

Operations Committee Meeting
Thursday, February 27, 2020 8:00 AM
Lower Platte North NRD Office
P.O. Box 126
Wahoo, NE 68066

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There is nothing to consider.

2. WILD NE AND OTHER PROGRAMS

There is nothing to consider.

3. OPERATION & MAINTENANCE & OTHER ITEMS

The O & M crew has been cutting trees on District properties, burning tree piles and maintaining vehicles and equipment.

A. Clear Creek Levee Repairs by Corps of Engineers

The contractor for Lincoln Water Systems has finished their project within the Fuse Plug floodway. Our contractor is finishing the final grading in the Fuse Plug floodway from Lincoln water line to the river. They have removed most if not all excess material and stock piled it. They are moving the stock pile (random fill) to the breach in the levee just north of County Road F. They will have the breach 90% complete by March 1. The last 10% is placing rip-rap. They are having difficulty finding rock that meets specs and will probably rail in rock from Missouri. Some of the random fill will also be used on the levee at Thomas Lakes, along with some broken concrete rip-rap that came out of the breach area. The weather has been very good for work.

B. Rawhide Ditch 8 Repair - (FEMA)

Gana Excavating completed the emergency repairs on the Brand & Diers properties. For this emergency repair JEO has incurred additional cost for engineering and oversight of \$5,990.00, this is above the original scope of work as the landowners requested the breach areas be closed before Spring flooding. See attached Amendment No. 1 Scope of Work.

We are currently advertising for the remaining work along Ditch 8. There's a site showing on February 27th at 1:00 pm. Bids are due by 10:00 a.m. on March 5 and will be read aloud. Bids will be presented to the Board on March 9th for possible approval.

JEO sent out plans for bid to 13 contractors, five contractors were present at the site showing. We received two bids - 1) Husker Engineering, Burwell, NE \$190,300 with a start date of March 23rd, 2) Kohl Construction, Schuyler, NE \$257,757 with a start date of April 6. JEO gave a opinion of cost between \$170,000 - 200,000. Motion Needed.

C. Wanahoo Stilling Basin (FEMA)

A special meeting, in which the entire Board is invited, with FYRA Engineering for question and answers on the Wanahoo Dam Stilling Basin repair will take place on March 5 at 12:00 pm at District Headquarters. A recommendation can be made at the March 9th Board Meeting on how to proceed.

D. Clear Creek Drainage District - Ditch 1

Staff met with a Clear Creek District representative and discussed sharing or assisting in some of the maintenance items dealing with the short segment of Ditch 1 in the Thomas Lakes area. Lausterer will develop a Inter-local agreement regarding the assistance with maintenance to be approval by both District's.

E. District Park Regulations

The amended changes regarding "Snow Dogs" and ice fishing and target practice have been made, (See attachment). A recommendation to approve the Park Regulations as a whole as amended is needed.

Committee recommends striking "The District has the right to deny permission based on the condition and safety of the ice", under the Ice Fishing with a Motorized Vehicle regulation.

F. Hay Recreation Area Lands

We will advertise to accept hay bids for portions of our recreation area lands at Czechland, Homestead and Wanahoo. The Committee and Board will approve a bid(s) at a future meeting.

G. Landowner Request at Dam Cottonwood 22-A

Rachel Hawley a new landowner on the west end of Cottonwood 22-A is requesting permission to build a small cottage for seasonal use in the District's easement area, in the NW corner above the Emergency Spillway. (See Attachments).

Nebraska Dept. Natural Resources Dam Safety does not have a problem with this as long as the structure is higher than the top of dam elevation.

Lausterer is recommending that if we approve this structure in the easement area we ask the property owner to provide detailed construction specifications, exact location, building elevation, access point to building, follow zoning regulations and permitting, etc. we are basing our approval on specifications so these details can be amended to the easement.

Staff will notify Ms. Hawley of the required listed specifications she will need to provide before the District approves her project.

