

1005 Ann

Discussion of Pecos field trip

Irrigation Districts (surface H₂O: SW) have not been involved; we need to be involved

Discussing a Coalition of irrigation districts (I.D.s)

Ann Thanks for calling the meeting - glad to work together

other

Sounds like you're not threatened by a coalition

Ann

NRC represented NRDs } ADNR represents
DWR " SW } both

NRDs are supposed to protect both
But they may lean toward SW irrigators
Ann cannot advocate for their interests like SW people can, but she will work hard to protect rights under the law

Cannot be spokesperson to step forward & speak for SW ID's

LB962 provided's official positions - SW ID were left out - rationalized that the Dept. could represent them.

SW has been invited to leave the meeting in the past - so they were not a party to the discussion, let alone the vote to ADNR

They are announcing the coalition, here, & will ~~not~~ ~~later~~ announce to NRD's soon.

Ann

Discussion of her support for an open process.
(Sometimes disagrees w/ A.G.'s office)

Tim Beetz
Dietz -
joined us

Ann

I want to make sure irrigation districts are invited to RR NRD managers meeting in Holdrege, along w/ Bureau

we have had small meetings with the NRDs - just for JOPs

< Other discussion >

Lee

Projects are not for sale

Ann

She will support districts with what they want to do.
- discussed many examples

Steve Henry

We are not like-minded re: sustainability
In the West they've said they won't be sustainable

Ann

96% calls for sustainability - short term
& long term ... must also comply w/ RFLump

We can't direct NRDs what to do
After checking w/ governor's office, we have to go to Interrelated H₂O review board

Problem is there is no time specified for sustainability.

Governor has asked for consumption to be in balance 2012 & following

Mike

How do we get them to comply? Danger of 5-person board making a decision that favors one or other.

Ann

Stan

Most plans have 2 components

- ① BRCA compliance
- ② Maximize GW allocations

But we aren't addressing putting more H₂O in reservoirs. This 3rd component needs to be addressed.

Ann

Agrees

Mike

What's potential of getting sustainability for everyone

Ann

<discussion>

Lee

In the Upper, they have a managed decline situation

Steve

Allocations need to be below sustainability
(egs. 3" allocation - goes w/ land
2" " \$10 fee

if you want more, it's what the market will bear

If it were what the market will bear (\$20 / inch, then it is up to farmer to decide what to water)

Ann

Not fair to younger farmers

Lee/Mike/Steve

<discussion>

11:15 Ann
 said she was in favor of transfers so that
 the more productive acres get the H₂O
 <discussion of Quick Response, recreation,
 etc. >

Stan? Timeline

Ann Mtg next week

We need something NRDs & ID
 agree to by August Compact Mtg

Aug. 14th/15th

Steve So 13th is answer to time line?
 (Early on 14th comment from audience)

Rep. River Basin Tr. Dist Coalition ("rabid")

BREAK

11:38

Discussion of ^{int} (Ann's) 'Straw Dog'

Steve fairness and sustainability are not interchangeable

<Much Discussion>

12:40

Ann Discussion covering protection of purchased H₂O