BOSTWICK IRRIGATION DISTRICT IN NEBRASKA

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ATTENTION PATRONS!!!

State Water Agreement

The state of Nebraska has negotiated with the District to utilize a portion of the District's water supply in 2007. The terms and conditions are similar to those of last year's agreement. The differences from the agreement last year and this year will be the amount of water and the amount of money available for compensation. The amount of water being negotiated is defined as 12,500 acrefeet in the Harlan County Reservoir and the natural flows of the Republican River at Guide Rock. The amount of money will be approximately twice that of last year. Patrons have a voice in this process even though a user meeting and "show vote" is not scheduled. Anyone wishing to comment on this proposed agreement is encouraged to contact a board member or the District office by May 25, 2007. If this agreement is approved the District will send instructions on how to claim the funds to be returned to the farm.

2007 Water Supply

On March 5, 2007 the Bureau of Reclamation estimated the 2007 irrigation supply of the District to be 12,500 acre-feet of water and the estimated delivery to the farm of 3 acre-inches per acre. As was mentioned previously this water was negotiated with the State for their utilization. Although additional storage has occurred it is not determined to be sufficient for adequate irrigation. This means the 2007 farm deliveries above the water negotiated to the State will be 0 acre-inches to the farm.

Thank you for your support,

Walter Knehans, President

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