

DRAFT AGENDA

Missouri River Association of States and Tribes

February 25, 2008

Lied Lodge and Conference Center (800) 546-5433, Nebraska City, NE

Sunday, February 24: Dinner on your own between 5 and 9 PM. Reservations suggested.

Monday, February 25:

6:30 AM – Restaurant open for breakfast, on your own. Reservations suggested.

9:00 AM – Meeting convenes: Welcome and introductions – Chairman John Cooper

Review Agenda

Review and Approve minutes

Review and approve Treasurer's report

Executive Director's Report: update on recent activities, etc. – David Pope

Old business

Proposed budget review and adoption

9:45 AM – Corps update, current conditions – Larry Cieslik, USACE Deputy Director Programs, Northwest Division, Omaha, Nebraska

10:00 AM – MRRIC Status – Mark Rath, DENR, South Dakota

10:15 AM – WRDA Implementation Guidelines – Kayla Eckert-Uptmor, USACE, Chief of Planning, Omaha District

10:35 AM – Break

10:50 AM – Governor Rounds July 10, 2007 letter and background – John Cooper, South Dakota

11:30 AM – Corps comments and operation of the M/S reservoirs under the 1944 Flood Control Act – Larry Cieslik

11:55 AM – Group Lunch in Timber Dining Room – pay on your own

1:00 PM – 1944 Flood Control Act's ability to meet contemporary needs and future needs – Robert K. Davis, Ph. D. Independent Consultant, Natural Resource Economics and Policy

1:15 PM – Discussion of the 1944 FCA and Governor Rounds letter, potential action

2:30 PM – Break

3:00 PM – Congressional agenda

3:30 PM – Guest speakers: Brief comments from Ed Theriot, Director of Environmental Programs, USACE, Washington D.C. and Tony Willardson, Deputy Executive Director, Western States Water Council, Salt Lake City, UT

4:00 PM – State, Tribal and Federal agency reports and public comments

5:00 PM – Adjourn

6:00 PM – Joint social event with MRNRC Conference and BiOP Forum participants – Steinhart Room

Tuesday, February 26: Conference begins (register separately – <http://www.mrnrc2008.com/>)

8:00 AM – Ecology and Economics Plenary

1:30 PM – Session on WRDA and MRRIC (among others)

February 27-28: MRNRC Conference and BiOP Forum continues