

News Release

*South Central Water Conference
Planning Committee*

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(HOLDREGE, Neb.) -- The public is invited to attend the 30th annual South Central Water Conference on Feb. 1 at the Phelps County Ag Center in Holdrege.

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 2:30 p.m. There is no admission fee and lunch from Score One Smokin will be served courtesy of the conference's sponsors.

Speakers and topics for the conference include:

- “What is Actual Water Consumption in Your Field” Derek Brozda, Li-Cor Global Business Development Manager
- “Kingsley Dam” Mike Drain, Central Nebraska Public Power & Irrigation District
- “Producer Panel - Water and Nitrogen Efficiency” Todd Whitney, UNL Extension (Facilitator); Panelists: Matt or Dave Grimes, Kearney County; Brian Knoetzer, Gosper County, Jerry Howsden, Harlan County
- “2024 Weather Outlook” Keynote Speaker - Eric Hunt, Assistant Ag Climatologist, UNL Extension
- “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

The Tri-Basin Natural Resources District joins 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. Score One Smokin will be catering the lunch for those in attendance.

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