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Here is a summary of purchases. Also attached number for 2008. It was in some of the arbitration documents.

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2006

Frenchman Valley Irrigation District - sale of natural flow available at diversion dam (~8000 AF)--DNR paid \$400 k.

Riverside Irrigation District -sale of natural flow available at diversion dam (~2000 AF)--DNR and MRNRD paid \$50 k each. Total of \$100 k.

Bostwick Irrigation District in Nebraska - sale of storage water in Harlan County Lake (10,100 AF) and natural flow available at Guide Rock Diversion Dam (est. 5,000 AF)--DNR paid \$2.5 million for the water and \$64 k for their O&M payment for HCL.

In 2007 NRD's used bonds to pay for all water except NE Bostwick sold to DNR.

2007

Frenchman Valley Irrigation District - sale of natural flow available at diversion dam (~8000 plus AF)--RR Basin Coalition paid \$640 k

Riverside Irrigation District -sale of natural flow available at diversion dam (~2000 plus Natural flow)--RR Basin Coalition paid \$126 k

Bostwick Irrigation District in Nebraska - sale of storage water in Harlan County Lake (12,500 AF) and natural flow available at Guide Rock Diversion Dam (~5000 AF)--DNR paid \$5,583,500 plus \$64.5 k for O&M for HCL

Frenchman Cambridge Irrigation District - sale of natural flow and storage water from Harry Strunk Lake (26,000 AF)--RR Basin Coalition paid \$7,785,000 for the beneficial use of this water.

2008

FCID-Delayed the diversion of natural flows until 6/16/2008.--DNR paid \$294 k

FVID-DNR paid \$1 million

Riverside-DNR (unknown amount)

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To achieve those savings, Nebraska leased 23,400 acre feet of surface water in 2006; 62,830 acre feet in 2007 and 12,138 acre feet in 2008. The cost of these leases was approximately \$18,722,500.00.

In addition to the regulatory approaches summarized above, Nebraska also sought to reduce its consumptive use by taking advantage of available Federal conservation programs (e.g., Environmental Quality Incentives Program (“EQIP”) and the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (“CREP”)) and reducing irrigated acreage in the Basin. Table 5 lists the irrigated acreage reductions resulting from these programs.

Activity	Upper Republican NRD	Middle Republican NRD	Lower Republican NRD
EQIP – 2005 Program	528	3,067	6,071
EQIP – 2007 Programs	154	1,130	1,429
CREP – Program initiated 2005	11,753	17,129	7,591

Table 5: Irrigated Acreage Reduction Under Incentive Programs

Nebraska also has worked to minimize the amount of water lost within its borders due to non-beneficial consumptive use. Prior to 2007, riparian vegetation management activities were limited to work by the US. Army Corps of Engineers near Harlan County Lake and efforts by the Nebraska Game and Parks