



## LOWER PLATTE SOUTH natural resources district

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## Memorandum

**Date:** May 1, 2025

**To:** Land Resources Subcommittee and F&P Subcommittee

**From:** David Potter, Assistant General Manager 

**RE:** Land Resources Subcommittee April 30<sup>th</sup> LRIP Meeting Minutes.

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The Land Resources Subcommittee met to discuss the FY26 LRIP on Wednesday, April 30, 2025, at the NRD office. Subcommittee members participating included Ken Vogel, Gary Aldridge, Gary Hellerich, Dave Landis, Lisa Lewis, Suzanne Mealer, and Susan Seacrest. Members absent were Tom Green. Others attending the meeting were Bob Andersen, Mike Sousek, David Potter, Shaula Ross with LPSNRD and Tom Cowan with NRCS. The meeting was called to order by Chair Vogel at 5:30 p.m. and the agenda was reviewed. The only action item was to develop recommendations for the FY26 Budget and the Long-Range Implementation Plan.

The FY25 accomplishments for each program (district-wide, targeted, and GIS Support & Imagery) were reviewed and discussed. Potter and Cowan updated the subcommittee on the staff review of the cover crop program and discussed the construction restrictions due to drought and on the status of conservation work in the district. Potter also provided updates on the Twin Lakes Watershed Section 319 Project and status of digital imagery. Following discussion on the accomplishments, the nine-month update of the measurable goals and the Natural Resources Benefits of Practices and Programs Table were presented and reviewed, along with the Master Plan goals, desired outcomes and objectives and the LRIP and budget status codes. The subcommittee then discussed the proposed actions and expenditures for FY26 and for FY2027-2030. Staff explained each action item and proposed expenditure. Discussion followed on land treatment cost-share, NRCS construction specifications, and unspent funds.

With no further recommended modifications, additions, or deletions, it was moved by Landis and seconded by Hellerich to submit the final FY 2026 Actions and Budget Requests and the FY 2027-2030 Actions and Proposed Expenditures for Land Resources to the Finance and Planning Subcommittee for inclusion in the first draft of the FY26 Budget and LRIP.

It was moved by Aldridge to amend the FY26 proposed LRIP/budget for Soil & Water Conservation district-wide cost-share on structural conservation practices from \$650,000 to \$500,000 in proposed expenditures. Motion died for lack of a second.

The main motion was approved with Vogel, Hellerich, Landis, Lewis, Mealer, and Seacrest voting "yes" and Aldridge voting "no".

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Encl.

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