

## LEGAL NOTICE

The Lower Platte South Natural Resources District will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 21, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the District headquarters, 3125 Portia Street, Lincoln NE, for all persons wishing to testify and/or offer written materials on proposed revisions to the District's Ground Water Rules and Regulations. A general description of the contents of the rules and regulations proposed for adoption are:

- Add/revise definitions for the following terms:
  - Allocation;
  - Aquifer Test;
  - Certified Irrigated Acres;
  - Domestic Well;
  - Irrigation Well;
  - Rolling Allocation;
- Simplify additional information required for water well permits;
- Eliminate details for aquifer test and reasons for granting/denying/cancelling Class 3 water well permits as this requirement is superseded by 600' spacing protection;
- Unify specification for quality/quantity triggers so all triggers must be exceeded for a period of not less than two consecutive years;
- Changes related to the Hydrologically Connected Area (HCA):
  - Revise allowable expansion of irrigated acres in the HCA to account for consideration of allowable depletions under the Lower Platte River Basin Coalition;
  - Eliminate reference to 20% of historical acres in the HCA as per revised allowable expansion;
- Changes related to the Dwight-Valparaiso-Brainard Special Management Area (DVB SMA):
  - Establish three-year rolling allocation in DVB SMA;
  - Eliminate distinction between sprinkler and gravity irrigation for allocation;
  - Specify that allocation will remain in place until the District Board of Directors acts to change it;
  - Eliminate carryover penalty for existing three-year fixed allocation; and
  - Remove definition of public interest from specific reference to denying a new well permit in DVB SMA;
- Correct various grammatical errors.

To obtain a complete copy of the proposed revisions to the Ground Water Rules and Regulations as well as maps of the affected areas, contact the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District at [www.lpsnrd.org](http://www.lpsnrd.org) or 402-476-2729 or P.O. Box 83581, Lincoln, NE 68501-3581.