

REPORT OF WATER ADMINISTRATION ACTIVITIES FOR THE REPUBLICAN RIVER BASIN IN NEBRASKA FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2025

January 2025

Letters were mailed to irrigators reminding them that their 2024 Water Use Reports (WUR) must be filed with the Cambridge Field Office, or they will be closed.

February 25, 2025

Nineteen (19) Closing notices were mailed to irrigators in the Republican River Basin who did not return their 2024 WURs.

April 21, 2025

Seventeen (17) Opening notices for storage were mailed to irrigators in the Republican River Basin.

June 2, 2025

One (1) Opening notices was mailed to irrigators in the Republican River Basin who returned their 2024 WURs.

June 23, 2025

Thirty-Three (33) Permits were closed for the administration of a senior permit in the Republican River Basin.

July 21, 2025

One Hundred Twenty-Three (123) permits were closed due to the determination that 2025 is a Water Short Year below Harlan County Lake.

July 21, 2025

One (1) Opening notices was mailed to irrigators in the Republican River Basin who returned their 2024 WURs.

September 11, 2025

Thirty-Two (32) Permits were opened in the Republican River Basin.

November 25, 2025

Three Hundred Thirty-Three (333) Permits were closed to administer NRD management actions into Harlan County Lake to fulfill compact obligation during Compact Call Years.

December 1, 2025

2025 Water Use Reports were mailed to all IR (irrigation from a natural stream), SI (irrigation from reservoirs on lands also covered by a natural flow appropriation), and SO (irrigation from reservoirs on lands not covered by a natural flow appropriation) permits in the Republican Basin except for federally owned canals.

December 15, 2025

Two Hundred & One (201) Permits were opened due to the Republican River Compact management action administration.

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December 31, 2025

A Compact Year Order and a storage reporting notice was issued to the USBR because 2026 was determined to be a Compact Call Year.