




LOWER PLATTE SOUTH natural resources district

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Memorandum

Date: September 24, 2020
To: Water Resources Subcommittee Members
From: Paul D. Zillig, General Manager 
RE: Water Resources Subcommittee Meeting Minutes.

The Water Resources Subcommittee met via video/teleconference at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2020. Subcommittee members participating included Bob Andersen, Chelsea Johnson, Karen Amen, David Landis, Vern Barrett, and Greg Osborn. Others accessing the meeting included Deborah Eagan, Amy Ostermeyer of Monolith Materials, Steve Seglin & Corey Wasserburger, Tracy Zayac, Dick Ehrman, Dan Schulz, David Potter, and myself.

Chair Andersen opened the meeting, welcomed those in attendance, and moved to the only agenda item, discussion on criteria for allowing irrigation from NRD structures. Andersen referred to the attached handout on Storage-Reservoir Irrigation Rights and the 15 reservoirs with 24 agreements. I reviewed with the Subcommittee the 10 listed responsibilities in the Operating Policies for the Water Resources Subcommittee and specifically “h. Considering requests for irrigation from storage reservoirs on a case-by-case basis.” Zayac then reviewed with the Subcommittee twelve suggested baseline requirements for landowner irrigation from LPSNRD reservoirs (attached).

The Subcommittee discussed the need to include provisions concerning penalties for the potential overuse of water, consider reducing the maximum length of the term of the agreement from 10 years to 8 years, and several other provisions concerning fees, reporting, permitting, and how we update the existing agreements? It was moved by Landis, seconded by Amen, and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee to direct staff to change the maximum term to 8 years and proceed with drafting a new basic irrigation agreement for further consideration by the Subcommittee.

There being no additional business the meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

PDZ/pz

cc: Larry Ruth
Deborah Eagan
Steve Seglin
Corey Wasserburger