

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Garrison Diversion Conservancy District
Carrington, North Dakota
April 18 & 19, 2024**

AGENDA

April 18

- 1:30 p.m. I. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance – Alan Walter
- 1:32 p.m. II. Roll Call – Lisa Schafer
- 1:33 p.m. III. Announcements and Introductions – Alan Walter
- 1:34 p.m. IV. **Reading and Consideration of Minutes** – Alan Walter
- A. **>January 11 & 12, 2024**
- 1:35 p.m. V. Water Appropriations Overview – Andrew Nygren
- 2:30 p.m. VI. Officers and Committee Reports
- A. Chairman – Alan Walter
1. Executive Committee
- a. Financial Report - Merri Mooridian
- i. **>*Financial Statements**
- ii. **>*2024 Budget Revisions**
- iii. >Budget Timeline
- iv. ***Bank Signatory Card Change**
- B. Vice Chairman – Jay Anderson
1. LAWA Technical Advisory Committee Recap
- C. Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee – Brian Orn
1. Oakes Irrigation Research Site Building Update
- a. **>*Land Donation Agreement** – Tami Norgard
- D. Recreation Committee – Larry Kassian
1. >Approved Projects List
- E. Red River Valley Committee – Ken Vein
- 3:20 p.m. **COFFEE BREAK**
- 3:35 p.m. VII. Red River Valley Water Supply Project Update
- A. >Work Plan & Construction Update – Kip Kovar
1. Contract 5D – Transmission Pipeline East
- a. **>*Change Order No. 1 – Tunnel Removal**
- B. >2023-2025 Biennium Work Plan/Budget – Kip Kovar
- C. >Program Schedule – Merri Mooridian
- D. Land Acquisition Update – Kip Kovar
- E. User Outreach Meetings – Duane DeKrey & Steve Burian
- F. **>*Two-Tier Cost Allocation** – Merri Mooridian & Shawn Gaddie
- 4:50 p.m. **RECESS**
- 5:00 p.m. **Social at Garden Gate Sponsored by Vogel Law Firm**

April 19

- 8:30 a.m. VIII. MR&I Program Report – Duane DeKrey
 A. >Construction Report
 B. >Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)
 C. >Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) Waiver Request
- 8:40 a.m. IX. O&M Update – Ryan Anderson
- 8:45 a.m. X. ND Water Users/ND Irrigation Assoc. Update – Dani Quissell
 A. >Policy Update
- 8:55 a.m. XI. >Irrigation Update – Ryan Anderson
 A. >2024 Map
- 9:00 a.m. XII. Snake Creek Embankment Dam Safety Mod. Study – Kip Kovar
- 9:05 a.m. XIII. Department of Water Resources Report – John Paczkowski
- 9:15 a.m. XIV. Bureau of Reclamation Report – Nathan Kraft
- 9:20 a.m. XV. **>*ND Insurance Reserve Fund Annual Meeting & Election** – Duane DeKrey
- 9:25 a.m. XVI. Trip Reports
 A. >Red River Basin Conference
 B. >Ground Water Management Association Conference
 C. Family Farm Alliance
 D. >NWRA Policy Conference
- 9:55 a.m. XVII. General Manager’s Report – Duane DeKrey
 A. Congressional Delegation Meetings Recap
 B. >Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee – FY2023 Annual Report
- 10:10 a.m. XVIII. Future Meetings – Alan Walter
 A. >2024 Garrison Diversion Meetings
 B. State Water Commission – June 13, Bismarck
 C. Water Resource District Summer Meeting – July 10-11, Minot
 D. NWRA Western Water Seminar – July 23-25, Kennewick, WA
 E. Water Day at State Fair – July 25, Minot
 F. State Water Commission – August 8, Bismarck
 G. WaterPro Conference – September 9-11, Savannah, GA
 H. ND League of Cities Conference – September 18-20, Grand Forks
 I. Upper Missouri Assoc. Conference – October 15-17, Fairmont Hot Springs, MT
 J. ND Association of Counties Conference – October 20-22, Bismarck
 K. NWRA Annual Conference & Leadership Forum – November 6-8, Albuquerque, NM
 L. Joint Water Convention & Irrigation Workshop – December 10-13, Bismarck
- 10:15 a.m. XIX. Other Business – Alan Walter
- 10:20 a.m. **ADJOURN**

Items in bold require action by the Board

*** Requires a roll call vote**

The following minutes are in draft form subject to review and approval by the Board of Directors at its next meeting.

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**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
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Carrington, North Dakota**

January 11 & 12, 2024

A meeting of the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District Board of Directors was held on January 11 and 12, 2024, at the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District in Carrington, North Dakota. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Walter at 1:30 p.m. on January 11.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Alan Walter
 Vice Chairman Jay Anderson
 Second Vice Chairman Greg Bischoff
 Director Dave Anderson
 Director Kyle Blanchfield
 Director Nikki Boote
 Director Richard Cayko
 Director Mark Cook
 Director Steve Forde (by video conference)
 Director Geneva Kaiser
 Director Bruce Klein
 Director Kelly Klosterman
 Director Margo Knorr
 Director Ward Koeser (by video conference)
 Director Brandon Krueger (day one)
 Director Jeff LeDoux
 Director Steve Metzger
 Director Bill Ongstad
 Director Brian Orn
 Director Jim Pellman
 Director Kenny Rogers
 Director Mike Tweed
 Director Ken Vein
 Director Donald Zimbleman (by video conference)
 Secretary Duane DeKrey

MEMBERS ABSENT

Director Cliff Hanretty
 Director David Johnson
 Director Larry Kassian
 Director Brandon Krueger (day two)
 Director Jason Siegert

OTHERS PRESENT

Garrison Diversion staff members and others were present. A copy of the registration sheet is attached to these minutes as Annex I.

The meeting was recorded to assist with compilation of the minutes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Walter called on others in attendance to introduce themselves.

READING OF THE MINUTES

Motion by Director Cayko to dispense with a reading of the October 19, 2023, Committee of the Whole minutes and approve them as distributed. Second by Director Klosterman. Upon voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Director Orn to dispense with a reading of the October 19 and 20, 2023, Board of Directors minutes and approve them as distributed. Second by Director LeDoux. Upon voice vote, motion carried.

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chairman - - Chairman Walter provided a summary of the December 14, 2023, Executive Committee meeting.

Executive Committee**Audit Engagement Letter**

Merri Mooridian, Administrative Officer, Garrison Diversion, referred to the audit engagement letter received from Eide Bailly. Garrison Diversion has requested EideBailly audit the 2023 modified cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund. This letter confirms the audit and explains the process and management responsibilities. The cost of the audit is \$33,000. A copy of the letter is attached to these minutes as Annex II.

Ms. Mooridian commented the letter indicates EideBailly will conduct one single audit on the federal cooperative agreements. She pointed out Garrison Diversion has two federal cooperative agreements. If EideBailly ends up auditing both agreements, there will be an additional \$7,000 cost.

Motion by Director Tweed to approve the audit engagement with EideBailly to conduct an audit of Garrison Diversion's 2023 financial statements. Second by Director D. Anderson. Upon roll call vote, the following directors voted aye: D. Anderson, J. Anderson, Bischoff, Blanchfield, Boote, Cayko, Cook, Forde, Kaiser, Klein, Klosterman, Knorr, Koeser, Krueger, LeDoux, Metzger, Ongstad, Orn, Pellman, Rogers, Tweed, Vein, Walter and Zimbleman. Those voting nay: none. Absent and not voting: Hanretty, Johnson, Kassian and Siegert. Motion carried.

Financial Statements

Ms. Mooridian reviewed Garrison Diversion's financial statements for the period of January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023. Copies of the financial statements are attached to these minutes as Annex III.

Revenues through December 31 are broken out as follows: General Fund \$5,148,517; MR&I Fund \$19,037,909; O&M Fund \$4,862,331; RRVWSP Fund \$31,966,727 and Irrigation Fund \$492,152.

Expenditures were: General Fund \$4,289,985; MR&I Fund \$19,024,246; O&M Fund \$4,114,496; RRVWSP Fund \$32,258,182 and Irrigation Fund \$442,534. Transfers out, which are indirect fees paid from the General Fund to the other funds, total (\$812,295).

The income budget for 2023 was \$61,842,734. Income received through December 31 is \$61,507,636 or 99.5% of budget.

Total expenses budgeted were \$63,077,445. Actual expenditures were \$60,129,443 or 95.3% budget. Adding in the transfers in and out, the budget was \$64,020,445. Expenditures were \$59,317,148 or 92.7% of the budget.

Garrison Diversion's reserve accounts total \$8,126,969.

Deposits at Bank of North Dakota are \$4,030,874; First International Bank & Trust \$13,000,274; and Bremer Bank \$7,561,804.

Motion by Director Cayko to accept the financial statements for the period of January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023. Second by Director Cook. Upon roll call vote, the following directors voted aye: D. Anderson, J. Anderson, Bischoff, Blanchfield, Boote, Cayko, Cook, Forde, Kaiser, Klein, Klosterman, Knorr, Koeser, Krueger, LeDoux, Metzger, Ongstad, Orn, Pellman, Rogers, Tweed, Vein, Walter and Zimbleman. Those voting nay: none. Absent and not voting: Hanretty, Johnson, Kassian and Siegert. Motion carried.

2023 Budget Revisions

Ms. Mooridian reviewed Garrison Diversion's 2023 budget revisions RV2 with the board, highlighting items which ran over budget. A copy of the budget revisions is attached to these minutes as Annex IV.

Motion by Director Metzger to approve the following 2023 budget revisions:

Revenues

Irrigation Admin, increase \$24
Misc Income, increase \$3,922
Revenue Sale of Fixed Assets, increase \$173,167
Interest Income, increase \$310,000
Tax Levy, increase \$29,384
State Aid Distribution, increase \$123,676
O&M Non-Project Income, increase \$159,933
Contract Revenue-General Fund, increase \$10,552
Contract Revenue-O&M, decrease \$751,303
Contract Revenue-MR&I, decrease \$1,220,963

Contract Revenue-RRVWSP, increase \$1,166,727
 Contract Revenue-Irrigation, **decrease \$340,217**

Expenses

General Fund

Directors Expense

Directors Exp, increase \$11,000

Employee Expense

Employee Salaries, **decrease \$11,000**

Administration

Communications, **decrease \$2,000**

Utilities, increase \$3,000

Data Processing, increase \$1,000

Small Office Equipment, increase \$3,000

Annual Independent Audit, **decrease \$5,000**

Public Education

ND Water Magazine, increase \$2,000

Conf/Sponsorships, **decrease \$2,000**

Maintenance & Repair

Equipment Maintenance, **decrease \$5,500**

Small Yard Equipment Purchases, increase \$3,350

Land & Bldg Maintenance, **decrease \$24,744**

Auto Expense, **decrease \$1,500**

Capital Purchases

Office Equip & Furniture, **decrease \$1,100**

Yard Equipment, **decrease \$20,000**

Land & Bldgs, increase \$49,494

GDU O&M

Salaries & Benefits

Salaries, increase \$27,000

Benefits, increase \$300

Contracted Services (Eng/Survey), increase \$93,000

Supplies, increase \$13,500

Equip Maintenance, **decrease \$134,500**

Safety, increase \$700

RRV Water Supply Project

ROW, increase \$169,000

Design/Construction in Progress, **decrease \$192,900**

Professional Services

Other Engineering, increase \$23,900

Second by Director Cayko. Upon roll call vote, the following directors voted aye: D. Anderson, J. Anderson, Bischoff, Blanchfield, Boote, Cayko, Cook, Forde, Kaiser, Klein, Klosterman, Knorr, Koeser, Krueger, LeDoux, Metzger, Ongstad, Orn, Pellman, Rogers,

Tweed, Vein, Walter and Zimbleman. Those voting nay: none. Absent and not voting: Hanretty, Johnson, Kassian and Siegert. Motion carried.

Affirmation of Banks

Ms. Mooridian explained the North Dakota Century Code requires Garrison Diversion to examine all outstanding bonds and designate its bank depositories every even numbered year. Garrison Diversion is currently working with BND, Bremer Bank and First International Bank & Trust. She suggested the board approve the designated bank depositories. If there are any other banks the board would like to add, that can be done now or throughout the next two years.

Vice Chairman Bischoff asked if the current bank depositories are North Dakota based banking institutions.

Ms. Mooridian said she believes Bremer Bank's headquarters are in St. Paul, Minnesota.

It was the consensus of the board to show preference toward North Dakota based banks.

Chairman Walter suggested approving the current depositories and directed staff to look into other North Dakota based banks in lieu of Bremer Bank.

Motion by Director Klein to approve designating Bremer Bank, Bank of North Dakota and First International Bank & Trust as Garrison Diversion's bank depositories for the calendar years 2024 and 2025. Second by Second Vice Chairman Bischoff. Upon roll call vote, the following directors voted aye: D. Anderson, J. Anderson, Bischoff, Blanchfield, Boote, Cayko, Cook, Forde, Kaiser, Klein, Klosterman, Knorr, Koeser, Krueger, LeDoux, Metzger, Ongstad, Orn, Pellman, Rogers, Tweed, Vein, Walter and Zimbleman. Those voting nay: none. Absent and not voting: Hanretty, Johnson, Kassian and Siegert. Motion carried.

Budget Timeline

Ms. Mooridian referred to the Budget Timeline used for the budget preparation process, which is provided for the board's information.

Vice Chairman - - Jay Anderson, Vice Chairman, commented on various meetings he has attended on behalf of Garrison Diversion, involving the Red River Valley Water Supply Project (RRVWSP), National Water Resources Association (NWRA) and the Upper Missouri Water Association.

1st Report of the Nominating Committee - - Second Vice Chairman Bischoff, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported there are three Executive Committee positions up for election this year, Directors Dave Anderson, Cook and Klein. Directors Cook and Klein have completed two terms and cannot seek re-election. Director Dave Anderson has completed one term and may run for a second term.

The Nominating Committee reports the following four directors are interested in filling the positions available on the Executive Committee: Dave Anderson, Cliff Hanretty, Larry Kassian and Brian Orn.

Chairman Bischoff stated additional nominations to the Executive Committee can be made later in the meeting today. No nominations will be allowed tomorrow prior to the time of the election.

Public Relations Committee - - Director Dave Anderson, Chairman, Public Relations Committee, announced the committee met this morning to review and consider Task Order GF 1.47 for 2024 Strategic Communication Services.

Heather Syverson, Advanced Engineering & Environmental Services (AE2S), referred to the task order, stating its purpose is to assist Garrison Diversion in 2024 with the development of a consistent and reliable communications strategy for project sponsors, community leaders, legislators, state leaders, and strategic partners. The cost of the task order is \$94,700. A copy of the task order's executive summary is attached to these minutes as Annex V.

Ms. Syverson reported AE2S has been working with Garrison Diversion for several years. The cost of last year's task order was \$139,000, of which there is \$15,000 remaining. The reason for the higher cost in 2023 was due to the completion of three new websites and the legislative session.

Director D. Anderson commented one of the public relations products discussed at the Public Relations Committee was a county benefits handout developed for Burleigh, Pierce and Sheridan Counties. This resulted from these counties questioning what benefits they were receiving by being a member of Garrison Diversion. The handouts provide a Garrison Diversion overview and are specific to each county, listing the benefits they received or are receiving either through the Recreation or MR&I Grant Programs, as well as other project benefits their area may receive from Garrison Diversion depending on their location.

Kimberly Cook, Communications Director, added she would be willing to provide the county benefit handouts to any of the member counties or directors who are interested.

Chairman Walter encouraged the board members to take a look at Garrison Diversion's updated website.

Motion by Director Koeser to approve the 2024 Strategic Communications Services Task Order, GF 1.47, in the amount of \$94,700. Second by Director Knorr. Upon roll call vote, the following directors voted aye: D. Anderson, J. Anderson, Bischoff, Blanchfield, Boote, Cayko, Cook, Forde, Kaiser, Klein, Klosterman, Knorr, Koeser, Krueger, LeDoux, Metzger, Ongstad, Orn, Pellman, Rogers, Tweed, Vein, Walter and Zimbleman. Those voting nay: none. Absent and not voting: Hanretty, Johnson, Kassian and Siegert. Motion carried.

Engineering & Operations Committee - - Director Tweed, who chairs the Engineering & Operations Committee (E&O), informed the board the E&O Committee also met this morning at which time a review of the 2023 O&M Work Plan activities at each of the work sites was provided, along with an update on the McClusky Canal major slide repair project. Following that, the committee reviewed the 2024 Operation, Maintenance and Replacement Work Plan for transferred works, as well as the 2024 Devils Lake Outlet Work Plan, which are both recommended for board approval today.

Motion by Director LeDoux to approve the 2024 Operation, Maintenance and Replacement Work Plan. Second by Director Cayko. Upon roll call vote, the following directors voted aye: D. Anderson, J. Anderson, Bischoff, Blanchfield, Boote, Cayko, Cook, Forde, Kaiser, Klein, Klosterman, Knorr, Koeser, Krueger, LeDoux, Metzger, Ongstad, Orn, Pellman, Rogers, Tweed, Vein, Walter and Zimbleman. Those voting nay: none. Absent and not voting: Hanretty, Johnson, Kassian and Siegert. Motion carried.

Motion by Second Vice Chairman Bischoff to approved the 2024 Devils Lake Work Plan. Second by Director Blanchfield. Upon roll call vote, the following directors voted aye: D. Anderson, J. Anderson, Bischoff, Blanchfield, Boote, Cayko, Cook, Forde, Kaiser, Klein, Klosterman, Knorr, Koeser, Krueger, LeDoux, Metzger, Ongstad, Orn, Pellman, Rogers, Tweed, Vein, Walter and Zimbleman. Those voting nay: none. Absent and not voting: Hanretty, Johnson, Kassian and Siegert. Motion carried.

MR&I Committee

Water Supply Assistance Grant Program (WSAGP)

Director Kaiser, Chairperson, MR&I Committee, referred to the WSAGP Completed Projects table, reporting \$314,688 was approved in 2023 for MR&I projects. Out of that, \$224,682 has been expended on completed projects. Outstanding projects total \$111,242. The amount of funds returned to the program total \$56,009. The balance of funds remaining is \$140,788, which is accumulative from 2021 through 2023.

The next application deadline for WSAGP is May 1, 2024.

MR&I Construction Report

Secretary DeKrey referred to the MR&I construction report dated December 31. Total 2023 MR&I expenditures are \$18,914,983. Remaining approved federal MR&I funds are \$12,832,925.

Mr. DeKrey reported permission to use the \$38.5 million Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funds was recently granted.

Copies of the construction report and BIL summary are attached to these minutes as Annex VI.

Red River Valley Committee

Director Vein, Chairman, Red River Valley Committee, reported the committee met on December 12, 2023, in conjunction with the LAWA TAC to discuss various topics concerning the RRVWSP, including 2023 construction activities, 2024 construction outlook, demand allocations, pipeline hydraulics and to consider six major task orders.

RED RIVER VALLEY WATER SUPPLY PROJECT (RRVWSP)

Program Cost Update - - Paul Boersma, Black & Veatch, stated it is important for this board to have clarity on the overall programmatic costs of the RRVWSP. It is also important for the board to understand the risks involved, adding there is potential for some added costs on larger pipe sizes that may arise.

Mr. Boersma reported programmatic costs have been updated for inflation the past two years. There has been a lot of inflationary increase in the programmatic cost estimate. The good news is these inflationary pressures were anticipated and have already been worked into the financial model. A thorough discussion took place with the LAWA TAC on this issue in December, and the committee recommended no other updates be made to the cost estimates at this time except for the inflationary adjustments, which were programmed in.

Mr. Boersma explained there are three different cost estimates when dealing with the RRVWSP. They are the programmatic cost estimate, biennium work plan budgets and the engineer's estimate.

The programmatic cost estimate is being discussed today. This was last done in March 2022 and is now being updated to January 2024 dollars, including inflation and new construction data.

The biennium work plan budgets are derived from the programmatic cost estimates and are prepared in order to determine a two-year spending scenario for the next biennium.

The engineer's estimate is for a specific bid package and based upon what the predicted cost of a particular project will be on bid date.

Mr. Boersma reviewed programmatic costs completed in March 2022. The facilities were based on the 2018 PDR plus a 25% contingency. The pipeline was based on actual bids from Contracts 5A and 5B plus a 5% contingency. The March 2022 programmatic cost estimate was \$1.083 billion for the ENDAWS Project. Using inflation, that would be \$1.230 billion in January 2024 dollars.

Mr. Boersma said since that time, Contracts 5C and 5D have been bid. When looking at the costs received, the LAWA TAC evaluated updating the programmatic cost estimate based on:

- Low bid for recently bid pipeline segments
- Average low bids
- Average of two lowest bids for each project

The conclusion the LAWA TAC came to is the low bid for pipeline Contract 5D was \$6 million per mile, which corresponds with the programmatic cost estimate.

The LAWA TAC recommended/requested:

- Maintaining the inflation adjusted programmatic cost estimate
- Engineer continues market research evaluating construction market conditions
- Engineer completes a segment-by-segment programmatic cost update

Mr. Boersma added Black & Veatch is in the process of completing a deeper study into various segments of the pipeline to better determine if the \$6 million per mile is representative of every pipeline segment of the RRVWSP.

Construction Update - - Kip Kovar, District Engineer, Garrison Diversion, shared a PowerPoint presentation as a review of the RRVWSP construction contracts, consisting of completed and ongoing projects.

Completed

- Missouri River Intake, Wet Well & Site Dev Ct 1 (2022 – Industrial Contract Services)
- Sheyenne River Outfall, Disch Str & Site Dev Ct 2 (2022 – Industrial Builders)
- Transmission Pipeline East Ct 5A (2022 – Garney)
- Missouri River Intake, Screen Structure and Tunnel Ct 2 (2023 – Michels)

Underway

- Transmission Pipeline East Ct 5B (2024 – Garney)
- Transmission Pipeline East Ct 5C (2026 – Oscar Renda)
- Transmission Pipeline East Ct 5D (2026 – Carstensen)

The original total amount of all RRVWSP construction contracts is \$218 million. Change orders total (\$722,520), for a revised total amount of \$217.3 million or a -0.3% change.

Pending change orders amount to \$1.3 million, likely resulting in a revised amount on contracts of \$219.4 million or a 0.6% change.

Contract 5B

Mr. Kovar also reported on the construction status of Contract 5B, highlighting contractor-initiated improvements and challenges encountered. In 2022, approximately a mile and a half of pipeline was installed. Four miles of pipeline were installed in 2023, and a little over three miles remain to be installed in 2024. The contract is for a total of nine miles.

Various photos from the Contract 5B construction site were shared showing construction activities and the challenging conditions with dewatering and cobbles and boulders.

