



## Water Action Plan Projects Update

PRRIP Governance Committee Meeting September 13 - 14, 2016

### **Presentation Outline**

- Overview of WAP Projects
- Broad-scale recharge
  - □ General concept refresher
  - New developments
  - □ Next steps
- Slurry wall storage facilities
  - □ General concept refresher
  - New developments
  - □ Next steps
- Questions/Discussions





## Overview

WAP Projects – Plan B

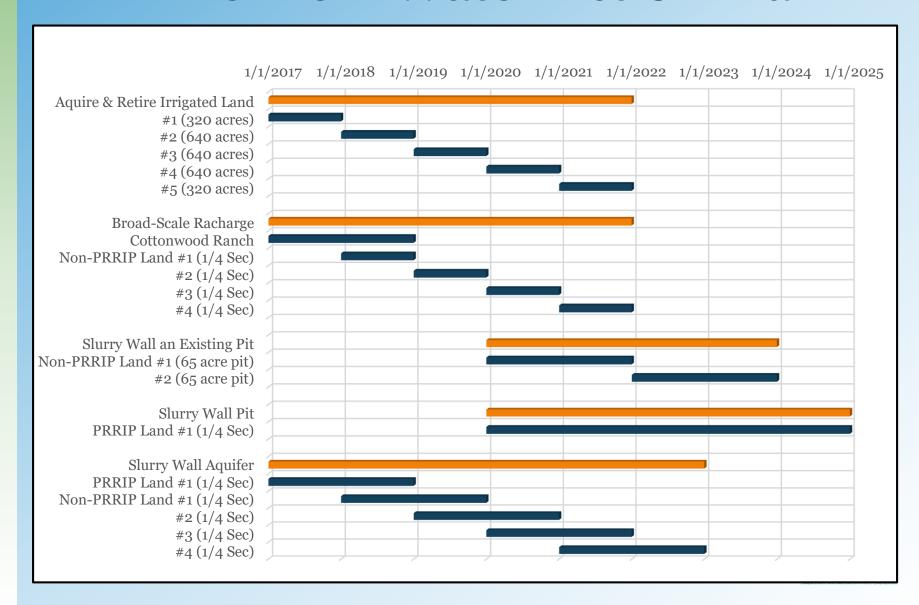
### Portfolio - Water Action Plan B

Category	Score (AF/yr)	PRRIP or non-PRRIP Land?	Score (AF/yr)
Acquire and Retire	1,459	Non-PRRIP	1,459
Broad-scale Recharge	12,038	PRRIP	3,744
		Non-PRRIP	8,294
Slurry Wall Pits	12,243	PRRIP	5,948
		Non-PRRIP (Existing Pit)	6,295
Slurry Wall Aquifer	7,259	PRRIP	1,452
		Non-PRRIP	5,807





### Timeline – Water Action Plan B

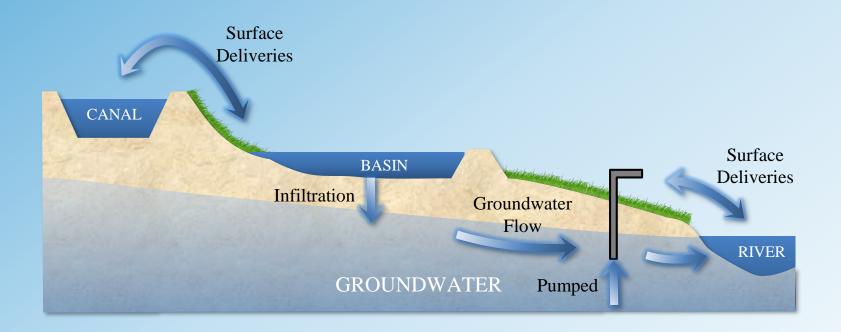




## Broad-Scale Recharge

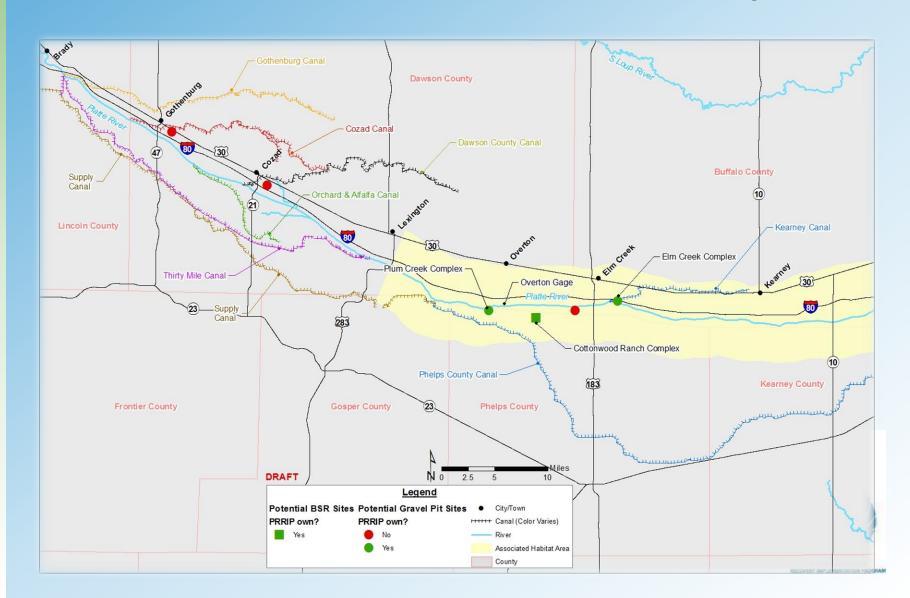
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### General Concept Refresher





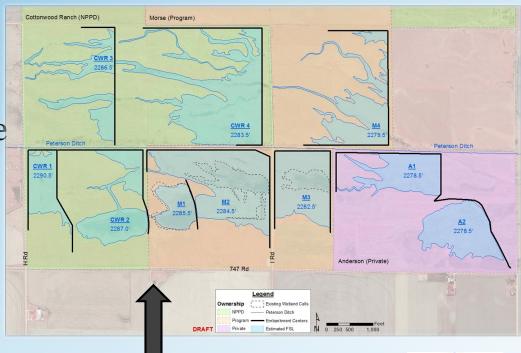
## Locations – BSR Projects



### **BSR** on PRRIP Lands

□ Focus given to CWR:

- PRRIP owned
- Habitat & recharge
- Close to water source (Phelps Co. Canal)
- □ Close to the river
- Score goal = 3,744AF/yr
  - Deliveries ≈ 65 cfs
  - Ponded Area ≈ 400 ac



Design will likely change... but this is the general concept



### **Updates** – Infiltration Testing

#### **Infiltration Pits**



#### **Preliminary Results**

Pit	Dates	Avg. Inf (ft/d)
Bermed	3/22 - 3/30/16	0.34
Bermed	4/4 - 4/11/16	0.28
Bermed	6/29 - 7/12/16	0.24
Bermed	8/26 - 9/09/16	??
Excavated	3/22 - 4/11/16	0.12
Excavated	6/29 - 7/12/16	0.09
Excavated	7/28 - 8/13/16	??

#### **Assumed Rates:**

Bermed = 0.3 ft/dExcavated = 0.1 ft/d



## **Updates** – Subsurface Investigation



PLATTE RIVER

### **Updates – Groundwater Model**

- Model recently completed by EDO
  - Need to run scenarios
  - Will help determine influence of ditch, where recharge water goes, etc.



### **BSR** on non-PRRIP Lands

- Investigating other potential recharge sites below Phelps Co. Canal:
  - Same reasons as CWR
- Looking into sites below other canals:
  - □ Orchard Alfalfa, 30-Mile, Cozad, etc.
- Estimate that we'll need about 4 separate ½ section sites (or equivalent) to reach score goal of 8,294 AF/yr

