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**KANSAS ON LINE FOR \$2.18 MILLION IN PROJECTS FOR STATE
DOLE ANNOUNCES \$1.88 MILLION FOR KANSAS STATE RESEARCH;
INCLUDES FUNDING FOR MISSOURI RIVER PROJECT**

Washington, D.C. -- SENATOR BOB DOLE (R-KS) ANNOUNCED TODAY THE FUNDING OF SEVERAL KANSAS PROJECTS APPROVED BY THE SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE. THIS FUNDING PROPOSAL, AFFECTING AGRICULTURE, AND ENERGY AND WATER ISSUES, NOW MOVES TO THE SENATE FLOOR FOR ACTION.

THE MISSOURI RIVER RESOURCE MITIGATION, A FOUR-STATE, U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS PROJECT, WAS INCLUDED AT THE REQUEST OF DOLE. THE DOLE AMENDMENT, OFFERED BY SENATOR BENNETT JOHNSTON (D-LA), CHAIRMAN OF THE ENERGY AND WATER SUBCOMMITTEE, PROVIDES \$300,000 FOR THE PROJECT. THIS AMOUNT IS DOUBLE OF WHAT WAS FUNDED IN THE HOUSE.

"THERE IS PLENTY OF COMPETITION FOR FEDERAL DOLLARS, SO I AM PLEASED WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO KEEP FUNDING ALIVE FOR THESE IMPORTANT KANSAS PROJECTS. I KNOW THAT PRESENT FLOOD CONTROL AND BARGE TRAFFIC OPERATIONS HAVE CAUSED DETERIORATION OF PREVIOUSLY BOUNTIFUL FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES. THIS FUNDING WILL BEGIN THE PROCESS OF IMPROVING THE RECREATIONAL, NATURAL RESOURCE AND ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF THE MISSOURI RIVER IN THE KANSAS, IOWA, MISSOURI AND NEBRASKA REGION," SAID DOLE.

FOUR OTHER PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ACTIONS INCLUDE MONEY RESTORED FROM EARLIER BUDGET CUTS OR MAINTAINED FOR RESEARCH PROJECTS AT KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY. THESE PROJECTS INCLUDE:

INTERNATIONAL MEAT AND LIVESTOCK PROGRAM:

RESTORES \$95,000 FOR PROGRAM DESIGNED TO IMPROVE DAIRY INDUSTRY TRAINING AND SALES IN A VARIETY OF INTERNATIONAL SETTINGS. FOR EXAMPLE, A KSU DAIRY PROFESSOR IS WORKING WITH MEXICAN DAIRY PRODUCERS AND A UNIVERSITY TO IMPROVE DAIRY CALF REARING PRACTICES IN MEXICO.

FOOD SAFETY PROGRAM:

RESTORES \$1.4 MILLION TO JOINT UNIVERSITY PROGRAM TO EVALUATE NATIONAL PRIORITIES AND RESEARCH FOOD SAFETY. KANSAS STATE JOINS THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AND IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY IN THIS PROJECT.

MANAGEMENT OF STORED GRAIN INSECTS PROGRAM:

RESTORES \$285,000 TO KANSAS STATE RESEARCH PROGRAM DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE IMPROVED GRAIN QUALITY THROUGH BETTER MANAGEMENT PRACTICES. RESEARCH INCLUDES INSECT INFESTATION STUDY AND IMPACT OF CHANGES IN FEDERAL GRAIN STANDARDS.

WHEAT GENETICS RESOURCE CENTER:

MAINTAINS \$100,000 FOR KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY BASED CENTER WHICH FOCUSES ON NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL WHEAT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS INTO THE NEXT CENTURY.

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