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can be transferred or changed to a new use. Ground water transfers allows NRDs approval to transfer ground water off the land where it is withdrawn, as well as to deny or conditions transfer to ensure the consistency of the transfer with the purpose of the management area to prevent adverse impacts on ground water users, surface water appropriators, or to comply with the interstate compacts, decrees or agreements; allows natural resource districts to grant transfers to augment supplies in wetlands or natural streams for the purpose of benefiting fish, wildlife, or producing other environmental benefits. Now the next plan is...part is the proactive part and I think it's the nuts and bolts of the task force, and it creates a proactive plan. The Department of Natural Resources and the NRDs, and the department will have to make an annual assessment to determine which basins or subbasins of the rivers' reaches are fully or over-appropriated. If a determination is made as to a full, that is whether a basin is fully appropriated or over-appropriated, the department and the district must jointly develop and implement an integrated surface water and ground water management plan within three to five years. And we do have those basins in this state. The plan must manage all hydrologically connected ground water and surface water to sustain a balance between water users and water supplies, so that the economic viability, social and environmental health, safety and welfare of the environmental health...of the basin, subbasin or reach can be achieved and maintained for both the near and long term. The plan may use a number of voluntary measures, as well as controls in current law, such as allocation of withdrawals, rotation of use, reduction in irrigated acres, and other measures. If there's a disagreement between the NRD and the Department of Natural Resources, we create a five-member Interrelated Water Review Board, appointed by the Governor to settle disputes between the department and the district after they have been unable to solve their differences through mandatory mediation. And I believe three of those have to be submitted to the Governor by the Natural Resources Commission. The Platte River Basin above Elm Creek is designated as being over-appropriated in this bill. The recommendation of the task force was for the department and districts to develop a basin-wide plan that will guide the plans of individual districts that will incrementally reduce the difference between