
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
RELATING TO CENTRAL PLATTE NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT AND
THE NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT PLAN

Pursuant to Section 46-718 of Nebraska Revised Statutes, the Central Platte Natural Resources District (CPNRD) and the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (Department) hereby provide notice that the CPNRD and the Department shall hold a public hearing on Thursday, February 23, 2012, at 1:30 p.m., at the Central Platte Natural Resources District office, 215 Kaufman Ave, Grand Island, NE. As required by Section 46-718(1), the purposes of the hearing are to hear testimony and receive other evidence concerning the proposed change to the CPNRD/Department Integrated Management Plan (IMP). The geographic area proposed for the amended IMP encompasses all of the land area located within the boundaries of the CPNRD; however, the changes only apply to the area influencing the Platte River downstream of Chapman, Nebraska. The proposed Section III of Chapter 5 defines a separate management area for the fully appropriated area influencing the Platte River downstream of Chapman, Nebraska. Section III, to Chapter 5 will allow the development of up to 2,500 irrigated acres or 500 acre-feet of depletion to the stream, whichever limit is met first. All existing controls remain in effect.

Any interested person may appear at the hearing and present written or oral testimony concerning the proposed IMP and proposed controls. Individuals with disabilities may request auxiliary aids and service necessary for participation by contacting the CPNRD or the Department by February 8, 2012. Testimony or other evidence relevant to the purposes of the hearing may also be submitted in writing to Central Platte Natural Resources District, 215 North Kaufman Avenue, Grand Island, NE 68803, or to the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676, or by electronic mail to the CPNRD at cpnrd@cpnrd.org or to the Department at jesse.bradley@nebraska.gov by 5:00 p.m., February 15, 2012.

For further information regarding the proposed, amended IMP and proposed controls or for the full text of the proposed, amended IMP and proposed controls, refer to the CPNRD website at <http://www.cpnrd.org> or the Department's website, at <http://www.dnr.ne.gov> or contact the CPNRD or the Department at the addresses listed above or contact the CPNRD at (308) 385-6282 or the Department at (402) 471-2363.

Following the public hearing on the proposed IMP and proposed controls, the CPNRD and the Department will make a joint decision within 60 days of whether to implement the proposed, amended IMP with or without modifications and whether to adopt and implement the groundwater and surface water controls proposed in the amended IMP.