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DOLE ANNOUNCES \$646,380 FOR BELOIT MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

WASHINGTON - Senator Bob Dole (R-Ks) announced today that the Beloit Municipal Airport will receive \$646,380 from the U.S. Department of Transportation as FY90 discretionary money. Dole has been working with Secretary of Transportation Sam Skinner to ensure that Kansas receives its fair share of federal airport funding. The funding will be used to overlay the runway, taxiway, and apron.

"This is a boost for economic development in Kansas. Kansas airports are playing an increasing role in local development activities. Access to air transportation services is vital to Mitchell County and the surrounding areas," said Dole.

In addition, the city of Beloit plans to spend additional local money to add 400 feet to the 3600 foot runway, allowing the airport to adequately handle jet aircraft.

This is a 90/10 Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) airport improvement grant. The local share is \$71,820.