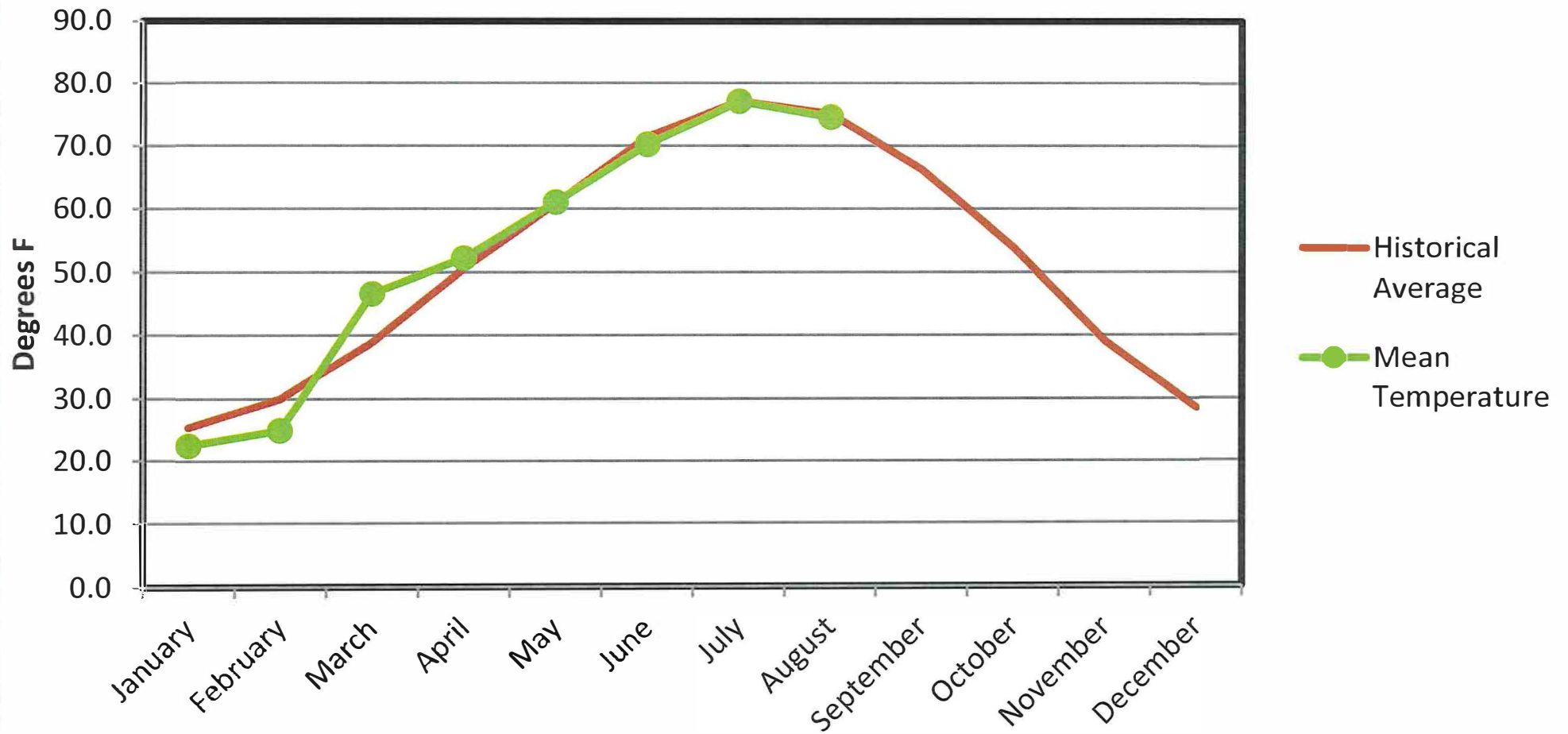


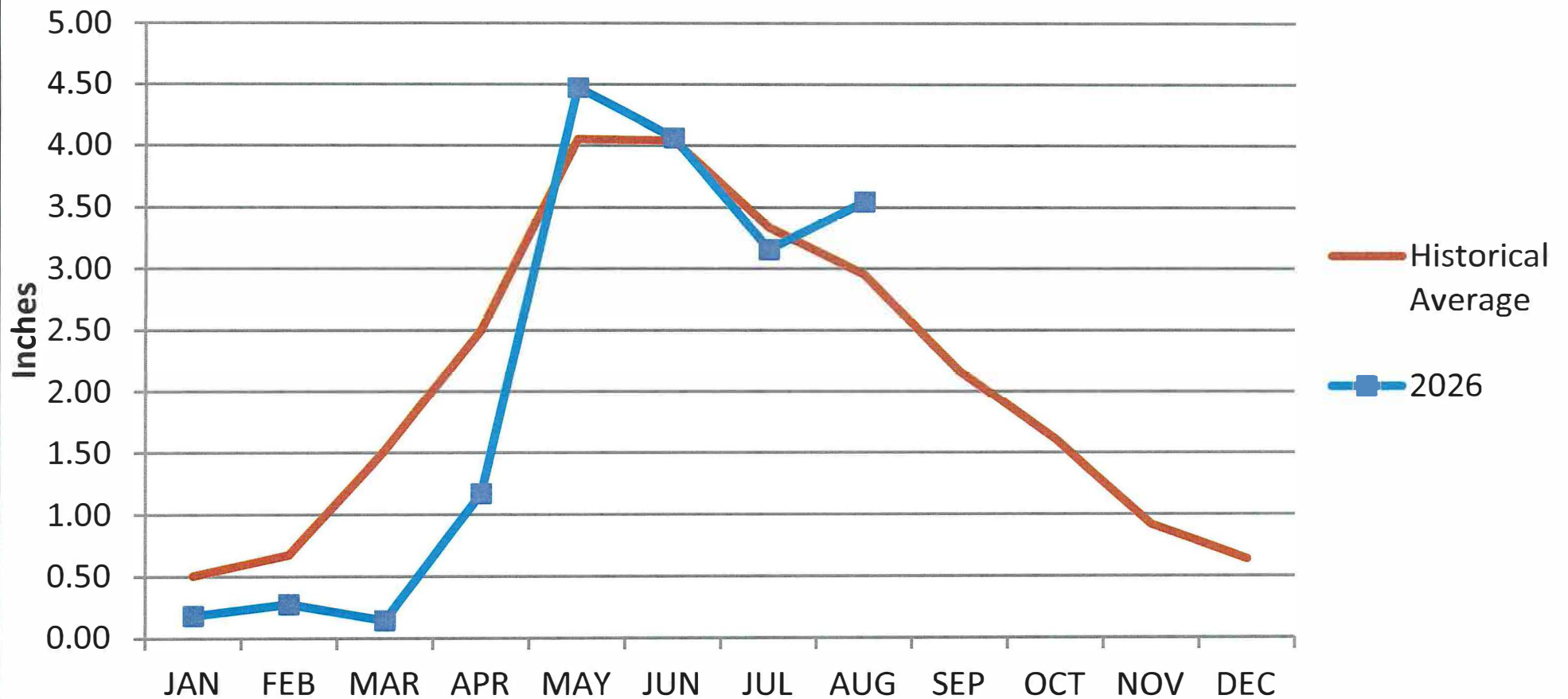
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Holdrege Monthly Mean Temperature - 2026



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Holdrege Monthly Precipitation - 2026



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August 2026 - Holdrege

Temperature: (°F)

- * High 94° (Recorded August 29 & 30)
- * Low: 59° (Recorded August 1 & 2)

- * Mean: 74.5° (Normal for August 75.5°)
 - Mean High: 85.4° (Normal: 89.°)
 - Mean Low: 62.8° (Normal: 62°)

NOTES:

Precipitation for August 2026: 2.95"

(Normal for August: 2.78")

Precipitation for the year through August: 17.34"

(Normal for the year through August: 18.85")

