

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-06
BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CONTINUANCE OF THE KANSAS LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROGRAM (LEPP) AND FUNDING.

WHEREAS, Kansas Law K.S.A. 75-5657 states: "On and after January 1, 1990 the State of Kansas shall provide state environmental protection grants to local health departments or other local entities for the purpose of developing and implementing environmental protection plans and programs;" and

WHEREAS, the State of Kansas has invested approximately thirty-three million dollars over 22 years in the LEP Program; and

WHEREAS, the Salina - Saline County Health Department has received the grant funding for Lincoln County from the State of Kansas since 1995 and provided 16 years of environmental coverage to Lincoln County, and this funding is a significant part of the budget for the Environmental Health Program in the Health Department; and

WHEREAS, Governor Brownback's proposed FY 2012 budget plans to discontinue all funding to the Local Environmental Protection Program to counties across Kansas;

FURTHERMORE, The Local Environmental Protection Program Grant supports the work we do in meeting the objectives of the Kansas State Water Plan including: inspection of the county's residential septic systems, public education and public outreach, inspection of private water wells, solid waste management, safe development of subdivisions, hazardous waste assistance, non-point source pollution control, and protection of public drinking water supplies.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS:


The County of Lincoln will support the continued development and implementation of the Kansas Local Environmental Protection Program (LEPP) Grant and Funding.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of County Commissioners on this 14th day of February, 2011.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Terry L. Finch, Chairman



Steven R. Errebo, Vice-Chairman



Al Joe Wallace, Member



Attest:



Dawn M. Harlow, County Clerk