3:30 Panel Discussion
State Senator Rod Johnson, District #34, Harvard
Marty Strange, Center for Rural Affairs, Walhalla
John VanDerwalker, Executive Director, Platte River Whooping Crane Trust, Grand Island
Jacque Cunningham, President, Women Involved in Farm Economics, Brule
Bryce Neidig, President, Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation
Larry Hall, President, Farmers Union of Nebraska
Leslie Sheffield, Vice President, University of Nebraska Foundation

4:30 Annual Business Meeting
6:30 Social Hour
7:00 Awards Banquet

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18
THIRD SESSION
Auditorium
Future Water Policy Options
Presiding: Gordon Kissel, Executive Director, Nebraska Association of Resources Districts

8:00 Western Water: Tuning the System
Bruce Driver, Consultant, Western Governors Association, Denver, CO

9:00 Reallocation of Water Storage in Kansas
John Velchradsky, Chief, Planning Division, Missouri River Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha

9:30 Meeting the Water Needs of Denver and the Front Range
Robert Fischer, Water Sales Development & Planning, Denver Water Board

10:00 Coffee Break

10:30 Intrabasin Water Marketing in Colorado
Larry Simpson, General Manager, Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District, Loveland, CO

11:00 Legislative Proposals & Implication of Water Transfer in Nebraska
Tom Lamberson, Assistant Director, Nebraska Dept. of Water Resources

11:15 Municipal Water Transfers
Joseph Laferla, Assistant General Manager of Operations, Metropolitan Utilities District, Omaha

11:30 Panel Discussion
State Senator Loran Schmit (Invited), District #22, Bellwood
Phyllis Lyons, Women Involved in Farm Economics, McCook
Karren Kerr, Chair, Environmental Quality Committee, League of Women Voters, Omaha
David Chambers, Exec. Director, League of Nebraska Municipalities, Lincoln
James Cook, Legal Counsel, Nebraska Natural Resources Commission

12:30 Luncheon
Presiding: New Chair, NWCC
Speaker: The Honorable Kay Orr, Governor, State of Nebraska

12:00 Adjourn

Extra luncheon tickets at a cost of $7.50 each will be available for purchase at the registration desk until 9:30 a.m. the day of the luncheon. Extra banquet tickets will be available at a cost of $15 each until 10:00 a.m. on March 17.
TUESDAY, MARCH 17

8:00 a.m.  Registration in Second Floor Lobby
CONCURRENT SESSIONS

New Legislation and Current Programs
(Attend individual presentations of your choice.)

A: Project Planning and Construction—A New Ball Game

Moderator: Dayle Williamson, Acting Director Nebraska Natural Resources Commission

9:00  U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Brig. General Charles E. Dominy, Missouri River Division Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha

9:30  U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
Bill E. Martin, Director, Missouri Region, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Billings, MT

10:00  Panel on State and Local Perspectives
Dennis Grams, Acting Director, Nebraska Dept. of Environmental Control
Jack Daniels, Director, Div. of Environmental Housing & Housing Surveillance, Nebraska Department of Health
Raymond Hartung, General Manager, Lower Platte North NRD, David City
Roy Spalding, Research Hydrochemist, Conservation & Survey Division, UNL

B: Water Quality

Moderator: U. Gale Hutton, Chief, Water Quality Division, Nebraska Dept. of Environmental Control

9:00  U.S. Geological Survey
William Kastner, District Chief, U.S. Geological Survey, Lincoln

9:30  U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Paul M. Walker, Acting Director, Water Management Division, U.S. EPA, Region VII, Kansas City, MO

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C: Soil and Water Conservation

Moderator: William Splinter, Head, Dept. of Agricultural Engineering, UNL

9:00  U.S. Soil Conservation Service
Russell Shultz, Assistant State Conservationist, USDA-SCS

9:30  U.S. Agricultural Stabilization & Conservation Service
William Steinkruger, Program Specialist, Conservation, USDA-ASCS

10:00  Panel on State and Local Perspectives
Verlon K. "Tony" Vrana, Chief, Planning Division, Nebraska Natural Resources Commission
Elbert C. Dickey, Associate Professor, Dept. of Agricultural Engineering, UNL
Steve Oltmans, General Manager, Papio NRD, Omaha
Russell Edeal, Loomis, NE

10:30  Coffee Break

11:00  Welcome and Introduction  Auditorium
Roy G. Arnold, Vice Chancellor, Institute of Agriculture & Natural Resources, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

11:15  Keynote Address: Pots of Gold or Wooden Nickels? Dealing for Water in the West
David B. Bush, Research Specialist, Dept. of Agricultural Economics, University of Arizona

12:00  Luncheon  Omaha Room
Presiding: Vincent H. Dreeszen, Conservation & Survey Division, UNL
Speaker: William C. Klostermeyer, Assistant Commissioner for Administration, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Washington, D.C.

SECOND SESSION

Auditorium

Nebraska's Current Water Policy
Presiding: Robert Miewald, Professor, Dept. of Political Science, UNL

1:30  History and Evolution of Nebraska's Groundwater Policy
Lee Orton, Attorney, Lincoln

2:00  Nebraska’s Groundwater Policy
Lee Orton, Attorney, Lincoln

2:30  Changes in Agriculture and the Impact on Water Policy
Robert Raun, Farmer, Minden

3:00  Coffee Break