H. Fremont/Dodge County/Fremont Rod and Gun Club Repair

Directors Thompson, Olson, Pollard and Saeger and Gottschalk met with the group to discuss additional plans for repair of breach area on the property owned by Fremont Rod and Gun Club. The initial construction was completed last Saturday (2-22-20) at a total cost of \$ 188,618. This amount was below the estimated cost of \$ 200,000. At Wednesday's meeting discussion was in regards to the remaining work needed to

close off the breach area. JEO has been in touch with the USACE and it appears, due to the emergency situation which still exists in the area the emergency work will be approved and allowed to be considered sufficient for a substantial portion of the final repairs.

The estimated total to complete the project is approximately \$100,000. By utilizing the savings of \$11,382 from the first phase, the additional amount needed would be \$88,618 total. With percentages remaining the same as before this would mean an additional \$11,077.25 would be LPNNRD's share.

Discussion and motion is requested.

4. ROCK AND JETTY

Kay Poppe has sent an invoice and letter of request for cost share assistance for levee repair on Skull Creek in Saunders Co. Her tenant, Jordan Kremlacek, was not able to farm a large tract of land because of the flood damage. Kay's repair cost is \$6,943. She is eligible for 50% cost-share up to \$4,000.

5. LAKE WANAHOO

A. Lake Wanahoo Permit Sales

The District sold 302 permits in February for a total of \$5,360. YTD sales total \$21,485.

The short ice fishing season has slowed sales in comparison to the 2019 season (500 permits for \$9,677.50).

B. Lake Wanahoo Camping Revenue

The District has generated \$1,833.77 in camping revenue for the month of February. YTD totals are \$5,388.94.

C. Lake Wanahoo Primitive Cabins

Staff has received two quotes for the exterior construction of the proposed cabins to be built on the property (see attached map for location).

Wright Shed Co.: \$5,125.00 (estimate attached)

Hancock Construction: \$5,588.00

Staff has also been in contact with Butler Public Power District(BPPD).

BPPD provides electric service to the campground and will need to run new service from the transformer near the Wanahoo shed down to the cabins. Initial estimates were above expected costs so staff is working on offering in-kind work to help lower the overall cost of that portion of the project.

6. INFORMATION AND EDUCATION

A. Information

1. Radio & eAds

The end of February and March KTIC Radio ad and Wahoo Newspaper eAd are attached. These ads are promoting the availability of tree and shrub orders from the LPNRRD.

2. Viaduct

The 2020 winter issue of the Viaduct has been submitted for printing and distribution. Expected circulation date for the area newspapers will start 3-5-2020.

3. Analytics

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Facebook Data

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230. January 2020	231. 4135	232. 3990	233. 112	234. 910
235. Top post : NW S-Valley 2020 Flood Outlook	236. 521	237. 525	238. 17	239.
240. Top Post : Tree orders available	241. 374	242. 366	243. 10	244.
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260. Top post : HM P seco nd roun d mee ting s (top 3)	261. 556	262. 544	263. 42	264.
265. Top 4: Neb rask a Cov er Cro p and Soil Hea lth Con fere nce	266. 284	267. 286	268. 4	269.
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Twitter Data

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280. January 2020	281. 7669	282. 83	283. 308
284. Top Post: NWS-Valley 2020 Flood Outlook	285. 1428	286. 12	287.
288. Top Post: Tree Orders	289. 1192	290. 15	291.
292. Top Post: Prescribed Fire Training	293. 1090	294. 12	295.
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304. Top Post: Shell Creek Watershed scholarship	305. 1591	306. 24	307.
308. Top Post: Nebraska Cover Crop/Soil Health	309. 1391	310. 19	311.

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312. Top Post: Tree orders availabl e	313. 909	314. 7	315.

316. Pheasants Forever Donation Request

The Pheasants Forever Lower Platte Chapter has sent a donation request for their annual banquet on April 17th. They are requesting a \$250 sponsorship. This will be their 21st annual banquet, held at Camp Carol Joy Holling outside of Ashland. The goal of the banquet is to raise funds for conservation projects, youth mentored hunts and other projects in Saunders County and Nebraska.

