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DOLE: MANHATTAN BRIDGE PROJECT TO RECEIVE \$3.21 MILLION IN FEDERAL FUNDS

Washington, D.C. -- SENATOR BOB DOLE (R-KS) ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT \$3.21 MILLION WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE FY 1990 SENATE TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS BILL FOR THE KANSAS RIVER BRIDGE IN MANHATTAN. THE SENATE TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE, WHICH WILL MEET THURSDAY, IS EXPECTED TO APPROVE THE PACKAGE THAT ALSO INCLUDES \$400,000 FOR HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS ON U.S. 77 IN JUNCTION CITY.

"I AM PLEASED THAT MANHATTAN WILL GET A BOOST IN FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THIS IMPORTANT CONSTRUCTION PROJECT," SAID SENATOR DOLE. "I HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR OVER A YEAR TO HELP OBTAIN FUNDS TO BEGIN WORK ON A BADLY NEEDED REPLACEMENT FOR THIS BRIDGE."

THE \$3.21 MILLION WILL BE USED FOR PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING AND RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION FOR THE MANHATTAN BRIDGE.

THE KANSAS RIVER BRIDGE PROJECT HAS A TOTAL PROJECT COST OF NEARLY \$17 MILLION. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE STATE OF KANSAS WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION WORK IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

THE MEASURE WILL NOW MOVE TO THE FULL SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO MEET FRIDAY. THEN IT WILL MOVE TO THE SENATE FLOOR FOR ACTION, AND FINALLY TO A JOINT HOUSE-SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

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