

PUBLIC NOTICE
MEETING RELATED TO THE BASIN-WIDE PLAN
FOR JOINT INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
OF OVERAPPROPRIATED PORTIONS
OF THE PLATTE RIVER BASIN, NEBRASKA

The Central Platte Natural Resources District, North Platte Natural Resources District, South Platte Natural Resources District, Tri-Basin Natural Resources District, Twin Platte Natural Resources District (collectively, the Platte Basin NRDs), and the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (Department) hereby provide notice that a public meeting will be held on Thursday, July 21, 2011, at 1:00 p.m. CDT, at the Central Platte Natural Resources District, 215 Kaufman Ave., Grand Island, Nebraska. As expressed in Goal 3, Objective 1 of the Plan, the purpose of this annual meeting is to review progress toward achieving the goals and objectives of the Basin-Wide Plan and the portions of individual NRD integrated management plans (IMPs) that implement the Basin-Wide Plan. As specified by the Basin-Wide Plan, the agenda will include discussions of: 1) any proposed revisions to the Basin-Wide Plan; 2) any proposed revisions to the individual IMPs; 3) new data and information; 4) reports of ongoing monitoring of actions taken by the NRDs and the Department; 5) disputes related to implementation of the IMPs; 6) any other topic on which both the DNR and Platte Basin NRDs have agreed; and 7) a public comment period.

Any interested person may attend the meeting and comment during the public comment period. Additionally, any groundwater user, surface water appropriator, NRD, or the Department may send a written request to one of the Platte Basin NRDs or the Department to propose revisions to the Basin-Wide Plan by the close of business July 14, 2011. Persons sending a written request for changes to the Basin-Wide Plan will be given the opportunity for input during the public meeting. Groundwater users, surface water appropriators, the Platte Basin NRDs, and the Department may also present data and other supporting information at the annual meeting identifying what they regard as disputes between groundwater users and surface water appropriators. Written requests may be submitted by regular mail or electronic mail to any of the following:

Central Platte Natural Resources District (CPNRD), 215 N. Kaufman Ave., Grand Island, NE 68803-4915, e-mail cpnrd@cpnrd.org;

North Platte Natural Resources District (NPNRD), 100547 Airport Rd., PO Box 280, Scottsbluff, NE 69363-0280, e-mail cacek@nprnd.org;

South Platte Natural Resources District (SPNRD), 551 Parkland Dr., PO Box 294, Sidney, NE 69162-0294, e-mail rlhorn@spnrd.org;

Tri-Basin Natural Resources District (TBNRD), 1723 N. Burlington, Holdrege, NE 68949, e-mail jthorburn@tribasinprd.org;

Twin Platte Natural Resources District (TPNRD), Great Western Bank Center, 111 S. Dewey St., 2nd Floor, PO Box 1347, North Platte, NE 69103-1347, e-mail komiller@tpnrd.org or afisher@tpnrd.org;

Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, 301 Centennial Mall South,
PO Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676, jim.schneider@nebraska.gov.

All written requests must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. CDT, July 14, 2011. For further information, a copy of the Basin-Wide Plan and each Platte Basin NRD IMP can be found on-line at: http://www.dnr.ne.gov/IWM/docs/IMP_approvedplans.html. An agenda of the matters to be considered at the meeting and supporting documents will be available for public inspection on July 7, 2011, during normal business hours at the offices of the NRDs and the Department and at the following website: <http://dnr.ne.gov/newsreleases/annualreport2011/>. Please refer to the addresses above or the websites and phone numbers listed below for further information.

CPNRD: <http://www.cpnrd.org> or phone (308) 385-6282

NPNRD: <http://www.npnrd.org> or phone (308) 632-2749

SPNRD: <http://www.spnrd.org> or phone (308) 254-2377

TBNRD: <http://www.tribasinnrd.org> or phone (308) 995-6688

TPNRD: <http://www.tpnrd.org> or phone (308) 535-8080

Department: <http://www.dnr.ne.gov> or phone (402) 471-2363

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