

MEMORANDUM

TO: Programs, Projects, and Operations Subcommittee
FROM: Eric Williams, Natural Resources Planner
DATE: November 8, 2019
SUBJECT: Lied Bridge Debris Cleanup Contract

The Papio-Missouri River NRD (P-MRNRD) has collaborated with Lower Platte South NRD (LPSNRD) to construct the MoPac Trail along the former Missouri Pacific Railroad line, including construction of a trail over the bridge across the Platte River. This bridge is commonly referred to as the Lied Bridge, and normal operations and maintenance for the bridge and connecting trails segments is carried out by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission (NGPC). During the catastrophic flooding event in March 2019, debris accumulated on the piers on the upstream side of the bridge and caused damaged to the railing along the trail.

On November 5, 2019, the P-MRNRD opened bids for the Lied Bridge Debris Removal project. One (1) bid was received from Midwest Infrastructure in the amount of \$932,625.00. A copy of the bid form is attached.

Previous work to remove debris from this structure has been conducted by the NGPC, and information about those contracts was shared with the P-MRNRD to help inform this bidding process. Bidding was carried out based on a timeline to allow work to be completed during the winter, when flows in the Platte River are lower. The one bid received was significantly higher than the unit price, or total cost for similar previous work contracted by NGPC.

- **Management recommends that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to reject the November 5, 2019 bid for Lied Bridge Debris Cleanup and rebid the project.**