



NEWS from **U.S. Senator Bob Dole**

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Senator Bob Dole has received an updated situation report from the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration on the severe storm damages in Kansas. The report assesses the present damage situation and indicates the expectation of possible further flooding.

Dole said officials explained that they cannot act until a request for assistance is received from the Governor. Once received they can begin to give the matter the quickest possible attention.

Any request from the Governor must be transmitted from the Kansas City Regional Office. Once it is received by the Disaster Assistance Administration in Washington, and reports from Federal personnel in the field have been received and evaluated, then a recommendation can be made to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, who will then forward it to the White House.

Dole said he had been in contact with officials at the White House and discussed with them the seriousness of the situation in many parts of Kansas and urged that action be taken on any request for assistance from Kansas as expeditiously as possible.