NOTES:

Rain noted 14 days
Fog noted 2 days
Thunder noted 1 day

August 2025

Temperature:

High: 95°
Low: 47°
Mean: 72.6°

Precipitation:

For the month: 3.31"
For the year: 22.79"

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STATION (Climatological) Minden		(River Station, if different)		MONTH Jul 2026		WS FORM B-91 (03-09)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE				
STATE NE		COUNTY Kearney		RIVER		RECORD OF RIVER AND CLIMATOLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS						
TIME (local) OF OBSERVATION RIVER		TEMPERATURE 08:30		PRECIPITATION 08:30						STANDARD TIME IN USE		
TYPE OF RIVER GAGE		ELEVATION OF RIVER GAGE ZERO		FLOOD STAGE						NORMAL POOL STAGE		
DATE	TEMPERATURE		PRECIPITATION		WEATHER (Observation Day)		RIVER STAGE		REMARKS (SPECIAL OBSERVATIONS, ETC.)			
	24 HRS ENDING AT OBSERVATION	AT OBSN	24 HR AMOUNTS AT OB Rain, melted snow, etc. (in and hundredths) Snow, ice pellets, hail (line and tenths) Snow, ice pellets, hail ice on ground (in)	Draw a straight line (—) through hours precipitation was observed, and a wavy line (~~~) through hours precipitation probably occurred unobserved		Mark 'X' for all types occurring each day		Time of occurrence if different from above		Condition	Gage reading at ___ AM	Tendency
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STATION (Climatological) Elwood 85		(River Station, if different)		MONTH Jul 2026		WS FORM B-91 (03-09)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE			
STATE NE		COUNTY Gosper		RIVER		RECORD OF RIVER AND CLIMATOLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS					
TIME (local) OF OBSERVATION RIVER		TEMPERATURE 08:00		PRECIPITATION 08:00						STANDARD TIME IN USE	
TYPE OF RIVER GAGE		ELEVATION OF RIVER GAGE ZERO		FLOOD STAGE						NORMAL POOL STAGE	

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Third Quarter 2026 Grand Island Stream Gauge Data

	July Act	July Tar	Well Run	Aug Act	Aug Tar	Well Run	Sept Act	Sept Tar	Well Run
1	3.81	800		3.15	800		3.22	800	
2	3.57	800		3.22	800			800	
3	3.45	800		3.38	800			800	
4	3.36	800		3.34	800			800	
5	3.34	800		3.27	800			800	
6	3.3	800		3.25	800			800	
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27	2.89	800		3.41	800			600	
28	2.88	800		3.37	800			600	
29	2.89	800		3.26	800			600	
30	3.03	800		3.3	800			600	
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Third Quarter 2026 Overton Stream Gauge Data

	July Act	July Tar	Well Rur	Aug Act	Aug Tar	Well Rur	Sept Act	Sept Tar	Well Run
1	214	800		1540	800		136	800	
2	199	800		1210	800			800	
3	151	800		425	800			800	
4	199	800		95.7	800			800	
5	199	800		91.4	800			800	
6	1130	800		91.7	800			800	
7	231	800		130	800			800	
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9	113	800		114	800			800	
10	2.62	800		114	800			800	
11	2.2	800		105	800			800	
12	2.82	800		105	800			800	
13	2.56	800		100	800			800	
14	85.5	800		9.3	800			800	
15	57.3	800		226	800			800	
16	3.21	800		479	800			600	
17	3.19	800		554	800			600	
18	115	800		1650	800			600	
19	176	800		1420	800			600	
20	108	800		330	800			600	
21	226	800		202	800			600	
22	105	800		160	800			600	
23	91.4	800		148	800			600	
24	601	800		142	800			600	
25	387	800		148	800			600	
26	125	800		173	800			600	
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Mr. Kyle Shepard, Chairman
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Dear Kyle:

