

Support Services for the
WATER FUNDING TASK FORCE

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Administration

- 1. The NRC Administer all new and existing funds:**
 - Expand Representation to include all water user groups
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 - 2. New Water Management Commission**
 - New Group reviews projects makes recommendations to administer LB517 funds
 - NRC administers existing funds (NRDF and others)
- * Change Criteria to better address sustainability**
- * Legislative Sub Committee Reactivated in both 1 and 2**



Yes



I can live with it.



No, what would it take to get you to live with it?

Representation of LB517 Funds

Elected Representatives

- ? Watershed Representatives

Gov. Appointed Representatives

- ? Municipal (Omaha, Lincoln, Small Community)
- ? Industrial
- ? Conservation
- ? Recreation
- ? Surface Water
- ? Public Power
- ? Livestock/Range
- ? Agriculture

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