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A story in Tuesday's edition of the Press & Dakotan about water being released through the Gavins Point Dam spillway should have made clear that it was the first time in more than a decade the gates have been opened for a sustained release to allow accumulated flood waters to drain from the upper reservoir system.

WEATHER

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HUTCHINSON COUNTY

Water Dispute Headed For Nov. Ballot

Residents' Vote Will Determine Result

BY RANDY DOCKENDORF

OLIVET — State officials are racing against the clock, working on a Hutchinson County resolution determining the county's future with the James River Water Development District (JRWD).

The commissioners passed this (resolution) at their July 6 meeting, she said. "It now goes to the Board of Water and Resources (for certification)."

The resolution has reached state officials in Pierre, who face next month's election deadlines.

The attorney general's office is working on the wording of the Hutchinson County ballot measure. In addition, the state Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) must file a resolution with the secretary of state.

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LEFT: Late last week, employees of Central Trenching, Inc. (CTI) of Minot, N.D., were working to "land" an approximately 1,500-foot directional bore under the Missouri River in this small pad of concrete just east of the Discovery Bridge on the South Dakota shore. ABOVE: Curt Curtis, a 30-year veteran of the industry, operates the directional drilling rig located just south of the Missouri River below Highway 81.

Hitting The Spot

Drillers Dig Under River To Find Water For Yankton

BY NATHAN JOHNSON

The landing was successful. During this past weekend, employees of Central Trenching, Inc. (CTI) of Minot, N.D., managed to "land" a directional bore in a small pad of concrete just east of the Discovery Bridge on the South Dakota side.

"The hard part of this drill is the exit point," Curtis said. "We've got such a small window on the other side, and we're so close to the shore of the river."

Cedar Street between Riverside Drive and Second Street will be closed the week of Aug. 2 as the pipe is laid out and prepared for the pull.

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Yankton Co. Bids Farewell To Extension Agent

BY NATHAN JOHNSON

The Yankton County Commission bid farewell Tuesday to extension educator Sharon Guthmiller.

After approximately 13 years with the Yankton County Extension Office, Guthmiller is taking on a job in Pennington County, where she will be closer to her family.

It could be a long process to find a new extension educator, according to Jensen. He said the county will focus on finding the right person for the position and will not rush it.

The service is an outreach arm of South Dakota State University and brings educational programs and research-based information to the citizens of the state.

In other business Tuesday, the commission discussed the Yankton County Highway Shop construction project that commissioners hope to get under way this year.

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Unemployment Rate Falls In 39 States

BY CHRISTOPHER S. RUGABER

WASHINGTON — The unemployment rate fell in most states in June, mainly because more people gave up searching for work and were no longer counted.

Fewer states saw job increases, the latest evidence that the economic recovery is slowing. The jobless rate declined in 39 states and Washington, D.C. last month, the Labor Department said Tuesday.

But only 21 states saw net job gains in June, the government

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job creation reflects the layoff of thousands of temporary census workers. Those jobs inflated total payrolls in May and then reduced them in June.

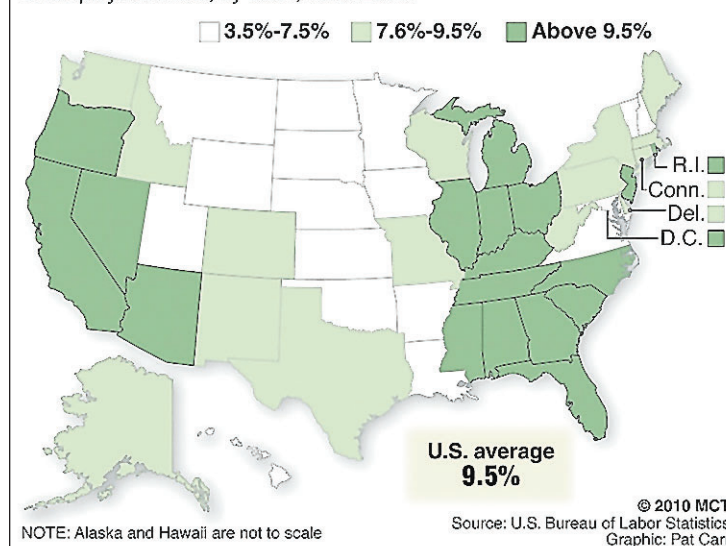
ment rate dropped to 9.5 percent in June from 9.7 percent the previous month, as about 650,000 people stopped looking for work. New York's unemployment rate fell to 8.2 percent from 8.3 percent the previous month.

Wisconsin, meanwhile, saw its jobless rate fall to 7.9 percent from 8.2 percent the previous month. But the state's work force fell by 13,600, suggesting

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State of joblessness

Congress is finally poised to extend federal unemployment benefits. Unemployment rate, by state, June 2010:



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