

REMARKS OF SENATOR DOLE

INTRODUCTION OF JAMES O. FOSTER

TESTIFYING BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE
ON ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT

MR. DOLE. MR. CHAIRMAN AND DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE, IT IS WITH PLEASURE THAT I INTRODUCE MR. JAMES O. FOSTER OF WICHITA, KANSAS, - A LONGTIME ACQUAINTANCE OF MINE. MR. FOSTER IS BUSINESS MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR FOR THE BOEING MILITARY AIRPLANE COMPANY AND IS NOW SERVING AS CHAIRMAN OF THE FIVE-STATE INTERSTATE COMMITTEE OF THE ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN AND WILL SPEAK TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE STATES OF ARKANSAS, COLORADO, KANSAS, MISSOURI, AND OKLAHOMA.

IN HIS TESTIMONY TODAY, MR. FOSTER WILL DISCUSS PROJECTS LOCATED WITHIN ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN AND WILL SPECIFICALLY ADDRESS TWO PROJECTS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE STATE OF KANSAS, - THE GREAT BEND AND HALSTEAD, KANSAS FLOOD CONTROL PROJECTS. BOTH THESE PROJECTS ARE CONTAINED WITHIN PRESIDENT REAGAN'S FY'87 BUDGET AND HAVE BEEN ON THE BOOKS FOR YEARS. THE PRESIDENT HAS RECOMMENDED THAT \$2.6 MILLION BE APPROVED FOR THE GREAT BEND FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT AND \$1.1 MILLION BE APPROVED FOR HALSTEAD.

I URGE THIS THIS COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY FUNDING SO THAT CONSTRUCTION WORK ON THESE PROJECTS CAN BEGIN. MR. FOSTER WILL FILL YOU IN ON THE DETAILS OF THESE AND THE OTHER PROJECTS LOCATED WITHIN THE ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN.