

**BEFORE THE DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES
KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

In the Matter of the Designation of the)
Wichita County Local Enhanced Management Area)
in Wichita County, Kansas)
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Pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-1041.)
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PRE-HEARING ORDER

COMES NOW, Christopher W. Beightel, Acting Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, who hereby finds as follows:

1. A pre-hearing conference was held via telephone on July 8, 2020, regarding the Wichita County Local Enhanced Management Area (LEMA) Management Plan (WHC LEMA).
2. The call was presided over by the Acting Chief Engineer, Christopher W. Beightel, and the following parties were present: Kenneth Titus, Kelly Navinsky-Wenzl, Stephanie Murray, Mike Meyer, Lane Letourneau, Thomas A. Adrian, Kyle Spencer, Greg Graff, Joseph Ullman, David Barfield, Keadron Pearson, Tammy Simons, and Kent Askren.

THEREFORE, having considered all matters raised at the pre-hearing conference, the Acting Chief Engineer hereby sets forth the following procedures for the conduct of the initial public hearing regarding the WHC LEMA:

1. The initial public hearing has been scheduled for August 14, 2020 and shall be a virtual-hybrid hearing and shall commence at 9:00 a.m. (CDT). The hearing will be conducted via Zoom or a similar internet-based meeting program and also broadcast live via the Kansas Department of Agriculture’s YouTube Channel and shall continue as long as necessary for the full disclosure of relevant facts.
2. The opportunity for in-person oral statements will be provided at the St. Anthony Catholic Church Parish Hall, 600 S. Fourth Street, in Leoti, Kansas. Additionally, any person may request the opportunity to provide oral statements or make a visual presentation via Zoom. Any person desiring to participate via Zoom must submit their request at least 24 hours prior to the hearing and shall also provide a copy of any visual presentation. All requests shall be submitted to Ronda Hutton at (785) 564-6715 or by email at ronda.hutton@ks.gov.
3. Any party desiring to formally intervene in the proceeding shall submit such request to the Acting Chief Engineer prior to 5:00 p.m. on July 31, 2020. A party’s ability to

provide testimony at the initial public hearing will not be limited if the party does not formally intervene.

4. Oral statements will be accepted only at the public hearing. The deadline to submit written comments regarding the WHC LEMA Management Plan is August 28, 2020.
5. All rules and procedures shall be applied by the Acting Chief Engineer to provide all parties to this action a reasonable opportunity to be heard and present evidence.

IT IS SO ORDERED, THIS 9th DAY OF JULY 2020 AT MANHATTAN, RILEY COUNTY, KANSAS.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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