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Protecting Lives, Protecting Property, Protecting the Future



Free Electronic Recycling Event

The Lower Republican NRD along with the Nebraska Environmental Trust, County Supervisors and Commissioners, municipalities and Trailblazer RC&D are once again sponsoring a free electronic recycling event. This event is open to Businesses, Schools, Government Entities, Non-Profits and Households. The accepted items are listed below. Please note that all other appliances not on the list will not be accepted. The locations and times are:

Wednesday, June 1 from 8am—Noon

- **Nelson:** County Road Department, 251 South Park Street

Thursday, June 2 from 8am—Noon

- **Hildreth:** County Road Department

Thursday, June 2 from 1pm—5pm

- **Alma:** Corner of John & South Street (One block south of Hogeland's Market)

Friday, June 3 From 8am—Noon

- **Red Cloud:** Red Cloud Ballfield



ACCEPTED ITEMS: ALL CABLES/WIRES, ALL BATTERIES/UPS BACKUP UNITS, CAMERAS, CELL PHONES/SMART PHONES, CIRCUIT BOARDS, COMPUTERS (TOWERS/DESKTOPS/LAPTOPS), COMPUTER EQUIPMENT, COPIERS, CORDLESS PHONES, DATA CENTER EQUIPMENT, DVD/BLUERAY PLAYERS, GAMING SYSTEMS (WII, PLAYSTATION, XBOX, ETC.,) HARD DRIVES, HUBS, INK/TONER (EMPTY OR FULL), IPODS/IPADS/IPHONES, KEYBOARDS/MIC/JOYSTICKS, LAB EQUIPMENT, LCD MONITORS/TV'S NO BROKEN CRTS, MAINFRAME EQUIPMENT, MODEMS/ROUTERS, MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, NETWORKING EQUIPMENT, PAGERS/BEEPERS, PCI CARDS, PRINTERS, POWER SUPPLIES, SCANNERS, SERVERS, TELECOM EQUIPMENT, MICROWAVES AND TVS.

NO OTHER APPLIANCES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Free Tire Recycling Events

Wednesday, July 27 from 8am—Noon

- **Guide Rock:** 102 University (Elevator), **Webster County Residents Only**

Thursday, July 28 from 8am—Noon

- **Franklin:** Franklin County Fairgrounds, **Franklin County Residents Only**

Thursday, August 4 from 8am—Noon

- **Alma:** Corner of John & South St (One block South of Hogeland's Market), **Harlan County Residents Only**



Here are some things to keep in mind:

- No early or late drop-offs
- Not Accepted—tire rims & inner tubes
- No commercial operations or dealers
- * Bring accurate count or scale tickets
- * Pre-weigh large loads
- * Front-end loader available

For more information on the clean-up, contact the Lower Republican NRD at 308-928-2182.

This event is sponsored by the County Commissioners and Supervisors, Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy (NDEE), Lower Republican Natural Resources District (LRNRD) and Trailblazer RC&D.



**NEBRASKA'S NATURAL
RESOURCES DISTRICTS**
PROTECTING LIVES. PROTECTING PROPERTY. PROTECTING THE FUTURE.

Throughout 2022, Nebraska's Natural Resources Districts (NRDs) will celebrate 50 years of protecting lives, property and the future. During the next 8 months, the NRDs will commemorate breakthroughs and achievements in conservation. To join in the 50th anniversary celebration and follow the NRDs special activities throughout 2022, visit nrdnet.org and follow #Since1972 on social media.

Adventure Camp About the Environment

Whether it's a reptile wrapped around a wrist or a cool splash in the Middle Loup River, Adventure Camp about the Environment, ACE Camp, has something to offer this summer. The Lower Republican NRD is currently accepting registrations for ACE Camp. The Camp will be held June 26th through the 29th at the State 4-H Youth Camp near Halsey. We encourage middle school students interested in outdoors to sign up for this educational, action-packed camp. To qualify, students should have completed sixth, seventh or eighth grade in the 2021-2022 school year.

The 4 day adventure camp provides students an opportunity to dive into different hands-on activities with a natural resources focus. Sessions educate youth on Nebraska's water resources, wildlife, soil, trees, range and grasslands, technology and more. ACE Camp gets students outdoors to explore the world around them.