### **Next Steps**

#### BSR on CWR

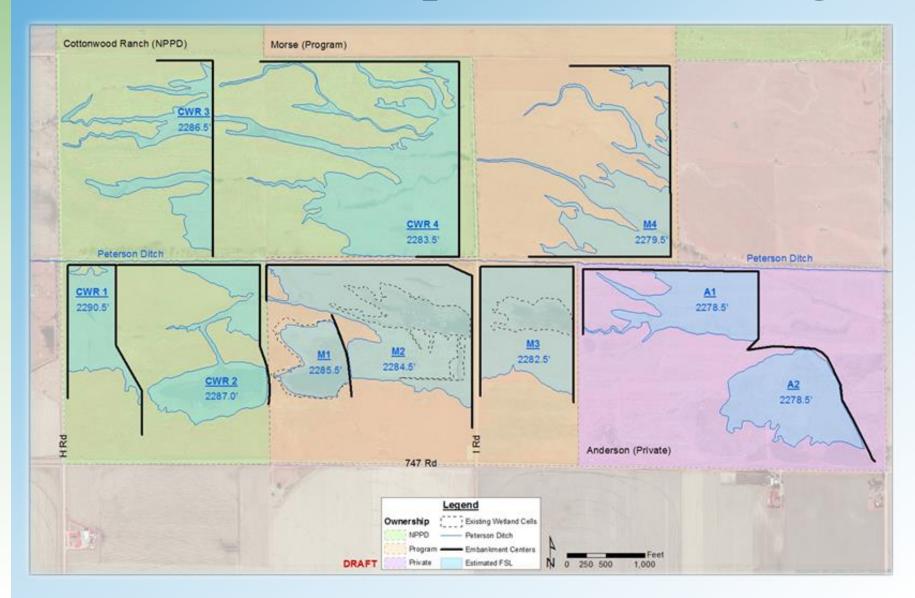
- Engineering design RFP
  - Finalize soon to select firm & start process by 1/1/17
- Pipeline
  - Preliminary discussions w/ CNNPID
  - Deliveries of about 80 –100 cfs
  - Pipeline in this winter?
- □ Permits?
  - Working w/ HDR
- Leasing & management agreements?
  - Working internally

#### BSR on non-PRRIP Lands

Need to identify potential lands and assess feasibility



## Next Steps – Refine Design

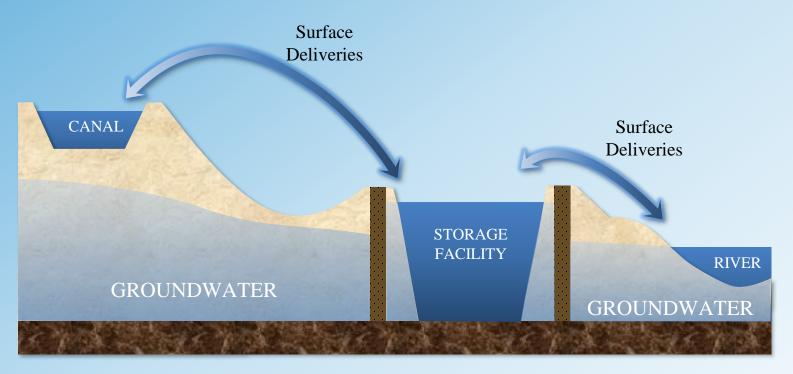




## Slurry Wall Storage Facilities

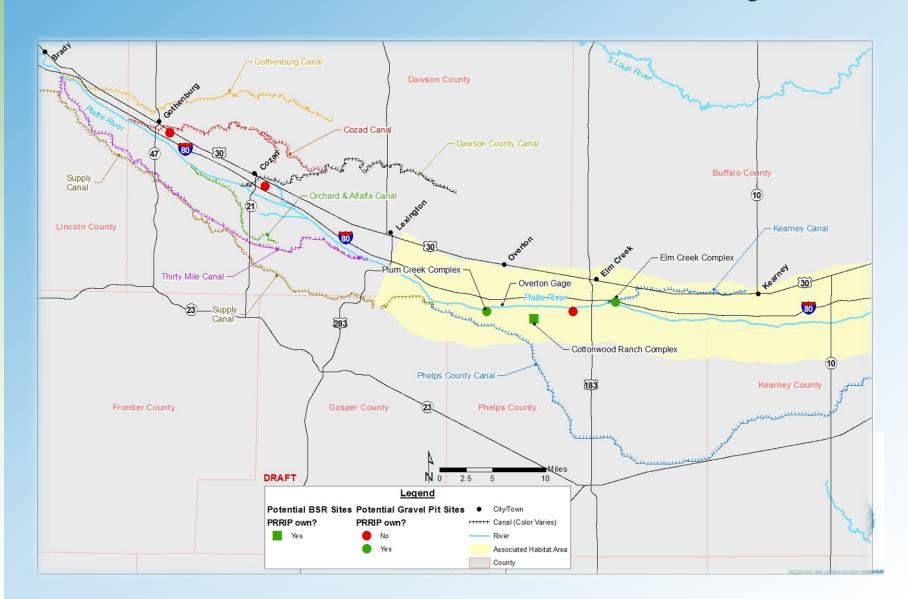
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### General Concept Refresher





