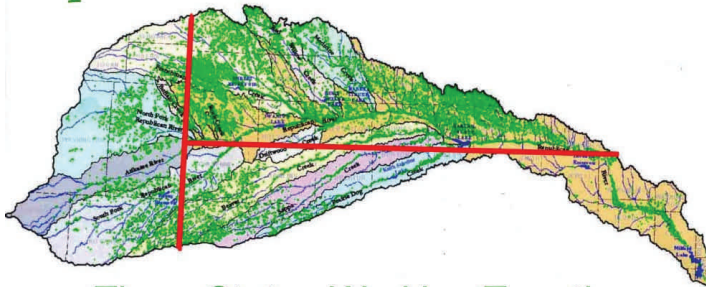


## *Republican River Restoration Partners*



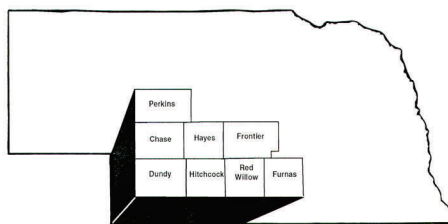
### *Three States Working Together to Achieve Future Benefits*

The Republican River Restoration Partnership (RRRP) began as a project of Southwest Nebraska RC&D. The RRRP works to positively effect management of the riparian area of the Republican River and its tributaries in Colorado, Kansas and Nebraska. Their goals are to foster cooperation between three states to develop a regional plan for the watershed, to increase economic development throughout the area, increase the quantity and quality of water within the watershed and increase educational opportunities in regard to water quantity and quality.

The RRRP has been working toward many goals to improve the Republican River basin as a whole. A few of the ongoing projects within the RRRP are:

- Review stream gage locations so that data collection provides better information for managing stream flows, especially at state lines.
- Utilize the National Drought Mitigation Center's information that can be used to predict and prepare for drought management.
- Provide "Stream Corridor Restoration" training for contractors, leadership teams and interested parties so they better understand what impact their decisions will have on the development of a healthy river.
- Inform the Republican River basin citizens on the "Water Balance" concept: This information will help to establish a base line for water use which can be used to identify water use priorities for development of long term goals to attain by 2037.
- Encourage the evaluation of all conservation practices that may have an impact on the water quantity and quality that enter into the river corridor. This would include terraces, minimum tillage practices, irrigation water management, playa lake/diversion alteration, Etc.

The Republican River Restoration Partnership has worked between seven RC&D's in Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado; several government agencies in each state; and many landowners in each state.



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