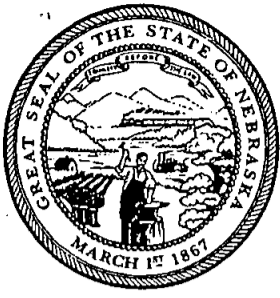


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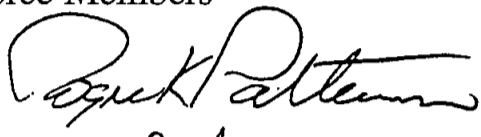

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**Roger K. Patterson**  
Director

May 18, 2005

IN REPLY TO:

TO: Water Policy Task Force Members

FROM: Roger K. Patterson   
 Senator Ed Schrock 

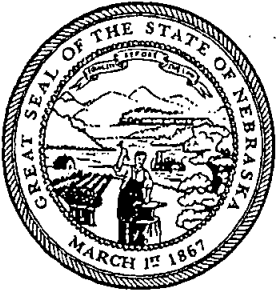
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The tour will be at no cost to task force members or spouses. Legislators are also being invited on the tour.

We hope that you will join us on this trip. In order to make hotel, meal and transportation reservations, we need to know how many will attend. Please RSVP to Andrea Kessler at DNR by June 10. Andrea can be reached at (402) 471-2366 or by e-mail at [akessler@dnr.state.ne.us](mailto:akessler@dnr.state.ne.us)



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**Roger K. Patterson**  
Director

May 18, 2005

IN REPLY TO:

Senator Roger R. Wehrbein  
District 2  
Nebraska State Capitol  
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509

Dear Senator Wehrbein:

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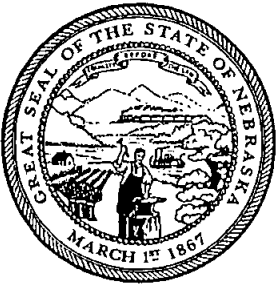
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Sincerely,

Roger K. Patterson  
Director  
Department of Natural Resources

Senator Ed Schrock  
Chairman  
Natural Resources Committee

Enclosure



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**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**Roger K. Patterson**  
Director

May 25, 2005

IN REPLY TO:

TO: Presenters for Water Policy Task Force Tour  
FROM: Roger K. Patterson  
SUBJECT: Agenda for Water Policy Task Force Tour

Thank you for agreeing to be a guest presenter on the August 2-3 Water Policy Task Force Tour of the Republican Basin. I appreciate the time and effort you put into sharing information with the group and making the tour a success.

Enclosed is a draft itinerary for the tour. This will confirm the time that has been scheduled for you to speak to the group. We will contact you later about transportation and where to meet. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Steve Gaul at (402) 471-3955 or Andrea Kessler at (402) 471-2366.

Again, thank you and please call if you need anything.

Enclosure

June 28, 2005

Steve:

Here is the list of who will be attending the Water Policy Task Force Tour.

August 2<sup>nd</sup>:

Jerry Kuenning  
Greg Pelster  
Mike Mosel  
Dean Large  
Tom Terryberry  
Terry Martin  
Mick Strand  
Jasper Fanning

The above Board members and Manager will also attend the BBQ that night along with Donn Gengenbach and his wife.

On August 3<sup>rd</sup> the Manager, Jasper Fanning, will be attending the tour and possible 2 more Board members. At this time I am not sure who the Board members are.

I had emailed this to Andrea Kessler on June 16<sup>th</sup> also.

Deb Hayes  
Upper Republican NRD  
Administrative Assistant

Received Time Jun. 28. 9:46AM

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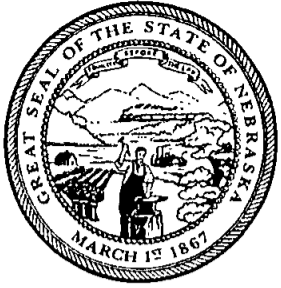
## PRESENTERS

