



PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM (PRRIP or Program)

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) *In-Person* Quarterly Meeting

PRRIP Executive Director’s Office, Kearney, NE

[Day #1: Tuesday, April 21, 2026](#)

Brandi Flyr, Downstream Water Users – 2026 TAC Chair
 Kara Scheel – 2026 TAC Vice-chair
 Jason Farnsworth, Executive Director (ED) – Moderator

Attendees – Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, Colorado Water Users, Upper Platte Water Users, Downstream Water Users, Environmental Entities, Executive Director’s Office (EDO)

April 21, 2026 (4 hours) LOCAL MEETING TIMES New York: 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM EDT Kearney, Nebraska: 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM CDT Wyoming: 12:00 NOON – 4:00 PM MDT Colorado: 12:00 NOON – 4:00 PM MDT <i>* See calendar invite for Microsoft Teams meeting link (audio & video)</i>	START (DURATION)	ITEM LEAD	MEETING DOCUMENTS
WELCOME & ADMINISTRATIVE			
Introductions	1:00 (:05)	Brandi	n/a
Agenda – Modifications	1:05 (:05)	Brandi	Agenda
Minutes – Review TAC comments on January TAC minutes. TAC MOTION: <i>Approve January, 2026 TAC minutes</i>	1:10 (:05)	Brandi	Jan 2026 TAC Minutes
TARGET SPECIES			
2025 Fall WC Monitoring Report – EDO presentation of draft report followed by TAC discussion and feedback on report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation of PRRIP monitoring period in relation to 5-95% dates of WC arrivals in NE TAC MOTION: Recommend 2025 Fall WC Monitoring Report for GC approval	1:15 (0:45)	Ethan	2025 Fall WC Report WC Presentation
Bat Monitoring on PRRIP properties – Status update	2:00 (:05)	Jon	na



<p>LTPP OCSW Predator Management – Discussion of additional management options to reduce predation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nest furniture, chick shelters, vegetation cover • Potential benefits and impacts • Experimental design and data collection 	<p>2:05 (:25)</p>	<p>Matt</p>	<p>LTPP Nest Furniture/Chick Shelters</p>
<p>SCIENCE</p>			
<p>EBQs #1-2: Effectiveness of Germination Suppression – Status update</p>	<p>2:30 (0:05)</p>	<p>Malinda</p>	<p>na</p>
<p>EBQ #3: No Sediment Augmentation Experiment –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early No Sed Aug Check in (Quinn) • Sed Aug Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relationship between management actions and ESA compliance (Service) • History of sed aug and sediment-related AM (Jason) • Information needed for decisions on whether augmentation is necessary (Service) • J2 Return Channel Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expectations for restoration and management (Service) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incision implications for AHR wet meadows (Abe) • Program obligations to restore natural function (Service) • Program efforts and evaluation (Jason) 	<p>2:35 (1:00)</p>	<p>Quinn Jason Matt Steve Abe</p>	<p>Land Plan Table 1</p> <p>Sed Aug and J2 Presentation</p>
<p>MEETING BREAK</p>		<p>3:35 (:15)</p>	
<p>EBQ #4: WC Stopover vs. Flyover – Initial results</p>	<p>3:50 (:45)</p>	<p>Patrick</p>	<p>WC Stopover vs Flyover Memo</p>
<p>EBQ #7: Pallid Sturgeon – Status update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNL product timelines • EDO involvement • Service update on 5-yr species status review • Potential Program implications 	<p>4:35 (:20)</p>	<p>Malinda Steve</p>	<p>UNL Chapter Outline</p>
<p>DAY #1 REVIEW & WRAP-UP – Action items & meeting feedback</p>	<p>4:55 (:05)</p>	<p>Brandi</p>	<p>n/a</p>
<p>DAY #1 TAC MEETING END</p>		<p>5:00 PM CDT</p>	



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[Day #2: Wednesday, April 22, 2026](#)

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April 22, 2026 (3 ½ hours) LOCAL MEETING TIMES New York: 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM EDT Kearney, Nebraska: 8:00 AM – 11:30 AM CDT Wyoming: 7:00 AM – 10:30 AM MDT Colorado: 7:00 AM – 10:30 AM MDT * See calendar invite for Microsoft Teams meeting link (audio & video)	START (DURATION)	ITEM LEAD	MEETING DOCUMENTS
WELCOME & ADMINISTRATIVE			
Introductions	8:00 (:05)	Brandi	n/a
Agenda – Modifications	8:05 (:05)	Brandi	Agenda
SCIENCE			
EBQ #8-9: Evaluation of Predation Impacts on Plover and Tern Productivity – Status update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss option to stop evaluation of management effectiveness Move forward with predictive modeling of impacts 	8:10 (:30)	Malinda	Modeling Predation Effects



EBQ#10 Wet Meadow Hydrology – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on peer review and next steps (0:15) 2024 GC Wet Meadow Policy in light of Service and Environmental Entity Wet Meadow Goals (0:25) Crane Trust EPA grant proposal on backwater slough monitoring, evaluation, and management (0:20). 	<p>8:40 (1:00)</p>	<p>Chad Steve Abe</p>	<p>Grassland/ Wet Meadow Policy EPA Proposal</p>
<p>MEETING BREAK</p>		<p>9:40 (:15)</p>	
<p>EBQ Prioritization – TAC discussion of prioritization options for Extension Science Plan Big Questions</p>	<p>9:55 (:30)</p>	<p>Malinda</p>	<p>n/a</p>
<p>LAND</p>			
<p>LTPP OCSW Nesting Site Rehab – Status update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> OSG Lexington (0:20) Newark West (0:10) 	<p>10:25 (:30)</p>	<p>Ed Alyx</p>	<p>Site Rehab Presentation</p>
<p>MCA Island Strategy – Check in and vision for future</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Background on Moving Complex Approach Review of objectives and implementation Future vision for MCA islands 	<p>10:55 (:30)</p>	<p>Matt Tim</p>	<p>MCA Memo MCA Imagery</p>
<p>DAY #2 REVIEW & WRAP-UP – Action items & meeting feedback</p>	<p>11:25 (:05)</p>	<p>Brandi</p>	<p>n/a</p>
<p>TAC MEETING END</p>		<p>11:30 AM CDT</p>	