

**WATER AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE
AGENDA**

DATE: March 5, 2026
TO: Water & Regulations Committee
FROM: Terry Julesgard, Water Department Manager
SUBJECT: Water and Regulations Committee Meeting – Thursday, March 12, 2026

The Water and Regulations Committee will meet at the NRD Office on Thursday, March 12, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. Committee members include Paul Bethune, Anthony Bohaty, Doug Dickinson, Justin Elge, Roger Houdersheldt, Kevin Peterson (Vice-Chair), Kendall Siebert (Chair), Brian Stahr, and John Miller (Board Chair).

- I. Open Meetings Act
 - a. The Public Notice has been published in the York News-Times
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Reminder – All cell phones should be silenced during the meeting.

Public Comments - Anyone may comment on any matter that is not on this agenda. However, no Committee action can be taken until the following Committee meeting, according to Nebraska's Open Meeting Act.

Please hold comments on any listed item until it is considered.

- I. Variance Requests – Understanding the Pros & Cons – Don Blankenau
- II. Variance Request and Transfer Request – Dennis Bjerrum/Jeff Lindburg
- III. AQWACAP Payments
- IV. Flowmeter Cost-Share Payments
- V. Certification of Irrigated Acres
- VI. Sanderson Meter Maintenance – Invoice
- VII. University of Nebraska Vadose Study – Invoice
- VIII. Review Proposals – In-Season Vadose Study
- IX. Monitoring Well Giltner Area – Site Change
- X. Rule 5 – Draft Language Dryland Reporting Requirements
- XI. Rules Enforcement Update
 - a. Lift Order of Cease and Desist -
- XII. 2025 Water Use Report and Map
- XIII. Well Permit Summary
- XIV. Additional Information
 - a. Jerod Fling – Months Activities

**PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS COMMITTEE
AGENDA**

DATE: March 5, 2026

TO: Projects and Programs Committee

FROM: Jack B. Wergin, Projects Department Manager, Drew ten Bensel, Engineering Technician

SUBJECT: Projects and Programs Committee Meeting – Thursday, March 12, 2026

The Projects and Programs Committee will meet on Thursday, March 12, 2026, immediately following the Water & Regulations Committee Meeting which starts at 9:00 a.m. at the NRD Office in York. Committee members include: Richard Bohaty (Committee Chairperson), Andrew Eberspacher (Committee Vice-Chairperson), Bill Kuehner, John Miller (Board Chairperson), Mike Nuss, Matthew Perry, Bill Stahly, Paul Weiss, and Lynn Yates.

Agenda items to be considered include:

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- III. Programs
 - A. Land Treatment Program – NSWCP, NRD, RO Systems
 1. New Applications
 2. Consider Cost-Share Payments
 3. Program Budget Status
 - B. Nitrogen Reduction Incentive Act - 2026
 - C. Nitrogen Use Efficiency Program – 2026 Draft
 - D. Private Dams Program – Update
 - E. Nebraska Buffer Strip Program
 1. Consider 3rd Quarter Payments
 - F. Nebraska Department of Water, Energy, and Environment
 1. Blue Basin Stream Gaging O & M Cost Share – 2025
 - G. Little Blue NRD – Lower Big Blue NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan Update
 1. Interlocal Agreement
- IV. Projects
 - A. Pioneer Trails Recreation Area – Sediment Removal - Update
 - B. Oxbow Trail Recreation Area -
 - C. Rule 6 – Upper Big Blue NRD Parks Regulations
 1. Adoption of Revised Rule 6.
- V. Additional Information

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA

DATE: March 5, 2026
TO: Executive Committee
FROM: David Eigenberg, General Manager
SUBJECT: Executive Committee Meeting – Thursday, March 12, 2026

The Executive Committee will meet Thursday, March 12, 2026, following the conclusion of the Project Committee meeting. at the NRD office in York. Committee members include John Miller (Board Chairperson), Bill Kuehner (Vice Chairperson), Matthew Perry (Secretary), Douglas Dickinson (Treasurer), Paul Bethune (NARD Rep), Richard Bohaty (Project Chairperson), Lynn Yates (Project Rep.), Kendall Siebert (Water Chairperson), Roger Houdersheldt, (Water Rep.)

Agenda items to be considered include:

Open Meetings Act

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Public Comments

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- A. Public Relations Update
 - 1. Director Tour
 - 2. Burk Scholarships
- B. Review Board Candidate Filings
- C. Personnel Report
- D. Legislation
- E. Investments
- F. Additional Information

(over for upcoming events)

UPCOMING EVENTS (events may be postponed or canceled)

- March 25, 2026 – NACD Fly-In, Washington, D.C.
- March 25-27, 2026 – Nebraska FFA Convention, Lincoln
- March 28 to April 1, 2026 – NRD Washington, D.C, Conference
- April 29, 2026 – Nebraska State Envirothon, Hastings
- June 3, 2026 – NRD Managers Meeting
- June 7-8, 2026 – NARD Board Meeting
- June 8-9, 2026 – NRD Basin Tour
- July 19-25, 2026 – NCF-Envirothon, Starkville, Mississippi
- Aug. 24-26, 2026 – NRD Managers Retreat
- Aug. 28-Sept. 7, 2026 – Nebraska State Fair, Grand Island
- Sept. 15-17, 2026 – Husker Harvest Days, Grand Island/Wood River
- Sept. 27, 2026 – NARD Foundation Ron Bishop Memorial Golf Tournament, Kearney
- Sept. 28-29, 2026 – NRD Annual Conference, Kearney
- Sept. 29, 2026 – NARD Board Meeting, Kearney
- Nov. 4, 2026 – NRD Managers Meeting
- Nov. 8-9, 2026 – NARD Board Meeting