



# NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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## ADMINISTRATION PULLS RUG OUT FROM UNDER FARMERS, SAYS DOLE

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- "It is now obvious to anyone who understands the farmers' plight that the Administration is about to pull the rug out from under farmers and Congress," Senator Bob Dole said today.

Anticipating a Department of Agriculture announcement of their proposed action, Dole said the "weak attempts by this Administration, after months and months of delay and outright opposition to any attempts to improve farm income, should be a clear signal to American farmers -- and consumers as well -- that the Administration really doesn't care. It will clearly be up to House and Senate conferees meeting next week to hammer out some meaningful compromise, if American agriculture is to be rescued from the economic disaster aggravated by President Carter's failure to respond to their needs."

Dole is a member of the House-Senate Conference and is also ranking Republican on the Senate Agriculture Committee.

"If American agriculture is neglected," Dole pointed out, "the American consumer will suffer the consequences by paying higher and higher food prices."