

# MEMORANDUM

TO THE BOARD:

SUBJECT: General Manager's Report

DATE: November 10, 2021

FROM: John Winkler, General Manager



**A. INFORMATION/EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS:**

The Papio NRD teamed up with UNL's 'Know Your Well' program and Tekamah-Herman high school students to test groundwater water quality in their community. The program, designed for training students in assessing the quality of drinking water from rural domestic wells, puts students in charge of collecting and analyzing samples as well as sharing their results with well owners. This not only benefits water users but educates young citizen scientists of current issues and solutions, giving everyone involved an opportunity to be part of the solution.

**B. PERSONNEL/MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:**

1. Another successful household hazardous waste collection this year thanks to a public/private partnership. The Papio NRD partnered with the Nebraska Loess Hills Resource, Conservation, and Development Council, and Cargill to hold the collection on October 15 in Blair, where the event set a new participation record of 197 loads collected. Along with the partnership, the collection would not have been possible without countless volunteers who helped the event run smoothly and efficiently. My sincere thanks to all involved.
2. Thanks to another public/private partnership, Big Elk Lake now has some trees. Farm Credit Services of America donated the cost of 30 trees to Papio Valley Nursery, Inc. to support the American Reforestation Initiative. Employees of Farm Credit Services planted the trees last month. A photo is attached.

**A. REPORT ON PURCHASES – CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY:**

Pursuant to Board direction, the report indicating construction services, professional services, and personal property purchases from the month of October 2021 is attached for your review.

**B. CURRENT AND ON-GOING PROJECTS – P-MRNRD LEGAL COUNSEL:**

A copy of current and on-going projects for District Legal Counsel, Husch Blackwell as of October 18 is attached for your review.

**C. PAPILLION CREEK WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP REPORT:**

The PCWP Subcommittee scheduled for October 28 was canceled. The next meeting is scheduled for November 17.

# KNOW YOUR WELL PROGRAM

*I&E REPORT*



*NOVEMBER 2021*



*STUDENTS TESTING  
WELL SAMPLES*





**2021 Household Hazardous Waste Collection**



**Farm Credit Services of America Tree Planting at Big Elk Lake**

**Report on Purchases**  
**Construction Services, Professional Services, Personal Property**

**October 2021**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Item / Task</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Cost</b>
10/1 thru 10/31/2021	Project Maintenance	Rip Rap	Martin Marietta Whetrock/Splitt Quarry Two Rivers	\$5,010.59 \$36,323.79 \$232.20
10/19/2021	Little Papio, West Branch, & Union Dike	Bank erosion area wetland delineation & 404 permitting (7 sites)	Alfred Benesch & Co.	\$33,500
10/31/2021	WP-4 Project	Land Appraisals	Valuation Service	\$6,000

Updated: October 18, 2021

## **Current and On-Going Projects P-MRNRD Legal Counsel**

- ☼ = **Top Priority**
- F = Future Work – No Assignment
- N = New Assignment
- O = Others Handling
- W = Work in Progress
- P = Counsel Portion Completed
- B = Next Board Meeting

- **Little Papio:** (Cleveland)
  - ☼ Culverts Rehab Construction Interlocal Agreement with Omaha (B)
  - ☼ Culverts Rehab FYRA Professional Services Amendment for Construction (B)
- **Big Papio:** (Cleveland)
- **West Branch:** (Cleveland/Grint)
- **Western Sarpy Dike, Union Dike and No Name Dike:** (Cleveland/Petermann)
  - ☼ No Name Dike – Sokol Camp High Ground Easement (W)
- **Floodway Purchase Program:** (Laster/Grint)
  - ☼ King Lake Lot Donation (W)
  - ☼ Purchase Agreements for Washington/Douglas/Sarpy Acquisition Projects (W)
- **Trail Projects:** (Williams)
  - ☼ West Papio Trail, Millard Connection – Interlocal Agreement w/Omaha (B)
  - ☼ Platte River Trail Supplemental Agreement #2 w/Schemmer (F)
- **Missouri River Corridor Project:** (Becic)

- **USDA PL 566 Projects, Silver Creek and Pigeon/Jones Watershed:** (Schumacher/Cleveland/Grint)
  - ✦ Papio PL566 Site D-15B Interlocal w/SID 264 and Decommissioning by NRCS (B)
  - ✦ Papio 319 Small Dams Professional Services Contract (W)
  
- **Papio Watershed Dam Sites:** (Grint/Laster/Williams)
  - ✦ WP-4 Interlocal Agreements w/Gretna & Sarpy Co. (W)
  - ✦ Purchase Agreements for WP1 land acquisition (P)
  - ✦ Purchase Agreements for WP-4 land acquisition (W)
  - ✦ Portal Recreation Area Transfer Deed (P)
  
- **Papio Creek Watershed Partnership (Stormwater):** (Grint/Laster)
  
- **Southern Sarpy Watershed Partnership (Stormwater):** (Laster)
  
- **Missouri River R-613 and R-616 Levees:** (Cleveland/Woodward)
  - ✦ Offutt Ditch O&M Agreement (W)
  - ✦ Offutt AFB Storm Sewer Outlets O&M Agreement (W)
  - ✦ BNSF and UP Agreements and Easements (W)
  - ✦ FYRA Professional Services Contract amendment (W)
  - ✦ Lower Platte Consortium Interlocal Extension (B)
  
- **Rural Water Projects:** (Novak)
  - ✦ Rules & Regulations update in December – all Rural Water Systems (F)
  
- **Other:**
  - Cole Creek Interlocal Agreement (Grint) (F)
  - EJCDC Professional Services Contract Documents Update (Petermann) (F)
  - ✦ Blair Shop Professional Services Contract (Novak) (F)
  - ✦ Ownership Transfer for West Maple Elkhorn River Access (Grint) (W)
  - ✦ Arlington Dog Park – Deed Restriction (Lori) (N)