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Nebraska Department of Natural Resources

Nebraska Soil and Water Conservation Fund

Republican Basin Water Meter Program Summary

Period 7/1/01 thru 6/30/03

Total for State	1,717	\$751,330.11
Tri-Basin NRD	34	\$14,164.20
Lower Republican NRD	623	\$279,399.64
Middle Republican NRD	1,057	\$456,737.70
Upper Republican NRD	2	\$623.57
Little Blue NRD	1	\$405.00

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Nebraska Department of Natural Resources Nebraska Soil and Water Conservation Fund Republican Basin Surface Water Meter Program Summary

From 7/1/00 To 6/30/03

NRD Name	Extent	Total Cost
Little Blue NRD	1	\$417.60
Lower Republican NRD	62	\$23,885.63
Middle Republican NRD	15	\$6,132.42
Tri-Basin NRD	2	\$802.03
Upper Republican NRD	2	\$557.24
Grand Total	82	\$31,794.92

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Reply-To: <ableed@dnr.state.ne.us>

From: "Ann Bleed" <ableed@dnr.state.ne.us>

To: <glindeman@dnr.state.ne.us>, "Steve Gaul" <sgaul@dnr.state.ne.us>

Subject: RE: Gage evaluations - North Dry Creek nr Kearney & Ft. Kearney Slough nr Newark

Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 08:06:11 -0500

X-Mailer: Microsoft Outlook CWS, Build 9.0.6604 (9.0.2911.0)

Importance: Low

Sounds good to me. Ann

----Original Message-----

From: Guy Lindeman [mailto:glindeman@dnr.state.ne.us]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2003 2:38 PM

To: Steve Gaul; Ann Bleed

Subject: Gage evaluations - North Dry Creek nr Kearney & Ft. Kearney

Slough nr Newark

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To: "Steve Gaul" <sgaul@dnr.state.ne.us>, "Ann Bleed" <ableed@dnr.state.ne.us>

Subject: Gage evaluations - North Dry Creek nr Kearney & Ft. Kearney Slough nr Newark

Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2003 14:38:06 -0500

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Importance: Normal

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From: "Ann Bleed" <ableed@dnr.state.ne.us>

To: <glindeman@dnr.state.ne.us>

Cc: "Gaul Steve \(E-mail\)" < sgaul@dnr.state.ne.us> Subject: RE: North Dry Creek & Ft. Kearney Slough

Date: Wed, 20 Aug 2003 11:04:18 -0500

X-Mailer: Microsoft Outlook CWS, Build 9.0.6604 (9.0.2911.0)

Importance: Low

Guy - what I am asking you to do is write up the justification for us taking over these gages rather than do something else. If you have to get information from Tom, please do so. I think it is important for us to document why we added new gaging stations here and not else where. We do have other gaging sites that we have talked about gaging, why should we do these and not one of the other sites. The evaluation does not need to be long, but it should exist. Ann

----Original Message----

From: Guy Lindeman [mailto:glindeman@dnr.state.ne.us]

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2003 8:39 AM

To: ableed@dnr.state.ne.us

Cc: Tom Hayden

Subject: RE: North Dry Creek & Ft. Kearney Slough

Some years ago you gave me a list of 13 tributaries to the Platte River that were considered important for a hydrology study for the Cooperative Agreement. There was talk at the time that we might be the ones to end up operating gages at these sites. The above subject gages were part of that group and ended up in the USGS Coop program along with the Plum Creek near Smithfield gage with the Tri-Basin NRD as the cooperator. Many if not all of the other sites ended up in the USGS Coop with other NRDs as cooperators. This is the extend of my knowledge for justification of for operating these gages. I'm sure there is also some value for fine tuning the gains/losses to the Platte River above Grand Island. I am attaching the gage evaluation form we used in 2002 and sending a cc to Tom. No doubt he has better knowledge of the relative value of these sites. We can see how the sites compare with other gages. With seven full years of record I wouldn't recommend dropping other gages just to make room for these.

Guy

----Original Message----

From: Ann Bleed [mailto:ableed@dnr.state.ne.us]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 12:34 PM

To: glindeman@dnr.state.ne.us

Subject: RE: North Dry Creek & Ft. Kearney Slough

Importance: Low

We need the justification on why we should take them over written down. Ann

----Original Message-----

From: Guy Lindeman [mailto:glindeman@dnr.state.ne.us]

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2003 12:05 PM

To: Ann Bleed

Subject: North Dry Creek & Ft. Kearney Slough

Ann;

I talked to Tom H. yesterday and he said he no problem with taking over operation of these two gage sites.

ghl

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES GAGE RANKING FORM

NAME OF GAGE or SITE: M T A. REQUIRED FOR DNR OPERATION rank yes 100 () Value HIGH VALUE FOR DNR OPERATION rank no 20 20 Value 0 LENGTH OF RECORD 11-20 >20 <5 years 0 value D. WATER RIGHT REGULATION (avg. no of times in ten years) 9 - 102 - 4rank 0 - 1/5-8/ 10 3 value 1 5 0 E. FISH & WILDLIFE - Endanger INTTLE NONE HIGH rank value F. FLOOD WARNING (FORECASTING) USE SOME SIGNIFICANT MONE HIGH rank value H. QUALITY USE (FLORA AND FAUNA, LITIGATION, DOMESTIC SUPPLY) SIGNIFICANT HIGH NOME LITTLE 2 may show long term effect of Iri-Lounty ining ENDS, WATERSHED CHANGES, ETC.) value I. HYDROLOGIC INTEREST (SUPPLY, SMALL SOME SIGNIFICANT HIGH rank 0 value -CA Hydrology J. SPECIAL PURPOSE (PROJECT EFFECT, STUDY AREA, IN THE MIDST) MODERATE rank NONE HIGH value YES (Equip.) NO Yes(cost share) COOPERATOR SUPPORTED 2 0

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES GAGE RANKING FORM

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S= raw score value, M= multiplier value, T= Total score $(M \times S)$