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Memorandum

Date: November 15, 2017
To: Platte River Subcommittee
From: David Potter, Assistant General Manager 
Subject: November 14, 2017 Platte River Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

The Platte River Subcommittee met on Tuesday, November 14th at the Lower Platte South NRD. Subcommittee members present included Karen Amen, Milt Schmidt, Ron Svoboda, Don Jacobson, and Greg Osborn. Members absent included Dick Bolte, Mike DeKalb and Sarah Wilson. Others present were Ray Stevens, Paul Zillig, Dan Schulz, Ari Kennedy, David Potter, Jason Alexander, Dave Russ, and Jim Goeke. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Karen Amen.

The first item was a presentation of the Sandbar Dynamics Study by Jason Alexander. Jason was employed by the USGS when the project was commissioned. He is currently pursuing his PHD at the University of Wyoming and has been working continuously on the study. The project was funded by the Lower Platte South NRD through the Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance and also by a grant from the Nebraska Environmental Trust. The study is near complete. Upon completion, the study will be placed on file with the LPRCA and LPSNRD.

The second item was discussion on the creation of a Weed Management Association and the current Phragmites agreement. Zillig explained that a proposed interlocal agreement, bylaws and resolution have been prepared for review by four NRDs and 10 counties to create the Lower Platte Weed Management Area Association. This association would look at combining two weed groups into one and be coordinated by PMR NRD. Legal counsel is reviewing the proposed agreement. There will be more information coming.

The third item for discussion was the status of the Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance. Zillig discussed the current status of LPRCA. Now that LPN NRD has officially terminated their membership, a meeting with the remaining agencies will be needed in the near future to discuss the options for the Alliance. Such options might include continuation without LPN NRD, continuation but remain inactive, or termination of the Alliance.

With no further business or discussion, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

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Pc: Board of Directors