

Cimarron Regional Advisory Committee
Meeting Agenda
February 15, 9:00 am
Conestoga Offices, Liberal, Kansas

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1. Welcome/Introductions
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Review of Meeting Notes
4. Regional Advisory Committee
Membership
5. KWA Update- December and January meetings
Annual Report to Governor and Legislature
6. Regional Plans And Statewide Vision - updates
Water levels and sustainability – tentative, KGS
DWR legislation and activities
Limited Irrigation Crop Insurance – Shawn Beach, RMA
Water Technology Farms - Isaya Kisekka, KSU
Other – KWO
7. Public Comments
8. Future Meetings
 - a. Kansas Water Authority: May 17-18, 2017, Garden City KS; RAC Chair or designee attend
 - b. Next Cimarron RAC: Date: _____ Time: _____ Location: _____

MEMO



DATE: February 1, 2017
TO: Cimarron Regional Advisory Committee Members
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RE: February 15, 2017 Meeting

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The next meeting of the Cimarron Regional Advisory Committee will be held on **Wednesday February 15, 2017 at 9:00 AM in the Conestoga Energy offices, 1701 N. Kansas Ave., Liberal, Kansas.** Please enter on the south side of the building.

The meeting will focus on the next phase the Cimarron Regional Goals, implementation of the action plan. I am happy to report that the Kansas Water Authority approved the final regional action plans at their August 31-Sept.1 for inclusion in the Kansas Water Plan.

The meeting will focus on RAC operations and updates related to the Cimarron Region action plans. We will have representatives of the USDA Risk Management Agency to provide an overview of the Limited Irrigation Crop insurance program and KSU to report on Water Technology Farms.

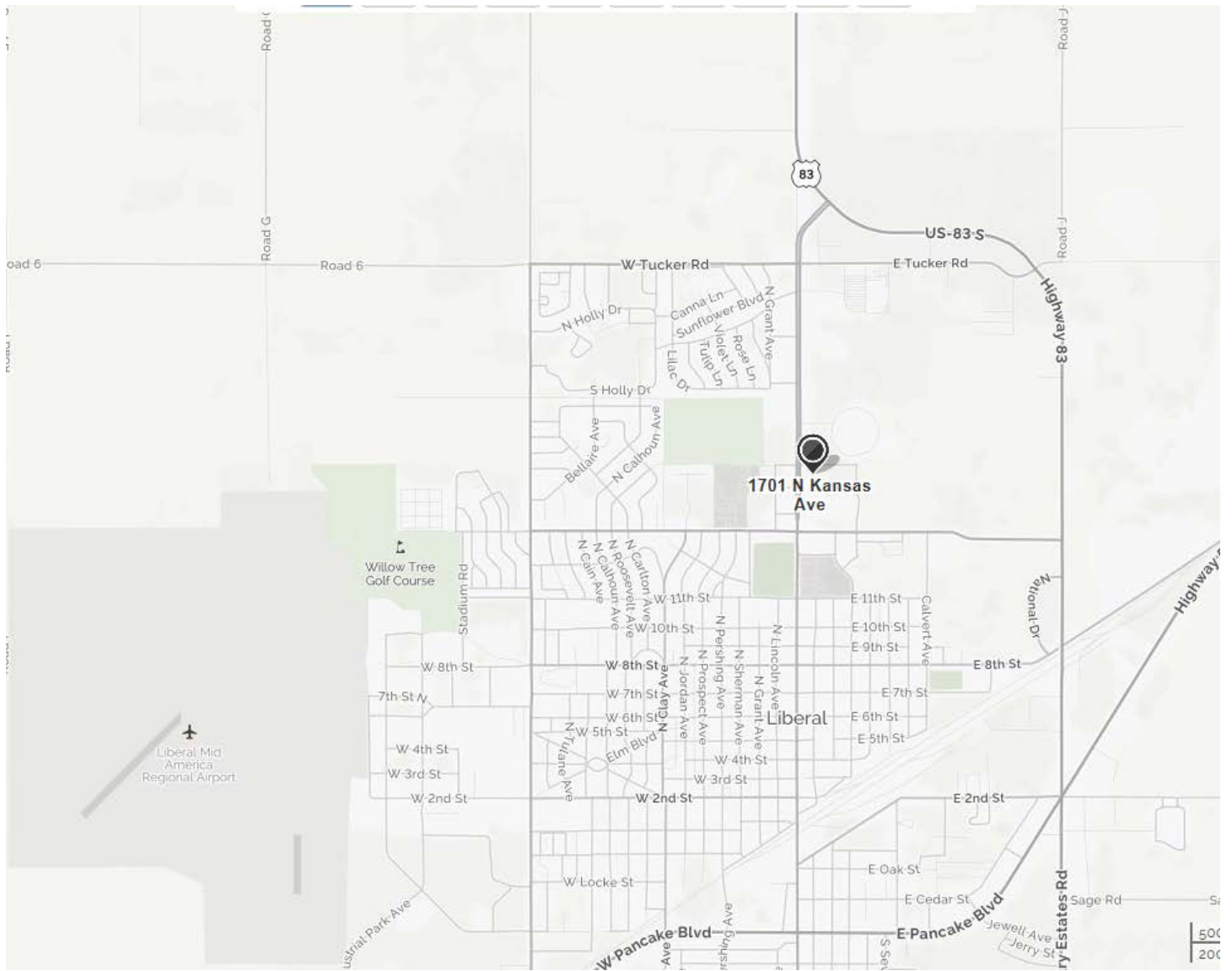
This past year has been a busy in regard to water with the usual KWA and RAC meetings as well as the special funding and education committees' work. Documents that summarize recent work to address water issues in Kansas are linked for your reference. The Annual Report to the Governor and Legislature that is a good summary of activities and accomplishments can be found [here](#). The Blue Ribbon Funding Task Force Report can be found http://www.kwo.org/Vision/BRTF/Rpt_BRFTF_Final_011217.pdf . And the Water Vision Education Supplement at <http://www.kwo.org/Vision/Education/Education%20and%20Public%20Outreach%20Supplement%2011-7-16.pdf>