Mr. Kovar said adjustments are being made for 2024 by allowing for more time and using better dewatering tactics.

Mr. Kovar also reviewed a list of potential change order items and the current contract price and timeline for Contract 5B. The original contract value was \$45,961,700. The current contract amount is \$44,932,678, which includes approved change orders to date. The original substantial completion date was September 30, 2023, and the current final completion date of this contract is December 24, 2023.

Garney's 2024 schedule, which was presented to the Executive Committee at the December meeting, shows remobilization May 1, 2024, and finishing pipe installation by September 25. Hydrotesting is planned for November 18, 2024, with all work completed by December 12, 2024.

Mr. Kovar stated if Garney completes its work with its current 2024 schedule, liquidated damages would amount to \$780,000 which is \$2,000 per day. Liquidated damages are based on the number of days past the due dates.

2023-2025 Biennium Work Plan/Budget - - Mr. Kovar reviewed the work items included in the RRVWSP 2023-2025 Work Plan with a total budget amount of \$244 million. Over the last six months, Garrison Diversion staff and the engineering team have been pulling contracts and task orders together. As of today, almost the entire budget amount is under contract. A copy of the work plan is attached to these minutes as Annex VII.

Mr. Kovar pointed out Item No. 5, RRV Transmission Pipeline Contract 6A, is on hold until it is known how many of the small system users have signed the Project Participation Agreements (PPA).

Work Plan Update - - Mr. Kovar reviewed the December 5, 2023, RRVWSP Work Plan Update, which summarizes construction activities. A copy of the work plan is attached to these minutes as Annex VIII.

Task Orders - - Mr. Kovar referred to copies of the ENDAWS and RRVWSP Task Orders included with the board meeting materials. These task orders were reviewed and recommended for approval by the RRV Committee to the Executive Committee, who in turn approved them all at

their December meeting. These task orders were also approved by the LAWA TAC and will be considered for approval by the LAWA Board on January 16.

ENDAWS (Eastern North Dakota Alternate Water Supply) Task Orders

Task Order 2250 – McClusky Canal Intake & Pumping Station Preliminary Design (PD)

The objective of Task Order 2250 is to complete a preliminary design for the McClusky Canal Intake and Pumping Station, which will be an approximated 2,400 HP pump station designed to convey 165 cubic feet per second (cfs) of flow. The cost of the task order is \$751,031. A copy of the task order's executive summary is attached to these minutes as Annex IX.

Task Order 3210 – Biota Water Treatment Plant & McClusky Main Pumping Station PD

The objective of Task Order 3210 is to complete a preliminary design for the Biota Water Treatment Plant (BWTP) and the McClusky Main Pumping Station (McMPS). The BWTP generally consists of sediment/sand removal, ultraviolet (UV) disinfection and chlorine disinfection. The primary treatment goal for the BWTP is to limit the likelihood that Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) would be transferred from the Missouri River watershed to the Hudson Bay watershed. The cost of the task order is \$2,872,752. A copy of the task order's executive summary is attached to these minutes as Annex X.

Task Order 4250 – Hydraulic Break Tank PD

The objective of Task Order 4250 is to complete a preliminary design for the Hydraulic Break Tanks, which will be two approximated 5-million-gallon break tanks at the point where the pipeline transitions from pressure flow to gravity flow. The cost of the task order is \$370,443. A copy of the task order's executive summary is attached to these minutes as Annex XI.

RRVWSP Task Orders

Task Order 1520 – Operational Planning, Phase 3

The purpose of Task Order 1520 is to continue ongoing analysis of the RRVWSP operations through discussions with the system users, Garrison Diversion, Corps of Engineers and the State. There are five objectives: 1) update project operational descriptions and assumptions, 2) update project governance, 3) update water supplies, 4) update pipeline and reservoir operations and 5) update the preliminary water accounting model. The cost of this task order is \$462,030. A copy of the task order's executive summary is attached to these minutes as Annex XII.

Task Order 5340 – Transmission Pipeline East, Contract 4, Final Design Services & Bidding Assistance

Task Order 5340 takes 30-percent plans and specifications for Contract 4 to final documents for public bidding. Contract 4 begins four miles east of Hurdsfield, North Dakota, and extends 27 miles east. The cost of the task order is \$7,183,000. A copy of the task order's executive summary is attached to these minutes as Annex XIII.

Land Acquisition - - Mr. Kovar reported on a parcel basis, currently 62 percent of the right-of-way has been obtained in the ENDAWS section of the RRVWSP located in Sheridan County. On a landowner basis, it is 76 percent.

Pipeline Hydraulic Analysis - - Mr. Boersma reported, as part of the PDR, an update was done looking at revised flows based on the demand allocation update and what impact that would have on hydraulics.

Mr. Boersma stated the ENDAWS route requires additional hydraulic controls (standpipe) beyond what was originally planned for the RRVWSP. The cost to do this is \$3 million to \$5 million. There is also a risk that more flow will need to be delivered to Lake Ashtabula. The cost to address this risk is an additional \$5 million to \$15 million.

Three changes being looked at are: 1) revised intake location from Washburn to McClusky may require revised break tank location and an additional standpipe, 2) revised flow takeoffs from the pipe users and 3) potential requirement for added flow per Lake Ashtabula.

The reason for the changes and solutions are:

- Change in Pipeline Alignment Changes Break Tank Location
Add a standpipe along ENDAWS Segment
- Change in Likely User Takeoff Locations Changes Flow Distribution
Potentially increase pipe size of some segments
- There May Be Less Storage Volume in Lake Ashtabula Based on Recent Surveys
Potentially increase pipe size of some segments for higher flows

Cost impacts are:

- > Cost of standpipe & getting 140-cfs flow to Sheyenne – \$3 to \$5 million
- > Cost of standpipe & getting 145-cfs flow to Sheyenne – \$10 to \$15 million
- > Standpipe cost & getting 165-cfs flow to Sheyenne – \$15 to \$20 million

Mr. Boersma said no decisions need to be made today. The purpose of the presentation is to explain what type of risks exist. This issue will likely come back to the board at a future meeting.

Program Schedule - - Ms. Mooridian referred to the RRVWSP Program Schedule dated January 4, 2024, which shows the timeline of the completed and ongoing RRVWSP construction projects.

Ms. Mooridian said to answer an earlier question, \$7.4 million was expended on engineering in 2023.

User Outreach Meetings - - Director Vein reported on what has taken place in regard to user meetings primarily between Fargo and Grand Forks when looking at cost allocation models and the PPA.

Director Vein said previously there has been a four-tier system in place. There were questions whether that system was adequate for today. He listed a number of reasons why the formula should be reexamined, including pricing differences and a better balance of the benefits between domestic and industrial water while maintaining the user group philosophy. Policy leaders would also like to simplify the discussion with elected officials to solidify support for the broad use and execution of the PPAs.

Director Vein added the updated model now reflects the new cost estimates and the incorporation of ENDAWS.

A two-tier system is now being proposed for domestic water. One for the large current drought need or supply replacement. The other tier would be those that have less or minor shortages during droughts, would have a redundant supply or would rely on return flows or there was significant additional access infrastructure required. Depending on location, the closer the system is to the pipeline, the cheaper the cost. If the system is further away from the main pipeline, the cost will be much larger. On the industrial side, tier one is on the core system, and tier two would require a significant access to infrastructure.

Director Vein said AE2S has put together a supporting handout, which shows the difference in costs for water comparing the two systems that were analyzed. The net result is the two-tier system really did not have significant impacts for the small and medium sized users.

Director Vein said Fargo and Grand Forks got together on several occasions to negotiate because there were different impacts to each community since they are in different tiers. After that was done, they were able to come to a general consensus between the two cities. A meeting was then held with Valley City and Carrington, representing the smaller cities, to get their feedback, which he felt was neutral or positive. Northeast Regional Water District and Southeast Rural Water District, representing the rural systems, were invited but were not able to attend.

The next step is to present and discuss this two-tier system at the January 16 LAWA Board meeting. If all goes favorably, regional group and individual user meetings will be held.

Mr. Boersma added after the LAWA Board meeting, user meetings will start taking place. At that time, the users will receive a financial packet. They will also be asked to consider a draft Memorandum of Commitment, which is a soft commitment to the RRVWSP. By signing the MOC, the system user is pledging to begin financing its portion of the 25 percent local cost share of the \$244 million allocated by the state, which is \$60 million.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Chairman Walter announced there are currently four candidates for the three Executive Committee positions. They are Dave Anderson, Brian Orn, Larry Kassian and Cliff Hanretty. He called for nominations from the floor three times.

No further nominations were received; therefore, Chairman Walter declared that nominations are ceased. Voting will take place when the board reconvenes on Friday.

The board recessed at 4:30 p.m. and reconvened at 8:30 a.m. on January 12.

WASHINGTON, DC. REPORT

Luke Johnson and Bella Wolitz of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck (BHFS) provided an overview on the federal appropriations process, authorization bills and water right settlements, including research regarding the proposal to increase the authorization ceiling for the Dakota Water Resources Act (DWRA), as well as other legislative issues relating to water and Garrison Diversion from Washington, DC.

OPERATION & MAINTENANCE (O&M) UPDATE

Ryan Anderson, Engineer, Garrison Diversion, reported the O&M crews have been completing some housekeeping items at the McClusky Shop, SCPP and Garrison Diversion's office in Carrington. Other winter work includes rock hauling.

Mr. Anderson also provided a progress report on the major slide repair project along the McClusky Canal, including photos and a video of the trenching work that has been completed. The goal is to have a majority of the slide repair project complete in 2024.

Approximately 120,000 cubic yards of spoil were hauled in 2023. Total hauled to date is 2,600,000 cubic yards. Of the 120,000 cubic yards, approximately 80,000 was placed on an adjacent landowner's property.

Over 95 percent of all the spoil has been moved.

Mr. Anderson reminded the board there were seven drains installed to bring water from the back side of the embankment to the canal. The trenchless contractor did the installation of the trenchless portion boring underneath the spoil piles in 2021 and 2022. Garrison Diversion O&M personnel installed the manholes and the open face cut bringing the water down the canal side slopes. Three of the manholes were completed in 2023. There is one left to complete, but there may be a potential slide in that area so the work is being delayed until spring.

The approved slide repair budget is \$17,488,912, and expenses through 2023 are \$9,455,055. There will be rock and gravel purchased coming up, along with some drain material.

Mr. Anderson also reviewed the remaining and ongoing work on the major slide repair project for 2024, which includes working with landowners that wish to have wetlands dewatered, cleaning out the water prism portion of the canal, installation of the last drain and manholes for surface water drainage and rip rap and gravel earthwork to complete.

IRRIGATION UPDATE

Mr. Anderson referred to the map showing irrigated acres along the McClusky Canal. Approximately 7,900 total acres were irrigated from the canal in 2023, which is the same amount predicted for 2024. He continues to field calls from irrigators expressing interest in irrigating from the canal.

Mr. Anderson also reported he will be presenting at a Farmers Choice growers meeting in Washburn on January 23. They are interested in hearing what Garrison Diversion can do to help with irrigation along the canal in regard to project use power, lower interest rates and the 75 percent state cost share being offered by the State Water Commission.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION REPORT

Scott Hettinger, Deputy Area Manager, Reclamation, referred to Reclamation's January report and provided highlights from ongoing projects involving Garrison Diversion. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes as Annex XIV.

ENDAWS - - Mr. Hettinger said Reclamation, Garrison staff, and Garrison Diversion's consultant are coordinating with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service on proposed pipeline routes for the ENDAWS. Discussions on this topic continue to ensure compliance with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) commitments. The purchase of easements for this project has been included in the cooperative agreement (R17AC00049) as an approved activity. It appears this will not impact the project schedule at all.

Snake Creek Pumping Plant - - Reclamation has been meeting with the Corps of Engineers on the cofferdam at Snake Creek. They will continue to meet regarding partial or full removal of the cofferdam for the NAWIS Intake and how it will affect the Snake Creek embankment.

SNAKE CREEK EMBANKMENT DAM SAFETY MODIFICATION STUDY

Mr. Kovar reported the Corps of Engineers has proposed an operational fix instead of a structural fix regarding the Snake Creek Embankment, and Garrison Diversion has been fighting this for the last several years.

Recently, the Corps of Engineers found funding to do conceptual design on one structural fix. Garrison Diversion has been meeting with the Department of Water Resources to determine which structural fix we would like to move forward with. The two that are most likely are a cutoff wall or adding heavy blankets of dirt on the downstream side.

Mr. Kovar added the Corps of Engineers has stated even though they are doing the design work does not mean the structural fix will be done. At least there will be design and a cost estimate complete.

2023 GDCD ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Secretary DeKrey referred to the list of Garrison Diversion's 2023 accomplishments for the board's information. A copy of the list is attached to these minutes as Annex XV.

2024 GDCD WORK PLAN

Mr. DeKrey also referred to the proposed 2024 Garrison Diversion Work Plan, calling attention to the newly added work items, which are highlighted. A copy of the work plan is attached to these minutes as Annex XVI.

Motion by Second Vice Chairman Bischoff to approve the 2024 Garrison Diversion Work Plan. Second by Director Metzger. Upon roll call vote, the following directors voted aye: D.

Anderson, J. Anderson, Bischoff, Blanchfield, Cayko, Cook, Forde, Hanretty, Kaiser, Klein, Klosterman, Knorr, Koeser, Krueger, LeDoux, Metzger, Ongstad, Orn, Pellman, Rogers, Siegert, Tweed, Vein and Walter. Those voting nay: none. Absent and not voting: Boote, Johnson, Kassian and Zimbleman. Motion carried.

ND WATER USERS/IRRIGATION ASSOCIATION REPORT

Dani Quissell, North Dakota Water Users/Irrigation Association, referred to the 2023 ND Irrigation Association (NDIA) Report, which provides a year-end recap in the ND Irrigation Association activities. A copy of the recap is attached to these minutes as Annex XVII.

Ms. Quissell said thanks to Garrison Diversion's support, the NDIA was able to do some big things last year, including the changes to cost share policy.

Ms. Quissell stated when the NDIA met in December, it approved moving forward with the two plans for 2024, which include outreach to all currently active or inactive irrigation districts in the state to let them know about the cost share policy changes and the benefits of developing a district. The other thing is to work with NDSU, DWR and Garrison Diversion on an updated irrigation study to strategically look at what areas of the state are best for future irrigation development and identify any gaps.

Ms. Quissell also informed the board an email was recently sent out from the Water Users in regard to a survey on strategic planning for 2024. She asked the board to complete the survey to provide input and feedback on the planning process.

TRIP REPORTS

Trip reports were provided by staff and directors who attended the Upper Missouri Water Association and NWRA Conferences. Written reports are included in the meeting packet.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES REPORT

Andrea Travnicek, Director, Department of Water Resources (DWR), addressed the board via video conference to give an update on the agency's current projects and activities. This included the update to the irrigator incentives in cost share policy from 50 to 75 percent, the increase in the DWR's share on AG PACE program with the BND from \$20,000 to \$40,000 and work with Garrison Diversion on the Snake Creek Embankment issue.

Ms. Travnicek stated work also continues with Garrison Diversion on the progress at the NAWS Intake and the Snake Creek Pumping Plant, as well as the RRVWSP.

Ms. Travnicek added the DWR was also tasked with completing a study on the Missouri River Intake by the state legislature. The study is to determine how to utilize the intake if it is not going to be used for the RRVWSP. That study is to be completed by October 2024 in order to present the report to the Water Topics Overview Committee.

The board was also reminded of the Water Development Plan for 2025-2027. Expect to see something on that by the end of this month.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Accounting Position - - Secretary DeKrey reported two very good candidates were interviewed for the accounting position. References are now being checked, and both individuals are expected to be hired soon.

Vehicle Update - - Secretary DeKrey reported the Tahoe will be traded off ahead of schedule since there have been a lot of problems with it. Another vehicle will be traded at the end of the year to get back on the four-year rotation schedule.

Building Improvements - - Secretary DeKrey commented the ceiling tiles are all being replaced at the Carrington office. A few of the O&M employees have been here assisting with this work.

Oakes Irrigation Research Site Update - - Secretary DeKrey referred to the testimony prepared by Garrison Diversion and submitted to the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education (SBARE) explaining Garrison Diversion's past contributions to the OIRS and asking for SBARE to fund the completion of the new building being constructed at the site, which consists of the building's interior. A copy of the testimony is attached to these minutes as Annex XVIII.

Mr. Kovar shared photos of the progress being made with the building construction.

Quit Claim Deed

Secretary DeKrey stated when the OIRS building is complete, the five-acre parcel it sits on needs to be transferred from Garrison Diversion to NDSU. He asked that Vogel Law prepare the documentation for the transfer to take place, and a quit claim deed was suggested. He referred to a copy of the deed included with the meeting materials. Once the deed is executed, Garrison Diversion will have completed the OIRS six-year exit plan.

Ms. Norgard said the quit claim deed was structured to transfer the five acres Garrison Diversion purchased from Robert Titus to the NDSU Agricultural Experiment Station as a donation.

Secretary DeKrey added SBARE must approve the transaction before it can be finalized. SBARE's next meeting is February 29, 2024. He suggested the board approve the quit claim deed contingent upon approval by SBARE.

Motion by Director Rogers approving Garrison Diversion's donation of the five-acre parcel from Robert Titus to the North Dakota Agriculture Experiment Station at no cost, contingent upon approval by the State Board of Higher Education. Motion also authorizes the general manager to sign off on the agreement. Second by Director Cook. Upon roll call vote, the following directors voted aye: D. Anderson, J. Anderson, Bischoff, Blanchfield, Boote, Cayko, Cook, Forde, Kaiser, Klein, Klosterman, Knorr, Koeser, LeDoux, Metzger, Ongstad, Orn, Pellman, Rogers, Tweed, Vein, Walter and Zimbleman. Those voting nay: none. Absent and not voting: Hanretty, Johnson, Kassian, Krueger and Siegert. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Second Report of Nominating Committee - - Nominating Committee Chairman Bischoff reported the nominations for Executive Committee are: Dave Anderson, Cliff Hanretty, Larry Kassian and Brian Orn.

Motion by Second Vice Chairman Bischoff nominating Dave Anderson, Cliff Hanretty, Larry Kassian and Brian Orn for the Executive Committee. Second by Director Blanchfield. Upon voice vote, motion carried.

Remarks from Executive Committee Candidates - - Each of the Executive Committee candidates were given the opportunity to speak on their own behalf.

Election of Executive Committee Members

Ballots were distributed, and the directors were instructed to vote for three candidates. Ballots were counted by the election tellers with the following results recorded:

Directors voting for Dave Anderson: J. Anderson, Bischoff, Boote, Blanchfield, Cayko, Cook, Forde, Kaiser, Klein, Klosterman, Knorr, Koeser, LeDoux, Metzger, Ongstad, Orn, Pellman, Rogers, Tweed, Vein, Walter and Zimbleman.

Directors voting for Cliff Hanretty: D. Anderson, Boote, Cook, Koeser, Knorr, Metzger, Pellman, Tweed and Zimbleman.

Directors voting for Larry Kassian: D. Anderson, J. Anderson, Bischoff, Boote, Blanchfield, Cayko, Forde, Kaiser, Klein, Klosterman, Knorr, Koeser, LeDoux, Ongstad, Orn, Pellman, Rogers, Vein, and Walter.

Directors voting for Brian Orn: D. Anderson, J. Anderson, Bischoff, Blanchfield, Cayko, Cook, Forde, Kaiser, Klein, Klosterman, LeDoux, Metzger, Ongstad, Orn, Rogers, Tweed, Vein, Walter and Zimbleman.

Absent and not voting: Hanretty, Johnson, Kassian, Krueger and Siegert.

Votes received:

**D. Anderson – 22
Hanretty – 9
Kassian – 18
Orn – 19**

Elected committee members are D. Anderson, Kassian and Orn.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chairman Walter reviewed the list of upcoming meetings and events.

OTHER

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

(SEAL)

Alan Walter, Chairman

Duane DeKrey, Secretary

REGISTRATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Garrison Diversion Conservancy District
Carrington, North Dakota
January 11 & 12, 2024

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Heather Syverson	Advanced Eng. & Environmental Serv
Scott Hettinger	Bureau of Reclamation
Luke Johnson	BHFS
Bella Wolitz	BHFS
Danie Quissell	ND Water Users/ND Irrig Assoc
Andrea Travnicek	Department of Water Resources

January 8, 2024

To the Board of Directors
Garrison Diversion Conservancy District
PO Box 140
Carrington, North Dakota 58421

You have requested that we audit the modified cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District (the District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Garrison Diversion Conservancy District's basic financial statements.

In addition, we will audit the entity's compliance over major federal award programs for the period ended December 31, 2023. We are pleased to confirm our acceptance and our understanding of this audit engagement by means of this letter.

Our audits will be conducted with the objectives of our expressing an opinion on each opinion unit and an opinion on compliance regarding the entity's major federal award programs. The objectives of our audit of the financial statements are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

The objectives of our compliance audit are to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to form an opinion and report at the level specified in the governmental audit requirement about whether the entity complied in all material respects with the applicable compliance requirements and identify audit and reporting requirements specified in the governmental audit requirement that are supplementary to GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, if any, and perform procedures to address those requirements.

Supplementary information other than RSI will accompany the District's basic financial statements. We will subject the following supplementary information to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling the supplementary information to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. We intend to provide an opinion on the following supplementary information in relation to the financial statements as a whole:

1. Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Modified Cash Basis - Budget and Actual - General Fund (Administrative)
2. Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Modified Cash Basis - Budget and Actual - Major Special Revenue Funds
3. Schedule of Taxes Received - Modified Cash Basis

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

We will subject the schedule of expenditures of federal awards to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling the schedule to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. We intend to provide an opinion on whether the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented fairly in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Also, the document we submit to you will include the following other additional information that will not be subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the financial statements:

1. Board of Directors by County

Data Collection Form

Prior to the completion of our engagement, we will complete the sections of the Data Collection Form that are our responsibility. The form will summarize our audit findings, amounts and conclusions. It is management's responsibility to submit a reporting package including financial statements, schedule of expenditure of federal awards, summary schedule of prior audit findings and corrective action plan along with the Data Collection Form to the federal audit clearinghouse. The financial reporting package must be text searchable, unencrypted, and unlocked. Otherwise, the reporting package will not be accepted by the federal audit clearinghouse. We will assist you in the electronic submission and certification. You may request from us copies of our report for you to include with the reporting package submitted to pass-through entities.

The Data Collection Form is required to be submitted within the *earlier* of 30 days after receipt of our auditors' reports or nine months after the end of the audit period, unless specifically waived by a federal cognizant or oversight agency for audits. Data Collection Forms submitted untimely are one of the factors in assessing programs at a higher risk.

