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Subject: Midwest Consortium for Climate Assessment.

At the last Republican River Restoration Partners Exec meeting on Sep 3<sup>rd</sup> it was decided to support the Midwest Consortium for Climate Assessment project.

Our organization represents the interests of Republican River basin which encompasses parts of Colorado, Kansas and Nebraska. The proposed assessment follows the state lines of Iowa, Missouri and Nebraska. We would like to encourage the inclusion of the whole Republican River Basin as part of the assessment project.

The Executive Committee also agreed to help sponsor stakeholder and focus group meetings.

Your objective is to identify potential changes in climate and how it may affect the watersheds in the project area. Water resources west of the 100<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian are limited as the precipitation received as an average is less that the demand; therefore, we would be very interested in the data that would developed so that we can better prioritize our limited water resources for the most beneficial use.

So the assessment study is very important to us and wishes you success in your efforts.

Sincerely Yours Fell Tietgen

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