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Corps Plans Meetings on Missouri River Plans

(KTNC) - The U-S Army Corps of Engineers will hold public meetings this week to cover water management plans for the Missouri River basin this spring and beyond. Jody Farhat, the head of the Water Management Division for the Corps in Omaha, says it's a chance to continue the dialogue with the public over how the river is being run during the drought. (play audio :18)

The reservoir levels are slowly dropping. Farhat says they're down about eight-and-a-half million acre-feet, or around 22-percent of the total available storage, so far. (play audio :16)

Despite the drought, Farhat says they're in position to continue "near normal" operations for quite a while, several years in fact. (play audio :20)

One of the meetings will be held this week in Nebraska City. Others are planned for Fort Peck, Montana; Bismarck, North Dakota; Pierre, South Dakota; and Smithville, Missouri.

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