In 2019, \$250 was donated to the banquet in recognition of the partnership with the Pheasants Forever Lower Platte Chapter.

B. Education

1. February Education Programs

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32. National Envirothon Volunteers

Nebraska’s NRDs are hosting the 2020 National Conservation Foundation (NCF) Envirothon at UNL in Lincoln, July 26 - August 1. This competition is for high school students and will bring more than 500 people from 46 states, several Canadian provinces and China.

If you are interested in volunteering, please visit with Lacey. There is a form that needs filled out and all volunteers will be background checked against state and national sex offender list.

7. RURAL WATER SYSTEMS

A. Colon System

New rates for Colon RWD take effect this billing cycle.

Elliott has been in contact with Nebraska USDA-RD for our yearly reporting for our loan. All required documentation has been submitted.

The RWD was contacted by a resident of Colon with a complaint about the taste of their water. Elliott visited the residence and performed a simple water quality analysis; ran the faucet for 5 minutes, inspected clarity (good), smell (none detected), taste (two cups down and no worries).

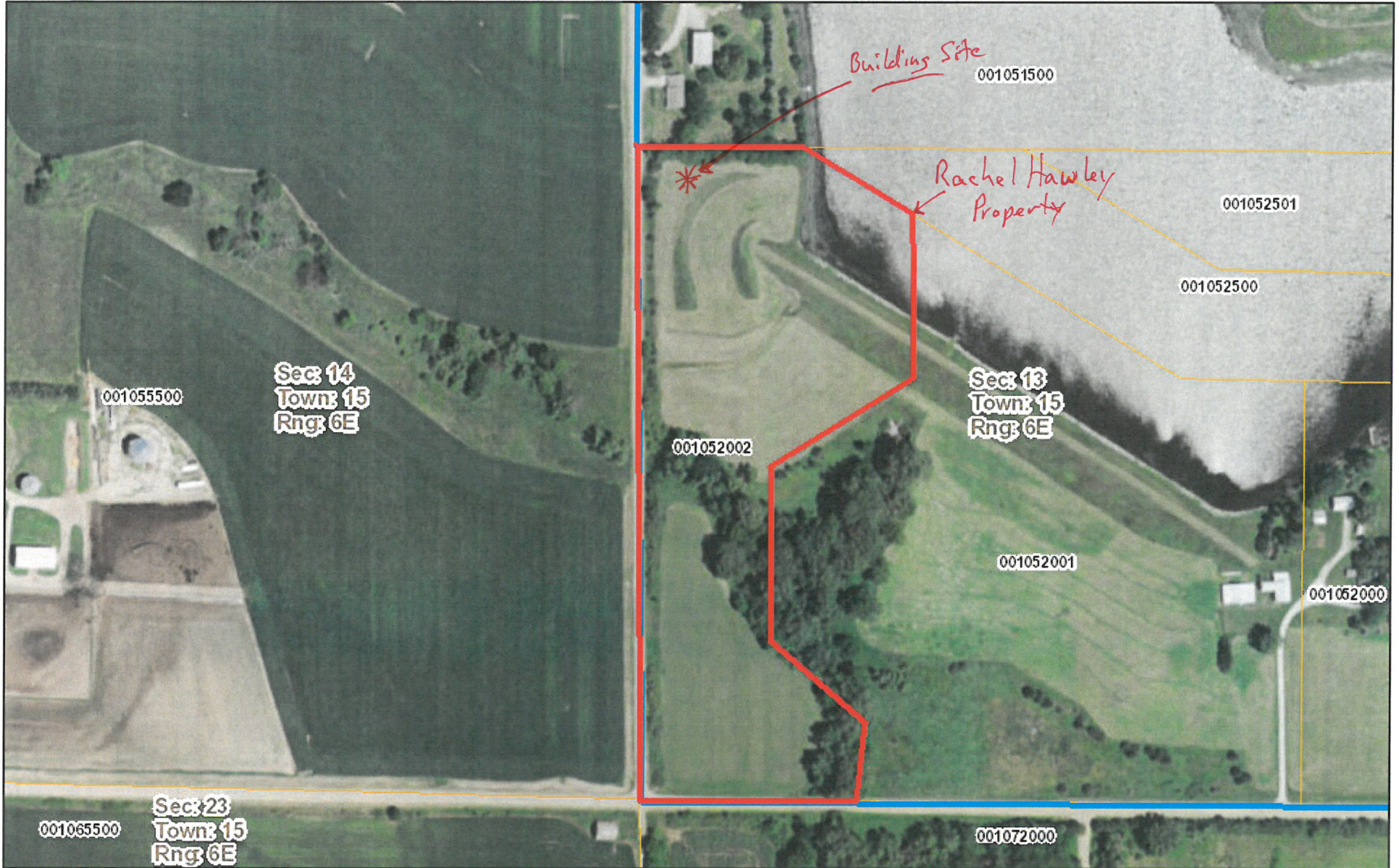
Normal monthly sampling completed, meters read, and bills will go out 3/1.

