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DOLE ASKS FOR EMERGENCY DISASTER AID

WASHINGTON -- KANSAS SENATOR BOB DOLE TODAY URGED THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION TO ACT FAVORABLY ON A REQUEST TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO PHILLIPS AND ROOKS COUNTIES, WHICH SUFFERED EXTENSIVE DAMAGE DURING TORNADO, WIND AND HAIL STORMS FROM MAY 10-13.

THE FOLLOWING IS A LETTER SENT TO MR. DWIGHT CALHOUN, ACTING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION, IN WASHINGTON, D.C., REQUESTING A FAVORABLE RULING ON EMERGENCY AID TO THE COUNTIES:

Dear Mr. Calhoun:

Recently the Governor of the State of Kansas requested the state office of the Farmers Home Administration to declare Phillips and Rooks counties eligible for emergency assistance. These two counties have experienced serious damage because of tornado, wind and hail damage from storms May 10-13.

Estimated loss to the two counties exceed \$1.13 million, not counting miles of fence that were destroyed. The storms destroyed 21 homes and 75 outbuildings, damaged farm equipment and killed livestock in the two county area.

Kansans in these two counties have suffered extreme hardships over the past three weeks. I would ask that you rule favorably in allowing emergency assistance that will help mitigate their suffering.

Sincerely yours,

BOB DOLE
United States Senate