



Water Management Summit

Thursday, Sept. 23rd, Monsanto Convention Center—Gothenburg, Nebraska

Check In from 7:30—8:15 a.m.

8:15 a.m.

Welcome: Pete Ricketts, President, (C)
Platte Institute for Economic Research

Opening Remarks: Nebraska Senator Beau McCoy (C)
Opening Remarks: Jane Griffin—The Groundwater Foundation (I)

8:30 a.m.

Nebraska Water Resources—Drs. Suppala & Martin, (C)
University of Nebraska-Lincoln Professors

9:15 a.m.

Platte River—Past & Future—Panel Discussion

Moderator: Jerry Kenny, Ph.D.,
Platte River Recovery Implementation Program (C)
Rodney Schwartz, U.S. Core of Engineers, Retired, (C)
Dave Nabity, Nabity Business Advisors (C)
Don Kraus, Central Nebraska Public Power Irrigation District (C)

10:15 a.m.—Break

10:30 a.m.

Water Governance Strategies—Mary Kelly,
National Water Expert (C)

11:00 a.m.

Water Resource Challenges—Panel Discussion

Moderator—Senator Beau McCoy (C)
Senator Tom Carlson (I)
Senator Deb Fischer (I)
Senator Ken Haar (I)
Senator Ken Schilz (C)
Jay Rempke, Nebraska Farm Bureau (C)

12:30—Luncheon

Introduction—Warren Arganbright (C)
Special Remarks—Tom Osborne (C)

1:00 p.m.

Sustainable Agriculture—Chandler Mazour, Monsanto (C)

1:30 p.m.

Nebraska Water Challenges—
Brian Dunnigan, Nebraska DNR Director (C)

2:00 p.m.

Water Supply Management
From 30,000 Feet—Panel Discussion

Moderator: Brian Dunnigan, (C)
Director of Department of Natural Resources
Warren Arganbright, Nebraska Lawyer (C)
Mike Allen, Nebraska Well Drillers Association (I)
Nebraska Senator Chris Langemeier, Nebraska Water
Resources Advisory Panel (I)
Jim Goeke, UNL Research Center, North Platte (C)
Jerry Obrist—Chief Engineer of Water Works, Lincoln (C)

3:00 p.m.—Break

3:15 p.m.

Optimizing Local Water Management Practices—Panel Discussion

Moderator: Dean Edson,
Nebraska Association of Resource Districts (C)
John Turnbull, Upper Big Blue NRD (C)
Jasper Fanning, Ph.D., Upper Republican NRD (C)
Mary Kelly, National Water Resource Expert (C)
Kent Miller, Twin Platte NRD (C)
John Miyoshi, Lower Platte North NRD (C)

4:15 p.m.

Thank You & Wrap-Up: John McCollister, (C)
Platte Institute Executive Director

(c) = Confirmed; (I) = Invited; (P) = Proposed

Tours of the Monsanto Facility Will be Available Following the Summit

5:30 p.m.—Water Summit Barbeque With Nebraska Senators as Honorary Chefs

Food Provided by Main Course Catering