Audit of the Financial Statements

We will conduct our audits in accordance with GAAS, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America, the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). As part of an audit of financial statements in accordance with GAAS and in accordance with Government Auditing Standards, Uniform Guidance and/or any state or regulatory audit requirements we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing concerning any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Conclude, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements or noncompliance may not be detected exists, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* of the Comptroller General of the United States of America. Please note that the determination of abuse is subjective and *Government Auditing Standards* does not require auditors to detect abuse.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any other periods.

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of the District's basic financial statements. Our report will be addressed to the governing body of the District. Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinions, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph(s) to our auditor's report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinions on the basic financial statements are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the audit or are unable to form or have not formed opinions, we may decline to express opinions or to issue a report as a result of this engagement.

In accordance with the requirements of *Government Auditing Standards*, we will also issue a written report describing the scope of our testing over internal control over financial reporting and over compliance with laws, regulations, and provisions of grants and contracts, including the results of that testing. However, providing an opinion on internal control and compliance over financial reporting will not be an objective of the audit and, therefore, no such opinion will be expressed.

Audit of Major Program Compliance

Our audit of the District's major federal award program(s) compliance will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Single Audit Act, as amended; and the Uniform Guidance and will include tests of accounting records, a determination of major programs in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such an opinion on major federal award program compliance and to render the required reports. We cannot provide assurance that an unmodified opinion on compliance will be expressed. Circumstances may arise in which it is necessary for us to modify our opinion or withdraw from the engagement.

The Uniform Guidance requires that we also plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the material noncompliance with applicable laws and regulations, the provisions of contracts and grant agreements applicable to major federal award programs, and the applicable compliance requirements occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the entity's compliance based on the audit.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the entity's compliance with the requirements of the federal programs as a whole.

As part of a compliance audit in accordance with GAAS and in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks.

Our procedures will consist of determining major federal programs and performing the applicable procedures described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget OMB Compliance Supplement for the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of the entity's major programs, and performing such other procedures as we considers necessary in the circumstances. The purpose of those procedures will be to express an opinion on the entity's compliance with requirements applicable to each of its major programs in our report on compliance issued pursuant to the Uniform Guidance.

Also, as required by the Uniform Guidance, we will obtain an understanding of the entity's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design and perform tests of controls to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of controls that we consider relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with compliance requirements applicable to each of the entity's major federal award programs. Our tests will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on these controls and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report. However, we will communicate to you, regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we have identified during the audit.

We will issue a report on compliance that will include an opinion or disclaimer of opinion regarding the entity's major federal award programs, and a report on internal controls over compliance that will report any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses identified; however, such report will not express an opinion on internal control.

Management Responsibilities

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance, acknowledge and understand that they have responsibility:

1. For the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting;
2. For the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error;
3. For identifying, in its accounts, all federal awards received and expended during the period and the federal programs under which they were received;
4. For maintaining records that adequately identify the source and application of funds for federally funded activities;
5. For preparing the schedule of expenditures of federal awards (including notes and noncash assistance received) in accordance with the Uniform Guidance;

6. For designing, implementing, and maintaining effective internal control over federal awards that provides reasonable assurance that the entity is managing federal awards in compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the federal awards;
7. For identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with federal laws, statutes, regulations, rules, provisions of contracts or grant agreements, and the terms and conditions of federal award programs and implementing systems designed to achieve compliance with applicable federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal award programs;
8. For disclosing accurately, currently, and completely, the financial results of each federal award in accordance with the requirements of the award;
9. For identifying and providing report copies of previous audits, attestation engagements, or other studies that directly relate to the objectives of the audit, including whether related recommendations have been implemented;
10. For taking prompt action when instances of noncompliance are identified;
11. For addressing the findings and recommendations of auditors, for establishing and maintaining a process to track the status of such findings and recommendations and taking corrective action on reported audit findings from prior periods and preparing a summary schedule of prior audit findings;
12. For following up and taking corrective action on current year audit findings and preparing a corrective action plan for such findings;
13. For submitting the reporting package and data collection form to the appropriate parties;
14. For making the auditor aware of any significant contractor relationships where the contractor is responsible for program compliance;
15. To provide us with:
 - a. Access to all information of which management is aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements including disclosures, and relevant to federal award programs, such as records, documentation, and other matters;
 - b. Additional information that we may request from management for the purpose of the audit; and
 - c. Unrestricted access to persons within the entity and others from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
16. For including the auditor's report in any document containing financial statements that indicates that such financial statements have been audited by us, including
 - i. A written acknowledgement of all the documents that management expects to issue that will be included in the annual report and the planned timing and method of issuance of that annual report; and
 - ii. A final version of the annual report (including all the documents that, together, comprise the annual report) in a timely manner prior to the date of the auditor's report;
17. For adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the current year period(s) under audit are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements as a whole;
18. For acceptance of nonattest services, including identifying the proper party to oversee nonattest work;
19. For maintaining adequate records, selecting and applying accounting principles, and safeguarding assets;
20. For informing us of any known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving management, employees with significant role in internal control and others where fraud could have a material effect on compliance;
21. For the accuracy and completeness of all information provided;
22. For taking reasonable measures to safeguard protected personally identifiable and other sensitive information; and
23. For confirming your understanding of your responsibilities as defined in this letter to us in your management representation letter.

With regard to the schedule of expenditures of federal awards referred to above, you acknowledge and understand your responsibility (a) for the preparation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, (b) to provide us with the appropriate written representations regarding the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, (c) to include our report on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in any document that contains the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and that indicates that we have reported on such schedule, and (d) to present the schedule of expenditures of federal awards with the audited financial statements, or if the schedule will not be presented with the audited financial statements, to make the audited financial statements readily available to the intended users of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards no later than the date of issuance by you of the schedule and our report thereon.

With regard to the supplementary information referred to above, you acknowledge and understand your responsibility (a) for the preparation of the supplementary information in accordance with the applicable criteria, (b) to provide us with the appropriate written representations regarding supplementary information, (c) to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains the supplementary information and that indicates that we have reported on such supplementary information, and (d) to present the supplementary information with the audited financial statements, or if the supplementary information will not be presented with the audited financial statements, to make the audited financial statements readily available to the intended users of the supplementary information no later than the date of issuance by you of the supplementary information and our report thereon.

As part of our audit process, we will request from management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance, written confirmation concerning representations made to us in connection with the audit.

We understand that your employees will prepare all confirmations we request and will locate any documents or invoices selected by us for testing.

If you intend to publish or otherwise reproduce the financial statements and make reference to our firm, you agree to provide us with printers' proofs or masters for our review and approval before printing. You also agree to provide us with a copy of the final reproduced material for our approval before it is distributed.

Nonattest Services

With respect to any nonattest services we perform, we agree to perform the following:

- Type, print, and bind the financial statements prepared by you
- Complete the auditee's portion of the Data Collection Form

We will not assume management responsibilities on behalf of the District. The District's management understands and agrees that any advice or recommendation we may provide in connection with our audit engagement are solely to assist management in performing its responsibilities.

The District's management is responsible for (a) making all management decisions and performing all management functions; (b) assigning a competent individual to oversee the services; (c) evaluating the adequacy of the services performed; (d) evaluating and accepting responsibility for the results of the services performed; and (e) establishing and maintaining internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities.

Our responsibilities and limitations of the nonattest services are as follows:

- We will perform the services in accordance with applicable professional standards.
- The nonattest services are limited to the services previously outlined above. Our firm, in its sole professional judgment, reserves the right to refuse to do any procedure or take any action that could be construed as making management decisions or assuming management responsibilities. Our firm will advise the District with regard to tax positions taken in the preparation of the tax return, but the District must make all decisions with regard to those matters.

Fees and Timing

Brian Stavenger is the engagement partner for the audit services specified in this letter. The engagement partner's responsibilities include supervising services performed as part of this engagement and signing or authorizing another qualified firm representative to sign the audit report.

Our fees are based on the amount of time required at various levels of responsibility, plus actual out-of-pocket expenses, administrative charges and a technology fee. Invoices are payable upon presentation. We estimate that our fee for the audit will not exceed the following:

Audit of Financial Statements	\$ 26,000
Single Audit - \$7,000 per major program, assuming one	7,000
Total	<u>\$ 33,000</u>

As noted above actual out-of-pocket expenses will be billed if onsite services are requested, plus the travel time of the professional(s) coming onsite at 50% of their hourly rates.

The ability to perform and complete our engagement consistent with the estimated fee included above depends upon the quality of your underlying accounting records and the timeliness of your personnel in providing information and responding to our requests. To assist with this process, we will provide you with an itemized request list that identifies the information you will need to prepare and provide in preparation for our engagement, as well as the requested delivery date for those items. A lack of preparation, including not providing this information in an accurate and timely manner, unanticipated audit adjustments, and/or untimely assistance by your personnel may result in an increase in our fees and/or a delay in the completion of our engagement.

We may be requested to make certain audit documentation available to outside parties, including regulators, pursuant to authority provided by law or regulation or applicable professional standards. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of Eide Bailly LLP's personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies of selected audit documentation to the outside party, who may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies of information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies. We will be compensated for any time and expenses, including time and expenses of legal counsel, we may incur in making such audit documentation available or in conducting or responding to discovery requests or participating as a witness or otherwise in any legal, regulatory, or other proceedings as a result of our Firm's performance of these services. You and your attorney will receive, if lawful, a copy of every subpoena we are asked to respond to on your behalf and will have the ability to control the extent of the discovery process to control the costs you may incur.

Should our relationship terminate before our audit procedures are completed and a report issued, you will be billed for services to the date of termination. All bills are payable upon receipt. A service charge of 1% per month, which is an annual rate of 12%, will be added to all accounts unpaid 30 days after billing date. If collection action is necessary, expenses and reasonable attorney's fees will be added to the amount due.

Other Matters

During the course of the engagement, we will only provide confidential engagement documentation to you via Eide Bailly's secure portal or other secure methods, and request that you use the same or similar tools in providing information to us. Should you choose not to utilize secure communication applications, you acknowledge that such communication contains a risk of the information being made available to unintended third parties. Similarly, we may communicate with you or your personnel via e-mail or other electronic methods, and you acknowledge that communication in those mediums contains a risk of misdirected or intercepted communications.

Should you provide us with remote access to your information technology environment, including but not limited to your financial reporting system, you agree to (1) assign unique usernames and passwords for use by our personnel in accessing the system and to provide this information in a secure manner; (2) limit access to "read only" to prevent any unintentional deletion or alteration of your data; (3) limit access to the areas of your technology environment necessary to perform the procedures agreed upon; and (4) disable all usernames and passwords provided to us upon the completion of procedures for which access was provided. We agree to only access your technology environment to the extent necessary to perform the identified procedures.

Regarding the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or elsewhere, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in these sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

Professional standards prohibit us from being the sole host and/or the sole storage for your financial and non-financial data. As such, it is your responsibility to maintain your original data and records and we cannot be responsible to maintain such original information. By signing this engagement letter, you affirm that you have all the data and records required to make your books and records complete.

We may use third party service providers and/or affiliated entities (including Eide Bailly Shared Services Private Limited) (collectively, "service providers") in order to facilitate delivering our services to you. Our use of service providers may require access to client information by the service provider. We will take reasonable precautions to determine that they have the appropriate procedures in place to prevent the unauthorized release of confidential information to others. We will remain responsible for the confidentiality of client information accessed by such service provider and any work performed by such service provider. You acknowledge that your information may be disclosed to such service providers, including those outside the United States.

Neither of us may use or disclose the other's confidential information for any purpose except as permitted under this engagement letter or as otherwise necessary for Eide Bailly to provide the services. Your confidential information is defined as any information you provide to us that is not available to the public. Eide Bailly's confidential information includes our audit documentation for this engagement. Our audit documentation shall at all times remain the property of Eide Bailly LLP. The confidentiality obligations described in this paragraph shall supersede and replace any and all prior confidentiality and/or nondisclosure agreements (NDAs) between us.

We agree to retain our audit documentation or work papers for a period of at least eight years from the date of our report.

Further, we will be available during the year to consult with you on financial management and accounting matters of a routine nature.

You agree to share all facts that may affect your financial statements, even if you first become aware of those facts after the date of the auditor's report but before the date your financial statements are issued.

At the conclusion of our audit engagement, we will communicate to Board of Directors the following significant findings from the audit:

- Our view about the qualitative aspects of the entity's significant accounting practices;
- Significant difficulties, if any, encountered during the audit;
- Uncorrected misstatements, other than those we believe are trivial, if any;
- Disagreements with management, if any;
- Other findings or issues, if any, arising from the audit that are, in our professional judgment, significant and relevant to those charged with governance regarding their oversight of the financial reporting process;
- Material, corrected misstatements that were brought to the attention of management as a result of our audit procedures;
- Representations we requested from management;
- Management's consultations with other accountants, if any; and
- Significant issues, if any, arising from the audit that were discussed, or the subject of correspondence, with management.

Government Auditing Standards require that we provide, upon request, a copy of our most recent external peer review report and any subsequent review reports to the party contracting for the audit. Accordingly, we will provide a copy of our most recent peer review report at your request.

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Eide Bailly LLP formed The Eide Bailly Alliance Network, a network for small to mid-sized CPA firms across the nation. Each member firm of The Eide Bailly Alliance, including Eide Bailly LLP, is a separate and independent legal entity and is not owned or controlled by any other member of The Eide Bailly Alliance. Each member firm of The Eide Bailly Alliance is solely responsible for its own acts and omissions and no other member assumes any liability for such acts or omissions. Neither Eide Bailly LLP, nor any of its affiliates, are responsible or liable for any acts or omission of The Eide Bailly Alliance or any other member firm of The Eide Bailly Alliance and hereby specifically disclaim any and all responsibility, even if Eide Bailly LLP, or any of its affiliates are aware of such acts or omissions of another member of The Eide Bailly Alliance.

MEDIATION

Any disagreement, controversy or claim arising out of or related to any aspect of our services or relationship with you (hereafter a “Dispute”) shall, as a precondition to litigation in court, first be submitted to mediation. In mediation, the parties attempt to reach an amicable resolution of the Dispute with the aid of an impartial mediator. Mediation shall begin by service of a written demand. The mediator will be selected by mutual agreement. If we cannot agree on a mediator, one shall be designated by the American Arbitration Association (“AAA”). Mediation shall be conducted with the parties in person in Fargo, North Dakota. Each party will bear its own costs in the mediation. The fees and expenses of the mediator will be shared equally by the parties. Neither party may commence a lawsuit until the mediator declares an impasse.

LIMITED INDEMNITY

Eide Bailly LLP and its partners, affiliates, officers and employees (collectively “Eide Bailly”) shall not be responsible for any misstatements in your financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of misrepresentations or concealment of information by any of your owners, directors, officers or employees. You shall indemnify and hold Eide Bailly harmless from any claims, losses, settlements, judgments, awards, damages and attorneys’ fees arising from any such misstatement or concealment of information.

If through no fault of Eide Bailly we are named as a party to a dispute between you and a third party, you shall indemnify and hold Eide Bailly harmless against any losses, damages, settlements, judgments, awards, and the costs of litigation (including attorneys’ fees) we incur in connection with the dispute.

Eide Bailly shall not be entitled to indemnification under this agreement unless the services were performed in accordance with professional standards in all material respects.

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

The exclusive remedy available to you for any alleged loss or damages arising from or related to Eide Bailly’s services or relationship with you shall be the right to pursue claims for actual damages that are directly caused by Eide Bailly’s breach of this agreement or Eide Bailly’s violation of applicable professional standards. In no event shall Eide Bailly’s aggregate liability to you exceed two times fees paid under this agreement, nor shall Eide Bailly ever be liable to you for incidental, consequential, punitive or exemplary damages, or attorneys’ fees.

TIME LIMITATION

You may not bring any legal proceeding against Eide Bailly unless it is commenced within twenty-four (24) months (“Limitation Period”) after the date when we delivered our report, return, or other deliverable under this agreement to you, regardless of whether we do other services for you or that may relate to the audit. The Limitation Period applies and begins to run even if you have not suffered any damage or loss, or have not become aware of a possible Dispute.

GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE

Any Dispute between us, including any Dispute related to the engagement contemplated by this agreement, shall be governed by Minnesota law. Any unresolved Dispute shall be submitted to a federal or state court located in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ASSIGNMENTS PROHIBITED

You shall not assign, sell, barter or transfer any legal rights, causes of actions, claims or Disputes you may have against Eide Bailly to any person.

Please sign and return the attached copy of this letter to indicate your acknowledgment of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our audit of the financial statements including our respective responsibilities.

We appreciate the opportunity to be your certified public accountants and look forward to working with you and your staff.

Respectfully,



Brian Stavenger, CPA
Partner

RESPONSE:

This letter correctly sets forth our understanding.

Acknowledged and agreed on behalf of Garrison Diversion Conservancy District by:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Garrison Diversion Conservancy District Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenses For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023						
	General Fund	Municipal Rural, and Industrial Fund	Operations Maintenance Fund	Red River Valley Water Supply Project	Irrigation Fund	Total
Beginning Bank Balance	\$8,320,277	\$4,595	\$380,008	\$249,723	\$172,668	\$9,127,271
Revenues:						
Irrigation Admin	974					974
Lease Income						-
Revenue from Sale of Fixed Assets			173,167			173,167
Miscellaneous Income	3,558				364	3,922
Interest Income	336,678	897	1,545		4,000	343,120
Tax Levy	4,279,384					4,279,384
State Aid Distribution	303,676					303,676
Contract Revenue	80,552	19,037,012	4,138,697	31,966,727	487,788	55,710,776
Non-Project Income	143,695		548,922			692,617
Total Revenues	\$5,148,517	\$19,037,909	\$4,862,331	\$31,966,727	\$492,152	\$61,507,636
Expenditures:						
Director Expense	271,960					271,960
Employee Expense	1,198,042	74,556	2,288,942			3,561,540
Administrative Expense	229,957	34,706	94,911			359,574
Public Education	81,523					81,523
Professional Services	465,440		325,869	417,984		1,209,293
Irrigation Development	230,780					230,780
Water Supply Projects	224,683					224,683
GDCD Recreation Project	805,891					805,891
DWRA Recreation Project	4,040					4,040
Maintenance & Repairs	52,724		1,002,586		206,997	1,262,307
Capital Purchases	724,945		402,188	30,810	18,769	1,176,712
Construction in Progress				31,146,405		31,146,405
MR&I Project Expenses		18,914,984				18,914,984
Principal Debt Payments				534,127	178,384	712,511
Interest Payments				128,856	38,384	167,240
Total Expenditures *	\$ 4,289,985	\$ 19,024,246	\$ 4,114,496	\$ 32,258,182	\$ 442,534	\$ 60,129,443
Transfer In/Out	(812,295)	(12,767)	(486,790)	1,628,156	(316,304)	\$ -
Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 46,237	\$ 896	\$ 261,045	\$ 1,336,701	\$ (266,686)	\$ 1,378,193
Net Change in Assets	(2,131,506)		(19,219)	(128,035)	259,674	\$ (2,019,086)
Ending Bank Balance	\$ 6,235,008	\$ 5,491	\$ 621,834	\$ 1,458,389	\$ 165,656	\$ 8,486,378

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT				
INCOME BUDGET ANALYSIS STATEMENT				
For Eleven Months Ended December 31, 2023				
General, O&M MR&I, RRVWSP, and Irrigation Funds	Budget for 2023	Income Received to December 31, 2023	Percentage of Amount Budgeted	Balance of 2023 Budget
Irrigation Admin	\$ 950	\$ 974	102.5%	\$ (24)
Lease Income	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
Miscellaneous Income	\$ -	\$ 3,922	0.0%	\$ (3,922)
Revenue Sale of Fixed Assets	\$ -	\$ 173,167	0.0%	\$ (173,167)
Interest Income	\$ 33,120	\$ 343,120	1036.0%	\$ (310,000)
Tax Levy	\$ 4,250,000	\$ 4,279,384	100.7%	\$ (29,384)
State Aid	\$ 180,000	\$ 303,676	168.7%	\$ (123,676)
General Fund Contract Revenue	\$ 70,000	\$ 80,552	115.1%	\$ (10,552)
O&M Contract Revenue	\$ 4,890,000	\$ 4,138,697	84.6%	\$ 751,303
MR&I Contract Revenue	\$ 20,257,975	\$ 19,037,012	94.0%	\$ 1,220,963
RRVWSP Contract Revenue	\$ 30,800,000	\$ 31,966,727	103.8%	\$ (1,166,727)
Irrigation Fund Revenue	\$ 828,005	\$ 487,788	58.9%	\$ 340,217
Project Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
Non-Project Revenue	\$ 532,684	\$ 692,617	130.0%	\$ (159,933)
Total Revenues	\$61,842,734	\$61,507,636	99.5%	\$335,098

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT						
Expense Budget Analysis Statement						
For Twelve Months Ended Dec 31, 2023						
General, O&M MR&I, RRVWSP, and Irrigation Funds	Budget for 2022	Expenditures Charged to 2022 Budget	Budget for 2023	Expenditures to Dec 31, 2023	Percentage Spent Amount Budgeted	Balance of Budget
Expenses						
Director Expenses	\$ 270,000	\$ 235,483	\$ 261,000	271,960	104.2%	\$ (10,960)
Employee Expenses	\$ 3,746,366	\$ 3,350,365	\$ 3,778,799	3,561,540	94.3%	\$ 217,259
Administrative Expenses	\$ 431,335	\$ 317,442	\$ 503,500	359,574	71.4%	\$ 143,926
Public Education	\$ 151,840	\$ 135,407	\$ 157,000	81,523	51.9%	\$ 75,477
Professional Services	\$ 3,515,225	\$ 2,902,288	\$ 2,884,000	1,209,293	41.9%	\$ 1,674,707
Irrigation Development	\$ 911,200	\$ 881,346	\$ 269,875	230,780	85.5%	\$ 39,095
Water Supply Program	\$ 300,000	\$ 98,614	\$ 300,000	224,683	74.9%	\$ 75,317
GDCD Recreation Grant Program	\$ 600,000	\$ 541,988	\$ 850,000	805,891	94.8%	\$ 44,109
DWRA Recreation Program	\$ 10,000	\$ 4,512	\$ 10,000	4,040	40.4%	\$ 5,960
Irrigation District Expense	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	-	0.0%	\$ 2,000
Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 1,611,040	\$ 1,187,210	\$ 1,845,100	1,262,307	68.4%	\$ 582,793
Capital Purchases	\$ 1,056,000	\$ 963,831	\$ 1,171,188	1,176,712	100.5%	\$ (5,524)
Construction in Progress	\$ 27,950,000	\$ 27,977,251	\$ 30,000,000	31,146,405	103.8%	\$ (1,146,405)
MR&I Fund	\$ 27,000,000	\$ 25,292,604	\$ 20,000,000	18,914,984	94.6%	\$ 1,085,016
Principal on Debt Repayment	\$ 479,831	\$ 479,483	\$ 849,127	712,511	83.9%	\$ 136,616
Interest on Debt Repayment	\$ 68,660	\$ 68,656	\$ 195,856	167,240	85.4%	\$ 28,616
Total Expenses	\$ 68,103,497	\$ 64,436,480	\$ 63,077,445	60,129,443	95.3%	\$ 2,948,002
Transfers In/Out						
MR&I	\$ 22,000	\$ 20,311	\$ 23,000	12,767	55.5%	\$ 10,233
O&M	\$ 972,340	\$ 886,658	\$ 920,000	486,790	52.9%	\$ 433,210
Irrigation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	316,304	0.0%	\$ (316,304)
RRVWSP	\$ (1,451,491)	\$ (1,368,042)	\$ -	(1,628,156)	0.0%	\$ 1,628,156
Total Transfers Out	\$ (457,151)	\$ (461,073)	\$ 943,000	\$ (812,295)	(86.1%)	\$ 1,755,295
Total Expenses & Transfers Out	\$ 67,646,346	\$ 63,975,407	\$ 64,020,445	59,317,148	92.7%	\$ 4,703,297

