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WASHINGTON, D.C., May 25 --- U.S. Sen. Bob Dole (R-Kans.) today urged authorization of the West Sector Whitewater River Watershed in Butler, Sedgwick and Harvey counties.

Testifying before the Subcommittee on Flood Control-Rivers and Harbors of the Senate Committee on Public Works, Dole said the project would provide the 174,960 acre area with watershed protection, flood prevention measures and recreational facilities.

Sponsors for the project are Butler County Soil Conservation District, Sedgwick County Soil Conservation District, Harvey County Soil Conservation District, Whitewater River Watershed Joint District No. 22 and Harvey County. The sponsors estimate the entire project can be completed in five years.

Total dollars for the project would be \$4,529,000.

Dole, who is a member of the Senate Committee on Public Works, said he is confident the project will receive final Senate approval.