

Water Legislation

Nebraska Unicameral passed **LB1038**, and it has been sent to the Governor for signing.

LB1038, introduced by Al Davis, would allow owners of hydropower facilities to voluntarily transfer ownership of that appropriation jointly to the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission and an NRD or combination of NRDs to maintain streamflow for the conservation of fish, wildlife, recreation and to assist with integrated management plans. This transfer would not affect the original priority dates or preference of the transferred appropriation.

Through debate, an amendment was added and approved to finance the control of noxious weeds that disrupt stream flow.

The Governor is expected to sign this bill.

Earth Day

NeDNR will have a booth at this year's Lincoln Earth Day celebration. Come by and learn about flood control in Nebraska. We have a cool model that shows how changes of use can help to control flooding. The event will be held Saturday, April 23, in the Union Plaza.

Fassett is Presenter at University of Denver Law Review Water Symposium

NeDNR director Jeff Fassett was a presenter at the April 9 Water Symposium at Sturm Law School on the campus of the University of Denver. Fassett spoke about the administration of interstate water compacts from the perspective of a state engineer.

