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WASHINGTON, D.C. March 10 --- U.S. Sen. Bob Dole (R-Kans.) today asked for an increase in the 1971 proposed budget for Water District and Farm Ownership loans.

In a letter to Secretary Clifford M. Hardin, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Dole said that in order for the state of Kansas to work toward President Nixon's announced goal of halting and reversing the present rural to urban migration, Kansas farmers will need additional financial support from the Farmers Home administration.

For the current budget, Kansas received \$1,730,000 in FHA loan funds for water district and sewer development. Dole said that only \$1,600,000 in cash funds has been spent for financing the 150 water districts throughout the state since the program's inception seven years ago.

Dole, a member of the Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee, said that providing cash gifts to towns and cities while restricting the allocation of loan funds to rural areas seemed inconsistent with Nixon's expressed concern toward stemming the migration from farms to urban centers.

In his request for consideration for additional FHA loan funds for Kansas, Dole added that these funds would be repaid to the U.S. Treasury, unlike the monies given in the form of cash grants for urban renewal.