

# MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Programs, Projects and Operations Subcommittee

**FROM:** Martin P. Cleveland

**SUBJECT:** Papio Creek Watershed PL566 Structures #S-27, 31, 32

**DATE:** June 30, 2006

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Approximately five years ago, the USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) initiated a dam rehabilitation assistance program to address the needs of aging dams throughout the United States, in particular those dams built through their Public Law (PL) 566 Program. The PL 566 Program has been designing/building dams for about 65 years.

The District owns/operates 83 dams, 50 of which were built via the PL 566 Program. The District's PL 566 dams built in the period from 1962 to 1997. In May 2003, the District initiated dam rehabilitation with NRCS on Papillion Creek Watershed PL 566 Structures S-27, S-31 and S-32 via execution of Memorandum of Understanding for rehabilitation assistance.

In June 2005, the District executed the Papillion Creek Watershed Supplemental Watershed Agreement No. 7 with NRCS, which provided for rehabilitation of the referenced structures to high hazard class. As of June 27, 2006, the pre-final design plans for the referenced structures have been completed by HDR Engineering for NRCS. These plans will now be sent to NRCS headquarters for review.

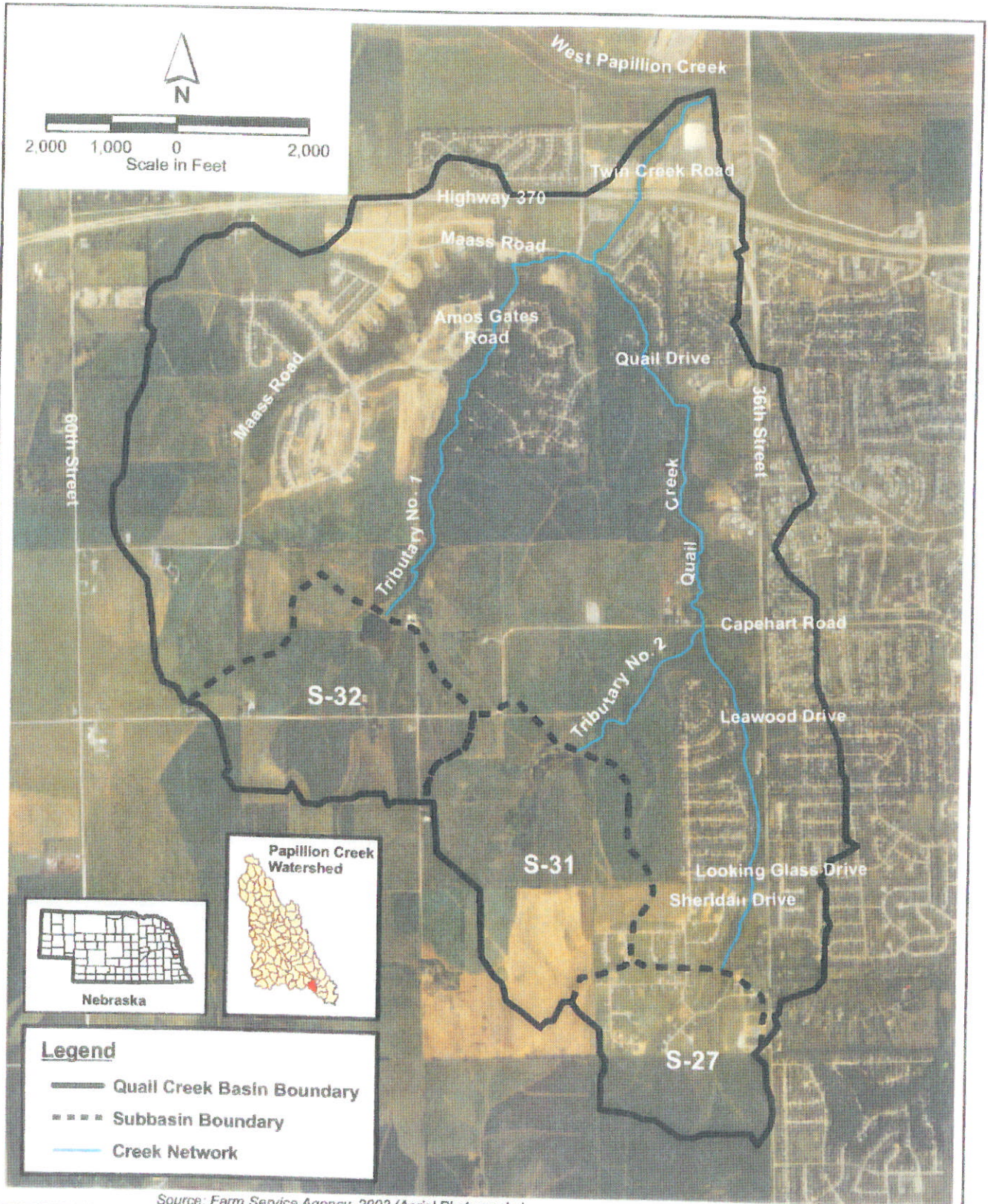
The future project tasks and estimated schedule is as follows:

1. NRCS finalize project design: July 2006
2. NRD complete project right-of-way (ROW) acquisition (prepare easement legal descriptions, conduct title searches, acquire ROW appraisals and negotiate ROW acquisition): July 3, 2006 to September 30, 2006
3. NRD advertise for structures S-31 and S-32 rehabilitation construction bids: October 2006
4. NRD award construction project to selected bidder: November 16, 2006
5. Construction period: November 27, 2006 to May 31, 2007.

The above schedule is contingent on ROW acquisition timing and NRCS and NRD funding. Funds were included in proposed NRD Fiscal Year 2007 budget. NRCS funding will not be available until October 2006 (new Federal Budget year). NRCS elected to not pursue the rehabilitation of Structure S-27 this year, due to federal budget limitations.

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Source: Farm Service Agency, 2003 (Aerial Photography)

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**General Location Map**  
**Quail Creek Basin**

Papio Creek Watershed Structures S-27, S-31, and S-32  
 NRCS Watershed Rehabilitation Program

DATE  
 October 2004

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