## STATE OF NEBRASKA

## DEPARTMENT OF WATER, ENERGY, AND ENVIRONMENT

## ORDER OF CANCELLATION IN FULL OF WATER APPROPRIATION A-14608

## WATER DIVISION 2-B

## BACKGROUND

- 1. Records on file in the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment (Department) show that surface water appropriation A-14608 is held by Marlin W. Reeson and Steven S. and Elizabeth J. Smidt.
- 2. Appropriation A-14608 with a priority date of **December 27, 1976**, authorizes the use of water for irrigation of the **64.5** acres of land described below. The water may be diverted from **the Elkhorn River** at a point of diversion located on the left bank of the stream in the **NW**4NW4 of Section 17, Township 22 North, Range 06 East of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. in Cuming County. The rate that water may be diverted shall not exceed one cubic foot per second (cfs) for every **70** acres irrigated at a maximum rate of **0.93** cfs.

Township 22	North, Range	06	East	of	the
6th P.M. in (	Cuming County	7		Αc	cres
Section 17:	NW <sup>1</sup> 4NW <sup>1</sup> 4 NE <sup>1</sup> 4NW <sup>1</sup> 4			_	20.0
Section 08:	SW <sup>1</sup> 4SW <sup>1</sup> 4			<u>1</u>	L7.0
	TOTAL			6	54.5

- 3. The Department has received information concerning the use of surface water appropriation A-14608 that indicates the appropriation has not been used for its required purpose for more than five consecutive years.
- 4. On November 7, 2025, the Department issued a Notice of Preliminary Determination of Nonuse of appropriation A-14608. The Notice was delivered by certified mail to Marlin W. Reeson, 1518 H Road, West Point, Nebraska 68788; and Steven S. and Elizabeth J. Smidt, 1493 Highway 275 Lot 23, West Point, Nebraska 68788.
- 5. No contest of the Preliminary Determination of Nonuse was received in the Department.
- 6. The Department has determined that appropriation A-14608 has not been used for its required purpose for more than five consecutive years.
- 7. Nebraska Revised Statutes § 46-229.02 provides that an appropriation not used for a beneficial purpose for more than five consecutive years may be cancelled.

# ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED appropriation A-14608 is CANCELLED.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER, ENERGY, AND ENVIRONMENT

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December 19, 2025

Matthew T. Manning, PE, JD Chief Water Officer

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

Marlin W. Reeson 1518 H Road West Point, Nebraska 68788 Steven S. and Elizabeth J. Smidt 1493 Highway 275 Lot 23 West Point, Nebraska 68788