

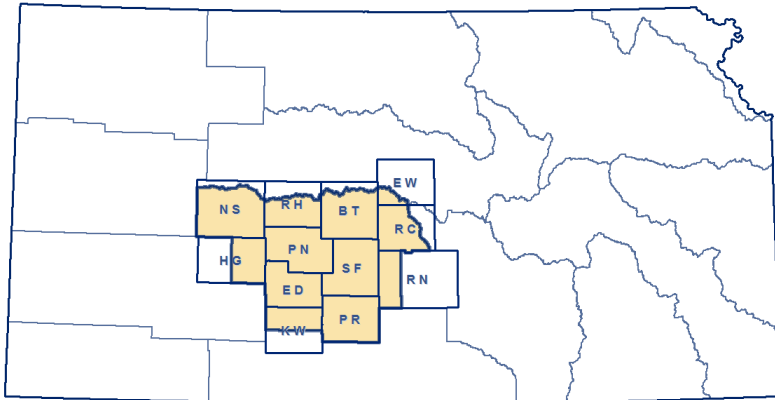
GREAT BEND PRAIRIE

Regional Planning Area



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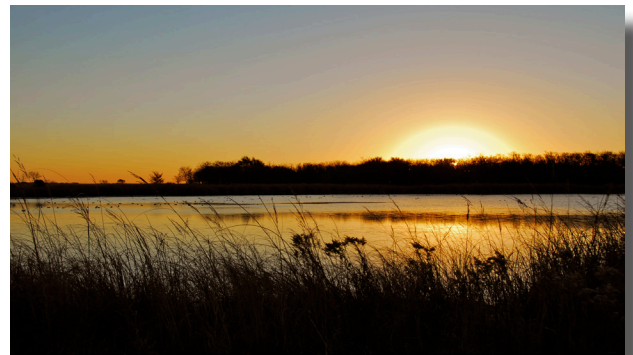
(cc) = Core Category



Regional Planning Area in central Kansas, overlaying the High Plains Aquifer.

Size: 6,769 sq miles

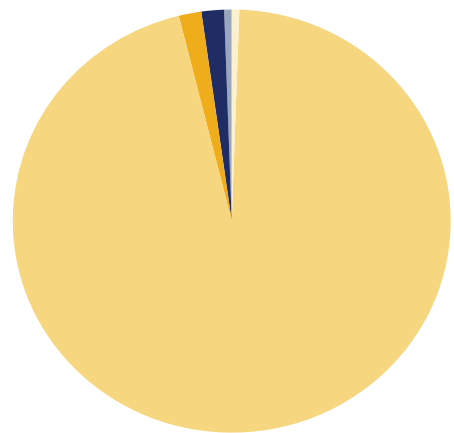
Precipitation: Yearly average of 22-27 inches NW-SE



Quivira National Wildlife Refuge, Stafford County, Kansas

WATER SUPPLY & USAGE

Groundwater is the primary source of water in the region, principally from the Great Bend Prairie aquifer and alluvial deposits along major streams.



- Irrigation 95%
- Municipal 2%
- Industry <1%
- Recreation 2%
- Stockwater <1%

CURRENT FOCUS AREA

Achieve water use sustainability by 2025; enhance poor quality water monitoring for areas with salt water disposal lines, disposal wells and areas with high salt sources to prevent freshwater contamination; and initiate research and development of feed wheat as an alternative feed source.



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