

Agenda
Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District
Committee of the Whole
Thursday, May 14, 2026 – 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 Matt Steffen

2. Public Comment

3. Projects and Programs
 - a. City of Norfolk 2022 Drainage Study – The City of Norfolk and the Lower Elkhorn NRD partnered in 2022 to evaluate drainage on property slated for development on the east edge of the City. District staff was recently contacted by the City to gauge interest in implementing some of the recommendations.

 - b. Elkhorn River Cameras – The Papio Missouri NRD, in partnership with the United States Geological Survey, has deployed cameras to observe conditions on the Elkhorn River, beginning at the HWY 275 bridge south of West Point. A request to help fund the annual cost of operation and maintenance of the cameras has been made by the Papio Missouri NRD.

 - c. Budget Planning Pages – Curt Becker will present some proposed budget numbers.

4. Water Resources
 - a. LENRD Observation Well Network - Spring 2026 Water Level Report – Dallas Dorey will report on the data collected from the LENRD Observation Well Network.

 - b. Vadose Zone Studies Update – Doug Hallum will provide an update on the Nebraska Environmental Trust project and share additional information gathered from data collected in Cuming, Colfax, and Dodge Counties.

 - c. LENRD/LCNRD Source Water Protection Specialist – Jim Olson will provide a status update on his efforts to connect with landowners and farm operators to establish conservation practices on working lands that intersect with Wellhead Protection Areas.

 - d. Budget Planning Pages – Doug Hallum will present some proposed budget numbers.

Protecting Lives – Protecting Property – Protecting the Future
Agenda subject to change 24 hours prior to meeting.

5. Administrative

- a. 2026 Senior Scholarship Awards - Communications Specialist Liz Lienemann
- b. Dana F. Cole Fiscal Year 2026 Auditing Agreement – Staff has received a proposal from Dana F. Cole and Company LLP to complete the Fiscal Year 2026 audit for the Lower Elkhorn NRD.
- c. Budget Planning Pages – Liz Lienemann will present some proposed budget numbers.