

STATE OF NEBRASKA

DEPARTMENT OF WATER, ENERGY, AND ENVIRONMENT

ORDER OF CANCELLATION IN FULL OF WATER APPROPRIATION A-8847B

WATER DIVISION 2-B

BACKGROUND

1. Records on file in the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment (Department) show that surface water appropriation A-8847B is held by **Paul V. and Muriel L. Meierhenry and Leigh Fuhrman.**
2. Appropriation A-8847B with a priority date of **September 20, 1956,** authorizes the use of water for irrigation of the **27.4 acres** of land described below. The water may be diverted from **the North Fork of the Elkhorn River** at points of diversion located in the **NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 28, Township 25 North, Range 01 West of the 6th P.M. in Pierce County.** The rate that water may be diverted shall not exceed one cubic foot per second (cfs) for every **70 acres** irrigated at a maximum combined rate of **0.39 cfs** from all points of diversion.

<u>Township 25 North, Range 01 West of the</u> <u>6th P.M. in Pierce County</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Section 28: NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	26.0
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	<u>1.7</u>
TOTAL	27.4

3. The Department has received information concerning the use of surface water appropriation A-8847B that indicates the appropriation has not been used for its required purpose for more than five consecutive years.
4. On February 24, 2026, the Department issued a Notice of Preliminary Determination of Nonuse of appropriation A-8847B. The Notice was delivered by certified mail to Paul V. and Muriel L. Meierhenry, 1315 West Benjamin Avenue Unit E, Norfolk, Nebraska 68701; Gerry Krueger, 85197 550th Avenue, Pierce, Nebraska 68767; Leigh Fuhrman, 84418 560th Avenue, Norfolk, Nebraska 68701; and Craig Meierhenry, 1315 West Benjamin Avenue Unit E, Norfolk, Nebraska 68701.
5. No contest of the Preliminary Determination of Nonuse was received in the Department.
6. The Department has determined that appropriation A-8847B has not been used for its required purpose for more than five consecutive years.
7. Nebraska Revised Statutes § 46-229.02 provides that an appropriation not used for a beneficial purpose for more than five consecutive years may be cancelled.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED appropriation A-8847B is **CANCELLED**.

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May 20, 2026

Matthew T. Manning, PE, JD
Chief Water Officer

A copy of this Order was posted on the Department's website. Copies of this Order were provided to the Department's docket clerk and field office in Norfolk, Nebraska. A copy of this Order was mailed to the following:

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