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Subject: Notification that Water Short Year Administration is in Effect
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Attached is the notice that Water-Short Year Administration (WSYA) is in effect in the Republican Basin. According to the Bureau of Reclamation, 111,700 acre feet of water was available for irrigation in Harlan County Lake as of June 30, 2007.

--Jim

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NOTICE TO THE
REPUBLICAN RIVER BASIN
NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICTS OF
WATER SHORT YEAR ADMINISTRATION IN 2007

Nebraska Department of Natural Resources
July, 2007

Pursuant to the Lower, Middle & Upper Republican Natural Resources Districts ("Districts") and the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources ("Department") Integrated Management Plans and associated controls as adopted by the Districts, and as adopted by the Department; the Department hereby provides notice to the Districts of Water Short Year Administration in 2007.

Under the terms of the Final Settlement Stipulation, Water Short Year Administration will be in effect in those years in which the projected or actual irrigation supply is less than 119,000 acre-feet of storage available for use from Harlan County Lake as determined by the Bureau of Reclamation using the methodology described in the Harlan County Lake Operation Consensus Plan. Each year between October 1 and June 30, the Bureau of Reclamation will provide a monthly update of the projected or actual irrigation supply from Harlan County Lake for that irrigation season.

The United States Bureau of Reclamation has determined that the irrigation supply from Harlan County Lake will be 111,700 acre-feet using storage available as of June 30, 2007. Therefore Water Short Year Administration will be in effect in 2007.



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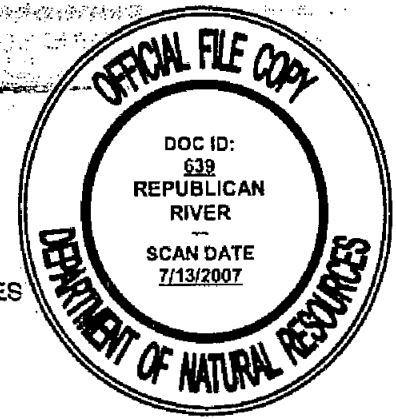
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Subject: 2007 Harlan County Lake (HCL) Water Supply Calculation

Dear Lady and Gentlemen:

As identified in the Final Settlement Stipulation, the Bureau of Reclamation computed the projected irrigation supply from HCL for the 2007 irrigation season to be 111,700 acre-feet (AF) using the storage available on June 30, 2007. This would indicate "Water-Short Year Administration" would be in effect with the irrigation supply being less than 119,000 AF.

If you have any questions, please contact Marv Swanda at 308-345-1027.

Sincerely,


Stephen F. Ronshaugen
Acting Area Manager

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