February 3, 2012- Legislative Breakfast at the Nebraska State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska

Twenty-four Network members and ten Senators and their representatives attended the Legislative Breakfast on February 3rd. This was an informal event organized to provide an opportunity for discussion regarding important water issues in Nebraska. Invited guests, Senators and their staff, could discuss and learn about these issues with Wellhead Protection Network members and through displays set up throughout the room. Displays covered topics from flooding, groundwater quality, nitrate contamination, and the Wellhead Protection program. The following agencies provided display information — Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Papio-Missouri Natural Resources District, Hastings Utilities, and The Groundwater Foundation. The Nebraska Association of Resources Districts provided coffee and rolls for the meeting. In addition, during the week of January 30-February 3 space in the first floor Rotunda at the Capitol was reserved for Network members to set up displays featuring specific activities or overall agency/organization activities to educate those visiting or working in the Capitol about Wellhead Protection. Eight displays were set up during this time. Rotunda display participants included: Nebraska Department of Ag, Nebraska Chapter-Soil and Water Conservation Society, University of Nebraska, Lower Platte South Natural Resources District, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Nebraska Environmental Trust, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, and The Groundwater Foundation.