

NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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WASHINGTON, D.C., JUNE 7, 1972 -- Senators Bob Dole and James Pearson reported this morning that the Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee approved the North Sector-Upper Walnut River Watershed Project.

The project proposal now goes to the House Agriculture Committee. If approved there, project work can procede. Total cost of the project, when completed, would be \$3,120,000.

Located in Butler and Chase counties, the project provides for conservation land treatment over the watershed area and supplemental floodwater retarding structures.

The project would reduce floodwater sediment damages on floodplain land, reduce erosion, provide sport fishing opportunities and create feeding and resting places for migratory waterfowl.

Dole, a member of the Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee said that the project would be carried out by the Butler County Soil Conservation District, the Chase County Soil Conservation District and the Upper Walnut Watershed Joint District No. 33 with Federal assistance under authority of Public Law 566.