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DOLE ANNOUNCES SENATE APPROVAL FOR KANSAS
PROJECTS: WICHITA ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER,
HASKELL INDIAN JUNIOR COLLEGE, SANTA FE TRAIL,
NATIONAL WATERFOWL MANAGEMENT PLAN,
RURAL ABANDONED MINE PROGRAM,
TOPEKA'S MONROE SCHOOL HISTORIC SITE INITIATIVE

WASHINGTON - Kansas Senator Bob Dole announced today Senate approval to fund several Dole-sponsored Kansas projects including Haskell Indian Junior College in Lawrence, the Environmental Education Center in Wichita and the Santa Fe Trail. The Senate also approved a \$4 million increase in funding for the North American Waterfowl Management Plan, which includes several Kansas projects, and a \$3 million increase for the Rural Abandoned Mine Program, a program which was recently initiated in Kansas.

"I'm pleased the Senate supports these outstanding Kansas projects. It is important that we continue to preserve our state's wildlife, wetland and historic resources," said Dole. "I'm also pleased that the Senate supports funding for Haskell, one of our state's great educational institutions. With the approval of increased funding for the RAMP program, the Senate realizes the importance of reclaiming abandoned mines and promoting safety," added Dole.

The funding is included in the FY1993 Interior Appropriations bill which was approved last night by the United States Senate. The measure now goes to a joint House/Senate conference committee before final passage by both houses.

Kansas projects in the funding measure include:

HASKELL INDIAN JUNIOR COLLEGE, LAWRENCE - \$4.746 MILLION

The committee approved \$3 million for phase two of a dormitory expansion project. \$1.746 million was also included for the college's operating budget.