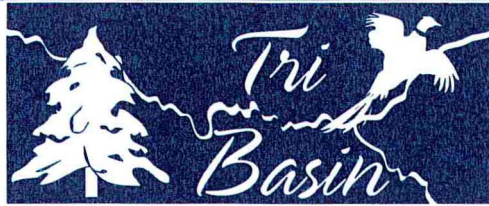
During their regular meeting on August 19, the Tri-Basin NRD Board of Directors approved a motion to fund up to half the cost of a joint study by our two districts. The goal of the study is to determine the most effective way to utilize water supplies available to both districts to produce the greatest benefits for our districts' shared constituency. It is our belief and expectation that the best way for our two districts to prepare for the next few years of lean surface water supplies is to closely coordinate our regulatory and management actions. If we have a common basis for planning, that coordination will be more timely and effective. We also anticipate that this joint study can form the basis of a drought management plan that both districts can use to prepare for and mitigate not just the current drought, but future droughts as well.

If you are willing to consider this proposal, I suggest that committees of both boards should meet jointly to develop parameters for this study and consider how to implement and fund it. Feel free to call or email me if you have questions, or if you wish to discuss this proposal in further detail.

Sincerely,


John Thorburn
General Manager

Cc: TBNRD directors
Mr. Matt Manning, Chief Water Officer, NDWEE



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Mr. Robert Lawson, NE State Conservationist
USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service
1121 Lincoln Mall Room 360, Lincoln, NE 68508

Dear Rob:

Tri-Basin Natural Resources District hereby requests the opportunity to deliver excess flows from the Platte River through the Central NE Public Power and Irrigation District (CNPPID) canal system to a wetland enrolled in the Wetland Reserve Program in Section 8, T6N, R16W in Kearney County for the purpose of recharging groundwater supplies in that vicinity.

As you may be aware, CNPPID will likely have limited supplies of irrigation water for the next couple years. Because canal water supplies will be limited, producers will need to rely on groundwater for irrigation water. This will accelerate ongoing groundwater declines in the area. Groundwater recharge in this particular location will also support water levels in MOSAIC's fishing pond, which is maintained for the benefit of its clients. Utilization of this wetland for groundwater recharge has been discussed with MOSAIC and with Gustafson Family Farms, LLC, owners of the wetland. Both landowners support this proposal. Tri-Basin NRD has an existing agreement with MOSAIC to control weeds on their property, so this plan should not add to their land maintenance expenses. Feel free to contact me if you need additional information. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

John Thorburn

Manager

CC: TBNRD Directors



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Dear Rob:

Tri-Basin Natural Resources District hereby requests financial assistance through the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act of 1954 (Public Law 83-566) to develop a watershed plan for the North Dry Creek Watershed in Phelps and Kearney Counties, Nebraska, to address flooding, erosion, and sedimentation. NRCS completed a Preliminary Investigation Findings Report for the watershed in 2023 and found that the watershed met the statutory requirements of the program and would be eligible for financial assistance for watershed planning. Tri-Basin NRD would prefer to enter into a locally-led agreement with NRCS and hire a consulting firm to complete the watershed plan. Feel free to contact me if you need additional information. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



John Thorburn

Manager

CC: TBNRD Directors

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Dear John:

Central appreciates and is always willing to consider ideas and opportunities that may provide value to our customers and support the effective management of the District's water resources.

Thank you again for reaching out and for providing the information.

P.P. Emily J. Anderson
for

KS/ea

Gosper PBA Membership Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Preferred contact method for GPBA burns: ☐ Phone ☐ Email ☐ Text

May we send local prescribed fire news and training updates? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Emergency Contact (Name and Phone): _____

Personal equipment you have available to bring to a prescribed burn:

☐ Pickup truck with water skid or old grass rig

☐ UTV with no pump or electric pump sprayer ☐ UTV with high volume/pressure sprayer

☐ Drip torch ☐ Hand tools ☐ Nomex/PPE ☐ Other – describe below:

Agreement and Signature

I certify that the information provided on this form is accurate and complete. I agree to follow the bylaws, policies, and expectations of the Gosper Prescribed Burn Association.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

