend, Kansas, to John Martin Dam, Colorado)

The devastating flood along the Arkansas River in June, 1965, inflicted millions of dollars' damage to hundreds of farms; and numerous towns along the river's reaches likewise suffered extensively. This year the budget contains \$105,000 for general investigations which have been in progress for several years. This is only \$25,000 more than was contained in the Fiscal Year 1967 budget for this important work. Mr. Chairman, I

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cannot impress upon the Committee too strongly the necessity for ap-  
proving this item so a report may be submitted by Congress at the earliest  
time for consideration and a basis for authorization, so desperately need-  
ed construction work may commence with the least possible delay. 5-9-67

As I pointed out last year, our state suffered a major disaster as  
a result of the 1965 flood, and measures must be taken to protect lives  
and property from any future flood of that magnitude.

No. 7 Cimarron River Basin (Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and  
Colorado)

Investigations on the Cimarron River and tributaries have been in pro-  
gress for several years. In the Fiscal Year 1968 budget, \$51,000 is pro-  
vided for continuation of them. The study will consider the feasibility  
of reservoirs, channel improvements, levees, and related activities; and  
I urge the Committee's favorable consideration of this item.

No. 8 Glen Elder Irrigation Unit - The budget for the Bureau of Re-  
clamation contains \$60,000 to commence investigations of the recommended  
irrigation unit below Glen Elder Dam now under construction.

No. 9 Scandia Unit - This proposed irrigation development is lo-  
cated in Republic County, Kansas, and is a part of the Kansas Bostwick  
irrigation system. Reconnaissance studies on this proposed project have  
been performed, and the budget contains \$80,000 for the Bureau of Recla-  
mation to enable it to proceed with necessary investigations during fis-  
cal year 1968. The report is scheduled for completion in 1969.

No. 10 Kanopolis Unit - Continued investigations would be made pos-  
sible by the \$40,000 recommended in the budget for this project, and the  
report is scheduled for completion in 1968.