ACTION ITEM NOTES
UPPER NIOBRARA WHITE NRD IMP ANNUAL MEETING

October 22, 2014, 8:30 a.m. Mountain Time
Upper Niobrara White Natural Resources District
430 East Second Street, Chadron, Nebraska

Attendees:

UNWNRD:
Pat O’Brien
Lynn Webster

Nebraska DNR:
Carol Flaute
Jennifer Schellpeper

Public:
Andy Curd
Nancy Fisher
Don Grein
Laurie Norman
Maureen Skavdahl

Agenda Items:

1. Introductions

2. Review of agenda & meeting purpose

3. Monitoring & management actions
   a. NDNR report
      i. NDNR will consider the suggestion from the public to add a permanent stream gage on the Niobrara River between the state line and Agate Springs (Upper 33 Ranch/old Groat Place)
      ii. When NDNR receives stream diversion data from the field office, they will update this report
      iii. NDNR will keep track of the possible future surface water rights for oil and gas installation
   b. UNWNRD report
      i. UNWNRD will update this report to add the following data/information when available:
         1. Road construction groundwater use information
         2. Hemmingford data
         3. Municipal pumping and consumption analysis
   c. Discussion and evaluation of data and studies
      i. WaterSmart
      ii. Modeling Scenarios
         1. UNWNRD will review the Modeling/Water Management Scenarios and send comments and questions to NDNR
iii. IDEP Grant
   1. NDNR needs to make some changes to the contract, so they will send a revised version to UNWNRD
   2. IDEP will be added to next year’s agenda

d. Information and education
   i. Water issues meeting
      1. Meeting will take place in the spring; UNWNRD will set a date for this event (currently looking at February)
      2. UNWNRD will pick a topic for NDNR to present about (some possibilities include modeling, INSIGHT, or the new FAB process and update)

4. Other IMP topics
   a. If the new FAB rules pass, we can add “new FAB rules” as a discussion item on next year’s agenda

5. Discussion of Niobrara basin-wide plan
   a. UNWNRD and NDNR will touch base about the basin-wide plan as the process progresses

6. Discussion of Upper Niobrara River Compact
   a. NDNR will add a link from its website to the report discussed by Wyoming at the Compact meeting

7. Meeting Summary
   a. Action items
   b. Schedule next annual meeting
      i. NDNR and UNWNRD will be scheduled to follow the Niobrara Compact meeting, once the date for that meeting is set