



**Nebraska Wellhead Protection Network  
Legislative Breakfast and Groundwater Education  
Wednesday, January 13, 2010, 7:00 – 9:00 am  
State Capitol Building, Lincoln Nebraska**

**Present:**

Harold Reynolds - Midwest Assistance Program (MAP), Robert Swanson – US Geological Survey (USGS), Scott Snell Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District (NRD), Pat O'Brien – Nebraska Association of Resources Districts (NARD), Alyssa Smola – NARD, Craig Romary – Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA), Elbert Traylor - Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ), Rachael Herpel – University of Nebraska Lincoln Water Center, Mike DeKalh – Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning, Russ Gierhart – Upper Big Blue NRD, Daniel Kroll – NDEQ, Mary Link – NDEQ, Will Myers – NDEQ, Mary Schroer – NDEQ, David Miesbach – NDEQ, Ryan Chapman – NDEQ, Wayne Woldt – School of Natural Resources University of Nebraska Lincoln, Dick Ehrman – Lower Platte South NRD, Jane Griffin – The Groundwater Foundation, Mike Linder – NDEQ, Dan Schultz, Marcus Powers – Attorney Generals Office, Joe Francis – NDEQ, Brian Reetz – The Groundwater Foundation, Jamie Oltman – The Groundwater Foundation

Senator Arnie Stuthman – District 22, Ben Bathy – Staff District 37, Senator Deb Fischer – District 43, Senator Dennis Utter – District 33, Senator John Harms – District 48, Senator Chris Langemeier – District 23, Senator M.L. "Caps" Dierks – District 40, Senator Tom Hansen – District 42, Senator Bob Krist – District 10, Senator Dave Pankonin – District 2, Senator Bob Giese – District 17, Senator John Nelson – District 6, Melissa Hilty – Staff District 47, Senator Ken Schilz – District 47, Logan Seacrest – Staff District 28, Christina Case – Staff District 28,

**Meeting Summary:**

Nebraska Wellhead Protection Network Legislative Breakfast and Groundwater Education Session took place at the State Capitol on Wednesday, January 13 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. The meeting was set up as a "drop-in" event for Senators and their staff to learn more about wellhead protection in Nebraska from the WHPN members and special guest Dr Wayne Woldt, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Associate Professor of Biological Systems Engineering and School of Natural Resources. Dr. Woldt displayed his large groundwater model, the Water Machine, at this session and demonstrated various groundwater concepts including groundwater movement and how potential contaminants can affect our drinking water. Senators and their staff were invited by letters sent from The Groundwater Foundation and personal phone call to their office. Network members were also encouraged to personally invite their representative(s) to attend.

In addition, space was reserved from Monday, January 11 - Friday, January 15 in the first floor Rotunda for Network members to set up displays. These displays featured specific activities or overall agency/organization activities to educate those visiting or working in the Capitol.