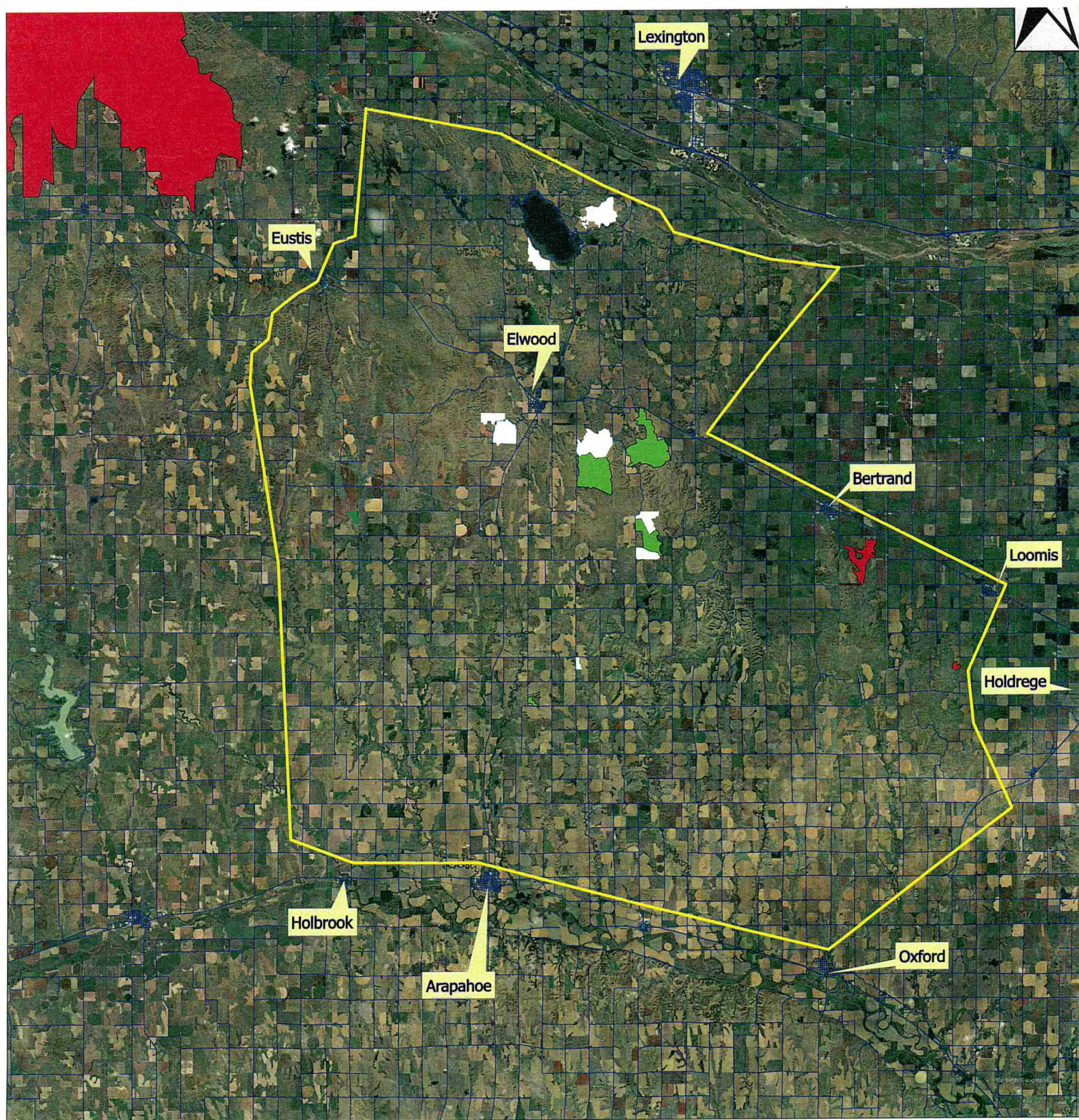
☐ 2026-2027 Membership: (\$50) ☐ Cash ☐ Check**

☐ Additional Donation: _____ Donation Receipt?: YES / NO

***For Checks, please address to “PHEASANTS FOREVER”. In the memo line you may write “Gosper PBA”**

**Pheasants Forever operates a cash management system for Gosper PBA until they can set up their own non-profit status and local bank account. Funding in the Pheasants Forever account is to be used only for the benefit of GPBA, equipment purchasing, maintenance, and upkeep.

