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HALSTEAD FLOOD CONTROL

HALSTEAD FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT TO BE COMPLETED
WITH FUNDING CAP INCREASE OK'D BY CONGRESS

WASHINGTON - Kansas Senator Bob Dole announced today that the U.S. Senate has given final approval to his proposal to increase the funding cap for the Halstead Flood Control Project and allow completion of the project. The funding cap increase for the Halstead project is included in the 1994 Energy and Water Appropriations bill, which now goes to the President for his signature.

"Approval of this legislation brings completion of the Halstead flood control project a big step closer. I'm pleased that my colleagues in the House and Senate have agreed to allow the Corps of Engineers to spend what it says it needs to complete the Halstead project. This spring's flooding and heavy rains in Kansas underscore the need to continue to support this important flood control initiative, which includes levees and channel improvements to protect Halstead," said Dole.

The Army Corps of Engineers has recommended that the project funding needs to be increased from its current level of \$9.576 million to \$11.1 million -- an increase of \$1.424 million -- because of unanticipated costs associated with the project. Land acquisition, a local responsibility, has increased from an estimated \$927,000 to \$1,614,000. Construction costs due to site conditions have also increased.

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