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DOLE REQUEST FOR ARKANSAS CITY FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT WINS SENATE APPROVAL

WASHINGTON -- The U.S. Senate late Tuesday approved legislation including Kansas Senator Bob Dole's request for \$700,000 to complete pre-construction engineering and design, and to begin construction of the Arkansas City Flood Control Project.

"Flood waters caused severe structural damage to the levee in 1985 and 1993. The Army Corps of Engineers has determined that construction is needed to strengthen, raise and extend the existing levee. This funding will help accelerate the Corps' schedule to complete the job," said Dole.

"I would also commend Senator Kassebaum for her efforts in support of this project," Dole added. "The urgency of the situation in Arkansas City requires prompt action, and her active support was invaluable in moving this provision through the Senate."

The project was included in the 1996 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill, which now goes to a joint House/Senate committee to work out differences with legislation passed by the House.

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