Return completed membership form/dues to:
Rob van Lieshout (Prescribed Fire Specialist)
USDA-NRCS Office
309 Smith Ave, Elwood Nebraska 68937
PO Box 41 (or drop off at office)



Nebraska Cattlemen push back on Trump plan for foreign beef

Ben Doodym Omaha World Herald

Kearney Hub

8/25/2026

Nebraska cattle producers warned Friday the President Donald Trump's plan to bring in more lower-priced foreign beef could undermine efforts to rebuild the nation's historically small cattle herd.

Craig Uden, a fourth-generation cattleman who serves as president of the Nebraska Cattlemen, told the World-Herald on Friday the Nebraska cattle producers are "trying their darndest" to increase production - a process that could prove more difficult if their businesses are faced with instability brought on by government policy changes.

Trump announced Friday that the U.S. would allow up to 300,000 metric tons of ground beef to be imported with an "out of quotas" tariff for 90 days. He said the move is intended to lower record-high beef prices for consumers.

The Nebraska Cattlemen said in a statement Friday the Trump's announcement "could not have come at a worse time" as producers gear up to make critical decisions about heifer retention and herd expansion.

Uden later told The World - Herald that ranchers have worked to overcome a series of obstacles, including drought, wildfires, and high input cost.

Many Nebraska ranchers have been profitable over the past year as demand for beef has remained high and supply has been low because of a herd that's the smallest it's been in decades.

But Uden said that recent profits for some producers have come against the backdrop of other struggles.

"You have to remember, they had 10 awful, bad years" he said., so one year is a start, but the cost of production because of the drought and now the fires, that all adds to the bottom line, too. Let's not forget the cost of production is weighing a lot on what they're receiving."

Uden was among many Nebraska agribusiness and political leaders who reacted negatively on Friday to Trump's comments, which the president announced in a morning post on Truth Social.

Mark McHargue, president of the Nebraska Farm Bureau, said in a statement the "shortsighted government policy only serves to provide long-term damage to an unbelievable complex beef supply chain."

The list of Nebraska Republicans expressing dismay about the Trump announcement including U.S. Sens. Deb Fisher and Pete Ricketts, Rep. Adrain Smith and Mike Flood, and south-east Nebraska agribusiness man Charles Herbeter, one of Trump's longest-term and staunchest supporters in the state.

Herbster, who ran with Trump's endorsement for governor in 2022 before losing in a three-way GOP primary to Gov. Jim Pillen, said on social media that Trump's plan would "hurt our local producers and feedlots while doing nothing to help address long-term solutions to our fed cattle shortage."

Trump told reporters Friday that his administration wanted to "get process down and a little bit."

"The ranchers are great," he said. They are my people. I love the ranchers. They've done a fantastic job. But they admit that we need a little help in order to get the prices down, so that we're doing."

Uden took a different approach when talking about beef prices.

"We don't necessarily think that grocery store prices are out of line compared to anything else we're dealing with whether that be fuel, lumber or any other commodity out there that's being affected by maybe past policies that created this, he said.

Asked by The World-Herald what Nebraska cattle producers need from the Trump administration, Uden zeroed in on one theme: Stability.

"When the cattlemen make decision make like I said, it's long-term" he said. "When we divert from one issue to other quickly, we're just wanting to have some stability out there that we can grow our businesses on."

Drying up At Big Mac

Mike Konz. Enterprise Editor

8/19/2026

This could be the season Ogallala business operators prayed would never happen:

Record-low levels at Lake McConaughy.