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT RESERVES STATEMENT December 31, 2023	
OPERATING RESERVE	
Operating Reserve authorized to be established in the amount of \$300,000.00 per resolution of the Board dated January 15, 1970. Limit changed to \$330,000 by Board action on January 6, 1995. Reserve cap removed by Board action July 2, 1997.	\$5,711,376.26
O&M EMERGENCY RESERVE	
O&M Emergency Reserve to be established in the amount of \$500,000.00 by Article 13 (a) of the Master Contract and by action taken by the Board dated January 16, 1970. Limit changed to \$1,500,000.00 July 1980. Reserve capped at \$822,817.55 by Board action July 2, 1997.	750,000.00
DEFICIENCY RESERVE	
Deficiency Reserve to be established in the amount of \$750,000.00 by Article 13 (b) of the Master Contract. Limit changed to \$1,500,000.00 July 1980. Reserve capped at \$802,287.54 by Board action July 2, 1997.	750,000.00
PROJECT DEVELOPMENT RESERVE	
Project Development Reserve to be established in the amount of \$750,000.00 by resolution of the Board dated July 17, 1969. Limit changed to \$1,000,000.00 July 1982. Reserve capped at \$915,592.98 by Board action July 2, 1997.	915,592.98
TOTAL GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT RESERVES	\$8,126,969.24

Garrison Diversion Conservancy District Funds in Bank of North Dakota December 31, 2023				
Fund	Account Name/Reserve	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Balance
General	Checking Account Cash	0.25%		\$ 621,863.97
General	Water Assistance Grant Outstanding	0.25%		\$ 140,788.00
General	Oakes Building Fund	0.25%		\$ -
Total Checking Account Balance				\$ 762,651.97
General	Money Market Savings	0.60%		\$ 1,935,616.83
General	Water Assistance Grant Reserve	0.60%		\$ 394,385.06
General	GF Accrued Leave-Operating Reserve	0.60%		\$ 175,478.91
Total Savings Account Balance				\$ 2,505,480.80
Total Deposits				\$ 4,030,784.74

Garrison Diversion Conservancy District Funds in First International Bank & Trust December 31, 2023				
Fund	Account Name/Reserve	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Balance
General	CD 118849-Deficiency Reserve	0.40%	01/29/24	\$ 200,000.00
General	CD 119130	4.00%	02/18/24	\$ 1,000,000.00
General	CD 80120161	5.50%	03/19/24	\$ 1,000,000.00
General	CD 80120162	2.35%	03/19/24	\$ 1,000,000.00
General	CD 80123425	5.50%	03/22/24	\$ 2,500,000.00
General	CD 119245	5.50%	03/30/24	\$ 1,000,000.00
General	CD 118850-Operating Reserve	4.00%	04/29/24	\$ 50,500.00
General	CD 118848-O&M Emergency Res.	4.10%	04/29/24	\$ 350,000.00
General	CD 119561-O&M Emergency Reserve	4.10%	05/01/24	\$ 83,682.45
General	CD 119070-Operating Reserve	4.10%	05/17/24	\$ 820,000.00
General	CD 118954	4.10%	05/19/24	\$ 500,000.00
General	CD 118955-Project Development	5.50%	07/19/24	\$ 353,362.19
General	CD 119434-Deficiency Reserve	5.00%	08/30/24	\$ 175,854.00
General	CD 80120163	2.50%	09/19/24	\$ 1,000,000.00
Total Investments				\$ 10,033,398.64
General	Recreation Outstanding-Operating Reserve	4.00%		\$ 2,009,580.62
General	Money Market Funds	4.00%		\$ (573,348.68)
General	Recreation Reserve-Operating Reserve	4.00%		\$ 1,530,643.67
Total Money Market Account Balance				\$ 2,966,875.61
Total Deposits				\$ 13,000,274.25
Pledging	Total Deposits			\$ 13,000,274.25
	Less:FDIC Coverage			(250,000.00)
	Deposit Balance to Secure			12,750,274.25
	Less: Pledging			16,270,976.26
Pledging Excess				\$ 3,520,702.01

BREMER BANK DEPOSIT AND PLEDGING SUMMARY December 31, 2023					
<i>Account Type</i>	<i>Balance</i>	<i>Interest Rate</i>	<i>Maturity Date</i>	<i>Deposit Insurance / Pledging Status</i>	
<i>Demand Deposit Accounts</i>					
Non-Interest Bearing Checking Accounts					
				Total Demand Deposits	\$2,080,224.30
				Less: FDIC Insurance Coverage	250,000.00
xxxx61	Operations & Maintenance Fund	621,833.64	0.00%	Demand Deposit Balance to Secure	\$1,830,224.30
xxxx52	Red River Valley Water Supply	1,458,390.66	0.00%	x 110%	1.10
Total Demand Deposits				Pledging Required on Demand Deposits	\$2,013,246.73
<i>Time and Savings Deposits</i>					
Interest Bearing Checking					
xxxx34	Irrigation Fund	165,656.41	0.45%		
xxxxx62	M R & I Working Fund	5,491.58	0.45%		
Total Interest Bearing Checking Balance		<u>171,147.99</u>			
Savings Accounts					
xxxx41	O&M - Accrued Leave Reserve	176,389.04	1.00%		
xxxxx63	Irrigation - Debt Service Reserve	288,986.78	1.00%		
Total Savings Balance		<u>465,375.82</u>			
Certificates of Deposit					
xxxx0394	Certificate of Deposit-Operating Reserve	47,000.00	0.65%	2/20/2024	
xxxx8862	Certificate of Deposit-Project Dev Reserve	252,054.00	0.65%	2/24/2024	
xxxx1061	Certificate of Deposit-Deficiency Reserve	124,146.00	0.65%	2/24/2024	
xxx907-1	Certificate of Deposit-Operating Reserve	542,000.00	4.00%	3/1/2024	
xxx906-1	Certificate of Deposit-Deficiency Reserve	250,000.00	4.00%	3/1/2024	
xxxxx803-1	Certificate of Deposit	1,000,000.00	4.05%	4/11/2024	
xxx591-1	Certificate of Deposit-OM Emergency Res.	210,000.00	4.15%	4/24/2024	
xxxxx106	Certificate of Deposit-OM Emergency Res.	106,317.55	4.15%	5/22/2024	
xxxxx30-1	Certificate of Deposit	2,000,000.00	4.15%	5/24/2024	Total Time & Savings Deposit Account Balance
xxxxx933-1	Certificate of Deposit-Project Dev Reserve	313,538.98	5.00%	8/30/2024	Less: FDIC Insurance Coverage
Total CD Balance		<u>4,845,056.53</u>			Time & Savings Deposit Balance to Secure
				x 110%	1.10
Total Time & Savings Deposit Account Balance				Pledging Required on Time & Savings Deposits	\$6,029,700.97
Total Deposits				Total Pledging Required on all Deposits	\$8,042,947.70
				Pledged Security/Letter of Credit	\$12,077,935.00
				Pledging Excess	\$4,034,987.30

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT						
Tax Collections Statement						
For Eleven Months Ending December 31, 2023						
County	2023 Tax Levy Budget	2023 Tax Collections	Balance of Tax Levy Budget	2023 State Aid Budget	2023 State Aid	Balance State Aid Budget
Barnes	\$89,000	\$88,728	272	\$4,000	\$6,476	(\$2,476)
Benson	37,000	36,303	697	3,000	4,441	(1,441)
Bottineau	63,000	63,102	(102)	3,000	5,370	(2,370)
Burleigh	595,000	592,453	2,547	22,000	37,578	(15,578)
Cass	1,062,000	1,093,740	(31,740)	42,000	73,532	(31,532)
Dickey	46,000	45,947	53	3,000	5,270	(2,270)
Eddy	15,800	15,833	(33)	2,000	2,920	(920)
Foster	30,200	30,172	28	5,000	8,019	(3,019)
Grand Forks	335,000	334,340	660	9,000	15,121	(6,121)
Griggs	20,700	20,685	15	2,000	2,916	(916)
LaMoure	43,200	43,244	(44)	3,000	5,293	(2,293)
McHenry	51,100	51,325	(225)	2,000	2,929	(929)
McKenzie	378,000	377,233	767	23,000	38,992	(15,992)
McLean	84,000	83,776	224	6,000	10,200	(4,200)
Nelson	27,500	27,474	26	2,000	2,831	(831)
Pierce	34,500	34,671	(171)	2,000	3,810	(1,810)
Ramsey	65,100	65,238	(138)	4,000	7,001	(3,001)
Ransom	40,700	40,916	(216)	-	-	-
Renville	25,000	24,844	156	2,000	3,410	(1,410)
Richland	111,000	110,668	332	-	-	-
Sargeant	40,500	40,579	(79)	2,000	3,699	(1,699)
Sheridan	16,200	16,262	(62)	3,000	5,073	(2,073)
Steele	31,500	31,515	(15)	2,000	2,441	(441)
Stutsman	138,000	137,852	148	6,000	10,565	(4,565)
Traill	62,000	62,144	(144)	3,000	4,859	(1,859)
Ward	347,000	348,670	(1,670)	15,000	25,342	(10,342)
Wells	45,000	44,930	70	3,000	4,557	(1,557)
Williams	416,000	416,740	(740)	7,000	11,031	(4,031)
Totals	\$ 4,250,000	\$4,279,384	\$ (29,384)	\$ 180,000	\$ 303,676	(\$123,676)

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT EXPENSE BUDGET ANALYSIS STATEMENT For Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023						
	Budget 1/1/22 to 12/31/22	Expenditures Chargeable to 2022 Budget	Budget 1/1/23 to 12/31/23	2023 Actual as of 12/31/2023	Balance of Budget as of 12/31/2023	Percentage of Budget Spent
GENERAL FUND						
Directors Expense						
Directors Per Diem	\$ 130,000	\$ 120,037	\$ 133,000	\$ 132,989	\$ 11	100.0%
Directors Expense	\$ 140,000	\$ 115,445	\$ 128,000	\$ 138,971	\$ (10,971)	108.6%
Total Directors Expense	\$ 270,000	\$ 235,482	\$ 261,000	\$ 271,960	\$ (10,960)	104.2%
Employee Expense						
Employee Salaries	\$ 822,000	\$ 780,874	\$ 908,000	\$ 788,482	\$ 119,518	86.8%
General Manager Exp	\$ 35,000	\$ 15,160	\$ 21,000	\$ 12,806	\$ 8,194	61.0%
Travel	\$ 61,000	\$ 33,344	\$ 57,444	\$ 29,743	\$ 27,700	51.8%
Admn Officer - Merri Mooridian	\$ 25,000	\$ 17,711	\$ 25,000	\$ 19,255	\$ 5,745	77.0%
Dist. Engr - Kip Kovar	\$ 10,000	\$ 6,490	\$ 10,000	\$ 3,701	\$ 6,298	37.0%
Engineer - Ryan Anderson	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,901	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,127	\$ 2,873	42.5%
Dir. Comm. - Kim Cook	\$ 6,000	\$ 1,363	\$ 6,000	\$ 1,512	\$ 4,488	25.2%
Emp Exp Other	\$ 15,000	\$ 5,879	\$ 11,444	\$ 3,148	\$ 8,296	27.5%
Professional Development	\$ 17,000	\$ 5,500	\$ 17,000	\$ 1,411	\$ 15,589	8.3%
Employee Training	\$ 15,000	\$ 5,500	\$ 15,000	\$ 1,411	\$ 13,589	9.4%
Wellness Program	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	0.0%
Benefits	\$ 406,000	\$ 332,717	\$ 430,556	\$ 365,600	\$ 64,956	84.9%
GDCD FICA	\$ 72,000	\$ 64,927	\$ 79,000	\$ 68,428	\$ 10,572	86.6%
Retirement	\$ 117,000	\$ 111,743	\$ 129,000	\$ 112,983	\$ 16,017	87.6%
Hospital & Life Insurance	\$ 177,000	\$ 136,698	\$ 175,000	\$ 143,729	\$ 31,271	82.1%
Unemployment Comp	\$ 1,000	\$ 307	\$ 3,621	\$ 3,572	\$ 49	98.6%
Dental / Vision Ins.	\$ 14,000	\$ 11,637	\$ 14,000	\$ 10,659	\$ 3,341	76.1%
Work Force Safety	\$ 1,000	\$ 307	\$ 1,000	\$ 380	\$ 620	38.0%
Long-Term Disability Ins	\$ 9,000	\$ 7,098	\$ 10,000	\$ 6,914	\$ 3,086	69.1%
Vacation/Sick Leave Liability	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 18,935	\$ 18,935	\$ -	100.0%
Total Employee Expense	\$ 1,341,000	\$ 1,167,595	\$ 1,434,000	\$ 1,198,042	\$ 235,957	83.5%
Administration						
Postage	\$ 7,000	\$ 3,057	\$ 6,000	\$ 3,977	\$ 2,023	66.3%
Communications	\$ 31,000	\$ 14,124	\$ 16,000	\$ 13,023	\$ 2,977	81.4%
Utilities	\$ 34,000	\$ 31,989	\$ 33,000	\$ 35,560	\$ (2,560)	107.8%
Meetings & Events	\$ 10,000	\$ 8,602	\$ 30,000	\$ 26,714	\$ 3,286	89.0%
Subscriptions/Publications	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,850	\$ 6,000	\$ 4,694	\$ 1,306	78.2%
Miscellaneous	\$ 6,000	\$ 2,916	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,037	\$ 1,963	50.9%
Data Processing	\$ 23,000	\$ 20,270	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,701	\$ (701)	101.6%
Employee Recruiting	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,635	\$ 1,365	72.7%
Supplies	\$ 18,000	\$ 10,135	\$ 14,000	\$ 11,156	\$ 2,845	79.7%
Small Office Equipment	\$ 14,200	\$ 10,886	\$ 20,000	\$ 22,641	\$ (2,640)	113.2%
Dues	\$ 15,000	\$ 11,528	\$ 14,000	\$ 12,937	\$ 1,063	92.4%
Insurance	\$ 15,800	\$ 15,509	\$ 18,000	\$ 17,232	\$ 768	95.7%
Annual Independent Audit	\$ 33,500	\$ 31,118	\$ 36,500	\$ 30,650	\$ 5,850	84.0%
Total Administration	\$ 218,500	\$ 165,984	\$ 247,500	\$ 229,957	\$ 17,545	92.9%
Public Education						
GDCD Tours	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 9,019	\$ 3,000	\$ 6,019	33.3%
ND Water Users Ass'n Dues	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ -	100.0%
ND Water Coalition Dues	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	\$ -	100.0%
ND Water Magazine	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000	\$ 20,000	\$ (2,000)	111.1%
Missouri River Joint Board	\$ 71,090	\$ 71,061	\$ 15,981	\$ 15,981	\$ -	100.0%
Upper Sheyenne	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000	0.0%
Conference Booth Fees, Sponsorships	\$ 9,750	\$ 6,940	\$ 20,000	\$ 8,542	\$ 11,458	42.7%
Miscellaneous	\$ 9,000	\$ 406	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	0.0%
Total Public Education	\$ 151,840	\$ 135,407	\$ 157,000	\$ 81,523	\$ 75,477	51.9%

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
EXPENSE BUDGET ANALYSIS STATEMENT
For Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023**

	Budget 1/1/22 to 12/31/22	Expenditures Chargeable to 2022 Budget	Budget 1/1/23 to 12/31/23	2023 Actual as of 12/31/2023	Balance of Budget as of 12/31/2023	Percentage of Budget Spent
Professional Services						
Communications	\$ 160,000	\$ 109,375	\$ 140,000	\$ 127,867	\$ 12,134	91.3%
Engineering	\$ 125,000	\$ 43,248	\$ 47,000	\$ 20,330	\$ 26,670	43.3%
RRVWSP Development	\$ 469,000	\$ 65,640	\$ 456,000	\$ 114,456	\$ 341,544	25.1%
Technical Support for LAWA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000	0.0%
Engineering	\$ 260,000	\$ 7,494	\$ 240,000	\$ 2,607	\$ 237,393	1.1%
Legal	\$ 133,000	\$ 51,674	\$ 125,000	\$ 61,896	\$ 63,104	49.5%
Financial	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	0.0%
Consultants	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ 45,824	\$ 4,176	91.6%
Meeting, Misc. Exp	\$ 16,000	\$ 6,472	\$ 16,000	\$ 4,129	\$ 11,871	25.8%
Prof Services Other	\$ 30,000	\$ 22,793	\$ 20,000	\$ 16,719	\$ 3,281	83.6%
Legal Services	\$ 215,000	\$ 142,762	\$ 188,000	\$ 186,068	\$ 1,932	99.0%
Total Professional Services	\$ 999,000	\$ 383,818	\$ 851,000	\$ 465,440	\$ 385,561	54.7%
Irrigation Development						
ND Irrigation Association	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -	100.0%
NDSU Oakes Irrigation Site	\$ 202,575	\$ 174,680	\$ 196,875	\$ 161,070	\$ 35,805	81.8%
Robert Titus Lease	\$ 16,625	\$ 16,484	\$ 17,000	\$ 16,083	\$ 917	94.6%
Irrigation Development	\$ 642,000	\$ 640,183	\$ 6,000	\$ 3,627	\$ 2,373	60.5%
Total Irrigation Development	\$ 911,200	\$ 881,347	\$ 269,875	\$ 230,780	\$ 39,095	85.5%
Recreation						
GDCD Recreation Grant Program	\$ 600,000	\$ 541,988	\$ 850,000	\$ 805,891	\$ 44,109	94.8%
DWRA Recreation Program	\$ 10,000	\$ 4,512	\$ 10,000	\$ 4,040	\$ 5,960	40.4%
Total Recreation	\$ 610,000	\$ 546,500	\$ 860,000	\$ 809,931	\$ 50,069	94.2%
Water Supply Grant Program	\$ 300,000	\$ 98,614	\$ 300,000	\$ 224,683	\$ 75,317	74.9%
Irrigation Districts Expense						
Irrigation Districts	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	0.0%
Total Irrigation Districts Expense	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	0.0%
Maintenance & Repair						
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 31,000	\$ 30,543	\$ 27,000	\$ 21,078	\$ 5,922	78.1%
Small Yard Equipment Purchases	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 8,350	\$ (3,350)	167.0%
Land & Bldg Maintenance	\$ 40,000	\$ 39,476	\$ 35,000	\$ 9,993	\$ 25,007	28.6%
Auto Expense	\$ 15,000	\$ 13,462	\$ 15,000	\$ 13,303	\$ 1,696	88.7%
Total Maintenance & Repair	\$ 86,000	\$ 83,481	\$ 82,000	\$ 52,724	\$ 29,275	64.3%
Capital Purchases						
Office Equip & Furniture	\$ 181,000	\$ 177,157	\$ 20,000	\$ 5,450	\$ 14,550	27.3%
Yard Equipment	\$ 30,000	\$ 29,899	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ 20,000	0.0%
Vehicle	\$ 60,000	\$ 57,786	\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ 40,000	0.0%
Land and Buildings	\$ 110,000	\$ 106,399	\$ 670,000	\$ 719,495	\$ (49,494)	107.4%
Total Capital Purchases	\$ 381,000	\$ 371,241	\$ 750,000	\$ 724,945	\$ 25,056	96.7%
Total General Fund	\$ 5,270,540	\$ 4,069,469	\$ 5,214,375	\$ 4,289,985	\$ 924,392	82.3%

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
EXPENSE BUDGET ANALYSIS STATEMENT
For Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023**