B. Bruno System

Elliott has been in contact with DHHS regarding our new testing protocol for lead and copper; they will send out procedure material and contact info the beginning of March.



Routine monthly sampling completed, meters read, bills will go out 3/1.

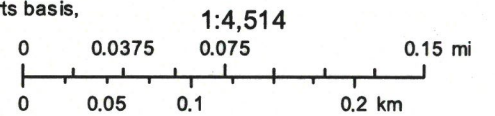
C. Other



February 21, 2020

DISCLAIMER: This map is not intended for conveyances, nor is it a legal survey. The information is presented on a best-efforts basis, and should not be relied upon for making financial, survey, legal or other commitments.

-  Parcels
-  Sections





**Scope of Services
 Amendment No. 1
 Lower Platte North NRD
 Rawhide Ditch No. 8 Flood Damage Repairs
 Dodge County, NE**

UNDERSTANDING AND OBJECTIVE

Refer to the original agreement dated 9/10/2019. Additional services for coordination of emergency repairs of the two major breach locations of Rawhide Ditch 8.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 SCOPE OF WORK

Task 6 – Emergency Repair Coordination

Coordinate with FEMA regarding performing emergency repairs to the two large breach locations. Provide bid solicitation services to obtain quotes from contractors to perform the repairs. Coordinate with the NRD regarding contracting. Provide construction oversight and administration (4 trips to the project site), and associated documentation and correspondence with the NRD and contractor.

Task Deliverables:

- Contractor quote(s) for emergency repairs

Task Meetings & Fee Summary:

- Four trips to the project site: \$625/trip x 4 trips = \$2,500.00
- Bid solicitation, construction administration and observation: \$3,490.00
- Total Task Fee: \$5,990.00

PROPOSED PROJECT SCHEDULE:

The anticipated time frame is as follows:

Task 6 – Emergency Repair Coordination: Through March 2020

PROJECT CONTRACT SUMMARY:


The consultant will provide the services described herein for an hourly, not to exceed fee of \$5,990.00.

Previous Contract Total:	\$39,775.00
Amendment No. 1:	\$ 5,990.00
Updated Total Contract:	\$45,765.00

JEO reserves the right to redistribute budget amongst the project tasks, so long as the total contract amount remains unchanged. If additional services are required/requested by the Owner, a fee for additional services will be negotiated and added via contract amendment, upon approval by both the Owner and Engineer.

Lower Platte North NRD:

JEO Consulting Group, Inc:



Eric Gottschalk, Manager

Jacob Miriovsky, Project Manager, PE

Date: _____

Date: February 17, 2020

001.13B2: Czechland & Homestead Lakes Waterfowl Hunting Areas

Waterfowl hunting areas are designated on both recreation sites, refer to attached aerial photos. Fishermen on shore or in boat have priority over waterfowl hunting. Use of portable blinds and flat bottom boat blinds are allowed, permanent blinds are not allowed.