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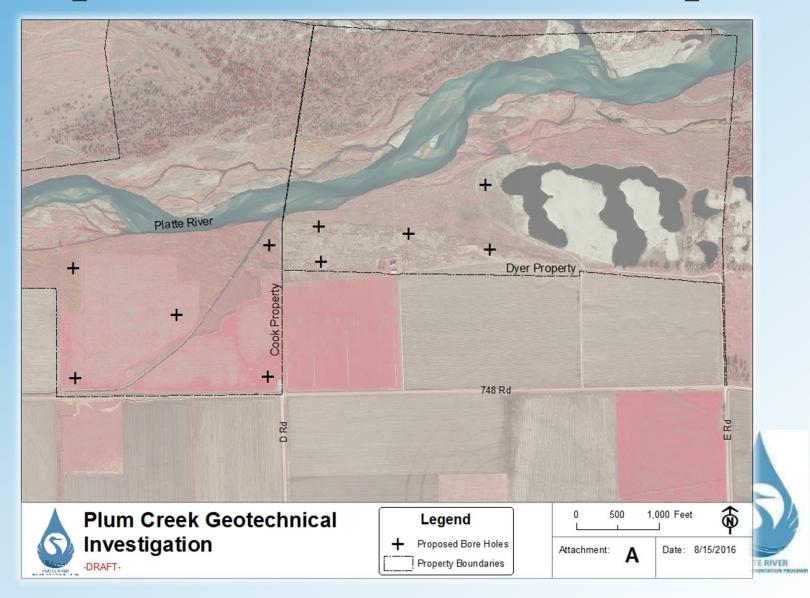


### Slurry Wall Storage on PRRIP Lands

- □ Goal (7,400 AF/yr):
  - **□** 1 pit
  - 1 aquifer storage site
- Focused on identifying properties that could be potential sites and assessing feasibility of each:
  - Plum Creek Complex
  - Elm Creek Complex
- □ Can these sites work?



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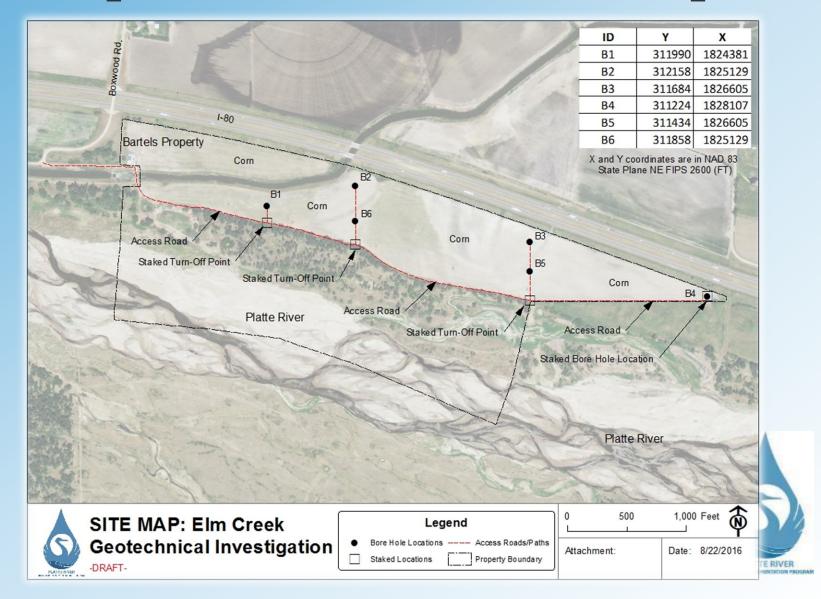


### **Updates – Plum Creek Complex**

- □ Preliminary results:
  - Uniform confining layer between alluvium and Ogallala formation
    - Depth to: ~40' 35'
    - Thickness of: +10'
  - Lab tests:
    - Grain Size Analysis
    - Permeability
    - **■** Porosity



### **Updates – Elm Creek Complex**



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### **Updates** – Elm Creek Complex

- □ Preliminary results:
  - Confining layer less persistent and uniform than at Plum Creek (layer is still quite sandy)
    - Depth to: ~20' below subsurface
    - Thickness of: +10'
  - Lab tests:
    - Grain Size Analysis
    - Permeability
    - **■** Porosity



### Slurry Wall Storage on non-PRRIP Lands

- □ Goal (12,102 AF/yr)
  - 2 existing pits
  - 4 aquifer storage sites
- Focused on identifying lands that could be potential sites... mostly focused on feasibility of purchasing sites.





# Questions/Discussion