	Budget 1/1/22 to 12/31/22	Expenditures Chargeable to 2022 Budget	Budget 1/1/23 to 12/31/23	2023 Actual as of 12/31/2023	Balance of Budget as of 12/31/2023	Percentage of Budget Spent
IRRIGATION FUND						
McClusky Canal Irrigation:	\$ 722,800	\$ 536,062	\$ 446,100	\$ 225,766	\$ 220,334	50.6%
Construction	\$ 290,000	\$ 261,007	\$ 19,000	\$ 18,769	\$ 231	98.8%
Operations	\$ 432,800	\$ 275,055	\$ 427,100	\$ 206,997	\$ 220,103	48.5%
Debt Payments	\$ 217,000	\$ 216,648	\$ 382,000	\$ 216,768	\$ 165,232	56.7%
Principal	\$ 171,630	\$ 171,282	\$ 315,000	\$ 178,384	\$ 136,616	56.6%
Interest	\$ 45,370	\$ 45,366	\$ 67,000	\$ 38,384	\$ 28,616	57.3%
Total Irrigation Fund	\$ 939,800	\$ 752,710	\$ 828,100	\$ 442,534	\$ 385,566	53.4%
GDU O & M						
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 2,247,266	\$ 2,070,155	\$ 2,172,799	\$ 2,199,804	\$ (27,005)	101.2%
Salaries	\$ 1,446,050	\$ 1,366,860	\$ 1,434,799	\$ 1,461,526	\$ (26,727)	101.9%
Benefits	\$ 801,216	\$ 703,295	\$ 738,000	\$ 738,278	\$ (278)	100.0%
Travel	\$ 17,115	\$ 7,099	\$ 29,000	\$ 28,228	\$ 772	97.3%
Training	\$ 9,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,239	\$ 761	81.0%
Utilities	\$ 87,000	\$ 79,965	\$ 84,000	\$ 76,751	\$ 7,249	91.4%
Contractual Services	\$ 2,066,225	\$ 2,004,988	\$ 233,000	\$ 325,870	\$ (92,869)	139.9%
Supplies	\$ 624,000	\$ 552,792	\$ 445,000	\$ 458,463	\$ (13,463)	103.0%
Capital Purchases	\$ 385,000	\$ 296,614	\$ 402,188	\$ 402,188	\$ -	100.0%
Small Equipment Purchases	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,000	\$ -	\$ 11,000	0.0%
Equipment Rental	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000	0.0%
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 236,240	\$ 196,809	\$ 505,000	\$ 237,080	\$ 267,920	46.9%
Safety	\$ 58,985	\$ 33,676	\$ 57,000	\$ 57,671	\$ (671)	101.2%
Miscellaneous	\$ 22,000	\$ 14,435	\$ 19,000	\$ 18,160	\$ 840	95.6%
Materials	\$ 232,000	\$ 79,073	\$ 325,000	\$ 307,042	\$ 17,958	94.5%
Total GDU O & M	\$ 5,984,831	\$ 5,335,606	\$ 4,336,987	\$ 4,114,496	\$ 222,492	94.9%
MR&I Fund						
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 73,000	\$ 71,839	\$ 82,000	\$ 74,556	\$ 7,444	90.9%
State Administration	\$ 103,835	\$ 57,058	\$ 153,000	\$ 34,706	\$ 118,294	22.7%
MR&I Project Expenditures	\$ 27,000,000	\$ 25,292,604	\$ 20,000,000	\$ 18,914,984	\$ 1,085,016	94.6%
Total MR&I Fund	\$ 27,176,835	\$ 25,421,501	\$ 20,235,000	\$ 19,024,246	\$ 1,210,754	94.0%
RRV Water Supply Project						
Right of Way	\$ 90,000	\$ 88,594	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 1,568,596	\$ (168,596)	112.0%
Design/Construction in Progress	\$ 27,950,000	\$ 27,923,627	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 29,608,619	\$ 391,381	98.7%
Salaries & Benefits	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
Professional Services	\$ 520,000	\$ 513,482	\$ 400,000	\$ 417,984	\$ (17,984)	464%
Financing/Legal/Administration	\$ 520,000	\$ 505,982	\$ 391,000	\$ 385,092	\$ 5,908	98.5%
Other Engineering	\$ -	\$ 7,500	\$ 9,000	\$ 32,892	\$ (23,892)	365.5%
Debt Payments	\$ 331,491	\$ 331,491	\$ 662,983	\$ 662,983	\$ -	200%
Principal	\$ 308,201	\$ 308,201	\$ 534,127	\$ 534,127	\$ -	100.0%
Interest	\$ 23,290	\$ 23,290	\$ 128,856	\$ 128,856	\$ -	100.0%
Total RRVWSP	\$ 28,891,491	\$ 28,857,194	\$ 32,462,983	\$ 32,258,182	\$ 204,801	99.4%
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$ 68,263,497	\$ 64,436,480	\$ 63,077,445	\$ 60,129,443	\$ 2,948,005	95.3%

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
GDCD RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM
OUTSTANDING PROJECTS
July 1, 1990 to December 31, 2023

COUNTY	PROJECT	GRANT APPROVAL DATE	OUTSTANDING PROJECTS	PROJECTS APPROVED 2023	EXPENDITURES 04-23-15 to 12-31-2022	EXPENDITURES 1-1-23 to 12-31-23	AMOUNTS RETURNED TO PROGRAM	BALANCE REMAINING 12-31-23
Barnes	Sheyenne River Water Trail	04-29-21	\$ 51,005.00					\$ 51,005.00
Barnes	City Wimbledon-Bathroom/Park Upgrade	03-30-23		\$ 12,999.00		\$ 12,999.00		\$ -
Barnes	Valley City Parks-Hi-Line Pickleball Court	09-20-23		\$ 75,000.00				\$ 75,000.00
Bottineau	Kramer City Park	09-28-22	\$ 21,250.00					\$ 21,250.00
Bottineau	T-Bar Lift at Winter Park	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00			\$ 75,000.00		\$ -
Bottineau	Turtle Mountain Pickle Ball	03-30-23		\$ 4,750.00		\$ 3,488.82	\$ (1,261.18)	\$ -
Bottineau	City of Landa-Restroom Facilitites	09-20-23		\$ 6,250.00				\$ 6,250.00
Burleigh	Steckel Boat Landing Picnic Shelter	04-29-21	\$ 6,000.00					\$ 6,000.00
Burleigh	4H Arena Play Area	09-23-21	\$ 31,291.00			\$ 31,291.00		\$ -
Burleigh	Sibley Campground Electrical Updates	09-23-21	\$ 36,746.00			\$ 36,746.00		\$ -
Burleigh	American Legion Splash Pad	09-28-22	\$ 30,000.00			\$ 17,322.25		\$ 12,767.75
Burleigh	Wilton North Park Pickle Ball Court	09-28-22	\$ 2,395.00			\$ 958.10		\$ 1,436.90
Cass	RRV Fair Campground Phase I	05-06-20	\$ 4,721.00				\$ (4,721.00)	\$ -
Cass	Casselton Parks Revitalization	10-01-20	\$ 1,995.00		\$ 605.00	\$ 655.00	\$ (735.00)	\$ -
Cass	Casselton Shared Use Path	09-23-21	\$ 50,000.00			\$ 50,000.00		\$ -
Cass	Mapleton Shared Use Path	09-23-21	\$ 50,000.00			\$ 50,000.00		\$ -
Cass	Brewer Lake Water Hook-ups	03-30-22	\$ 638.00					\$ 638.00
Cass	Tinta Tawa Park Restroom	03-30-22	\$ 9,575.00					\$ 9,575.00
Cass	West Fargo Park District Playground Imp	09-28-22	\$ 16,145.00					\$ 16,145.00
Cass	Harwood-Splash Pad	03-30-23		\$ 27,204.00				\$ 27,204.00
Cass	North Elmwood Park Restoration	03-30-23		\$ 24,323.00				\$ 24,323.00
Cass	Tower City Pickle Courts	03-30-23		\$ 4,700.00		\$ 4,666.75		\$ 33.25
Cass	Casselton-Governor's Share Use Path	09-20-23		\$ 75,000.00				\$ 75,000.00
Cass	Fargo Park-Pepsi Soccer Playground	09-20-23		\$ 62,500.00				\$ 62,500.00
Dickey	West Side Park Playground	04-29-21	\$ 7,520.00					\$ 7,520.00
Dickey	Ellendale Baseball Grandstand Reno	09-28-22	\$ 20,000.00					\$ 20,000.00
Dickey	Wilson Dam Picnic Shelter Renovation	09-28-22	\$ 1,778.00					\$ 1,778.00
Dickey	Ellendale-Ice Skating Rink Expansion	09-20-23		\$ 4,500.00				\$ 4,500.00
Dickey	Oakes -Main Street Park	09-20-23		\$ 26,125.00				\$ 26,125.00
Eddy	Warming House/Boat Rental Building	04-29-21	\$ 5,750.00					\$ 5,750.00
Foster	Foster County Fairgrounds Picnic Shelter	09-23-21	\$ 5,191.00					\$ 5,191.00
Foster	Baseball/Softball Diamond Renovations	03-30-22	\$ 75,000.00		\$ 12,507.93	\$ 24,797.50		\$ 37,694.57
Foster	Carrington West Park Renovation	03-30-22	\$ 61,202.00		\$ 22,500.00	\$ 16,006.00		\$ 22,696.00
Foster	Carrington -Baseball Diamond	09-20-23		\$ 26,906.00				\$ 26,906.00
Grand Forks	Bringewatt Park Water Station	09-23-21	\$ 10,000.00			\$ 10,000.00		\$ -
Grand Forks	Kraft Field Grandstand Replacement	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
Grand Forks	Manvel Community Park Improvement	09-28-22	\$ 12,699.00					\$ 12,699.00
Grand Forks	Lincoln Drive Park Family Games Area	03-30-23		\$ 10,000.00		\$ 10,000.00		\$ -
Grand Forks	Grand Forks -Kraft Field Turf Resurfacing	09-20-23		\$ 56,250.00				\$ 56,250.00
Griggs	Binford Park Playground Update	03-30-22	\$ 2,950.00			\$ 1,249.50		\$ 1,700.50
Griggs	Binford Rodeo Ass. Community Centre	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00			\$ 56,870.02		\$ 18,129.98
LaMoure	Sunset Park Revitalization Phase II	05-06-20	\$ 45,000.00		\$ 27,025.23	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (16,974.77)	\$ -
LaMoure	LaMoure Park-Sunset Park Swim Center	09-20-23		\$ 75,000.00				\$ 75,000.00
McHenry	Upham Park Improvement	04-29-21	\$ 9,125.00		\$ 8,627.75			\$ 497.25
McHenry	Splash Pad	09-23-21	\$ 19,838.00		\$ 1,725.00			\$ 18,113.00
McHenry	City of Upham-Park Restrooms	03-30-23		\$ 12,500.00				\$ 12,500.00
McHenry	Towner -Baseball Field Renovation	09-20-23		\$ 3,750.00				\$ 3,750.00
McKenzie	Tobacco Garden Shower/Bathroom	03-30-23		\$ 40,071.00				\$ 40,071.00
McLean	Walking/Bike Path Underwood	05-06-20	\$ 15,668.00				\$ (15,668.00)	\$ -
McLean	Lakeside Park Gazebo/Riverdale	04-29-21	\$ 1,500.00					\$ 1,500.00
McLean	Playground Equipment-Coleharbor	09-23-21	\$ 23,460.00			\$ 7,709.63		\$ 15,750.37
McLean	Garrison Softball Field Renovation	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
McLean	City of Butte-City Park	03-30-23		\$ 874.00				\$ 874.00
McLean	Arena Announcer Office & Concessions	03-30-23		\$ 6,946.00				\$ 6,946.00
McLean	Nelson Park & Community Garden	03-30-23		\$ 12,750.00				\$ 12,750.00
McLean	Sportsmen's Centennial Park Boat Ramp	03-30-23		\$ 6,250.00		\$ 4,480.04	\$ (1,769.96)	\$ -
McLean	McLean-Dynamite Bay Public Stairs	09-20-23		\$ 1,618.00				\$ 1,618.00
Nelson	Tolna City Park Restrooms	10-03-18	\$ 21,933.00					\$ 21,933.00
Nelson	Stump Lake Playground	03-30-22	\$ 13,869.00			\$ 11,833.89	\$ (2,035.11)	\$ -
Nelson	Lakota Wading Pool	09-28-22	\$ 51,030.00			\$ 51,030.00		\$ -
Pierce	Buffalo Lake Camp Site	04-29-21	\$ 3,250.00		\$ 1,930.06			\$ 1,319.94
Pierce	Barton Park Picnic Tables/Play Gym	09-23-21	\$ 1,250.00					\$ 1,250.00
Pierce	Rugby-Jaycee's Splashpad	03-30-23		\$ 40,202.00				\$ 40,202.00
Ramsey	Roosevelt Park Activity Building	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
Ramsey	Devils Lake-Indoor Playground	09-20-23		\$ 37,500.00				\$ 37,500.00
Ramsey	Ramsey County-Multi-Purpose Event Center	09-20-23		\$ 75,000.00				\$ 75,000.00
Ransom	Dead Colt Walkway	04-29-21	\$ 23,750.00					\$ 23,750.00
Ransom	Sheldon Pickle Ball/BB Courts	03-30-22	\$ 5,262.00					\$ 5,262.00
Renville	Mouse River Park Campground Electrical	09-23-21	\$ 3,750.00			\$ 3,750.00		\$ -
Renville	Mohall Splash Pad	09-28-22	\$ 20,000.00			\$ 20,000.00		\$ -
Renville	Mohall Splash Pad Phase II	03-30-23		\$ 6,875.00		\$ 6,875.00		\$ -
Richland	City Park Improvement-Abercrombie	04-29-21	\$ 34,682.00					\$ 34,682.00
Richland	Campground-Hankinson Park Board	04-29-21	\$ 29,984.00			\$ 15,789.61	\$ (14,194.39)	\$ -
Richland	Chaninkapa Park Multipurpose Shelter	03-30-22	\$ 42,000.00					\$ 42,000.00
Richland	Manatador Park Softball Dugouts	03-30-22	\$ 2,000.00					\$ 2,000.00
Richland	Wyndmere Park Board	03-30-22	\$ 10,728.00					\$ 10,728.00
Richland	Fairmount-Park Playground Equipment	03-30-23		\$ 9,750.00				\$ 9,750.00
Sargent	Silver Lake Bath House	05-06-20	\$ 6,377.00			\$ 6,377.00		\$ -
Sargent	North View Playground Milnor	03-30-22	\$ 14,210.00			\$ 14,210.00		\$ -
Sargent	Gwinner Aquatic Center	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00			\$ 19,962.50		\$ 55,037.50
Sargent	Forman-Main Street Pocket Park	03-30-23		\$ 2,213.00			\$ (2,213.00)	\$ -

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT WATER ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM COMPLETED PROJECTS June 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022						
COUNTY	Sponsor	PROJECT	GRANT APPROVAL DATE	PROJECTS APPROVED 2021-2022	EXPENDITURES 6-1-21 to 12-31-22	AMOUNTS RETURNED TO PROGRAM
Benson	CPWD	Johnson, Keith & Jean	08-15-22	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
Bottineau	USWD	Sponsel, Orvil & Shannon	05-18-22	\$ 3,989.00	\$ 3,989.00	
Burleigh	SCRWD	Irman, Mary Jo	06-01-21	\$ 1,511.00	\$ 1,510.25	\$ (0.75)
Burleigh	SCRWD	Roehrich, Cody	06-01-21	\$ 1,398.00	\$ 1,397.29	\$ (0.71)
Burleigh	SCRWD	Bloom, Jenny	04-07-22	\$ 7,474.00	\$ 7,474.00	
Eddy	CPWD	Rue, Dylan	06-01-21	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 3,800.00	
Foster	GRWD	Theis, Riley	04-07-22	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
LaMoire	SRWD	Azzone, Tyler	05-18-22	\$ 4,450.00	\$ 4,450.00	
LaMoire	SRWD	Bolme Tyler	05-18-22	\$ 5,830.00	\$ 5,830.00	
McLean	MSRWD	Wannemacher, Melodie	10-06-22	\$ 5,259.00	\$ 5,259.00	
Nelson	TCRWD	Syverson, Joey & Kirstie	08-11-21	\$ 9,725.00	\$ 9,725.00	
Ramsey	GRWD	Eveslage, Travis	06-01-21	\$ 1,830.00	\$ 1,830.00	
Ramsey	GRWD	Kowal, Alex	06-01-21	\$ 1,830.00	\$ 1,830.00	
Ramsey	GRWD	Triepke, Travis	06-01-21	\$ 1,830.00	\$ 1,830.00	
Ramsey	GRWD	Myklebust, Lee	08-26-21	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
Ramsey	GRWD	Wakefield, Bill	04-07-22	\$ 10,000.00		\$ (10,000.00)
Ramsey	GRWD	Samuelson Welding	05-18-22	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 1,550.00	
Ramsey	GRWD	Beattie, Larry & Karen	08-15-22	\$ 4,250.00	\$ 4,250.00	
Renville	USWD	Backes Brothers Farm	08-11-21	\$ 10,000.00		\$ (10,000.00)
Renville	USWD	Bloms, Brian	08-11-21	\$ 10,000.00		\$ (10,000.00)
Renville	USWD	Bloms, Richard	08-11-21	\$ 10,000.00		\$ (10,000.00)
Renville	USWD	Lynch, Andrew & Amanda	08-11-21	\$ 10,000.00		\$ (10,000.00)
Richland	SEWUD	Holck, Jeremy	08-11-21	\$ 6,442.00	\$ 6,441.50	\$ (0.50)
Sheridan	MSRWD	Stein, Chris & Angela	06-01-21	\$ 2,325.00	\$ 2,325.00	
Stutsman	SRWD	Ganser, Travis	06-01-21	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	
Stutsman	SRWD	Agri Partners ND, LLC	06-01-21	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
Stutsman	SRWD	Martin, Renae	05-18-22	\$ 350.00	\$ 235.00	\$ (115.00)
Stutsman	SRWD	Gielser Ryan & Megan	05-18-22	\$ 2,280.00	\$ 2,064.81	\$ (215.19)
Stutsman	SRWD	Gillespie, Cheryl	05-18-22	\$ 2,280.00	\$ 2,280.00	
Stutsman	SRWD	Kolbo, Larry & Margo	05-18-22	\$ 2,280.00	\$ 2,064.81	\$ (215.19)
Stutsman	SRWD	Schauer, Breann & Mathew	05-18-22	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	
Stutsman	SRWD	Park Board East Boat Wash	05-18-22	\$ 4,400.00		\$ (4,400.00)
Stutsman	SRWD	Park Board West Boat Wash	05-18-22	\$ 800.00		\$ (800.00)
Stutsman	SRWD	The Meadows RV Park	05-18-22	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00	
Stutsman	SRWD	Ganser, Travis	6/1/2021	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 6,250.00	
Stutsman	SRWD	VanRay, Troy	05-18-22	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	
Wells	CPWD	Schmeiss, Tim	08-15-22	\$ 2,242.00	\$ 2,242.00	
		City of Turtle Lake	09-08-21	6,154.00	5,891.64	(262.36)
TOTALS				\$192,029.00	\$ 136,019.30	(\$56,009.70)

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES Rv2
January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023**

	General Fund	Operations & Maintenance Fund	Municipal, Rural, and Industrial Fund	Red River Valley Water Supply Project	Irrigation Fund	Total
REVENUES:						
Irrigation Admin	\$ 974					\$ 974
Project Income						\$ -
Lease Income						\$ -
Miscellaneous Income	\$ 3,558				\$ 364	\$ 3,922
Revenue Sale of Fixed Assets		\$ 173,167				\$ 173,167
Interest Income	\$ 336,678	\$ 1,545	\$ 897		\$ 4,000	\$ 343,120
Tax Levy/State Aid	\$ 4,583,060					\$ 4,583,060
O&M Non-project Income		\$ 692,617				\$ 692,617
Contract Revenue	\$ 80,552	\$ 4,138,697	\$ 19,037,012	\$ 31,966,727	\$ 487,788	\$ 55,710,776
Total Revenues	\$ 5,004,822	\$ 5,006,026	\$ 19,037,909	\$ 31,966,727	\$ 492,152	\$ 61,507,636
EXPENDITURES:						
Directors Expense	\$272,000					\$ 272,000
Employee Expenses	\$1,423,000	\$2,290,799	\$ 82,000	\$ -		\$ 3,795,799
Administrative Expenses	\$247,500	\$103,000	\$ 153,000			\$ 503,500
Public Education	\$ 157,000					\$ 157,000
Professional Services	\$851,000	\$326,000		\$ 423,900		\$ 1,600,900
Irrigation Development	\$269,875					\$ 269,875
Recreation Matching	\$860,000					\$ 860,000
Water Assistance Grant	\$ 300,000					\$ 300,000
Irrigation Districts Expenses	\$2,000					\$ 2,000
Maintenance & Repairs	\$53,606	\$1,215,000			\$427,100	\$ 1,695,706
Capital Purchases	\$ 778,394	\$402,188		\$ 31,376,100	\$19,000	\$ 32,575,682
MR&I Project Expenditures			\$ 20,000,000			\$ 20,000,000
Debt Service Payments				\$ 662,983	\$315,000	\$ 977,983
Interest on Debt Service					\$67,000	\$ 67,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 5,214,375	\$ 4,336,987	\$ 20,235,000	\$ 32,462,983	\$ 828,100	\$ 63,077,445
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures*	\$ (209,553)	\$ 669,039	\$ (1,197,091)	\$ (496,256)	\$ (335,948)	\$ (1,569,809)
Transfers In (Out)	\$ 943,000	\$ (920,000)	\$ (23,000)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 733,447	\$ (250,961)	\$ (1,220,091)	\$ (496,256)	\$ (335,948)	\$ (1,569,809)

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
Income Budget
2023 Rv2

	2023 Budget	Revision	Revised 2023 Budget
REVENUES:			
Irrigation Admin	\$ 950	\$ 24	\$ 974
Project Income	\$ -		\$ -
Lease Income	\$ -		\$ -
Miscellaneous Income	\$ -	\$ 3,922	\$ 3,922
Revenue Sale of Fixed Assets	\$ -	\$ 173,167	\$ 173,167
Interest Income	\$ 33,120	\$ 310,000	\$ 343,120
Tax Levy	\$ 4,250,000	\$ 29,384	\$ 4,279,384
State Aid Distribution	\$ 180,000	\$ 123,676	\$ 303,676
O&M Non-project Income	\$ 532,684	\$ 159,933	\$ 692,617
Contract Revenue-General Fund	\$ 70,000	\$ 10,552	\$ 80,552
Contract Revenue-O&M	\$ 4,890,000	\$ (751,303)	\$ 4,138,697
Contract Revenue-MR&I	\$ 20,257,975	\$ (1,220,963)	\$ 19,037,012
Contract Revenue-RRVWSP	\$ 30,800,000	\$ 1,166,727	\$ 31,966,727
Contract Revenue-Irrigation	\$ 828,005	\$ (340,217)	\$ 487,788
Total Revenues	\$ 61,842,734	\$ (335,098)	\$ 61,507,636

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
Expense Budget
2023 Rv2

	Budget 2023	Revision	Revised Budget 2023
Directors Expense			
Directors Per Diem	\$133,000		\$133,000
Directors Exp	\$128,000	\$ 11,000	\$139,000
Total Directors Expense	\$261,000	\$11,000	\$272,000
Employee Expense			
Employee Salaries	\$908,000	\$ (11,000)	\$897,000
General Managers Expense	\$21,000		\$21,000
Travel	\$57,444		\$57,444
Administrative Officer	\$25,000		\$25,000
District Engineer	\$10,000		\$10,000
Engineer	\$5,000		\$5,000
Communications Director	\$6,000		\$6,000
Emp Exp Other	\$11,444		\$11,444
Professional Development	\$17,000		\$17,000
Employee Training	\$15,000		\$15,000
Wellness Program	\$2,000		\$2,000
Benefits	\$430,556		\$430,556
GDCD FICA	\$79,000		\$79,000
Retirement	\$129,000		\$129,000
Hospital & Life Insurance	\$175,000		\$175,000
Unemployment Comp	\$3,621		\$3,621
Vision / Dental	\$14,000		\$14,000
Workforce Safety Insurance	\$1,000		\$1,000
Long Term Disability Ins	\$10,000		\$10,000
Vacation/Sick Leave Liability	\$18,935		\$18,935
Total Employee Expense	\$1,434,000	-\$11,000	\$1,423,000
Administration			
Postage	\$6,000		\$6,000
Communications	\$16,000	\$ (2,000)	\$14,000
Utilities	\$33,000	\$ 3,000	\$36,000
Meetings & Events	\$30,000		\$30,000
Subscriptions	\$6,000		\$6,000
Miscellaneous	\$4,000		\$4,000
Data Processing	\$45,000	\$ 1,000	\$46,000
Employee Recruiting	\$5,000		\$5,000
Supplies	\$14,000		\$14,000
Small Office Equipment	\$20,000	\$ 3,000	\$23,000
Dues	\$14,000		\$14,000
Insurance	\$18,000		\$18,000
Annual Independent Audit	\$36,500	\$ (5,000)	\$31,500
Total Administration	\$247,500	\$0	\$247,500
Public Education			
GDCD Tours	\$9,019		\$ 9,019
ND Water Users	\$20,000		\$ 20,000
ND Water Coalition	\$14,000		\$ 14,000
ND Water Magazine	\$18,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 20,000
Missouri River Joint Board	\$15,981		\$ 15,981
Upper Sheyenne	\$50,000		\$ 50,000
Conferences/Sponsorships	\$20,000	\$ (2,000)	\$ 18,000
Miscellaneous	\$10,000		\$ 10,000
Total Public Education	\$157,000	\$0	\$ 157,000

