

NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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DOLE TO INTRODUCE AMENDMENT TO IMPROVE ROADS

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Bob Dole today announced that he will introduce and amendment to authorize \$500,000 for road improvements in the vacinity of Melvern and Pomona Lakes in Osage County.

The action will come during Senate debate on the 1973 Water Resources Act reported by the Public Works Committee this week.

"Osage County is the only county in the nation with two major federal lakes,"

Senator Dole said. "Many thousands of visitors come to these lakes each year for recreation and enjoyment. This has placed severe strains on the local roads, bridges, and highways which were never meant to handle the traffic of so many visitors. Major traffic hazzards, inconvenience and concern have resulted from this situation. Local government does not have the resources to make the necessary improvements, so the federal government should step in to help."

Senator Dole noted that these same road improvements received Senate approval in an earlier version of the bill passed in February. "Therefore, I ambhopeful that this legislative history will help in achieving success for my Pomona-Melvern amendment."

The Water Resources Act will be considered by the Senate soon after returning from the holdiay recess in January.