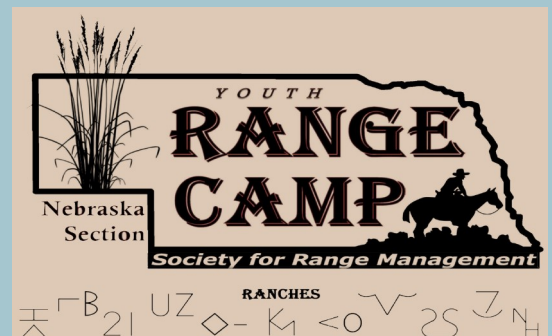
Fees and registration are \$235 per camper. If your child is interested, please contact the Lower Republican NRD. We offer 2 camp scholarships and they are on a first come, first served basis. Campers can complete online registration on our website at <http://lrrnd.org/what-we-do/programs> or on the Adventure Camp about the Environment Facebook page. Registration deadline is **June 10**. Space is **limited**, so campers are encouraged to register early.

Nebraska Youth Range Camp

Nebraska Youth Range Camp at the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture in Curtis, NE, is full of opportunities for hands-on experience, leadership, and teambuilding as well as lectures and field activities geared toward the management of our native range lands. **June 6th to June 9th**, high school students interested in conservation, animal science, wildlife or other related topics will have a unique opportunity to become educated on concerns facing our state.

The Lower Republican NRD grant program pays the camp fee of \$75 for up to two students. The two most qualified applicants will be selected to receive these grants. Priority will be given to first time applicants.

Mail your completed grant application to Lower Republican NRD, PO Box 618, Alma, NE 68920. Applications must be postmarked no later than **May 13th**. For more information about Range Camp or to get a copy of an application form contact the Lower Republican NRD at 308-928-2182, go to our website at www.lrrnd.org/what-we-do/programs, or on Facebook at Nebraska Youth Range Camp.



Lower Republican NRD Scholarship Recipients

The Lower Republican NRD is proud to support Natural Resources education. Three students within the district were awarded a \$1000 scholarship to the Nebraska college of their choice. Kaylee Baker, Ayden Molzahn and Cody Hubl were this year's recipients. They were selected from several exceptional applicants. We wish them all a bright future.



Kaylee Baker

Kaylee is a graduate of Alma Public Schools and will attend Southeast Community College. She will be majoring in Agriculture Business and Management. Kaylee is the daughter of Jarod and Michelle Baker.

Ayden, son of Kynn and Kim Molzahn, will be attending Northeast Community College in Norfolk. He will be majoring in Diesel Mechanics. Ayden is a graduate of Alma Public Schools.



Ayden Molzahn

Cody Hubl graduated from Blue Hill Community School and is currently attending Northeast Community College in Norfolk. He is majoring in Agronomy and Precision Agriculture. Cody is the son of Doug and Tammy Hubl.



Cody Hubl

Congratulations to these outstanding students.

Occupation Tax Exemption—Chemigation Permits—Pooling

June 1st Deadlines

Chemigation Permits—The chemigation permit renewal fee is \$15. After June 1st they will be considered a new permit and will be charged \$50. All irrigated fields that utilize chemigation are required to have a permit. Chemigation Forms can be found on our website at www.lrnrd.org under the News and Information Tab. If you have questions, please contact Shirlee at 308-928-2182.

Occupation Tax Exemption Form—The LRNRD Occupation Tax Exempt form needs to be completed if:

- You do not plan to irrigate part or all of your certified irrigated acres in 2022
- Your certified irrigated acres are enrolled in a government program, i.e. EQIP, CREP, etc.

If you do not have certified irrigated acres or you plan to irrigate all of your certified irrigated acres in 2022, you do not need to complete this form.

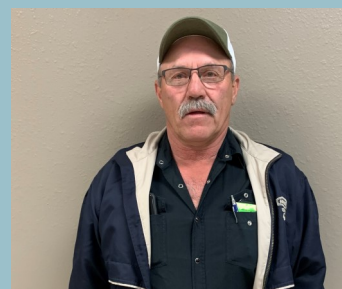
Pooling—Pooling arrangements must be completed by this date for the 2022 irrigation season. Existing arrangements will continue unless written cancellation is received by June 1st. For more information about pooling arrangements or agreements, contact Kristi at our office 308-928-2182 or go to our website and view the ground water rules and regulations at www.lrnrd.org.