Enclosed please find the following meeting materials:

- Agenda
- July Meeting notes
- August conference call notes

If you have any questions or need additional information prior to the meeting, feel free to contact me at Diane.knowles@kwo.ks.gov or give me a call at 785/296-0864. I look forward to meeting with you!

Conestoga, 1701 N Kansas Ave., Liberal, KS



**Cimarron Regional Advisory Committee Meeting-
Conference Call**
8:00 AM August 5, 2016

Members Attendance:

<i>Name</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Proposed Category</i>	<i>Present</i>
Nick Hatcher	Liberal, KS	Industry/Commerce (cc)	Y
Trista Brown	Satanta, KS	At Large Public	Y
Michael Bryant	SW, HS, GR, ME, ST Counties	Agriculture 2	N
Calvin Burke	Liberal, KS	Public Water Supply (cc)	Y
Kirk Heger	Hugoton, KS	Irrigation	N
Brian Hemman	Hugoton, KS	Agricultural Industry	N
Matt Higgins	Elkhart, KS	Public Water Supply 2	N
Danny Law	Ulysses, KS	Conservation/Environment (cc)	N
Vacant		At Large Public	N
Bret Rooney	Satanta, KS	Groundwater Management	Y
Jim Sipes	Stanton County, KS	Agriculture (cc)	Y
Ellen Verell	Meade, KS	At Large Public (cc)	Y
Michael Arndt	SV County	At Large Public	N

Others in attendance:

Diane Knowles (KWO)

Welcome and Introductions: Nick Hatcher welcomed everyone as self-introductions were made.

Action Plans: Discussion of the revised and reorganized Action Plan was held. The addition of action for non-irrigation users was discussed with two additional bullets to be added under the combined actions for Goals #1 & #2. These will be stand alone points in addition to the existing references to municipal use under Goal #3;

- Public water suppliers and industrial users should consider alternative uses of non-potable water and existing water supplies before developing any new water supplies.
- Public water suppliers should consider water rate structures to promote water conservation.

Discussion was also held on additional action regarding reuse in the oil and gas industry. No actions to be added at this time.

Jim Sipes made the motion to approve the Cimarron Regional Goals Action Plan as reorganized, and edited with the addition of the two action step bullets. Calvin Burke seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 by chairman Nick Hatcher.