

## 2023 Kansas Statutes

**82a-905. Same; public hearings on state water plan or sections thereof, procedure; approval by Kansas water authority and submission to legislature and governor of plan or sections thereof.** Prior to the submission of the state water plan or any section thereof or any amendment thereto to the Kansas water authority, the legislature and the governor, the office shall hold public hearings at such place or places as may be convenient to the area affected, to consider the state water plan or one or more sections thereof or amendments thereto, and to hear protests or petitions of all interested persons. Notice of such hearing shall be published at least twice prior to such hearing in the Kansas register. The office shall send, by United States mail, a reasonable notice of hearing to (1) such agencies of the state as have an interest in the management, conservation and development of the water resources of the state, (2) the county clerk of each county affected by the proposed plan, (3) the agencies of the federal government having an interest in water resources management, conservation and development, and (4) such persons, public or private, as have requested notification in writing from the office. In addition, the office may send notice of a scheduled hearing to any person or persons it deems proper. The office shall furnish a summary of the proposed plan to those persons it is required by law to notify of a public hearing and to such other persons as request a summary. The records of hearings shall be public records and open for inspection at the Kansas water office. The office shall give due consideration to the matters presented at such public hearing and shall then present the plan to the Kansas water authority. Upon approval by the authority, the office shall submit the plan to the legislature and the governor. Provisions in this section concerning notice and summary shall be directive and not jurisdictional.

**History:** L. 1963, ch. 514, § 5; L. 1967, ch. 420, § 2; L. 1981, ch. 398, § 5; L. 1981, ch. 324, § 35; L. 1984, ch. 379, § 3; July 1.