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BIDS TO BE LET FOR POST ROCK WATER DISTRICT PHASE II CONSTRUCTION

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole today announced that Phase II of the Post Rock Rural Water District has been approved and bids are being accepted.

Approval came from the Farmers Home Administration for a funding package of approximately \$5.9 million - \$3 million in loans and \$2.9 million in grant funds.

"We have all spent a great deal of time and effort to get this project off the ground and I'm pleased to see that our work is paying off," said Sen. Dole.

Completion of Phase II will bring purified water to over 500 individual homes and eight rural communities. The water is supplied from Kanopolis Lake where it is processed by a treatment plant that was built as a part of Phase I construction. An eight county area which includes Ellsworth, Lincoln, Saline, Ottawa, Russell, Barton and Osborne Counties as well as an edge of Ellis County will be served by pipeline.

Planning for the project originally began with Senator Dole in 1976 when a small group of citizens saw the need to provide their communities with a better supply of water.

According to Dole, Phase II adds over 500 miles of pipeline, five more booster stations, and five additional towers. Azure blue storage tanks inscribed with "POST ROCK RWD" will serve as landmarks. One will be visible adjacent to Kansas State Highway K141, and another can be seen south of Interstate 70 near Ellsworth.

Bid packets for construction are available from Van Gundy & Associates in Ellsworth. The specifications may be viewed at the Post Rock District office in Ellsworth, through the Dodge Reports, at the Midwest Contractors office in Kansas City, Missouri, and in the office of the Kansas Contractors Association in Topeka.

The bid letting will take place on Tuesday, January 14, 1986, at 1:30 p.m. at the Elks Club in Russell.