STATE OF NEBRASKA

DEPARTMENT OF WATER, ENERGY, AND ENVIRONMENT

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME BY PETITION EOT-11983

TO COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION FOR WATER APPROPRIATION A-19957

WATER DIVISION 2-B

BACKGROUND

1. Records on file in the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment (Department) show that surface water appropriation A-19957 is held by the Lower Platte North Natural Resources District.

2. Appropriation A-19957 has a priority date of October 26, 2023, and authorizes the appropriator to store 169.5 acre-feet per year in Wahoo Creek Reservoir 27. The water may be diverted from a tributary to the North Fork of Wahoo Creek located in the NE¼SE¼ of Section 13, Township 15 North, Range 05 East of the 6th P.M. in Saunders County.

3. The approval of appropriation A-19957 was conditional upon completion of the structure by November 1, 2026.

4. On October 12, 2026, Daniel S. Lightbody, P.E., Olsson Engineering, on behalf of the Lower Platte North Natural Resources District, filed correspondence in the Department requesting an extension of time in which to complete construction of Wahoo Creek 27. The requested extension is necessitated by construction delays from an unusually wet 2026 construction season. Additionally, weather conditions may prevent completion of final seeding and mulching until the spring of 2027. Correspondence was filed in a timely manner prior to the November 1, 2026, deadline.

5. Therefore, petition EOT-11983 should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Petition EOT-11983 requesting an extension of time to complete construction of Wahoo Creek 27 is hereby GRANTED.

2. The deadline to complete construction of Wahoo Creek 27 authorized under appropriation A-19957 is extended to May 1, 2027.

3. All terms and conditions of appropriation A-19957 remain in effect unless specifically changed by this Order.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER, ENERGY, AND ENVIRONMENT

November 18, 2026

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A copy of this Order was posted on the Department's website. A copy of this Order was provided to the Department's field office in Lincoln, Nebraska. A copy of this Order was mailed to the following:

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