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WASHINGTON, D.C., JUNE 30, 1972 -- Senators Bob Dole and James Pearson and Congressman Joe Skubitz today announced three major steps in connection with El Dorado water resource programs.

In a joint statement from their Washington offices they announced that the Secretary of the Army, Robert Froelke, has signed contracts with the City of El Dorado, for water storage and recreation at El Dorado Lake.

"This step," they said, "insures that progress on the El Dorado Lake project will continue on schedule, and the citizens of El Dorado can take great satisfaction in seeing that the commitment they demonstrated in approving bonds for local water storage has been met in good faith by the federal government.

In another area, Senators Dole and Pearson also announced that the Senate voted appropriation totaling \$1,550,000 for El Dorado Lake and the El Dorado local flood protection project. The funds were contained in the Public Works Appropriations Bill passed by the Senate today. The specific amounts were \$1,500,000 for construction of the El Dorado dam and \$50,000 for the flood control project. The bill now goes to a House-Senate conference

before being sent to the President for signature.

The Senators expressed their pleasure that these steps had been taken today and said that, "these projects will bring significant benefits to the El Dorado area in terms of ample and reliable municipal water supplies, expanded recreation opportunities, and greater protection against the ravages of floods."