



Report from our lobbyist, Al Davis
Week of April 5 to 9

April 5th was a recess day. Morning Energy Call and 11:00 AM AltEn Call with associates.

April 6th—watched legislature. Attended Sierra Club webinar on Clean Energy Act. Watched portions of UNMC AltEn webinar.

April 7th. OPPD decarbonization webinar

April 8th. Coordinated zoom call with Senator Cavanaugh

April 9th. FRED (national Sierra Club Weekly Call

Very little occurred in the Legislature this week. Its budget week so much time was spent on addressing the budgetary issues. For example:

On Wednesday, the body went to the mat on the issue of Judges Retirement and where the funding comes from for this.

On Friday the body spent all day debating whether to fund a study to build a new prison.

I was on the phone regularly with members of the AltEn Facebook Live committee fine-tuning the plans for the program on April 12 at 7:00 pm.

Spoke with the Saunders County attorney about trying to postpone the conditional use permit application of Mead Cattle Company.

Spoke with a gentleman from Iowa several times. This particular individual has a solution for the removal of the piles of treated seed corn at Mead. About \$20-30 million to dispose of it. This on top of the \$10 million UNMC study.

Questions for this committee:

Is the Club willing to stand behind and write a complaint to send to the EPA requesting their involvement in the AltEn issue? How about an OSHA complaint? A USDA complaint? I have links for two of those three but would need someone else to manage or fill those out (or at least approve what I prepared). Might need an attorney.

We need to push the Biden administration to appoint an environmental-friendly US Attorney and try to get that done quickly.