

Amended Agenda
Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District
Committee of the Whole
Thursday, January 11, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.
Lower Elkhorn NRD
1508 Square Turn Blvd, Norfolk, Nebraska

1. Statement of Public Notice of Meeting and Posted Nebraska Open Meetings Act Information
- Chairman Roger Gustafson
2. Projects and Programs
 - a. Discussion on Modification of Lower Elkhorn NRD Cover Crop Incentive Program Guidelines
 - b. Maple Creek Shoreline Protection Bids
3. Water Resources
 - a. Lower Elkhorn NRD Rules and Regulations for the Management of Groundwater - Amendment Updates and Discussion on Scheduling of Public Hearing
 - b. Status Update on Submittal of Annual Water Use Reports and Discussion on Future Compliance Actions
 - c. Status Update on Review of Data and Compliance with Lower Elkhorn NRD Annual Groundwater Allocations
 - d. Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects Grant Partnership/Proposal – The LENRD will have a follow up discussion and responses to questions received during the December 28, 2023 board meeting.
 - e. NRCS Source Water Protection Specialist – The U.S. Farm Bill allocates a portion of EQIP funds to incentivize conservation practices on lands located in public water supply well recharge areas. The Lower Elkhorn NRD is exploring options for partnerships to create a shared position to engage in outreach and assistance with farm operators and landowners as part of this program.
4. Administrative
 - a. Wau-Col Regional Water System – The LENRD has received a request from the Village of McLean to allow for the connection of a new water service on a property located outside the village boundary.
 - b. NARD Washington, D.C. Conference – The event is scheduled to be held in March of 2023 and those interested in attending will need authorization to participate.

c. 2024 Nebraska Unicameral Legislative Session – There will be an update on legislation of interest.