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WASHINGTON, D.C., June 18, 1971 ---"President Nixon's action to extend some Farmers Home Administration (FrHA) repayments is another instance of his responsiveness to the needs of our farmers," U.S. Sen. Bob Dole said today.

The Kansas Senator commented on the White House announcement that beginning today, certain emergency loans of the Farmers Home Administration for farmers hit or affected by natural disasters can be paid over periods up to five years. Previously, FrHA loans were extended on a one-year repayment policy.

Dole explained that the extension of loan repayments will provide substantial relief to drought stricken farmers, and referred specifically to those in southwestern states.

He noted that the emergency relief measure announced today is in addition to earlier actions to help the farmers, including the providing of \$50 million more in farm ownership funds and \$65 million more in emergency loan funds.