



News Release

(HOLDREGE, Neb.) -- Precipitation in recent days in Colorado's South Platte River watershed has raised flows in the South Platte River entering Nebraska. The South Platte River is expected to experience increased flows in Nebraska through next week, but is not at this time expected to cause flooding problems.

In anticipation of flows in the Platte River being above target flows set by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, The Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District's board of directors met in a special board meeting on Fri., May 8 and approved (subject to legal review and approval by the other parties) agreements to divert excess river flows into the E65 Canal and Elwood Reservoir for groundwater recharge purposes and to augment instream flows.

The agreements are part of efforts by Central, Tri-Basin Natural Resources District, the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, the Nebraska Community Foundation, and the Platte River Recovery Implementation Program to utilize excess flows for beneficial purposes.

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