

The following Resolution was passed unanimously by the Water Policy Task Force on November 30, 2004:

Whereas, in December of 2003, the Water Policy Task Force (Task Force) made recommendations to the Nebraska legislature regarding comprehensive changes to water law in the State of Nebraska; and

Whereas, the Task Force recognized that in order to address conflicts between surface water users and groundwater users and to prevent those conflicts from occurring in the future, and to manage water supplies to meet future needs, “adequate and dedicated funding” would be needed to achieve the goals of the Task Force; and

Whereas, significant additional resources are needed in 2005 to implement Task Force recommendations for development of integrated management plans, cost share programs and alternative water supplies.

Therefore be it resolved that the Task Force recommends the following:

- 1. That funding of at least \$4.7 million per year be provided for implementation of LB962 programs for fiscal years 2006 and 2007; and**
- 2. Funding of at least \$4.7 million be provided for each succeeding fiscal year.**