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
Expense Budget
2023 Rv2

	Budget 2023	Revision	Revised Budget 2023
Professional Services			
Communications	\$140,000		\$140,000
Engineering	\$47,000		\$47,000
RRVWSP Development	\$456,000		\$456,000
Technical Support for LAWA	\$15,000		\$15,000
Engineering	\$240,000		\$240,000
Legal	\$125,000		\$125,000
Financial	\$10,000		\$10,000
Consultants	\$50,000		\$50,000
Meeting, Misc. Exp	\$16,000		\$16,000
Prof Services Other	\$20,000		\$20,000
Legal Services	\$188,000		\$188,000
Total Professional Services	\$851,000	\$0	\$851,000
Irrigation Development			
ND Irrigation Association	\$50,000		\$50,000
NDSU Oakes Irrigation Site	\$196,875		\$196,875
Bob Titus Lease	\$17,000		\$17,000
Irrigation Development	\$6,000		\$6,000
Total Irrigation Development	\$269,875	\$0	\$269,875
Recreation			
Recreation Matching	\$850,000		\$850,000
DWRA Recreation Program	\$10,000		\$10,000
Total Recreation	\$860,000	\$0	\$860,000
Water Assistance			
Water Assistance Grant	\$300,000	\$0	\$300,000
Irrigation District Expense			
Irrigation District Expenses	\$2,000		\$2,000
OTA Title Transfer	\$0		\$0
Technical Support	\$0		\$0
Legal	\$0		\$0
Total Irrigation District Expense	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
Maintenance & Repair			
Equipment Maintenance	\$27,000	\$ (5,500)	\$21,500
Small Yard Equipment Purchases	\$5,000	\$ 3,350	\$8,350
Land & Bldg Maintenance	\$35,000	\$ (24,744)	\$10,256
Auto Expense	\$15,000	\$ (1,500)	\$13,500
Total Maintenance & Repair	\$82,000	-\$28,394	\$53,606
Capital Purchases			
Office Equip & Furniture	\$20,000	\$ (1,100)	\$ 18,900
Yard Equipment	\$20,000	\$ (20,000)	\$ -
Vehicle	\$40,000		\$ 40,000
Land & Buildings	\$670,000	\$ 49,494	\$ 719,494
Total Capital Purchases	\$750,000	\$28,394	\$ 778,394
General Fund Subtotal	\$5,214,375	\$0	\$5,214,375

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
Expense Budget
2023 Rv2

	Budget 2023	Revision	Revised Budget 2023
Irrigation Fund			
McClusky Canal Irrigation	\$446,100	\$0	\$446,100
Construction	\$19,000		\$19,000
Operations	\$427,100		\$427,100
Debt Payments	\$382,000	\$0	\$382,000
Principal	\$315,000		\$315,000
Interest	\$67,000		\$67,000
Total Irrigation Fund	\$828,100	\$0	\$828,100
GDU O & M			
Salaries & Benefits	\$2,172,799	\$27,300	\$2,200,099
Salaries	\$1,434,799	\$ 27,000	\$1,461,799
Benefits	\$738,000	\$ 300	\$738,300
Travel	\$29,000		\$29,000
Training	\$4,000		\$4,000
Utilities	\$84,000		\$84,000
Contracted Services (Eng / Survey)	\$233,000	\$ 93,000	\$326,000
Supplies	\$445,000	\$ 13,500	\$458,500
Equipment Purchases	\$402,188		\$402,188
Small Equipment Purchases	\$11,000		\$11,000
Equipment Rental	\$50,000		\$50,000
Equipment Maintenance	\$505,000	\$ (134,500)	\$370,500
Safety	\$57,000	\$ 700	\$57,700
Miscellaneous	\$19,000		\$19,000
Materials	\$325,000		\$325,000
Total GDU O & M	\$4,336,987	\$0	\$4,336,987
MR&I Fund			
Salaries & Benefits	\$82,000		\$82,000
State Administration	\$153,000		\$153,000
MR&I Project Expenditures	\$20,000,000		\$20,000,000
Total MR&I Fund	\$20,235,000	\$0	\$20,235,000
RRV Water Supply Project			
ROW	\$1,400,000	\$ 169,000	\$ 1,569,000
Design/Construction in Progress	\$30,000,000	\$ (192,900)	\$ 29,807,100
Salaries & Benefits	\$0		\$ -
Professional Services	\$400,000	\$23,900	\$423,900
Financing/Legal/Administration	\$391,000		\$ 391,000
Other Engineering	\$9,000	\$ 23,900	\$ 32,900
Debt Payments	\$662,983		\$ 662,983
Principal	\$534,127		\$ 534,127
Interest	\$128,856		\$ 128,856
Total RRVWSP	\$32,462,983	\$0	\$ 32,462,983
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$63,077,445	\$0	\$ 63,077,445

REQUEST

Consideration and approval of a consultant task order in the amount of \$94,700 to provide communications services to Garrison Diversion. The result of this Task Order will facilitate consultant working as an extension of staff to plan, coordinate, and execute communication services that will educate and engage stakeholders, end users, affected landowners, and the public on key areas of the Project. Consultant services will begin in January 2024 and finish by January 2025.

TASK ORDER OBJECTIVES

With the RRVWSP currently under construction, this task order will assist Garrison Diversion in the development of a consistent and reliable communications strategy for project sponsors, community leaders, legislators, state leaders, and strategic partners.

A prime objective will be to provide support during the interim legislative session. This will include working with staff to provide project status updates, responses to legislator information requests, preparation prior to 2025 testimony, and legislator outreach.

In addition, the communications services will include assisting staff with outreach, education, and advocacy to provide up to date and accurate information about the Project. These services include the planning and support for the quarterly RRVWSP newsletter, social media, communications strategy, graphic design, and videography.

Lastly, project media coverage will be tracked and reported along with quarterly newsletter and social media analytics. Website maintenance services will be provided on an on-call basis.

TASK ORDER SUMMARY

The services to be provided by the consultant team (Black & Veatch and AE2S) are fully described in the attached Task Order.

Basic Services: The fee of \$94,700 includes both labor and direct expenses for consulting services to provide the identified communications assistance.

Special Services: There are no unique or specialized services required under this task order.

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT						
MR&I Project Construction Report						
December 31, 2023						
Project	Current Funding			2023		Federal MR&I Funding Remaining
	Federal MR&I Funding	Prior MR&I Fund Expenditures	MR&I Fund Expenditures	MR&I Fund Expenditures	Total Expenditures	
ENDAWS	\$ 3,870,000.00	\$ 240,772.30	\$ 578,303.82	\$ 819,076.12		3,050,923.88
NAWS-Biota Treatment Plant	\$ 60,874,495.85	\$ 35,750,453.72	\$ 16,791,911.69	\$ 52,542,365.41		8,332,130.44
Biota WTP Ultra Violet Reactor	\$ 632,177.30	\$ 362,659.00	\$ 269,518.30	\$ 632,177.30		-
Biota WTP Dissolved Air Flotation Equip	\$ 1,355,750.00	\$ 80,500.00	\$ 1,275,250.00	\$ 1,355,750.00		-
NAWS-Westhope All Seasons III (2-4A)	\$ 3,415,730.00	\$ 3,415,729.46	\$	\$ 3,415,729.46		0.54
NAWS-Glenburn to Renville (2-3C)	\$ 2,689,519.00	\$ 2,689,518.18	\$	\$ 2,689,518.18		0.82
NAWS-Westhope to Souris River (2-4B)	\$ 4,660,000.00	\$ 3,210,130.47	\$	\$ 3,210,130.47		1,449,869.53
NAWS-Souris Corner to Bottineau (2-4C)	\$ 2,943,370.00	\$ 2,943,369.46	\$	\$ 2,943,369.46		0.54
Totals	\$ 80,441,042.15	\$ 48,693,132.59	\$ 18,914,983.81	\$ 67,608,116.40	\$ 12,832,925.75	

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
MR&I BIL Agreement Project Construction Report
December 31, 2023

Current Funding

Project	Federal		Prior		2023		Federal	
	MR&I Funding	Expenditures	MR&I Fund	Expenditures	MR&I Fund	Expenditures	MR&I Funding	Remaining
NAWS Biota WTP & Pump Station Ph 2 (7-2B/4-1B)	\$ 26,645,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	26,645,000.00
Bottineau Reservoir & Pump Station 4-4B/5-4B	\$ 7,400,000.00							7,400,000.00
Snake Creek Discharge Pipeline (2-1E)	\$ 4,500,000.00							4,500,000.00
Totals	\$ 38,545,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 38,545,000.00



2023 to 2025 Biennium Work Plan

(\$244.0 mil Total Funding: \$180 mil State; \$61 mil Local Users; \$3.0 mil MR&I)

December 19, 2023

No.	Scope of Work	Feature	Date Task Orders Auth	Note	2023-25 Bien ENDAWS Project Development Budget (mil \$)			2023-25 Biennium RRVWSP Project Development Budget (mil \$)			2023-25 Biennium RRVWSP Project Constr Budget (mil \$) ^{1,2,3}		
					Total	Federal 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%
1.	Garrison Diversion Conservancy District Budget Scope: Account for all costs for which Garrison Diversion is responsible not included in other Task Orders listed here. Need: Budget allocation for GDCD direct costs associated with the Red River Valley Water Supply Project.	Garrison Diversion's costs for the RRVWSP, including internal mgmt, admin, legal, communication, insurance advisory, misc., etc.	GDCD					\$ 2.50	\$ 1.87	\$ 0.63			
								\$ 2.21	\$ 1.66	\$ 0.55			
2.	Property, Easements, and Crop Damage Payments⁴ Scope: Costs to obtain easements and acquire property for associated facilities. Crop damage payments to landowners. Need: Secure land for installing future pipeline segments staying years ahead of pipeline design/construction needs. Purchase property on which to build all remaining facilities so property will be in hand before final design begins.	Acquire easements in Sheridan and Wells County for 32-mi pipeline. Pay bonus payment to all easement holders. Acquire property for Biota WTP, Hydraulic Break Tanks, McClusky Canal Intake, and James River sites. Pay for crop damage.	RRVWSP										
								\$ 0.49	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.12			
3.	Transmission Pipeline East Contract 5C Scope: Pipeline installation, including construction phase engineering services by Engineer. Need: Continue progress of transmission pipeline installation for completion of RRVWSP by the target end date.	8± mi of 72" pl, including two 96" tunnels. Pipeline extends eastward from Contract 5B NE of Bordulac to a termination point just east of the James River.	Prof Svcs	Jul-23 Nov-23									
											\$ 5.64	\$ 4.23	\$ 1.41
4.	Transmission Pipeline East Contract 5D Scope: Pipeline installation, including construction phase engineering services by Engineer. Need: Continue progress of transmission pipeline installation for completion of RRVWSP by the target end date.	10± miles of 72" pl, including several 96" tunnels. Pipeline section extends westward from Contract 5A south of Carrington to a termination point south of Sykeston.	Prof Svcs	Jul-23 Oct-23									
											\$ 5.47	\$ 4.10	\$ 1.37
5.	RRV Transmission Pipeline Contract 6A Scope: Pipeline installation, including construction phase engineering services by Engineer. Need: Continue progress of transmission pipeline installation for completion of RRVWSP by the target end date.	6± mi of 72" pl, including several 96" tunnels. Pipeline section extends eastward from Contract 5C just east of the James River to a termination point southwest of Glenfield.	Prof Svcs	Jul-23 Oct-24									
											\$ 5.47	\$ 4.10	\$ 1.37
6.	ENDAWS Transmission Pipeline Contract 3 Scope: Final design (30% docs to biddable plans and specs) and bidding assistance. Need: Continue progress of transmission pipeline installation for completion of RRVWSP/ENDAWS by the target end date.	11± mi of 72" pipeline, including 96" tunnels. Pipeline section extends west from the west end of Contract 4 to the Sheridan Wells County line.	ENDAWS	Aug-23				\$ 3.06	\$ 2.30	\$ 0.76			
											\$ 76.67	\$ 57.50	\$ 19.17

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2023 to 2025 Biennium Work Plan

(\$244.0 mil Total Funding: \$180 mil State; \$61 mil Local Users; \$3.0 mil MR&I)

December 19, 2023

No.	Scope of Work	Feature	Date Task Orders Auth	Note	2023-25 Bien ENDAWS Project Development Budget (mil \$)			2023-25 Biennium RRVWSP Project Development Budget (mil \$)			2023-25 Biennium RRVWSP Project Constr Budget (mil \$) ^{1,2,3}		
					Total	Federal 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%
7.	Transmission Pipeline East Contracts 4A and 4B Scope: final design (30% docs to biddable plans and specs) and bidding assistance. Need: Have the next pipeline section bid-ready when State funding becomes available (likely the 2025-27 biennium).	27± mi of 72" pl, including several 96" tunnels. Pipeline extends from the west end of Contract 5D south of Sykeston west to a termination point NE of Hurdsfield at HBTs.	Feb-24	Prof Srvs				\$ 7.19	\$ 5.39	\$ 1.80			
8.	RRV Transmission Pipeline Contract 7 Scope: final design (30% docs to biddable plans and specs) and bidding assistance. Need: Have the next pipeline section bid-ready when State funding becomes available (likely the 2025-27 biennium).	14± mi of 72" pipeline, including several 96" tunnels. Pipeline extends from the east end of Contract 6B to the outfall on the Sheyenne River southeast of Cooperstown.	Aug-23	Prof Srvs				\$ 2.93	\$ 2.20	\$ 0.73			
54	McClusky Canal Intake and Pumping Station Scope: Conceptual and preliminary design of an intake and pumping station at the McClusky Canal. Need: Preliminary designs are necessary so site acquisition can begin and final design can commence when land is secured.	Siting: passive intake screens, pumping station similar to MRI, and utility extension design can begin for new facility to be located near McClusky, ND.	Feb-24	Prof Srvs	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.19						54
10.	Biota Water Treatment Plant and Main Pumping Station Scope: Conceptual and preliminary designs for a Biota WTP and Main Pumping Station, including hydraulic surge facility. Need: Complete design to a point where land acquisition can begin and project can move into final design next biennium.	165-cfs biota WTP, with chlorine and UV disinfection to meet NDPDES permit and FEIS requirements per Reclamation. Chloramines for residual disinfectant in pipeline.	Feb-24	Prof Srvs	\$ 2.88	\$ 2.16	\$ 0.72						
11.	Hydraulic Break Tanks Scope: Preliminary design of above-ground tanks and associated facilities at or near the continental divide. Need: Complete design to a point where land acquisition can begin and project can move into final design next biennium.	Two 5 MG above-ground storage tanks and accessories, site piping and valves, monitoring, and utility extensions necessary for a new greenfield site.	Feb-24	Prof Srvs	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.10						
12.	PMIS Annual Licenses & Continued Maint/Upgrades Scope: Annual software license renewal for expanded team and consulting support for training and configuration services. Need: Create greater efficiency and documentation for voluminous amount of construction related documents.	Vendor fees (e-Builder & DocuSign) for licenses of expanded team and consulting support for training of contractors/ subcontractors and workflow/report additions and modifications.	Feb-24	Vend & Prof Srvs				\$ 0.49	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.12			
13.	Prj Mgmt to Support Larger Spend and Expanded Team Scope: Overall program management, planning, budgeting, scheduling, and other support for Garrison Diversion. Need: Consulting services of a broad programmatic nature not included under project-specific design or construction TOs.	Overall planning, management, administration, scheduling, budgeting, coordination, meeting preparation/attendance, regulatory interface, reporting, etc.	Aug-23	Prof Srvs				\$ 0.66	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.16			24-52



2023 to 2025 Biennium Work Plan

(\$244.0 mil Total Funding: \$180 mil State; \$61 mil Local Users; \$3.0 mil MR&I)

December 19, 2023

No.	Scope of Work	Feature	Date Task Orders Auth	Note	2023-25 Bien ENDAWS Project Development Budget (mil \$)			2023-25 Biennium RRVWSP Project Development Budget (mil \$)			2023-25 Biennium RRVWSP Project Constr Budget (mil \$) ^{1,2,3}		
					Total	Federal 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%
14.	<p>Outreach, Png, and Design to Secure User Commitments</p> <p>Scope: User briefings and necessary support, including conceptual designs, to secure project commitments.</p> <p>Need: Define pipeline extensions to identify for users how and a what cost water will be delivered to their communities.</p>	Size pipelines, pumping stations, channels, storage, etc. and other necessary infrastructure to deliver raw water to end users. Update capex to reflect current market.	Aug-23	Prof Srvs				\$ 1.70	\$ 1.28	\$ 0.42			
15.	<p>Operational Planning and Asset Management Phase 3</p> <p>Scope: System modeling, evaluation, planning, and report development documenting results/findings/outcomes.</p> <p>Need: Finalize Garrison Diversion, State Water Commission, and USACE roles for system operation.</p>	Refine details of diversions to/from Lake Ashtabula. Finalize stakeholder roles and responsibilities as it relates to system operation.	Feb-24	Prof Srvs				\$ 0.47	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.12			
55	<p>Financial Planning Support</p> <p>Scope: Continue to refine the financial model and provide scenarios as required to support users and the program.</p> <p>Need: Accurate water bill estimates and affordability for customers are necessary to gain approval from users.</p>	Update financial models; address state loan and financing program changes; end user funding, financing, and cost-share analyses; continued funding and finance outreach.	Aug-23	Prof Srvs				\$ 0.59	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.15			55
17.	<p>Contingency</p> <p>Scope: A budget reserve for task order additions to professional services, construction, legal, real estate, etc. TOs.</p> <p>Need: Address and pay for changes that are sure to occur.</p>	Budget flexibility to adapt to work plan changes and to pay for construction change orders typically running from 3 to 5% of original construction costs at bid time.	N/A	GDCD	\$ 1.08	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.27	\$ 2.18	\$ 1.64	\$ 0.54	\$ 11.72	\$ 8.79	\$ 2.93
TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET					\$ 10.65	\$ 7.99	\$ 2.66	\$ 21.70	\$ 16.28	\$ 5.42	\$ 211.65	\$ 158.73	\$ 52.92

Notes:

1. Construction costs include management, engineering services during construction, inspection, field quality control, and construction.
2. Projects indicated for construction funding in a given biennium will be shovel ready for construction at the start of the biennium.
3. Future capital costs are escalated to an anticipated midpoint of construction per Finance Team rates of 7, 6, 5, 5, and 3.5 percent per annum thereafter starting in 2022 with an anticipated 2032 finish. All future RRVWSP construction projects and costs are not shown.
4. Land services costs are the amount likely to be paid for real estate, easements, including bonus payments, crop damage, and field obstructions. Estimates include pipeline easements required for the ENDAWS east/west pipeline (none are secured at this point) and remaining easements from the Hydraulic Break Tanks to the Sheyenne River Outfall (25% remain mostly in Wells County).
5. Items appearing in blue bold are progressing with task orders and contracts issued to the engineering team and contractors, respectively. Items appearing in blue italics have been updated to reflect adjustments made for actual amounts contracted. Items shown in black text are pending.

**RRVWSP Work Plan Update
December 5, 2023**

CONSTRUCTION

Wet Well Construction Contract 1

The project is closed, original contract price \$4,989,405.88 with change order 1 and 2 making the final contract price \$4,721,446.47.

Pipeline Construction

Contract 5A

The project is closed, original contract price \$8,366,201.00, with change order 1 and 2 making the final contract price of \$8,393,395.44.

Reclaimed Property



Typical Air Release Manhole



Contract 5B

The original pipe delivery of June 15, 2021, was delayed due to a surface blemish in the steel coil. Year one 2022, 7,761 feet were installed out of the nine miles. High groundwater slowed the pipe installation progress.

For the second year 2023, 21,120 feet were installed for a total contract 5B pipe install to date 28,881 feet (5.5 miles).

To date, \$18,939,066.56 has been paid on the original contract amount of \$45,961,700.00. Change Order No. 1, 2 and 3 has been approved, leaving the current contract price at \$44,932,678.24.



Discharge Structure Construction

Final payment has been made. Original contract amount was \$1,516,955 plus Change Order No. 1 for \$4,929 for a final contract price of \$1,521,884.

Missouri River Intake Tunnel and Screen Final Design Contract 2

The project is closed, original contract price \$18,896,900 with change 5 change orders making the final contract price \$19,444,165.60.



Site Under Construction



Completed Missouri River Intake

DESIGN

The design team is also working with Reclamation and USFWS routing the ENDAWS pipeline through wetland and other various existing easements.

Contract 5D bid opening was held September 7 awarded to Carstensen Contracting, Contract 5C bid opening September 21 awarded to Oscar Renda. Contract 6A will be scheduled for bid in 2024.

**ENDAWS Task Order 2250 – Eastern North Dakota Alternate Water Supply
 Preliminary Design Services**

Task Order Effective Date: February 1, 2024

TASK ORDER EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

REQUEST

Consideration and approval of a preliminary design task order in the amount of \$751,031 for preliminary design associated with the McClusky Canal Intake and Pumping Station as part of the Eastern North Dakota Alternate Water Supply (ENDAWS) project. The Task Order advances the appraisal-level design completed under the Bureau of Reclamation’s ENDAWS Environmental Impact Statement and Record of Decision. Services will begin in February 2024 and finish by October 2025. These professional services are provided on an hourly basis; the fee is an estimate based on the scope and nature of the work and the 20-month schedule.

TASK ORDER SUMMARY

The services to be provided by the engineering team are fully described in the attached Task Order. The following summarizes each of the major tasks.

