



# NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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WASHINGTON, D.C., JULY 24, 1972 -- Senator Bob Dole today said the Senate Appropriations Committee will recommend funding for the Grain Marketing Research Lab in Manhattan be increased by \$950,000 for fiscal year '73.

Dole, a member of the Senate Agricultural and Forestry Committee, said that this increase, added to fiscal year '72 funding of \$690,200 would amount to a total operating budget of \$1,640,200 for the coming year.

The Senate will consider the Department of Agriculture and Environmental Agency appropriations bill (which includes the Grain Marketing Research Lab funding) this Thursday.

Dole has previously urged full funding of the new agricultural research center. In a statement to the Senate Subcommittee on Appropriations for Agriculture, Environment and Consumer Protection on April 12, 1972, Dole said:

Due to insufficient funding, the new agricultural research center in Manhattan, Kansas is presently functioning on less than 25 percent of the staff it needs. The Department of Agriculture estimates the benefits from research in grain handling, storing, drying, transporting and systematic marketing would be more than \$200 million for the grain farmers of this nation. I ask the subcommittee to fully fund this facility so that it may begin full operations in the coming year."

The House of Representatives had recommended an increase of \$160,200 in fiscal year '73 funding and the Senate Appropriations will recommend the additional \$789,800 for the total increase of \$950,000.