The LRNRD is in a NON-Compact Call Year

2022 will be a NON-Compact Call Year. Even though there is no “hard cap” or maximum allocation cap in 2022, the volume of water pumped this year is still deducted from your current allocation balance for the 5-year period. This year, 2022, is year 5 of the 5-year allocation period. Up to 9 inches may be carried over into the next allocation period (2023-2027) based on the remaining balance.

New Board Members

Don Duffy of Guide Rock has replaced Roger Nelson as the Lower Republican NRD Subdistrict 5 Board Representative. Don was sworn in at the February Board Meeting. Don was raised on the family farm near Guide Rock graduating from Guide Rock High School. After graduation, Don helped his dad on the family farm. In the mid 80's, Don took a job with Transwood Trucking Company while still helping on the farm. He has been with Transwood for 38 years and plans to retire at the end of the year. His retirement plans include helping his sons, Kent and Ron, and grandchildren farm. In his spare time, Don enjoys riding his Harley-Davidson.



Replacing Terry Hoit in Subdistrict 5 is Lee Fintel. Lee will take the oath of office at the May Board of Directors meeting. He grew up on the family farm northwest of Superior. Lee and his wife Ann have been married 28 years and have 2 children. Nicole is a sophomore at Harvard University and Justin is a high school senior and will attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln this fall. Lee has been a full-time farmer for the last 10 years. He is currently the Nuckolls County director on the Nebraska Bostwick Irrigation District board and is also assigned to the task force working on the new Republican River diversion near Superior.

Gosper—Furnas County Fire

As this newsletter was heading to the printer, we had just experienced a historic wildfire affecting our district in Furnas county between Arapahoe and Edison. The Lower Republican NRD encourages irrigators in those fire damaged areas to contact our office if they needed to use groundwater in fighting the fires, or have since used wells for dust control or establishing a cover crop in the burn areas. For those flow meters which may be fire damaged, we will be sending our technicians to inspect and evaluate the condition of each meter within this area. If any of these meters require repair or replacement, the Lower Republican NRD will contact you regarding the next steps being implemented. Please contact our office at 308-928-2182 with any questions or concerns.

Board of Directors

Subdistrict 1	Clark Andrews, Holbrook
Subdistrict 1	Toby tenBensel, Holbrook
Subdistrict 2	Bill Bose, Orleans - Vice Chair
Subdistrict 2	Marlin Murdoch, Orleans - Chair
Subdistrict 3	Tim Kahrs, Franklin - Treasurer
Subdistrict 3	Matt Harrison, Naponee
Subdistrict 4	Nelson Trambly, Campbell
Subdistrict 4	David Bartels, Riverton - Secretary
Subdistrict 5	Lee Fintel, Superior
Subdistrict 5	Don Duffy, Guide Rock
At-Large	Bradley Wulf, Red Cloud

LRNRD Staff

Todd Siel	General Manager
Nick Simonson	Assistant Manager
Shirlee Poyser	Admin. Assistant/Bookkeeper
Kristi Heft	Water Resources Administrator
Mary Goebel	Water Secretary/Info. & Edu.
Jim Zimmerman	Rural Water Superintendent
PJ Holmes	Water Resources Technician
Dave Bantam	Water Resources Technician
Vacant	Water Resources Technician
Deb Klingenberger	Franklin County Office Secretary
Jennifer Helms	Furnas County Office Secretary
Brittnay Nurnberg	Harlan County Office Secretary
Lynetta Snelling	Webster County Office Secretary

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 12—Board Meeting 7 pm, LRNRD Meeting Room, Alma
May 30—Memorial Day, Office Closed
June 1—Deadline for Pooling, Chemigation & Occupation Tax
June 1—Electronic Recycling, Nelson, 8—12
June 2—Electronic Recycling, Hildreth, 8—12
June 2—Electronic Recycling, Alma, 1—5
June 3—Electronic Recycling, Red Cloud, 8—12
June 6—9—NE Youth Range Camp, Curtis, NE
June 9—Board Meeting 7 pm, LRNRD Meeting Room, Alma
June 26—29 —ACE Camp, State 4-H Camp, Halsey, NE
July 4—Independence Day, Office Closed
July 11—15—NRD's 50th Anniversary Week
July 14—Board Meeting 7 pm, LRNRD Meeting Room, Alma
July 27—Tire Recycling, Guide Rock, 8—12
July 28—Tire Recycling, Franklin, 8—12
August 4—Tire Recycling, Alma, 8—12

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