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RAY WINZ Holdrege, Nebraska Dear Mr. Patterson:

Tri-Basin Natural Resources District is submitting a grant on behalf of the NE Republican River Management Districts Association that will provide funds to evaluate habitat and develop new tools and incentives for habitat conservation.

HAROLD D. ERICKSON A copy of this proposal is enclosed.

I would like your organization to participate in and provide support for this project. I anticipate that your organization's participation will be in the form of "in kind" contributions of staff time and services (see budget section of grant proposal), although financial assistance is also welcome.

If your organization is able to participate in this project, please send me a letter indicating your intent. Your support can be conditional upon approval of the grant. I do need to have letters of support sent to me, at the above address, no later than October 10, 2003.

Please contact me if you have questions, or if you need additional information. Thank you for your support of habitat conservation in the Republican River basin.

Sincerely,

Jóhn/Thorburn, General Manager

cc: TBNRD Directors