Basic Services: The estimated hourly fee and expenses for standard and customary preliminary design, surveying, and environmental services are as follows for a future construction project with an estimated cost of \$36 million:

	Fee	% of Const
1) Task Order Management and Administration	\$93,294	0.26%
2) Special Project and Third-Party Meetings	\$31,710	0.09%
3) Final Site Selection, Site Reconnaissance and Landowner Communication Support Services	\$20,523	0.06%
4) Coordination of Land Acquisition, Geotechnical Investigation, and Environmental/Cultural Surveys	\$12,213	0.03%
5) Preliminary Design Services	\$592,432	01.65%
Totals	\$751,031	2.08%

Special Services: There are no unique or specialized services required under this task order.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

A map showing the location of the project is included in the background information of the attached Task Order. This project will be located adjacent to the McClusky Canal, and adjacent to the Biota Water Treatment Plant site near McClusky, North Dakota. Elements of this preliminary design Task Order are:

- Development of a Project Management Plan specific to the Work to keep the Task Order on schedule and on budget,
- Leading Special Project and Third-Party meetings to keep stakeholders apprised of Task Order status and to provide a forum for stakeholder input,
- Review the final site location for the intake and pumping station, including development of a final site selection technical memorandum,
- Coordination between this task order and the Task Order 3210 – Biota Water Treatment Plant & Main Pumping Station Task Order, including
 - Property acquisition and preliminary geotechnical investigation support
 - Environmental/cultural/threatened and endangered species surveys and reports
 - Topographic site plans, and routing necessary utilities to the site

**ENDAWS Task Order 2250 – Eastern North Dakota Alternate Water Supply
Preliminary Design Services**

Task Order Effective Date: February 1, 2024

TASK ORDER EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Preliminary Design to complete permitting, a refinement of system hydraulics, utility coordination, a geotechnical investigation, and modeling such that the spatial location and size of the intake, pumping station size, and necessary utilities are fully defined, and
- Development of an ENDAWS preliminary design report, associated preliminary design drawings, and preliminary Opinion of Probable Construction Cost as the key deliverables.

**ENDAWS Task Order 3210 – Eastern North Dakota Alternate Water Supply
 Preliminary Design Services**

Task Order Effective Date: February 1, 2024

TASK ORDER EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

REQUEST

Consideration and approval of a preliminary design task order in the amount of \$2,872,752 for preliminary design associated with the Biota Water Treatment Plant and McClusky Main Pumping Station as part of the Eastern North Dakota Alternate Water Supply (ENDAWS) project. The Task Order (TO) advances the appraisal-level design completed under the Bureau of Reclamation’s ENDAWS Environmental Impact Statement and Record of Decision. Services will begin in February 2024 and finish by October 2025. These professional services are provided on an hourly basis; the fee is an estimate based on the scope and nature of the work and the 20-month schedule.

TASK ORDER SUMMARY

The services to be provided by the engineering team are fully described in the attached Task Order. The following summarizes each of the major tasks.

Basic Services: The estimated hourly fee and expenses for standard and customary preliminary design, surveying, and environmental services are as follows for a future construction project with an estimated cost of \$142 million:

	Fee	% of Const
1) Task Order Management and Administration	\$172,472	0.12%
2) Special Project and Third-Party Meetings	\$111,005	0.08%
3) Land Acquisition Services	\$177,122	0.12%
4) Field Services	\$394,775	0.28%
5) Preliminary Design Services and OPCC	\$1,852,104	1.30%
6) NDPDES Permitting Support	\$165,274	0.12%
Totals	\$2,872,752	2.02%

Special Services: There are no unique or specialized services required under this task order.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

A map showing the location of the project is included in the background information of the attached Task Order. This project will be located adjacent to the McClusky Canal Intake Pumping Station site near McClusky, North Dakota. Elements of this preliminary design Task Order are:

- Development of a Project Management Plan specific to the Work to keep the Task Order on schedule and on budget,
- Leading Special Project and Third-Party meetings to keep stakeholders apprised of Task Order status and to provide a forum for stakeholder input,
- Provide land acquisition services for up to four parcels of property to acquire the sites for the McClusky Canal Intake Pumping Station (TO 2250), the Biota Water Treatment Plant and McClusky Main Pumping Station, as well as the Hydraulic Break Tanks (TO 4250),
- Additional Field Services to utilize and build upon the initial field reconnaissance, topographic mapping and field surveying work completed under previous task orders, as well as wetland delineation, to identify various constraints that may impact either the purchase price or the use of the land associated with the four facilities,
- Preliminary Design to provide:
 - Preliminary site layout, access plan, and Utility Extension Plan,
 - Preliminary building layout, process mechanical layout and P&IDs for the facilities,

**ENDAWS Task Order 3210 – Eastern North Dakota Alternate Water Supply
Preliminary Design Services**

Task Order Effective Date: February 1, 2024

TASK ORDER EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Hydraulic Analysis and Process Engineering including basis of design level treatment requirements, water quality sampling and analysis, bench-scale testing, Process Design technical memorandum,
- Development of an ENDAWS preliminary design report, associated preliminary design drawings, and preliminary Opinion of Probable Construction Cost as the key deliverables, and
- North Dakota Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NDPDES) Permitting Services

REQUEST

Consideration and approval of a preliminary design task order in the amount of \$370,443 for preliminary design of two Hydraulic Break Tanks, as part of the Eastern North Dakota Alternate Water Supply (ENDAWS) project. The Task Order advances the appraisal-level design completed under the Bureau of Reclamation’s ENDAWS Environmental Impact Statement and Record of Decision. Services will begin in February 2024 and finish by October 2025. These professional services are provided on an hourly basis; the fee is an estimate based on the scope and nature of the work and the 20-month schedule.

TASK ORDER SUMMARY

The services to be provided by the engineering team are fully described in the attached Task Order. The following summarizes each of the major tasks.

Basic Services: The estimated hourly fee and expenses for standard and customary preliminary design, surveying, and environmental services are as follows for a future construction project with an estimated cost of \$23 million:

	Fee	% of Const
1) Task Order Management and Administration	\$61,157	0.27%
2) Special Project and Third-Party Meetings	\$34,011	0.15%
3) Final Site Selection, Site Reconnaissance and Landowner Communication Support Services	\$19,355	0.08%
4) Coordination of Land Acquisition, Geotechnical Investigation, and Environmental/Cultural Surveys	\$8,917	0.04%
5) Preliminary Design Services	\$246,596	1.07%
Totals	\$370,443	1.61%

Special Services: There are no unique or specialized services required under this task order.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

A map showing the location of the project is included in the background information of the attached Task Order. This project will be located nearby the Biota Water Treatment Plant site near McClusky, North Dakota. Elements of this preliminary design Task Order are:

- Development of a Project Management Plan specific to the Work to keep the Task Order on schedule and on budget,
- Leading Special Project and Third-Party meetings to keep stakeholders apprised of Task Order status and to provide a forum for stakeholder input,
- Review the final site location for the Hydraulic Break Tanks, including development of a final site selection technical memorandum,
- Coordination between this task order and the Task Order 3210 – Biota Water Treatment Plant & Main Pumping Station Task Order, including
 - Property acquisition and preliminary geotechnical investigation support
 - Environmental/cultural/threatened and endangered species surveys and reports
 - Topographic site plans, and routing necessary utilities to the site
- Preliminary Design to complete permitting, a refinement of system hydraulics within the Hydraulic Break Tanks, utility coordination, a geotechnical investigation, and modeling such that the spatial location and size of the tanks and necessary utilities are fully defined, and

- Development of an ENDAWS preliminary design report, associated preliminary design drawings, and preliminary Opinion of Probable Construction Cost as the key deliverables.

RRVWSP Task Order 1520 – Operational Planning Phase 3

Task Order Effective Date: February 1, 2024

TASK ORDER EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

REQUEST

Consideration and approval of a task order in the amount of \$462,030 for ongoing analysis of the RRVWSP operations. The Phase 1 and Phase 2 Operations Task Orders made significant progress in evaluating how drought data will be collected, the Lake Audubon and McClusky Canal operating strategies, the governance of the RRVWSP, water accounting tools, and management protocols. The progress has been reported through technical memorandums and with ongoing meetings with the Operations Subcommittee. Ongoing meetings with USACE and the State have also been had.

The purpose of this task order is to continue to formalize these plans through discussions with the Users, Garrison Diversion, USACE and the State. Technical memorandums will be developed for Tasks 2 - 8 described below. The task order include scope and fee for the Wilson Water Group. These professional services are provided on an hourly basis; the fee is an estimate based on the scope and nature of the work and the 20-month schedule.

TASK ORDER SUMMARY

The services to be provided by the engineering team are fully described in the attached Task Order. The following summarizes each of the major tasks.

Basic Services: The estimated hourly fee and expenses for standard and customary engineering evaluations:

	Fee
TASK ORDER	
Task 1 – Task Order Management and Administration	\$28,301
Task 2 – RRVWSP Planning, Review, and Direction	\$82,507
Task 3 – Technical Report	\$56,227
Task 4 – Operational Description and Assumptions	\$52,504
Task 5 – Project Governance	\$30,177
Task 6 – Water Supplies	\$52,983
Task 7 – Pipeline and Reservoir Operations (with WWG)	\$137,744
Task 8 – Water Accounting	\$21,357
Total	\$462,030

Special Services: There are no unique or specialized services required under this task order.

**RRVWSP Task Order 5340 – Transmission Pipeline East, Contract 4
 Final Design Services and Bidding Assistance**

Task Order Effective Date: February 1, 2024

TASK ORDER EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
REQUEST

Consideration and approval of a final design and bidding assistance task order in the amount of \$7,183,000 for the Red River Valley Transmission Pipeline’s Contract 4 pipeline. The Task Order takes 30-percent plans and specifications to final documents for public bidding. The bulk of the services included in this Task Order will begin in February 2024 and finish by December 2025. Bidding assistance schedules may extend past that finish date as construction projects move forward to the bid phase funding dependent. These professional services are provided on an hourly basis; the fee is an estimate based on the scope and nature of the work and an approximate 24-month schedule.

TASK ORDER SUMMARY

The services to be provided by the engineering team (Black & Veatch, AE2S, Ulteig, Materials Testing Services, and Prairie Soil Consulting) are fully described in the attached Task Order. The following summarizes each of the major tasks.

Basic Services: The estimated hourly fee and expenses for standard and customary design services and bidding assistance are as follows, for a construction project with a capital cost expected to be north of \$200 million (72-inch pipe):

	Fee	% of Const
Task Order Management and Administration	\$571,725	0.29%
Special Project and Third-Party Meetings	\$297,108	0.15%
Landowner Communication and Easement Modifications	\$190,440	0.10%
Field Services	\$1,662,972	0.83%
Final Design Services (30-percent documents to final plans and specifications)	\$3,992,423	1.99%
Contract 4A Bid Assistance (advertisement, bidding, pre- and post-award services)	\$156,111	0.08%
Contract 4B Bid Assistance (advertisement, bidding, pre- and post-award services)	\$156,111	0.08%
Contract 4C Bid Assistance (advertisement, bidding, pre- and post-award services)	\$156,111	0.08%
Totals	\$7,183,000	3.60%

Special Services: There are no unique or specialized services required under this task order.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

A map showing the location of the project is included in the background information of the attached Task Order. Contract 4 begins four miles east of Hurdsfield, ND at 4th Street NE and 33rd Avenue NE and extends 27 miles east to 57th Avenue NE. Elements of the design project are:

- Surveying services for easement changes and topographic delineation as required
- Coordination and consultation with USACE on its reassessment of jurisdictional wetlands considering the recent SCOTUS ruling as it pertains to WOTUS
- Crossings and other permitting assistance
- Updating the hydraulic model for the hybrid ENDAWS/RRVWSP system, distributing demands along the pipeline, and documenting that effort in a system hydraulics report
- Expanded geotechnical and geo-hydraulic investigation with 75 borings, slug testing, laboratory testing of soil samples, and reporting
- Design of 27-miles of 72- to 84-inch pipe, with an impressed current corrosion protection system
- Up to twenty 96- to 108-inch dia trenchless crossings in total (19 wetland, 1 state highway); other crossings will be open cut; buried PVC raceway for future fiber optic cable (in tunnel casings only)
- Strict stripping, stockpiling, and replacement of topsoil/subsoil to facilitate easement restoration

RRVWSP Task Order 5340 – Transmission Pipeline East, Contract 4
Final Design Services and Bidding Assistance

Task Order Effective Date: February 1, 2024

TASK ORDER EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Tunneling has a variety of uncertainties and risks beyond those of open-cut pipeline installation. To mitigate Garrison Diversion’s exposure to some of these risks, a two-part geotechnical investigation/report – a geotechnical data report and a geotechnical baseline report – are included as Contract Documents outlining the conditions the Contractor should expect when tunneling (i.e., the baseline). All contractors will be bidding the same baseline conditions with similar assumptions.

A high groundwater table and varying soil conditions of glacial geology pose certain risks during both open-cut and trenchless construction. To mitigate Garrison Diversion’s exposure to some of those risks, additional field work and geotechnical borings are included to better define soil and groundwater conditions along the 27-mile alignments. Prospective contractors will benefit from this more detailed information with less uncertainty and lower risk when they plan for project execution and ultimately design and install their dewatering systems.

Bureau of Reclamation Activities

Garrison Diversion Board of Directors Meeting
January 11-12, 2024

Municipal, Rural, and Industrial Program

Rural Water Budgets:

Rural Water Budgets	Final FY 2023*	FY2024*
GDU	38.425	42.224**
State	15.450	10.000
Tribe	22.975	5.224
Lewis & Clark	78.601	13.825
Fort Peck	15.000	0
Rocky Boys	97.321	19.946
Musselshell- Judith	27.600	3.000
E NM	96.140	7.051
Jicarilla	19.000	10.010
Total	372.087	122.804

*Includes BIL funding and additional earmarked funding

** Distribution of \$27M BIL has not been decided.

State Municipal Rural and Industrial Program

Northwest Area Water Supply (NAWS)

Construction is ongoing for the Biota Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Phase I (Contract 7-2A/4-1A), Snake Creek Pumping Plant Intake Modification (Contract 6-1A), and the South Prairie Reservoir and Hydraulic Control Structure (Contract 5-1A/B). The Biota WTP Phase I construction is 90+ percent complete; however, the startup of the Biota WTP has been delayed. The Snake Creek Pumping Plant (SCPP) Intake Modification project includes numerous submittals which is delaying the project; but the demolition and discharge contracts of the project are proceeding. The South Prairie Reservoir contract is 80+ percent complete and work will be ongoing into the spring of 2024.

Contract 4-4B/5-4B Bottineau Reservoir and Pump Station and Contract 2-1E Snake Creek Pumping Plant Discharge Pipeline contracts have been awarded. Work on the Bottineau Reservoir & Pump Station began in September and will continue as the weather allows. Work will restart in the spring of 2024. Work on the SCPP Discharge Pipeline also started this fall but has been delayed as the sponsor works through permit issues with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The Minot WTP Phase III (Contract 7-1C) and the Souris Reservoir & Pump Station (Contract 4-4A/5-4A) projects are in the design phase.

Reclamation has collaborated with the Department of Water Resources and the City of Minot to prepare an Operations & Maintenance agreement for the NAWS Biota Water Treatment Plant. The Department of Water Resources and the City of Minot are parties to this agreement, with Reclamation. The Memorandum of Agreement has been signed by all parties. Reclamation is drafting a cooperative agreement between Reclamation and the Department of Water Resources which will be the funding mechanism by which Reclamation can provide Federal funds for the Operations and Maintenance of the Biota Water Treatment Plant.

Reclamation is preparing responses to comments on the draft Adaptive Management Plan received from Adaptive Management Team members. Reclamation will revise the draft Plan as appropriate and share it with team members. Another team meeting will be scheduled this winter.

Eastern North Dakota Alternate Water Supply (ENDAWS)

Reclamation, Garrison staff, and Garrison's consultant are coordinating with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service on proposed pipeline routes. Discussions on this topic continue to ensure compliance with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) commitments. The purchase of easements for this project has been included in the cooperative agreement (R17AC00049) as an approved activity.

Southwest Pipeline Project

Contract 1-2A, Supplementary Raw Water Intake – The marine and pipe contractors encountered some unanticipated issues with the horizontal drilling. Additional geotechnical assessments may be needed. The Department of Water Resources is working with the contractor on a claim filed and a path forward with this project.

Cooperative Agreement

Reclamation and Garrison Diversion's working relationship for the State Municipal, Rural, and Industrial (MR&I) Program is defined by the terms of a Cooperative Agreement (R17AC00049). Eighteen modifications have been completed for this agreement for the purposes of adding construction projects, engineering projects, and/or obligating funds to the agreement. A modification to this agreement will be initiated once the FY2024 appropriation funding amount is known.

Another cooperative agreement (R23AC00093) was executed in June 2023 to obligate Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funds and included design and construction tasks associated with Phase II of the NAWS Biota Water Treatment Plant in the scope of work. The first modification to this agreement was executed in September 2023, to obligate the FY23 BIL funding (\$5,000,000) and add the Bottineau Reservoir and Pump Station contract and the Snake Creek Pumping Plant Discharge Pipeline contract to the scope of work of the agreement. A second modification to this agreement will be initiated when FY2024 BIL funding allocation is known.

Buy America Waiver

On November 9, 2023, Reclamation sent an email to Garrison Diversion and Department of Water Resources stating Reclamation's decision that the NAWs Biota WTP Phase I project does not require a Buy America waiver. Further explanation is in the email. The FY2023 appropriated funds provided for this contract can be expended.

Reclamation is also pursuing a Rural Water Program waiver that would exempt all Reclamation's authorized rural water programs from the Buy America requirements. On September 28, 2023, the Department of the Interior submitted this program waiver to the Office of Management and Budget for their consideration and public review process. DKAO will provide updates on this waiver request as we receive additional information.

Indian MR&I Program

Standing Rock MR&I System

The Tribe has awarded the Standing Rock Water Treatment Plant Membrane Equipment Procurement project to WesTech Engineering, Inc., from Salt Lake City, Utah, in the amount of \$1,033,556.51. These ceramic membranes will be used to increase the water treatment capacity of the Standing Rock Water Treatment Plant from 3 MGD to 5 MGD. Bartlett & West is the engineer for this project. Change Order No. 1 has been processed, upgrading clean in place (CIP) and backwash pumps and increased the contract by \$117,391.78 for a total contract price of \$1,150,948.29. Bartlett & West has designed and prepared plans and specifications for the installation of the procured membranes. The installation contract was bid on February 11, 2021, with no bidders. The Installation Contract was readvertised with a bid opening of March 16, 2021. The Installation Contract received three bids with the low bid coming from American General Contractors, Inc. of Valley City, North Dakota in the amount of \$2,021,350.87. Notice to Proceed was issued on August 5, 2021. The Substantial Completion Date is March 31, 2022. Due to several of the construction supplies having long lead times, the Substantial Completion date will not be met. The ceramic membranes were delivered to the Standing Rock Water Treatment Plant on November 16, 2021. Variable Frequency Drives (VFD's) were recently delivered in December. Therefore, the construction schedule now indicates a completion in January 2024.

Construction Contract Kenel to State Line project was bid on April 22, 2022, with Storms Construction as the only bidder. Storms Construction's bid of \$5,330,759.91 was \$253,080.09 lower than the engineer's estimate. Reclamation has a cost share in this project of \$144,500. The remaining funding was a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) grant. This project includes installation of 54,013 feet of 6 inch PVC Standard Dimension Ratio (SDR) 17 water main, 1,458 feet of 12 inch yellow directional drilled casing, 4,845 feet of 6 inch high density polyethylene (HDPE) directionally drilled piping, 36 air release valve pits with 560 feet of 1 inch PE 250 psi piping, 1 inch corporation stops and 1 inch curb stops, 2 pressure reducing valve vaults, 18 - 6 inch gate valves, 13 - 1 inch stainless steel saddle with 1 inch corporation stop, 14 - 1 inch curb stops, 1,294 feet of 1 inch HDPE 250 psi, 1,120 feet of 1 inch HDPE 200 psi, 1 - 1 ½ inch stainless steel saddle with corporation stop, 1 - 1 ½ inch curb stop, 940 feet 1 ½ inch PVC SDR 17, 15 meter pits, 6 - 2 inch flush hydrants, 100 feet of 1 inch HDPE non cased

directional drilling, 1,000 feet of 2 inch HDPE non cased directional drilling, 7,200 feet of 4 inch PVC SDR 17, 4 inch gate valve, 4 inch flush hydrant, 85 feet of 8 inch yelomine bored casing, 388 feet of 4 inch yelomine bored casing and related materials and appurtenances. The pre-construction conference was held on August 4, 2022, and the notice to proceed was issued on August 10, 2022. The contract documents indicate the final completion date shall be no later than 250 calendar days after the notice to proceed. Storms Construction began installing the pipeline in August 2022. Storms Construction mobilized the first week of May 2023 and has continued installation of the rural water line through the summer. The lines have all been installed and the contractor is working on disinfecting, flushing, and testing the lines. The final inspection will take place in the spring.

Spirit Lake MR&I System

Preliminary design and right-of-way acquisitions continued on several projects including: Tokio Service Area, Service to Warwick School, and Warwick Service Area.

Fort Totten Community Upgrades' design has been completed by Indian Health Service (IHS). The project was bid in May, after the Grant of Right of Way was received from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). The low bidder was Storms Construction with a bid of \$3,106,992.07. The pre-construction conference was held on October 21, 2022. Storms Construction began construction on May 8, 2023, fusing pipe for directional drilling. The final completion date for this contract is October 31, 2023. Indian Health Service has indicated the substantial completion date has been extended into 2024.

Reclamation staff has continued to work with the Tribe's operators to help resolve operation and maintenance issues with the B6 Booster Station, the St. Michael control vault, the Water Treatment Plant and most recently are working with North Dakota Water Resources and North Dakota Game and Fish to explore service options for the town of Oberon and the White Horse Hill Game Preserve.

Fort Berthold Rural Water System (FBRWS)

The Tribe-FBRW continues to have periodic needs for temporary MR&I raw water intakes throughout the reservation for Industrial purposes. Reclamation will submit the permit application to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for temporary intakes as soon as the site(s) become known and adequate information is available to do so.

In March 2023 the Tribe-FBRW was awarded \$54.38 million of Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) - Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Aging Infrastructure (AI) funds from Reclamation. The Tribes' August 2023 letter requests to enter a 638 contract for those AI funds; Reclamation is still developing the 638 contract. The results of Reclamation's July 2023 Management Standards Review - needed before entering a new contract – was shared with the Tribe in October 2023. In December 2023 the Tribe requested more time to comment on the draft findings letter. Because the 638 AI contract is not in place yet, the Tribe-FBRW decided to pause engineering and design work on the AI projects. IHS also awarded IIJA-BIL funds to the Tribe for projects that Reclamation awarded BIL funds for. The Tribe has passed resolutions to fund some projects of those project using their own (non-Federal) funds.

Each of the six Tribal Representatives have plans for development in their Segment. When funds from Reclamation are not available, then other sources (Tribal dollars) would be used to cover the costs. Projects using non-Federal Tribal funds are anticipated to be conducted in a manner that meet Federal requirements, making the costs reimbursable if a new Dakota Water Resources Act construction ceiling is authorized.

