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February 4, 2015

Subject: Senate Bill 118

Honorable Senator Powell
Kansas Senate
Kansas State Capital
300 SW 10th Street, Room: 237-E
Topeka, KS 66612

Dear Senator Powell:

If Senate Bill 118 is enacted, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) stands ready to work with the Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) to help implement the program so that it can satisfy USACE regulatory requirements and increase mitigation options for Kansas land owners.

In Kansas, conservation easement holders are needed as land protection is an important and necessary component of the Clean Water Act and associated permitting programs.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions or need any additional information. I can be reached at (816) 389-3448, or by email at Stanley.L.Rasmussen@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Stanley L. Rasmussen", is positioned above the typed name.

Stanley L. Rasmussen
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