

APRIL 5, 1987

TO: SENATOR DOLE  
FROM: GREG SCHNACKE  
SUBJECT: REMARKS FOR ENERGY & WATER DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

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AS YOU KNOW, YOU WILL BE INTRODUCING SEVERAL KANSANS WHO ARE TESTIFYING ON VARIOUS WATER PROJECTS THURSDAY, APRIL 6 - SD-192 BEFORE THE SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT, CHAIRED BY SENATOR JOHNSTON.

I HAVE LEARNED IN THE LAST 24 HOURS OF OTHER KANSANS THAT ARE HERE FOR OTHER PROJECTS AND HAVE INCLUDED THEIR NAMES IN YOUR INTRODUCTORY REMARKS AS WELL.

YOU WILL BE ABLE TO SPEAK AS SOON AS YOU GET TO THE HEARING ROOM. SENATORS WHO ARE SPEAKING ARE GOING FIRST, OR AS CLOSE TO THEIR ARRIVAL TIME AS POSSIBLE.

STATEMENT OF SENATOR BOB DOLE  
ENERGY AND WATER SUBCOMMITTEE  
SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

APRIL 6, 1989

MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

IT IS MY PLEASURE TO BE HERE THIS AFTERNOON AND

INTRODUCE SEVERAL KANSANS WHO WILL BE

TESTIFYING OR OFFERING WRITTEN TESTIMONY TO THE

COMMITTEE IN SUPPORT OF A VARIETY OF WATER

PROJECTS AND ABOUT WATER DEVELOPMENT ISSUES IN

GENERAL.

MR. CHAIRMAN, AS YOU KNOW MANY AREAS OF THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING KANSAS, ARE SUFFERING FROM DROUGHT CONDITIONS. RURAL AREAS ARE SUFFERING FROM THESE CONDITIONS AND THE RESULT IS VERY HARMFUL TO THESE RURAL ECONOMIES AND SLOW NEEDED COMMUNITY RURAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES.

HOWEVER, SOMEDAY THE DROUGHT WILL END.  
RAINS WILL COME AND WE WILL FACE DRAINAGE AND  
FLOODING PROBLEMS THAT ARE JUST AS DISASTROUS  
TO RURAL AND URBAN AREAS UNLESS PARTICULAR  
MEASURES ARE TAKEN.

THE COMMITTEE UNDERSTANDS THESE  
CONDITIONS VERY WELL AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT  
UPON CAREFUL REVIEW, MANY OF THESE PROJECTS  
WILL BE UNDERTAKEN AND IMPLEMENTED.

MR. CHAIRMAN, IT IS MY PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE  
TO THE COMMITTEE SEVERAL KANSANS WHO ARE HERE  
REPRESENTING A VARIETY OF GROUPS THAT WILL BE  
OFFERING TESTIMONY ON A NUMBER OF WORTHY  
PROJECTS.

THESE PROJECTS INCLUDE FLOOD CONTROL,  
GROUNDWATER RECHARGE AND SUPPLY, WATER  
MANAGEMENT, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE  
FUNDING, AND DRAINAGE FUND CONVERSION.

WITH ME HERE TODAY ARE:

ARTHUR T. WOODMAN - CHAIRMAN OF THE  
ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN INTERSTATE COMMITTEE,  
WICHITA, AND COMMITTEE MEMBER TAYLOR  
PECKHAM, AUGUSTA.

REPRESENTING THE KANSAS-BOSTWICK IRRIGATION  
DISTRICT NO. 2 ARE KENNETH NELSON,  
COURTLAND; AND LOUIS ALLEN, FORMOSO.

FROM THE MO-ARK ASSOCIATION ARE JAMES MEITL,  
PRESIDENT, OVERLAND PARK; WALT VERNON,  
PRARIE VILLAGE; ART DAVIS, LENEXA; NEALE  
PETERSON, FAIRWAY; AND RON BORST AND FRED  
GIBSON, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.

MR. CHAIRMAN, THESE ABLE INDIVIDUALS WILL BE  
SHARING THE DETAILS OF THESE VARIOUS PROJECTS  
WITH YOU LATER TODAY. I LOOK FORWARD TO  
WORKING WITH YOU AND THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON THESE AND OTHER WATER ISSUES AND I  
APPRECIATE EVERY COURTESY YOU HAVE EXTENDED TO  
THESE KANSANS WHO ARE HERE TODAY.