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RE: 2007 Annual Meeting of the Republican River Compact Administration

Dear Commissioners:

As this year's Chair, I would like to invite you to the annual meeting of the Republican River Compact Administration Meeting. The meeting will be held on August 15th in Junction City, Kansas, at the Junction City Convention Center attached to the Courtyard by Marriot, 310 Hammons Drive. (See map and other travel information attached.) The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. A work session will be held on August 14 at the same location with a room reserved from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Separate rooms for caucus purposes are also reserved during the work session. A block of 30 rooms are reserved at the Courtyard by Marriot so please, inform the hotel of your attendance at this meeting.

Attached are draft agendas of the meeting and the work session for your review. We are inviting the federal agencies which normally provide reports to the Administration. Our annual meeting is open to the public and, as usual, each state is responsible to individually invite their water users and other interested parties.

We will be preparing a resolution honoring David Pope's service to the Administration for our consideration at the meeting. Ken, you may wish to do the same for Hal.

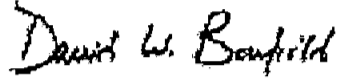
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I look forward to seeing you in August.

Sincerely yours,



David W. Barfield, P.E.
Acting Chief Engineer
Chairman and Commissioner from Kansas

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Attachments:

Travel Information and Map
Agenda for the Meeting
Agenda for the Work Session

Travel Information and Map

At the Convention Center

- **Parking:**
Complimentary on-site parking

Area Airports:

- **Manhattan Regional International Airport - MHK**
1-785-587-4567

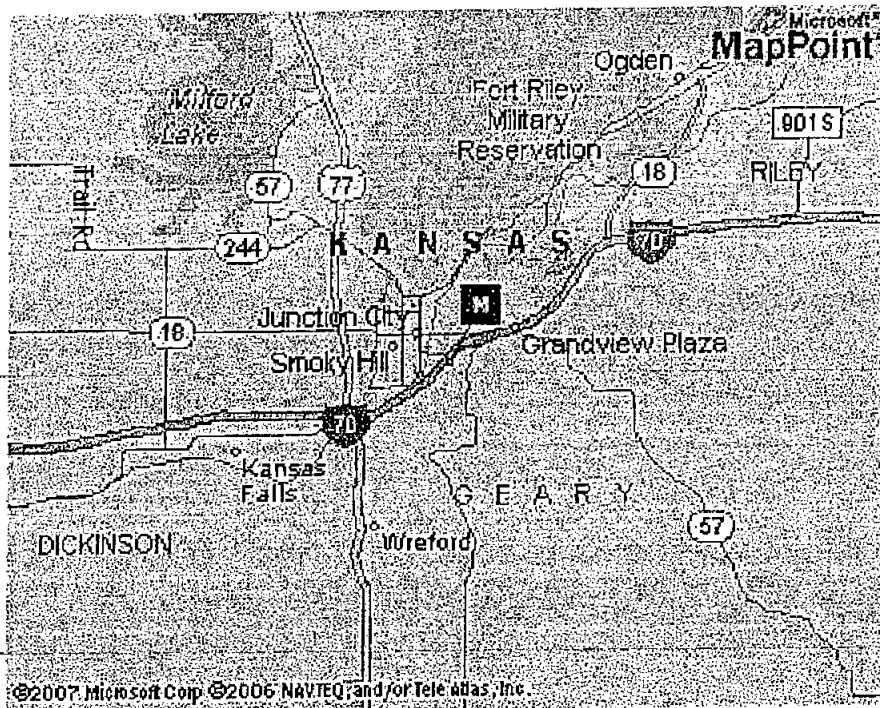
Hotel Direction: 15 mi NE

Driving Directions: From Manhattan Airport: Right onto Hwy 18, 5 miles to I-70 JCT. Take a right onto I-70 West. Travel 10 miles to exit 298. Take off ramp.

- **Kansas City - MCI**
1-816-243-5237

Hotel Direction: 116 mi NE

Driving Directions: From K.C. Airport: Take 435 East to I-70 West (116 miles to Junction City). Exit at 298. Take off ramp.



47th ANNUAL MEETING
REPUBLICAN RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION
August 14 and 15, 2007
Junction City Convention Center
Junction City, Kansas

Work Session:

August 14, 2007, 1:00 to 8:00 P.M.

Proposed Agenda for Annual Meeting:

August 15, 2007, 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

1. Introductions
2. Modification and Adoption of Agenda
3. Approval of Previous Annual Meeting Minutes
4. Report of Chairman & Commissioners' Reports
 - a. Kansas
 - b. Colorado
 - c. Nebraska
5. Federal Reports
 - a. Bureau of Reclamation
 - b. Corps of Engineers
 - c. Geological Survey
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Engineering Committee
 - i. User Accounting Manual
 - ii. 2007 Accounting
 - iii. Recharge and Return flow methods
 - iv. Harlan County Evaporation split
 - v. Documentation of acreage retirement
 - vi. Principia Mathematica contract for maintenance and operation of RRGWM
 - vii. Other matters
 - b. Conservation Committee
 - c. Legal Committee
 - i. RRCA regulation regarding the approval of a diversion in one state that is used in another state
 - ii. Non-Federal dam evaporation
7. Unfinished Business
 - a. Amended regulations of the RRCA
 - b. Lower Republican Feasibility Study
 - c. Harlan County Evaporation Split
8. New Business and Assignments to the Compact's Committees
 - a. Action on Committee Reports
 - b. Committee Assignments
 - c. Compact Compliance
9. Remarks from the Public
10. Future Meeting Arrangements
11. Adjournment

Proposed Agenda for Work Session, August 14, 2007

1. 1:00 P.M. Conservation Committee Report and discussion – Bureau of Reclamation
 - a. Status Report on Conservation Study
 - i. Study Overview – Reclamation
 - ii. Update on research component of study - UNL and KSU
 - b. Discussion of the end of the field collection study period

2. 2:00 P.M. Bureau of Reclamation
 - a. Projects in the basin
 - b. Lower Republican Feasibility Study
 - c. Water 2025 Studies in the basin

3. 2:30 P.M. Engineering Committee Report and discussion – Kansas
 - a. User Accounting Manual
 - b. 2006 Accounting
 - c. Recharge and Return flow methods
 - d. Harlan County Evaporation split
 - e. Documentation of acreage retirement
 - f. Principia Mathematica contract for maintenance and operation of RRGWM
 - g. Other matters

4. 5:00 P.M. Recess for supper.

5. 6:30 P.M. Legal Committee Report and discussion – Kansas
 - a. RRCA regulation regarding the approval of a diversion in one state that is used in another state
 - b. Non-Federal dam evaporation

6. 7:30 P.M. Adjournment.