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Republican River Compact Administration to Hold Annual Meeting

The Republican River Compact Administration (RRCA) will hold its 53rd annual meeting September 12.

The annual meeting will begin at 9 a.m. at the Colby Community Center in Colby, Kansas. The meeting will focus on water related issues and activities, including compact compliance, within the Republican River basin in Colorado, Nebraska and Kansas.

Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska entered into the Republican River Compact in 1943 to provide for the equitable division of the basin's waters, remove causes of potential controversy, promote interstate cooperation and joint action by the States and the United States in the efficient use of water and the control of destructive floods as well as provide for the most efficient use of waters in the Republican River basin. The RRCA is comprised of three commissioners representing Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska: Kansas Department of Agriculture, Division of Water Resources Chief Engineer David Barfield; Colorado State Engineer Dick Wolfe and Nebraska Department of Natural Resources Director Brian Dunnigan.

The RRCA will also hold a work session on September 11, at the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District Office in Colby, Kansas. The work session will begin at 1 p.m. Both the work session and annual meeting are open to the public.

For additional information about the Republican River Compact, please visit <https://agriculture.ks.gov/divisions-programs/dwr/interstate-rivers-and-compacts>.