## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE

## PROPOSED SECOND INCREMENT BASIN-WIDE PLAN FOR JOINT INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT OF OVERAPPROPRIATED PORTIONS OF THE PLATTE RIVER BASIN, NEBRASKA BY NORTH PLATTE, SOUTH PLATTE, CENTRAL PLATTE, TWIN PLATTE, AND TRI-BASIN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICTS AND NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Pursuant to *Neb. Rev. Stat.* § 46-715, the North Platte Natural Resources District (NRD), South Platte NRD, Central Platte NRD, Twin Platte NRD, and Tri-Basin NRD (collectively, Districts) and the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (Department) hereby provide notice that the Districts and Department shall hold public hearings with a pre-hearing information session at the following times and locations:

CPNRD Information Session: July 15, 2019, at 2:30 p.m. CDT CPNRD Public Hearing: July 15, 2019, at 3:30 p.m. CDT at Central Platte NRD Office, 215 Kaufman Ave, Grand Island, NE 68803;

NPNRD Information Session: July 18, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. MDT NPNRD Public Hearing: July 18, 2019, at 10:30 a.m. MDT at North Platte NRD Office, 100547 Airport Rd, Scottsbluff, NE 69361;

SPNRD Information Session: July 17, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. MDT SPNRD Public Hearing: July 17, 2019, at 1:30 p.m. MDT at Western Community College, 371 College Dr, Sidney, NE 69162;

TBNRD Information Session: July 16, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. CDT **TBNRD Public Hearing: July 16, 2019, at 10:30 a.m. CDT** at Tri-Basin NRD Office, 1723 Burlington St, Holdrege, NE 68949;

TPNRD Information Session: July 16, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. CDT **TPNRD Public Hearing: July 16, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. CDT** at Best Western Plus, 3201 S Jeffers St, North Platte, NE 69101

As required by *Neb. Rev. Stat.* § 46-715, the purpose of the hearing is to take testimony on the proposed Second Increment Basin-Wide Plan for Joint Integrated Water Resources Management of Overappropriated Portions of the Platte River Basin, Nebraska (Plan). The geographic area of the proposed Plan is the extent of the Nebraska portion of the Platte River surface water basin beginning at the Nebraska-Wyoming State line, and ending at the Kearney Canal Diversion at Elm Creek. A general description of the contents of the sections of the proposed Plan is: 1) introduction; 2) planning process; 3) activities of first increment; 4) goals, objectives, and action items; and 5) monitoring. The proposed Plan does not include controls.

Any interested person may appear at the hearing and present written or oral testimony concerning the proposed Plan. Individuals with disabilities may request auxiliary aids and service necessary for participation by contacting a District or the Department by 5:00 p.m. (CDT) June 25, 2019. Testimony or other evidence relevant to the purposes of the hearing may also be submitted in writing by 5:00 p.m. (CDT) July 12, 2019, to any of the following:

North Platte NRD P.O. Box 280, Scottsbluff, NE 69363-0280 or by electronic mail to <a href="mailto:jberge@npnrd.org">jberge@npnrd.org</a>

South Platte NRD P.O. Box 294, Sidney, NE 69162-0294 or by electronic mail to <a href="mailto:rlhorn@spnrd.org">rlhorn@spnrd.org</a>

Central Platte NRD 215 Kaufman Ave, Grand Island, NE 68803 or by electronic mail to cpnrd@cpnrd.org

Twin Platte NRD P.O. Box 1347, North Platte, NE 69103-1347 or by electronic mail to <a href="mailto-komiller@tpnrd.org">komiller@tpnrd.org</a>

Tri-Basin NRD 1723 Burlington St, Holdrege, NE 68949 or by electronic mail to tribasin@tribasinnrd.org

Nebraska Department of Natural Resources P.O. Box 64676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676 or by electronic mail to <a href="mailto:dnr.legalfile@nebraska.gov">dnr.legalfile@nebraska.gov</a>

The full text of the proposed Plan may be obtained via the North Platte NRD's website (<a href="https://www.npnrd.org">https://www.npnrd.org</a>) or telephone (308) 632-4346; the South Platte NRD's website (<a href="http://www.spnrd.org">http://www.spnrd.org</a>) or telephone (308) 254-2377; the Central Platte NRD's website (<a href="http://cpnrd.org">http://cpnrd.org</a>) or telephone (308) 385-6282; the Twin Platte NRD's website (<a href="http://www.tpnrd.org">http://www.tpnrd.org</a>) or telephone (308) 535-8080; the Tri-Basin NRD's website (<a href="http://www.tribasinnrd.org">www.tribasinnrd.org</a>) or telephone (308) 995-6688; and the Department's website (<a href="http://www.tribasinnrd.org">dnr.nebraska.gov</a>) or telephone (402) 471-2363.

Following the public hearing, the Districts and Department will make a joint decision within 60 days on whether to implement the proposed Plan with or without modifications.