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## South Central Water Conference Planning Committee

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(HOLDREGE, Neb.) -- The public is invited to attend the 28th annual South Central Water Conference (formerly known as the Holdrege Water Conference) on Feb. 1 at the Phelps County Ag Center.

Water is perhaps one of the most prevalent topics of discussion across Nebraska. The conference will bring together experts involved with water issues, as well as other topics that will inform and entertain, to discuss current issues of importance to area residents.

The conference is scheduled to start at 9:30 a.m., with coffee and rolls, and will conclude around 3 p.m. There is no admission fee and lunch will be served courtesy of the conference's sponsors.

Speakers and topics for the conference include:

- "UNL On-Farm Research 50/50 Challenge" Todd Whitney, UNL Extension Educator.
- "Nitrogen Application" Chuck Burr, UNL Extension Educator Water Irrigation Crop System
- "Water Resources Update Platte Basin" Nolan Little, Tri-Basin Natural Resources District; Tyler Thulin, Central Nebraska Public Power & Irrigation District; Nick Simonson, Lower Republican Natural Resource District; Craig Scott, US Bureau of Reclamation
- "2022 Economic Nitrogen Application Rates" Matt Stockton, UNL West Central Extension Ag Economist
- "2022 Climate Outlook and Drought Monitor Update" Keynote Speaker Al Dutcher, UNL Extension Climatologist
- "Dawson Public Power & Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation Merger" Devin Brundage, General Manager, Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District

The Holdrege Area Chamber of Commerce joins with the Tri-Basin Natural Resources District, The Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District, the Lower Republican Natural Resource District and Phelps-Gosper Cooperative Extension to sponsor the event.

Area merchants and agricultural suppliers will be on hand with booths and displays to discuss their products and services with conference attendees.