

# *Protect, Develop, and Manage Upper Missouri Water*

## Purpose

### The Upper Missouri Water Association

is a non-profit regional water organization including the states of Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wyoming.

The mission of the Upper Missouri Water Association (UMWA) is to protect, develop, and manage Upper Missouri water.

By working together through the UMWA, water interests can become stronger and more effective. Instead of four separate states, each with a Congressman and two Senators, we are a region with five Congressmen and eight Senators. Through unity we can accomplish our goals.

## Goals

The Upper Missouri Water Association has nine priority goals.

- Communication and education of projects, issues and programs in Upper Basin states.
- Coordination and consensus among water, power, tribal and related resource interests of the Upper Missouri.
- Complete water development projects in Upper Basin States.
- Support Pick-Sloan ultimate development and the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program.
- Achieve Missouri River operation and management beneficial to upstream states.
- Achieve solutions to Missouri River bank erosion and silt formation impacts and other water quality issues in the four states.
- Support Missouri River recovery programs such as:
  - Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee
  - Missouri River Ecosystem Restoration Plan
  - Missouri River Authorized Purposes Study
- Preserve and support state water associations.
- Work towards solving potential conflicts involving mutual river basins.







# Members

Members of the Upper Missouri Water Association include all types of large and small businesses, individuals, farmers, ranchers, irrigators, engineers, contractors, companies, rural electric and other cooperatives, irrigation districts, rural water systems, cities, and other organizations who are concerned about Upper Missouri water.

# Communication

The association sends out a Monthly Briefing on federal legislation, regulatory actions, and other issues concerning water.

E-mail alerts are provided periodically on the latest federal issues impacting the upper Missouri and western states.

# Board of Directors

The Upper Missouri Water Association is governed by a board of directors representing a cross section of water interests in the four states. This broad cross-section of water officials ensures that decisions have the consensus and support of the four member states.

## Board members include:

- Four representatives from each state appointed or elected by the state water association of each state.
- The State Engineer or state water agency director, or designee, from each state, as ex-officio members.
- Representatives of federal agencies as ex-officio members.

# Membership Form

## Upper Missouri Water Association Application for Membership

Check appropriate box:

- ☐ **Individual Member - \$50:**  
For any individual person interested in Upper Missouri water.
- ☐ **Associate Member - \$250:**  
For any business, company, organization, tribal entity, rural water system, agency or other entity which supports Upper Missouri water.
- ☐ **Tribal Entity Level II - \$250**  
For any tribal entity which supports Upper Missouri water.
- ☐ **Tribal Entity Level I - \$450**  
For any tribal entity which supports and has a significant stake in Upper Missouri water.
- ☐ **Tributary Member - \$450:**  
For any business, company, organization, tribal entity, rural water system, agency or other entity which supports and has a significant stake in Upper Missouri water. For irrigation districts, there is a base fee of \$45, plus \$100 for each 10,000 acres of irrigation. (See table)
- ☐ **Mainstem Member - \$1,500:**  
For any business, company, organization, tribal entity, rural water system, agency or other entity which supports and is dependent on Upper Missouri water.

TRIBUTARY – IRRIGATION DISTRICTS	
10,000 acres	\$150
20,000 acres	\$250
30,000 acres	\$350
40,000 acres	\$450
50,000 acres	\$550
60,000 acres	\$650
70,000 acres	\$750
80,000 acres	\$850
90,000 acres	\$950
100,000 acres	\$1,050

## Upper Missouri Water Association Membership Application

Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Representing: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to Upper Missouri Water Association and send to  
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