

**AGENDA**  
**LOWER ELKHORN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Lower Elkhorn NRD Office  
1508 Square Turn Blvd, Norfolk, Nebraska  
7:30 p.m. – Thursday, June 25, 2026

7:00 p.m. – Finance Subcommittee

1. Statement of Public Notice of Meeting and Posted Nebraska Open Meetings Act Information  
- Chairman Matt Steffen
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of Directors and Excused Absences
4. Adoption of Agenda
5. Public Comment
6. Reading and/or Action on Minutes of the May 28, 2026 Board of Directors Meeting  
- Secretary Kris Loberg
7. Finance Subcommittee – Treasurer Anthony Wisnieski
  - a. Income and Expenses
  - b. Conservation Cost Share Update
8. Monthly Reports
  - a. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts – Gary Loftis
  - b. Nebraska Natural Resources Commission – Chris Dierks
  - c. Natural Resources Conservation Services – Robin Sutherland
  - d. RC&D Reports – Gary Loftis & Melissa Temple
  - e. Bazile Groundwater Management Area Project – Marcus Blunck
  - f. Administrative Report – Brian Bruckner
9. Approval of Logan East Rural Water System Advisory Committee Recommendations  
– Gary Loftis
  - a. Approval of Minutes of Logan East RWS June 8, 2026 Advisory Committee Meeting
10. Information, Planning, Programs, Projects, Equipment & Legislation Committee of the Whole Report – Vice-Chairman Jay Reikofski

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- a. Colfax County Streambank Stabilization Project – Discussion and Possible Action on an Interlocal Agreement to address a request for financial assistance from Colfax County to assist with the cost of bank stabilization to protect a county road bridge and weir structure.
- b. City of Battle Creek Flood Mitigation Options – District Staff recently participated in a conference call with staff from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to gain information and insight on the availability of funding and level of support that could be provided to the sponsor to engage in a cost/benefit analysis of flood mitigation options for the City of Battle Creek.
- c. Northeast Weed Management Area – Discussion and Action to reconsider a request for financial support to serve as cash match for the Northeast Weed Management Area who recently secured funding from the Nebraska Environmental Trust along with the Upper Elkhorn, Lower Niobrara, and Lewis and Clark Natural Resources Districts.
- d. Discussion and Action on Issuance of Cease and Desist Orders for Failure to Submit Phase 2 and 3 Area Management Reports – The District has mailed Notices of Violation to impacted farm operators in the Phase 2 and 3 Areas and Discussion and Action will be considered for the Issuance of Cease and Desist Orders for individuals who have failed to comply.
- e. Use of Chemigation on Land Associated with an Approved Standard Variance for New Groundwater Irrigated Acres – Discussion and Action on compliance with the Chemigation Requirement set forth in the Conditions for Approval of a Standard Variance for New Groundwater Irrigated Acres in the LENRD.

## 11. Administrative

- a. 457 Deferred Compensation In-Plan Roth Rollover Contribution and Rollover Transfer – Discussion and Action on an amendment recently approved by the NARD Board to the NARD 457 Deferred Compensation Plan which will allow for voluntary In-Plan Rollover Contributions and Transfers. Adoption of the amendment would be required by each of the NRD’s to become official.

## 12. Executive Board

- a. Fiscal Year 2027 Wage Adjustments – Discussion and Action on Recommended Wage Adjustments for Cost of Living and Step and Grade Changes.

### Dates to Remember

July 3 – Office Closed

July 6 – Wau-Col RWS Meeting, Belden – 7:00 p.m.

July 9 - Lower Elkhorn NRD Committee of the Whole Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

July 13 - Logan East RWS Meeting, Oakland – 7:00 p.m.

July 17 – BGMA Field Day – 10:00-12:00 p.m., Junior Pfanstiel Farm, McLean, NE

July 21-23 – GMDA Summer Conference, Lubbock, TX

July 23 – Lower Elkhorn NRD Board of Director’s Meeting – 7:30 p.m.

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