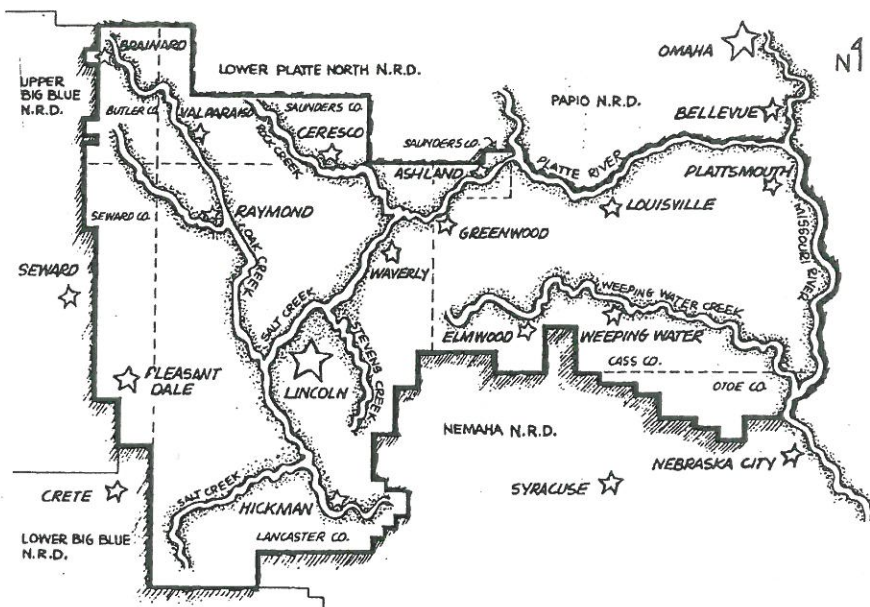




LOWER PLATTE SOUTH natural resources district

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Lower Platte South Natural Resources District Boundary



- There are 23 districts in Nebraska--the only state with an NRD system
- Lower Platte South is governed by a 21-member board of directors
- The district serves both rural and urban populations
- \$26 million budget for FY 2017 (July 1st - June 30th)
- 35% property taxes, 7% federal, 16.5% state & local
- Property tax levy of \$0.034/\$100 of actual valuation
- In 1972, the legislature created the NRDs...to develop and execute plans, facilities, works and programs in the following areas:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Erosion Protection & Control ○ Floodwater & Sediment Damage Prevention ○ Water Supply for Any Beneficial Use ○ Development & Management of Fish & Wildlife Habitat ○ Development & Management of Parks and Recreation Facilities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Flood Prevention & Control ○ Development, Management, Use and Conservation of Surface and Ground Water ○ Soil Conservation ○ Drainage & Channel Improvement ○ Forestry & Range Management ○ Pollution Control ○ Solid Waste Disposal & Sanitary Drainage |
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- NRDs have very broad authorities--Priorities vary in each district
- NRDs cooperate with governmental agencies, private entities & the public

□ Information & Education

- “Know Your NRD” newsletter in LJS and weeklies, Feb., June, Oct.
- On-line NRD program information: www.lpsnrd.org
- Provide information on TV, radio & social media
- Teacher workshops, environmental education, Earth Wellness Festival
- Outdoor classrooms, Nature Nights

□ Recreation, Fish & Wildlife

- Public access areas (Wildwood, Timber Point, etc.)
- Conservation easements on wetlands
- Tree planting assistance for landowners
- Trails - MoPac East Trail (Lincoln-Elmwood), Oak Creek Trail (Val. - Brainard), Homestead Trail (Lincoln-Cortland), Salt Creek Levee Trail

□ Urban Resource Management

- Urban storm water projects
- Streambank stabilization projects (gabions, bio-engineering)
- Salt Creek Levee System (13.5 mi.)
- Urban Water Quality Cost-Share Program
- Urban Watershed Basin Planning w/Lincoln and other communities
- Community Assistance Program

□ Soil & Water Conservation

- \$1.3 million per year cost-share assistance (terraces, farmponds, etc.)
- Buffer Strip Program
- Technical assistance to landowners

□ Water Resources Management

- District-wide Ground Water Management Area
- Ground water quality and quantity monitoring
- Community Water System Protection Areas
- Well Decommissioning cost-share assistance
- Fertilizer flow meter cost-share assistance
- Aerial scanning for aquifer data
- Flood control studies and projects