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Memorandum

Date:

July 25, 2019

To:

Executive Subcommittee Members

From:

Paul D. Zillig, General Manager

Subject:

Executive Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

The Executive Subcommittee met at 6:15 pm on Wednesday, July 24, 2019 at the NRD Office in Lincoln. Subcommittee members present included Larry Ruth, Deborah Eagan, Milt Schmidt, Dan Steinkruger, Bruce Johnson, and Ray Stevens. Others present included David Potter and myself.

Chair Ruth called the meeting to order. The first item on the agenda was to consider a new Representation Agreement with Water Strategies, LLC. Ruth reported that our previous 3-year agreement between the same 3 NRDs and Water Strategies has expired and Papio-Missouri River NRD (our designated "Lead NRD") coordinated and negotiated the proposed new 2-year agreement. A copy of a proposed 2-year representation agreement was provided, and both Lower Platte North NRD and Papio-Missouri River NRD are also participants in the agreement. Water Strategies' contacts within the US Army Corps of Engineers are very helpful along with contacts with other federal agency leadership, tracking federal legislation, coordinating communication with Congress, and reports on weekly and monthly federal issues and actions.

The Subcommittee discussed the agreement and that the fees are split evenly between the 3 NRDs. For FY'20 the fee is \$5,400/month (\$1,800/NRD/month) and for FY'21 the fee is \$5,700/month (\$1,900/NRD/month).

It was moved by Stevens, seconded by Eagan, and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee to <u>recommend the Board of Directors approve the Representation Agreement with Water Strategies, LLC.</u>

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

PDZ/pz

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Steve Seglin

Corey Wasserburger