### Day 1

- 2,3 Roger Patterson
- 2,3 Bleed
- 2,3 Cookson
- 1,3? Thorburn
- 1,3? Smith
- 1,3 Reisdorf or Wolford
- 2 Swanda or Johns
- 2 Heineman
- 1,3? Fanning
- 1,3? Felker
- 2 Sneller

### Day 2

- 1 Bingham
- 2 Stockton
- 1 Roy Patterson
- 1,2? Edgerton
- 1,2? Clements
- 2 Corps Representative
- 2,3? Delka or Other Bostwick Representative
- 2,3 Schrock



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

SUBJECT: Request for Materials to Include in Tour Information Packet

As part of the Water Policy Task Force Tour we will be assembling a three-hole punch informational binder that contains information related to the various presentations. I would like to invite presenters, if they wish, to provide us with material related to their topics. We can accommodate material up to 10 pages in length. If it is black and white we will be happy to make copies of the relevant material you send us for inclusion. If you wish to provide material yourself, we anticipate needing approximately 60 copies. We will place all copies in a binder that is provided to participants at the beginning of the tour. In order to have material in time to assemble the binders we ask that you send all materials to us by no later than July 20, 2005. Alternatively, you may wish to bring materials with you and provide them on the tour. Any materials can be provided by mail at: Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, 301 Centennial Mall South, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Nebraska State Office Building, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676, by e-mail at [sgaul@dnr.state.ne.us](mailto:sgaul@dnr.state.ne.us), or by fax at (402) 471-2900. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me at (402) 471-3955.

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Steve McElish

Norm Rosenburg

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ATTENDEE'S & GUEST	
Ambrosek, Robert	WPTF
Ambrosek, Mrs Robert	SPOUSE
Baker (SENATOR) McCook portion	
Barels, Brian	WPTF
Beethe, Lisa	STATE EMPLOYEE
Benson, Lorrie	WPTF
Best, Ralph (drive to McCook - ride bus only to Trenton)	Dist.
Bleed, Ann	STAFF
Burkholder, John	COMMISSION MEMBER
Cappel, Claude	WPTF
Clements, Mike	NRD MANAGER
Coady, James - not confirmed	WPTF
Connelly, Matt (SENATOR) ?	yes
Copeland, Lavon (SENATOR) ?	
Copeland, Mrs. ?	SPOUSE
Eberle, Nancy	WPTF
Edgerton, Brad	STAFF/PRESENTER
Edson, Dean	NARD
Erickson, Gloria ?	WPTF
Fanning, Jasper	NRD MANAGER
Felker, Don	McCOOK PORTION
Friesen, Curt	WPTF
Friesen, Mrs. Curt	SPOUSE
Garrelts, Todd *	NRD BOARD
Gaul, Steve	STAFF
Gittins, Jodi	SENATOR'S OFF.
Glock, Eugene	WPTF
Heidemann, Lavon (SENATOR)	
Heinrichs, Lyle	WPTF
Howell, Harry	WPTF
Howell, Mrs. Harry	SPOUSE
Huggenberger, Steve	WPTF
Jedlicka, Lumir	WPTF
Johannes, Clint	WPTF
Kraus, Don	WPTF
Nellor, Lloyd	WPTF
Nellor, Mrs. Janice	SPOUSE
Nelson, Dave	WPTF
Nelson, James	WPTF
Nickel, David *	NRD BOARD
Oligmueller, Gerry	STATE EMPLOYEE
Patterson, Roger	STAFF/DIRECTOR
Patterson, Roy (drive to McCook)	DIST./PRES.

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Alice Johns

Kriz-Wickham, Bobbie  
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Pederson, Don (SENATOR)	
Reisdorff, Greg	FSA
Rempe, Jay	WPTF
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Rowe, David *	NRD BOARD
Salzwedel, Mike	STATE EMPLOYEE
Sands, Dave	WPTF
Schmidt, Allen	WPTF/DIST.
Schrock, Ed (SENATOR)	
Schwarz, Linda	SPOUSE
Schwarz, Tom	WPTF
Smith, Dan	NRD MANAGER
Strauch, Dennis	WPTF
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Trambley, Nelson	WPTF
Uhrenholdt, Richard (not re-confirmed)	WPTF
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