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TOPEKA, Kans., August 14 -- Congressman Bob Dole late yesterday urged Governor Robert Docking to declare as disaster areas those Kansas counties affected by greenbugs.

In a telegram to Docking, Dole said, "The infestation of green aphids or greenbugs in the milo crop may lead to disaster for many Kansas farmers if the threat is not countered."

"I urge you to take early action to declare the affected region a disaster area," he added.

Pointing out the Governor must certify disaster conditions before Department of Agriculture emergency assistance can be rendered, Dole said, "USDA help is especially needed in view of the nationwide shortage of Ethyl Parathion, the chemical normally used to control greenbugs."

Dole also sent telegrams to three members of the Kansas Disaster Committee, asking them to recommend to Docking that the greenbug-infested counties be declared disaster areas. The three are: Jackson George, Director, Farmers Home Administration, Topeka; Dr. Robert A. Bohannon, Director, Cooperative Extension Service, Manhattan, and Lawrence Brennan, A.S.C.S. State Chairman, Dodge City.