

STATE OF NEBRASKA
DEPARTMENT OF WATER, ENERGY, AND ENVIRONMENT

**ORDER OF CANCELLATION IN PART OF WATER APPROPRIATION A-19847
AND APPROVAL OF MAP NUMBER 21682**

WATER DIVISION 1-D

BACKGROUND

1. Records on file in the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment (Department) show that surface water appropriation **A-19847** is held by the Lower Big Blue Natural Resources District.
2. Appropriation A-19847 has a priority date of May 2, 2022, and authorizes the use of 90 acre-feet of water annually for irrigation of the 90.0 acres of land from Big Indian Creek Reservoir 17-A (storage appropriation A-10815) from a pump site located in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 13, Township 02 North, Range 04 East of the 6th P.M. in Jefferson County.

Township 02 North, Range 04 East of the
6th P.M. in Jefferson County Acres

Section 13:	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	30.1
	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	23.3
	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	16.6
	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	<u>20.0</u>
	TOTAL	90.0

3. The approval of appropriation A-19847 was conditional upon the irrigation of the above land by September 1, 2025.
4. Department personnel performed a field investigation and determined a portion of the land approved for irrigation under appropriation A-19847 had not been irrigated by September 1, 2025.
5. Nebraska Revised Statutes § 46-229.02(7) provides for the cancellation of unused portions of surface water appropriations.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

1. Part of appropriation A-19589 for use upon 5.8 acres of land is **CANCELLED**.

2. **Authorized Land for Irrigation After BUC-11488**

Appropriation A-19847 now permits the appropriator to divert 90 acre-feet of water from **Big Indian Creek Reservoir 17-A** (storage appropriation A-10815) to irrigate the 84.2 acres of land described below and depicted on map number 21682 which is made a part of this Order.

Township 02 North, Range 04 East of the 6 th P.M. in Jefferson County		Acres
Section 13:	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	30.0
	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	23.3
	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	10.7
	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	<u>20.2</u>
TOTAL		84.2

3. **Diversion Rate**

The water may be diverted from a pump site located in the **SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 13, Township 02 North, Range 04 East of the 6th P.M. in Jefferson County**, as depicted on map number 21682 which is made a part of this Order.

4. **Terms & Conditions of Previous Order(s)**

All terms and conditions of the approval of appropriation A-19847 remain in effect unless specifically changed by this Order.

5. **Ongoing Statutory Requirements**

The appropriator must:

- A. Notify the Department of any change in ownership or address.
- B. Notify the Department of the name and address of the person responsible for the use of the water appropriation (this may include farm managers, tenants, or relatives that actually apply the water to the approved use).
- C. Obtain approval from the Department prior to taking any action that changes the location of the point of diversion, the location of the place of use, the type of use, or the type of appropriation.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Failure to comply with applicable laws, Department Orders, or the terms of this Order may result in cancellation, suspension, administrative penalties, or criminal prosecution.

Under Nebraska law, failure to use a portion or all of a perfected appropriation for **more than five consecutive years** for its approved purpose may result in its cancellation.

This appropriation **does not guarantee** water availability. Senior appropriations have legal priority. If insufficient water is available, junior appropriators may be closed. Appropriators may request enforcement action by contacting the local field office.

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November 6, 2025

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A copy of this Order was posted on the Department's website. Copies of this Order and map number 21682 were provided to the Department's field office in Lincoln, Nebraska. Copies of this Order and map number 21682 were mailed to the following:

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