001.13B3: Lake Wanahoo/ Pheasants Forever Wetland PATH Program Hunting Areas

The PATH Program, youth mentor hunting is allowed at specially designated areas on Lake Wanahoo and Pheasants Forever property as shown on attached maps. The program is regulated by the NE Game and Parks Commission. To access regulations and to reserve a unit area, visit www.outdoornebraska.gov

001.13B4: Lake Wanahoo, Czechland & Homestead Lakes Sighting in & Target Practice with Firearms

The sighting in & target practice with any firearm is prohibited on all three District recreation areas based on the lack of a designated area and safety concerns to the public.

001.13B5: Ice Fishing with a Motorized Vehicle on any District Recreation Lake

The only allowable motorized vehicle to be used for ice fishing is a "Snow Dog" or equivalent machine to be used by a handicapped individual or individual with a written doctor's medical disability letter. An individual will obtain written permission from the District office and carry it with them while ice fishing. The District has the right to deny permission based on the condition and safety of the ice. Individuals will also sign a waiver release of liability.

001.13C: Trapping on District park lands is authorized only by special permission and only at such time as the Manager or O & M Manager determines sufficient depredation is occurring to warrant the removal of surplus furbearers. Trapping must follow all State Trapping Regulations.

001.14

PRESERVATION OF PUBLIC PROPERTY

001.14A: The possession, destruction, injury, defacement, removal or disturbance in any manner of any building, sign, equipment, monument, statue, marker or other structure, or of any animal or plant matter and direct or indirect products is prohibited. This includes but not limited to; petrified wood, flower, cane or other fruit, egg, nest, or nesting site, or of any soil, rock or mineral formation, artifact, relic, historic or prehistoric feature, or of any other public property of any kind.

001.14B: All patrons are expected to use the recreational areas in a responsible manner to show respect for nature, the facilities themselves and other users. It is the policy of the District to provide a system of

Accepting Tree Orders

Spring is here and it's time to start thinking green! The Lower Platte North NRD has dozens of trees and shrubs available for purchase. Ask about our variety packages too! Call 402-443-4675 or stop by to place your order.



LOWER PLATTE NORTH
Natural Resources District

- Cabin #1
- Cabin #2
- Cabin #3
- Cabin #4
- Cabin #5
- Cabin #6
- Cabin #7
- Cabin #8



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Rachel Hawley, Cottonwood 22-A

Rachel would like to build a small cottage 20' x 30' in our easement area above the emergency spillway berm. An existing gate (green) provides access for the District and her. Area in red is approximately 1 acre. She has investigated building below the dam, but that makes it potentially more hazardous and expensive.

Legend





ESTIMATE

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(402) 443-4675

Wright sheds

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Greenwood, Nebraska 68366
Phone: (402) 408-9798
Email: chad@wrightsheds.com
Web: wrightsheds.com

Estimate # 001350
Date 01/16/2020

Description	Total
Orchard 10x12	\$2,870.00
Roof Pitch 8/12	\$380.00
Deck 4x10	\$920.00
This is pressure treated decking. #1 grade 2x6 treated deck boards	
Door (steel/fiberglass) with half light	\$375.00
Window 24"x36" 2@\$155.00 ea.	\$310.00
Insulated	
Window 24"x36" 2@\$155.00 ea.	\$310.00
Insulated	
Custom Match Shingles Life time warranty	\$0.00
Green	
Upgraded #1 SYP treated joist 16" on center \$80.00 value	\$0.00
Upgraded subfloor \$150.00 value	\$0.00
500 day No Sand Warranty	
Paint Custom Match (two colors) Sherwin Williams Superpaint	\$280.00
(Optional) building comes primed ready for the final coat of paint.	
Loft 5'x10'	\$180.00
Discount (see below for discount) for volume	\$0.00

Subtotal	\$5,625.00
Discount	\$500.00
Total	\$5,125.00

Eric Gottschalk