

PROPOSED RESOLUTION RE FLOOD CONTROL

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WHEREAS, during the week of June 13, 1965, floods of unprecedented magnitude swept through most of eastern Colorado causing the tragic loss of approximately twenty human lives and property destruction to the extent of over \$150 million; and

WHEREAS, there have been flood control projects already authorized or flood control studies currently in progress which, if completed and executed, would have minimized both the loss of human lives and the destruction of property; and

WHEREAS, it is possible and feasible to begin early construction of flood control works already authorized and to accelerate the flood control studies now in progress if additional funds for the fiscal year 1966 can be made available to the United States Army Corps of Engineers and to the United States Soil Conservation Service,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Colorado Water Conservation Board in regular session assembled at Gunnison, Colorado, this 12th day of July, 1965, that the United States Congress be urged to appropriate funds in the amounts and to the agencies as hereinafter set forth, which funds are not now included in the agency budgets now pending in the Congress:

1. To the United States Army Corps of Engineers, District Office, Omaha, Nebraska:

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| a. | For preconstruction planning on the Chatfield Reservoir, South Platte River basin, Colorado, and such modifications thereof as may be deemed desirable, pursuant to the authority contained in the Flood Control Act approved May 17, 1950 | \$300,000 |
| b. | To accelerate the South Platte survey flood control studies in Colorado, now in progress, pursuant to the authority contained in the Flood Control Act of 1960 | <u>55,000</u> |
| | Total | \$355,000 |
2. To the United States Army Corps of Engineers, District Office, Albuquerque, New Mexico:
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| a. | For acceleration of the review survey for flood control and allied purposes on the Arkansas River and tributaries above John Martin Reservoir | \$ 67,000 |
| b. | For acceleration of the review survey for flood control and allied purposes on the Arkansas River and tributaries from John Martin Reservoir to Great Bend, Kansas | <u>114,000</u> |
| | Total | \$181,000 |
3. To the United States Soil Conservation Service (Colorado), Department of Agriculture, to accelerate water-

shed planning for watershed protection and flood prevention under the authority of Public Law 566 - \$20,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be immediately dispatched to each member of Colorado's delegation in the United States Congress; the Governor of the State of Colorado; the Colorado State Conservationist; District Engineer, United States Corps of Engineers, Omaha, Nebraska; District Engineer, United States Corps of Engineers, Albuquerque, New Mexico; the Chief of Engineers, United States Army Corps of Engineers, Washington, D. C.; and to the Secretary of Agriculture.