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DOLE ANNOUNCES FINAL CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF
KANSAS WATER PROJECTS:
COURTLAND CANAL PROJECT; KANOPOLIS LAKE STUDY, SALINA;

WASHINGTON - Kansas Senator Bob Dole today announced final Congressional approval to fund two Kansas water projects. The Kansas initiatives, requested by Senator Dole, are \$1.1 million for the Bureau of Reclamation's Courtland Canal lining project and \$250,000 for a study of raising the pool at Kanopolis Lake to develop additional water supply storage for the city of Salina.

The funding was approved Thursday night by the Senate during passage of the conference report to the FY1993 Energy and Water Appropriations bill. The measure now goes to President Bush.

"I'm pleased that my colleagues have agreed with me to support these important Kansas initiatives," said Dole.

COURTLAND CANAL LINING PROJECT - \$1.1 MILLION

Under the direction of the Bureau of Reclamation, the funding will be used to complete the specifications and to award Phase 2 of the Courtland Canal lining project.

"The Courtland Canal is a vital source of water for many Kansas farmers. That's why this project is so important -- providing needed water for irrigation in Kansas fields, and ensuring that canal water doesn't seep into Nebraska fields," Dole said.

KANOPOLIS LAKE STUDY, SALINA - \$250,000

\$250,000 will be used to fund a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers study of raising the pool at Kanopolis Lake to develop additional water supply storage for the city of Salina.

"This study is important in helping the City of Salina's search for a larger supply of safe and reliable water. The study should help the city determine the environmental and technical feasibility of using Kanopolis Lake to meet its increasing demand for water," said Dole.

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