## **CAUCUS SCHEDULE**

### January 6-15, 2011

RIVER BASIN	PLACE	DATE	TIME
LOUP	Lower Loup NRD - 2620 Airport Drive, Ord, NE	1-7-2011	10:00 A.M. CST
SOUTH PLATTE	South Platte NRD Office - 551 Parkland Drive, Sidney, NE	1-11-2011	5:00 P.M. MST (6:00 P.M. CST)
BIG BLUE	Milford Fire Hall - 612 – 1 <sup>st</sup> Street, Milford, NE	1-12-2011	1:30 P.M. CST
LOWER PLATTE	Lower Platte South NRD - 3125 Portia Street, Lincoln, NE	1-13-2011	5:30 P.M. CST
MISSOURI TRIBUTARIES	Papio-Missouri River NRD Office - 8901 South 154 <sup>th</sup> Street, Omaha, NE	1-13-2011	7:00 P.M. CST
NEMAHA	Nemaha NRD - 62161 Highway 136, Tecumseh, NE	1-13-2011	7:00 P.M. CST

## **CAUCUS AGENDA**

## January 6-15, 2011

1.	<b>Explanation of the Caucus</b>				
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- 2. Brief explanation of Commission and its responsibilities
- 3. Introduction of directors by roll call
- 4. Explanation of election procedures
- 5. Nominations
- 6. Registration of Directors
- 7. Election

# CAUCUSES OF THE NRD DIRECTORS RESIDING IN EACH OF THE SIX DESIGNATED RIVER BASINS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MEMBER OF THE NEBRASKA NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

For purposes of electing river basin representatives to the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission at Caucuses on January 6-15, 2011, the Commission has approved the following guidelines for the conduct of the caucuses:

- 1. Those directors present shall constitute a quorum and shall have authority to elect a member to the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission, except as provided in guideline #13.
- 2. Nominations can be made only by current NRD directors, i.e. those holding office after January 6, 2011.
- 3. Nominees must be a resident of the basin and of majority age (19).
- 4. Directors cannot nominate themselves.
- 5. Nominations need not be seconded.
- 6. Nominations cannot be closed by a motion and will be closed by the staff member presiding after allowing adequate time for nominations.
- 7. Only current NRD directors are allowed to vote and must be present to vote. In the case of new NRD appointees the staff member presiding will accept only written evidence of appointments.
- 8. After nominations are closed any interested party present will be allowed a reasonable amount of time to make any statement they so wish in regard to any of the nominees.
- 9. Balloting will be done by a written ballot even if there is only one nominee.
- 10. The staff member presiding will select a committee of at least two directors, other than those nominated, to count the ballots.
- 11. Election will be based on a majority of those casting ballots. If none of the nominees receive a majority, a second ballot among the top two will be conducted in the same manner as the first.
- 12. In the case of two successive ties the winner will be determined by a coin flip.
- 13. In case of inclement weather not permitting travel, the responsibility for recessing the caucus and for reconvening within the necessary time period will be that of the staff member scheduled to conduct the caucus, after consulting with the primary NRD managers and/or chairmen involved.



### **Dave Heineman** Governor

# STATE OF NEBRASKA

### DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Brian P. Dunnigan, P.E.

Directo

December 20, 2010

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IN REPLY TO:

TO:

NRD Directors Residing in the Missouri Tribs River Basin

FROM:

Brian P. Dunnigan, P.E., Director of Natural Resources

SUBJECT:

Basin Caucus for the Purpose of Electing a Commission Member

State Law provides for the election of members of the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission by Natural Resources District board members residing in each of the twelve designated river basins within the state. A Caucus is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Thursday, January 13, 2011, at the Papio-Missouri River NRD office, 8901 South 154th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

The Natural Resources Commission has adopted the enclosed guidelines and agenda for the caucus. The guidelines for the conduct of the caucus will be explained in detail prior to nomination of candidates. Any individual who is a resident of the Missouri Tribs River Basin and at least 19 years of age is eligible to be nominated and selected. Only current NRD directors present at the Missouri Tribs River Basin caucus will be eligible to vote.

#### Enclosures

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