Although Bigi Mac is satisfying obligations to provide water for crops, sustain wildlife and produce hydroelectricity , 2026 could go into the books as the year.

"We're at about 24% of volume, and we're approaching a historic low, my parents tell me," said Grace Van Borkum. Her father and mother , Albert and Collette Borkum, own Van's Lakeview Fishing Camp. A well-known operation on the south side of Big Mac.

"Van's" as the resort is known, has had a ringside seat to the problems at Big Mac. Low snowfall accumulations have added up to anxiety for Ogallala boating economy.

To state matters bluntly , it's a mess/

Van's announced this week that many services it provides to boaters are for now not available. The lake level has receded, making the resort's concrete launching ramp and shore-side docks unusable.

Van's customers aren't completely out of luck. The resort operates a small fleet of "tugs." The converted trucks have huge tires that allow Van's to launch and retrieve customers' boats from the beach.

Tug rates range from \$20 to \$30 for a "round trip."

Boaters who attempt to launch themselves risk being stuck in Big Mac's muddy bottom or needing to be rescued themselves.

The last public boat ramp at Lake McConaughy State Recreation Areas closed Aug 15 because of low water levels. Nebraska Game and Parks said in a news release. Private boat launch services at Lake McConaughy provide the only access to the lake going forward.

Harlan Lake

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which operates Harlan Lake, was cautioning boaters to proceed with extreme caution and no-wake speed while motoring through Gremlin Cove access channel into the larger – and deeper- part of Harlan County Reservoir.

The Corps reported the minimum channel depth to be 3.5 feet. That's shallow enough to get the attention of Kearny resident DeWayne Gohl., who is seasonal camper and boater at the lake.

"I think it will be a week-by week deal," Gohl said about prospects for late season boating at Harlan Lake.

The corps of Engineers announced Monday the access channel would close indefinitely beginning Monday to allow crews to safely conduct ongoing dredging operations.

The outflows for the Republican River that feeds Harlan Lake was 150 cubic feet per second, according to the Corps ' Tuesday announcement. The lake's elevation was 1,933.66.

The Franklin and Nappanee canal outflows were 0cfs and the Republican River inflows at Orleans as 2cfs.

Planning for Future

Alex Linden, government and public relations manager for the organization that operates Lake McConaughy , Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District , said Centrals leaders are assembling a plan to prevent more water shortages like this year's problems with Big Mac.

Linden said water from recent rainfall is being stored to Elwood Reservoir to prevent the water from being sent downstream. He said that if Big Mac achieves a record low, it would be equivalent to 18% of McConaughy's capacity. The lowest level was achieved in 2004, Linden said.

"It's been a record low inflow—record low snowfall, not much coming in," Linden said. .

"We're working on a drought mitigation plan to make sure all the stakeholders can take care of their needs for irrigation demand, power production and recreation."

Lake levels

Kearney resident Steve Lind has boated for many years at Johnson Lake south of Lexington. He said has had enjoyed many good experiences at the lake. "Central is fairly good. They have everybody's email , and the keep you informed."

- Johnson Lake is at 2,618 currently, its normal operating level. One year ago, the elevation was 2,618.3.
- Elwood Reservoir is at 2,592.9 currently. Water was transferred into the reservoir as a result of recent rain events. That water will be used for irrigation later this season to eliminate further release from McConaughy.

- Lake McConaughy is at 3,303.9 feet currently (24% of capacity). One year ago, elevation was 3,224.4, During irrigation season, the lake dropped 2 feet per week.

Inflows to Big Mac are 511 cubic feet per second(cfs) , which is way up this week because of recent rains. :Last week it was 107 and a month ago it as 182, Inflows have been at a record low, averaging about 150 cfs all summer. Average inflows from April- June are about 1200cfs and at nearly 1000 cfs all summer.

Once irrigation season is over, Central will begin to prioritize storing water in Lake McConaughy. However, Central is required under its Federal Energy Regulatory Commission License to release some water over the non-irrigation season. That release requirement is reduced because of the low lake levels.