

PRD Annual Report – July 2021 to June 2022

*This report has been prepared according to LB 758 in the 2018 Nebraska legislature.

- **Details on the operation of the project:**
 - The Platte Republican Diversion project (PRD) was created to help satisfy the water needs of the Republican River Compact and the Lower Republican and Tri-Basin NRD's (Natural Resource District) Integrated Management Plan (IMP). The project will divert excess flows from the Platte basin as the most junior appropriator, into the Republican basin only at certain times when it is necessary to comply with the Republican River Compact. The project has not been operated.

- **The amount of water pumped:**
 - This project has not pumped any water.

- **The amount of land leased and for what purposes:**
 - The land purchased as part of the project has been leased for grazing.

- **The amount of revenue gained from land leases:**
 - \$25,039.78

- **The amount of payments made in lieu of taxes:**
 - The PRD requested a statement from Gosper County which was not received in time to make a payment during the period of the report. All payments in lieu of taxes are current as of the writing of this report.

- **Financial details of the project:**
 - The amount of debt: \$0
 - The amount of outstanding bonds and loans: \$0
 - Project Budget: \$1,657,000.00

- **Whether the project is achieving its intended purpose:**
 - The project has not been operated.

- **The effect of the project on ground water supplies:**
 - None.

- **Projections for the use of the project in the future and the effect of the use on ground water supplies:**
 - The State of Nebraska and the Republican NRDs expect that if current conditions persist the Republican Basin will be subject to the requirements of a Compact Call Year. This would mean that any excess flows in the Platte could be diverted to the project, if available, once the appropriation is approved by the Department of Natural Resources. This would have a positive effect on ground water supplies due to a better distribution of excess water.