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ATCHISON COUNTY NOW ELIGIBLE FOR FLOOD AID

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senators Bob Dole and James Pearson announced today that the Department of Agriculture will offer emergency conservation assistance in Atchison county to help repair damage caused by flooding in October 1973. Emergency conservation assistance is designed to help alleviate conditions resulting from natural disasters and restore agricultural lands to productive capacity.

Atchison brings to 17 the number of Kansas counties declared eligible for aid under the program because of the October flood damage.

An initial allocation of \$300,000 was made available earlier to the Kansas State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee. An additional \$50,000 is being allocated providing a total of \$350,000 for the State. The funds will be used to share with farmers in designated counties the cost of removing debris from farmland, grading and shaping eroded land areas and repairing drainage systems. Repair measures are subject to the approval of the state and county ASC committees.

Counties previously declared eligible are Clay, Cloud, Cowley, Doniphan, Edwards, Ellsworth, Harper, Harvey, Kingman, McPherson, Ottawa, Reno, Rice, Saline, Sedgwick and Washington.