The programmatic Environmental Assessment is nearly complete for the Fort Berthold Rural Water System. It is anticipated to be finalized in January/February 2024.

Turtle Mountain Rural Water System

Contract 3-2 Membrane Treatment Improvements - The membrane treatment project will address the formation of disinfection by-products caused by an organic component in the source ground water. Project re-advertised in September 2019, with two responsible bidders submitting bids, with apparent low bidder being approximately \$1 million over. Consultant negotiated with low bidder, and project was awarded in July 2020. Construction began fall 2020. A soft start-up was completed in December with some issues being addressed.

Contract 2-4 Thorne Reservoir and Booster Station – This project includes the construction of a 500,000-gallon raw water reservoir and booster pumping station, which will help to meet pressure and quantity demands on the system and will increase the efficiencies of the well field pumps. This project was advertised spring 2020, with all bids being \$3 million plus above engineer’s estimate. Consultant amended the Plans & Specs, and re-advertised fall 2020. Negotiations with contractor took place with the project being awarded spring 2021. Project is near Substantial completion.

Contract 1-10 Highway 43 Corridor Phase 3 – This project continues to add main line and service connections along Highway 43 west of the Lake Upsilon area (Phase 2). This project will complete a loop in the system to ensure reliable service to the community. Design is complete. Turtle Mountain worked with Rollet County as a project sponsor to secure North Dakota state grant funding. Project was advertised and awarded on August 10, 2022, with construction taking place this summer and construction being approximately 50 percent complete before winter shut down. Project has reached substantial completion.

Contract 4-3 Belcourt Sewer and Water Phase 5 – This project will replace aging existing water and sewer lines within Belcourt. This project received \$4 million in Aging Infrastructure Funding. It was advertised and awarded to Marion Contracting for \$6,335,487. Project currently under construction.

Trenton Indian Service Area

The Hilltop Water and Sewer Replacement and Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV) Vault project was awarded to Teraflex Group, LLC for \$495,835 and construction work was started summer 2018. The project installed 2539 LF of water line and will replace the existing Booster Station B with a PRV to connect to the existing Western Area Water Supply mainline. User agreement with Western Area Water Supply is still being negotiated, with work on the PRV to be completed when agreement is finalized.

Principal Supply Works

Repayment Contract

Reclamation continues to collaborate with Garrison Diversion on the Municipal and Industrial (M&I) pricing for the capital repayment of the Garrison Diversion Unit Project. On June 29, 2022, Regional Director presented Garrison Diversion with a repayment cost of \$47,501 per cubic feet per second. Garrison Diversion did not accept the repayment cost presented and will be coordinating with North Dakota congressional staff for protentional legislation.

Snake Creek Pumping Plant (SCPP)

Reclamation continues discussion with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on the Snake Creek embankment foundation concerns. Reclamation has signed to be a cooperating agency with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in preparing their Dam Safety Modification Study and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review. The preferred alternative removes the 43 feet reservoir restriction and focuses any future reservoir restrictions to be based on embankment performance data at the time. The Corps will be conducting a 30 percent design technical analysis of one of the structural plans that is separate from the Dam Safety Mod Study. Reclamation and Garrison Diversion continue to prepare a feasibility design and cost estimate to provide water to Snake Creek Pumping Plant and the McClusky Canal should a Lake Audubon restriction be implemented.

Further excavation of the cofferdam was introduced to the Corps of Engineers in late December as part of the Northwest Area Water Supply (NAWS) permanent intake. The NAWS intake installation would provide an opportunity to dredge the existing cofferdam from elevation 1795 to 1780. Discussions will continue in the coming months on the proposed permanent intake and cofferdam dredging.

McClusky and New Rockford Canals

Reclamation has received Garrison Diversion's 2024 workplan and has identified sufficient funding to cover their budget request.

Irrigation

Jamestown Dam

Fall drawdown to the base flood control pool elevation 1429.8 was completed on October 28, 2023.

Turtle Lake and McClusky Canal Irrigation Areas

Reclamation and Garrison Diversion executed the irrigation repayment contract to increase the 2023 irrigated acres by 595 acres, to a total of 7,842.6. Reclamation amended the repayment contract in September to correct errors in the exhibits. Reclamation is amending the project use power contract to include these acres for the 2024 irrigation season. A deviation from Reclamation policy is being prepared to allow project use power to non-Reclamation owned pumping facilities.

Standing Rock Irrigation Project

Tribe's Fiscal Year 23 Aging Infrastructure application through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding for embankment stabilization geotechnical study at Eagle Unit was awarded. Tribe decided to modify existing 638 contract and started contract modification process. Data collected will be used for evaluating permanent repair options of the embankment in the future. Tribe is submitting a Fiscal Year 24 Aging Infrastructure application for buried power line replacement at the Fort Yates unit. At Eagle Unit a pipeline inspection of the 30" pipe to determine the integrity of it is in the schedule, since it has not been inspected since installation in 1985. Reclamation has worked with the Tribe and their irrigator to develop a long-term plan that addresses the future of their three irrigation units. This plan is being used to explore the availability of funds to complete their efforts.

Recreation Development

Chain of Lakes

Will be connecting with staff at Knife River to determine one way or the other if we can establish an Interagency Agreement with National Park Service Law Enforcement or if we need to move forward with the Bureau of Land Management again.

Will be following up with the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District to develop plans for shoreline stabilization project on New Johns and move forward with the Categorical Exclusion Checklist.

Data from the season is now being analyzed and prepared for presentation to state parks.

North Dakota Natural Resources Trust

Reclamation staff attending Trust Board meeting on January 11, 2024, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Wildlife Program

Lonetree

Budgets and workplans for Fiscal Year 24 have been received by Reclamation. Funding mod is with Region.

Audubon

Budgets and workplans for Fiscal Year 24 have been received by Reclamation. Funding mod is with Region.

Arrowwood

Budgets and workplans for Fiscal Year 24 have been received by Reclamation. Funding mod is with Region.

Scattered Tracts

Budgets and workplans for Fiscal Year 24 have been received by Reclamation. Funding mod is with Region.

2023 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Garrison Diversion Conservancy District

1) Federal/National

- a) Met with Brent Esplin, Regional Director of Bureau of Reclamation, 5 times
- b) Held multiple meetings with Congressional Delegation to provide updates on RRVWSP and GDCD
- c) Attended NWRA 92 Annual Conference
- d) Attended NWRA Leadership Forum
- e) Attended Family Farm Alliance Conference
- f) Attended NRWA WaterPro Conference
- g) Attended NWRA Federal Water Issues Conference
- h) Met with Commissioner Touton 3 times
- i) Attended NWRA Western Water Seminar
- j) Attended 2 Groundwater Management District Association Conferences
- k) Attended International Red River Watershed Conference
- l) Received BABA waiver for NAWS
- m) Working with DWR, Sen. Hoeven and tribal leaders on increasing the MR&I authorization
- n) Developed language for S. 461

2) MR&I Program

- a) Maintained communications with State Water Commission, ND Rural Water Systems Association and League of Cities
- b) Participated in 3 water supply funding agency meetings
- c) Distributed \$17.6 million from the MR&I Fund
- d) Awarded \$14.58 million to MR&I projects
- e) Awarded \$314,688 in Water Supply Assistance Grant funds
- f) Secured \$1.5 million for ENDAWS
- g) Signed BIL Cooperative Agreement with Bureau of Reclamation

3) Agriculture and Irrigation Development

- a) Hosted Irrigation Appreciation supper
- b) Provided \$167,865 for irrigation trials
- c) Provided \$25,000 to support the ND Irrigation Association
- d) Provided \$3,627 towards irrigation development
- e) Provided \$16,083 for the Robert Titus Lease
- f) Approved a 2023 budget of \$167,865 for OIRS, plus \$653,800 to construct a building
- g) Spent \$358,891 to date on OIRS building
- h) Participated in groundbreaking for building at the OIRS
- i) Presented at ND Water Convention Irrigation Workshop
- j) Supported the NDIA to secure a 75% cost share and increase in Ag PACE buydown cap for irrigators

k) Issued Irrigation Repayment to the Bureau of Reclamation to buy out RRA acres

4) Red River Valley Water Supply Project

- a) Provided support for Lake Agassiz Water Authority
- b) Facilitated 5 Lake Agassiz Water Authority meetings
- c) Facilitated 3 LAWA Technical Advisory Committee meetings
- d) Facilitated 2 LAWA Financial Advisory Committee meetings
- e) Facilitated 1 LAWA Technical Advisory Committee Operational Subcommittee meetings
- f) Presented RRVWSP updates at 2 Water Topics Overview Committee meetings
- g) Engaged in many RRVWSP Leadership Strategy, Financial Planning, Administrative, Engineering, Construction and Policy & Risk Management meetings
- h) Continued meeting with state legislators
- i) Met with House and Senate Majority Leaders regarding RRVWSP
- j) Met with state and federal agencies to provide updates on the RRVWSP
- k) Invested \$30.925 million in the RRVWSP
- l) Updated financial modeling options
- m) Received \$180 million in RRVWSP funding from State Water Commission
- n) Approved a financing resolution pertaining to Garrison Diversion Conservancy District's \$48,697,560 Water Revenue Bond, Series 2023
- o) Awarded bids for RRVWSP Transmission Pipeline Contract 5C and 5D
- p) Finalized the Missouri River Intake Contract 2
- q) Continued right-of-way effort in Griggs, Foster, Wells and Sheridan Counties
- r) Participated in regular meetings with BND regarding RRVWSP financials
- s) Held multiple meetings with the City of Washburn and Rainbow Energy as potential RRVWSP participants
- t) Supported the Project Participation Agreement with LAWA
- u) Participated in a Strategic Partnering session with LAWA Leadership
- v) Completed a contractor Prequalification process for pipeline contractors
- w) Approved RRVWSP 2023-2025 Biennium Work Plan and Budget for \$244 million
- x) Conducted User meetings (SEWUD, City of Carrington, NE ND water districts)
- y) Secured \$953 million in legislative intent for upcoming biennia
- z) Continued operational planning for the RRVWSP
- aa) Supported Fargo and Grand Forks in cost allocation
- bb) Installed 4 miles of transmission pipeline for Contract 5B
- cc) Approved Conflict of Interest Policy and Waiver
- dd) Issued Bonus Payments for RRVWSP easements
- ee) Transmission Pipeline Contract 6A is bid ready
- ff) Issued \$80,550 in crop damages

5) Natural Resources

- a) Assisted with maintenance of Audubon & Arrowwood National Wildlife Refuges
- b) Assisted with maintenance of Lonetree Wildlife Management Area
- c) Assisted with maintenance of mitigation features as requested by Reclamation
- d) Completed a wetland area for ND G&F at Painted Woods

6) Recreation Program

- a) Awarded \$1,152,007 to 45 projects
- b) Expended \$708,685 to previously approved projects
- c) Continued maintenance of recreation facilities at Chain of Lakes Recreation Area

7) Administrative/Legislative

- a) Attended multiple meetings with ND Water Users and Water Coalition
- b) Participated in 2023 Legislative Session and Legislative Special Session
 - i) HB1218
 - ii) SB2020
 - iii) SB2251
 - iv) SB2313
 - v) SB2330
 - vi) SB2364
- c) Facilitated 29 Garrison Diversion Board & Committee meetings
- d) Reported GDCD activities at State Water Commission meetings
- e) Attended Ag Coalition meetings
- f) Conducted 2024 Budget Hearing to fulfill statutory requirement
- g) Completed 2022 Audit with no findings
- h) Attended Upper Missouri Water Users Association Conference
- i) Participated in virtual Red River Basin Commission Water Supply Working Group meetings
- j) Attended 2 GDU Semi-Annual meetings
- k) Finalized Indirect Cost calculation to the Interior Business Center
- l) Attended multiple meetings with BOR Area Manager
- m) Initiated Program Management Information System software development
- n) Secured Fryberger Law Firm as Bond Counsel for Garrison Diversion RRVWSP financing
- o) Held two All Staff meetings
- p) Capital Purchases/Building Improvements
 - i) Security Cameras
 - ii) AC
- q) Approved \$30,000 to support the Missouri River Joint Water Board's Educate, Advocate and Engage Program
- r) Approved \$30,000 for the Upper Sheyenne River Joint Water Resource Board's Upper Sheyenne Pilot Project
- s) Approved \$47,700 of funding assistance for the Missouri River Recovery Program Implementation Committee
- t) Renewed the contract with AON

- u) Signed Series D1 Financing for the RRVWSP
- v) Closed on a \$60 million bond with BND
- w) Met with Burleigh and Sheridan County Commissions regarding their mill levy to the district
- x) Purchased new iPads for the Board of Directors

8) Public Relations

- a) Implemented 2023 Garrison Diversion Communications Work Plan
- b) Implemented 202 RRVWSP Communications Plan
- c) Developed & submitted 8 ND Water magazine stories
- d) Developed and published the 2022 Annual Report
- e) Prepared and distributed 8 news releases
- f) Staffed Garrison Diversion and LAWA booths at 6 conferences/events
- g) Updated and maintained Garrison Diversion website
- h) Updated and maintained LAWA website
- i) Updated and maintained RRVWSP website
- j) Maintained Facebook and Twitter social media accounts for Garrison Diversion and RRVWSP
- k) Distributed Quarterly RRVWSP Newsletter
- l) Developed multiple information pieces for RRVWSP and Garrison Diversion
- m) Updated exhibit booth displays
- n) Continued to support ND's water community
- o) Participated in National AIS week in conjunction with ND G&F
- p) Created GDCD Benefits handouts for 4 counties
- q) Presented on Garrison Diversion and the RRVWSP with the International Red River Watershed Board, Missouri River Joint Water Board Public Meetings, City of Washburn, Burleigh County Commission,
- r) Hosted tours of GDCD and RRVWSP facilities and construction sites
- s) Redesigned existing RRVWSP Overview video
- t) Redeveloped 3 websites: Garrison Diversion, RRVWSP and LAWA
- u) Hosted All Water Social in conjunction with ND Water Users Convention

9) Engineering & Operations

- a) Major equipment purchases
 - i) 6x6 ATV
 - ii) Fuel Tracking System
- b) Moved approximately 110,000 cubic yards of earth at the Major Slide Repair
- c) Maintained quality staff and equipment
- d) Updated and implemented "5-Year Work Plan"
- e) Completed 2023 annual work plan on GDU facilities
- f) Completed 2023 annual work plan for Devils Lake Outlet maintenance
- g) Operated and maintained 13 McClusky Canal Irrigation Projects
- h) Completed 2 trenchless crossings at the major slide area
- i) Participating in NAWS construction activity at SPP

- j) Performed maintenance for RRVWSP Sheyenne River Discharge Structure
- k) Performed maintenance for RRVWSP Washburn Intake Structure
- l) Hosted tours at the Snake Creek Pumping Plant for various groups
- m) Engaged as a Cooperator in USACE Snake Creek Embankment Dam Safety Modification Study
- n) Completed access road to Engel's Point WMA
- o) Inspected 4 inaccessible bridge features along the New Rockford Canal
- p) Completed VRAP (Voluntary Response Action Plan) and removal of bituminous material found at the New Rockford shop
- q) Hired 2 new O&M employees

2024 WORK PLAN

Garrison Diversion Conservancy District

A. Federal

1. Continue to monitor and engage in WOTUS rule
2. Maintain cooperative agreements with Reclamation
3. Finalize cost of water and sign ENDAWS Master Repayment Contract
4. Support Federal legislation allowing irrigation districts access to PUP outside the McClusky Canal corridor

B. MR&I Program

1. Administer Garrison Diversion Water Supply Assistance Grant Program
2. Work with NDRWSA, Reclamation and other agencies to support rural water users
3. Work with ND Water Coalition to examine funding priorities
4. Increase Federal cost ceiling authorization for MR&I
5. Secure additional funding for ENDAWS

C. Develop and enhance irrigation in North Dakota

1. Provide assistance and support to the ND Irrigation Association
2. Continue outreach with power coops regarding future development of the McClusky Canal Power Infrastructure Master Plan
3. Continue development of the McClusky Canal Irrigation Project
4. Continue to support irrigation in current state cost-share policy

D. Red River Valley Water Supply Project

1. Provide support for Lake Agassiz Water Authority
2. Explore James River water for MR&I water delivery
3. Continue to execute the 2023-2025 RRVWSP work plan
4. Support affordable funding plan for RRVWSP
5. Execute Project Participation Agreement with LAWA
6. Complete construction on 9-mile (Contract 5B) segment east of Carrington
7. Continue User Outreach effort
8. Further research user nominations, pipe size and hydraulics
9. Implement Program Management Information System
10. Bid and secure contract for Transmission Pipeline Contract 6A
11. Begin construction on Transmission Pipeline Contracts 5C and 5D.
12. Complete Final Design on Contract 4 and Contract 7,
13. Begin Preliminary Design on the (Biota Water Treatment Plant, McClusky Canal Intake and Pumping Station and Hydraulic Break Tanks)
14. Begin Phase III of Operational Planning
15. Work with water systems to sign a Memorandum of Commitment
16. Continue supporting USACE on Water Control Manual Update

E. Natural Resources

1. Assist with maintenance of Audubon & Arrowwood National Wildlife Refuges
2. Assist with maintenance of mitigation features as requested by Reclamation

F. Recreation Program

1. Administer Garrison Diversion Matching Recreation Grant Program
2. Continue maintenance of facilities at Chain of Lakes recreation areas

G. Administrative/Legislative

1. Prepare for the 2025 legislative session
2. Review and update Garrison Diversion Bylaws
3. Replace Ford Explorer
4. Replace Tahoe
5. Research and establish a digital filing system
6. Update Employee handbook
7. Update Garrison Diversion board policies
8. Implement IT security program
9. Secure Managed IT services
10. Hire Accountant
11. Hire Engineer

H. Public Relations

1. Develop, publish and distribute 2023 Annual Report
2. Develop and distribute RRVWSP Quarterly Newsletter
3. Develop ND Water magazine stories (8 issues)
4. Staff Garrison Diversion and LAWA display booths at appropriate conferences and events
5. Prepare and distribute news releases regarding Garrison Diversion, RRVWSP and LAWA efforts
6. Develop and update public information pieces as needed
7. Maintain social media sites for GDCD and RRVWSP
8. Implement 2024 Communications Work Plan
9. Finalize and install wall displays at headquarters building

I. Engineering & Operations

1. Maintain quality staff and equipment
2. Implement "5-Year Work Plan"
3. Complete 2024 annual work plan on GDU facilities
4. Complete 2024 annual work plan for Devils Lake Outlet maintenance
5. Complete 2024 work plan for McClusky Canal Irrigation Projects
6. Assess the future utilization of the New Rockford Canal

*2024 additions

North Dakota
Irrigation Association



2023 Report

To the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District

Narrative Summary of Past, Ongoing, and Future North Dakota Irrigation Association (NDIA) Activities

General:

North Dakota has approximately 300,000 acres of irrigation used in the production of a variety of crops including corn and cereal grain crops, livestock forage, and high value crops such as potatoes, sugar beets, and onions. Especially in dry years, irrigation is vital to supporting agriculture and value-added processing in the state.

The current irrigated acres are small in comparison with the number of acres statewide that are considered irrigable, and there continues to be strong interest in expanding irrigation acres in the state. The North Dakota Irrigation Association (NDIA) continues to work to identify and address barriers to irrigation development in the state at both the state and federal level.

By far the greatest potential for irrigation development is in areas where Missouri River water can be used. As such, the NDIA spent considerable time focusing on those opportunities and barriers to development using Missouri River water.

Irrigation from the McClusky Canal:

The McClusky Canal was developed as part of the Flood Control Act of 1944 to deliver Missouri River water eastward across North Dakota largely for irrigation purposes. Although the Canal has not been fully developed due to legal issues, there is irrigation established along the Canal, and there continues to be potential for increasing irrigation along it.

About 7,500 acres were irrigated from the McClusky Canal during 2022 which included irrigation from: MM 1.7 Intake, MM 3.2 Intake, MM 7.4R Intake, MM 7.5 Intake, MM 9 Intake, MM 10 Intake, and MM 15 Intake, MM 42L Intake, MM 42R Intake, MM 49 Intake, GM Spade, LLP, and Schlafmann/Pickett Siphon. One pivot system in MM 7.5 was irrigated from groundwater.

The Garrison Diversion Conservancy District (GDCCD) has received significant interest in irrigation over the past few months. While many plans are still in initial stages, if all acres being considered would be fully developed, there would be an additional 6,000 acres of irrigation developed with the assistance of the GDCCD.

The cost of developing these projects is being funded in two ways: (a) the main infrastructure, pumping plant and main pipelines to deliver water to the fields is cost shared on a 75-25 basis with the State Water Commission (SWC) and (b) through a funding authority provided to the GDCCD to levy assessments for debt repayment,

operation, and maintenance. The on-farm costs are the responsibility of the farmer and landowner.

The latest reformulation of the Flood Control Act of 1944, the Dakota Water Resources Act (DWRA), authorized the irrigation of 13,700 acres in the Turtle Lake service area and an additional 10,000 acres along the McClusky Canal along with 28,000 acres in undesignated areas in the Missouri River Basin exclusive of James River drainage. The authorization of these acres via the DWRA gives irrigators on those acres access to project pumping power.

Project Pumping Power

Project pumping power is reduced rate power that is offered to offset the increased costs irrigators experienced due to the building of the Garrison and Oahe dams. Project pumping power is a critical benefit for making irrigation in parts of North Dakota a possibility. Project pumping power is not applied to all power used by an irrigator, but simply to what is referred to as “first lift power,” the power needed to get water from the river to the field.

The rate producers pay for project pumping power is set by the Bureau of Reclamation and changes over time. Currently, the rate for project pumping power in eligible areas in North Dakota is about 13.7 mills/kilowatt hour or about 1.37 cents/kilowatt hour. The NDIA conservatively estimates that access to project pumping power reduces an eligible irrigator’s power costs by 30%.

The 28,000 undesignated acres in the DWRA referenced above have been undeveloped in North Dakota due to a misinterpretation by the Bureau of Reclamation (Bureau) which has prevented the Bureau from offering project pumping power on any of these undesignated acres. In 2023, the NDIA worked with the North Dakota delegation, led by Senator Kevin Cramer, to introduce clarifying legislation regarding the eligibility of the 28,000 undesignated acres.

The bills, S. 4614/H.R. 1061, were introduced in February 2023 and referred to committee. This legislation is identical to legislation introduced in the last Congress, which received a hearing in relevant committees for both the U.S. Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives. There is some opposition to the bill from a key chairman in the Senate. The NDIA is working closely with Sen. Cramer’s office to resolve this opposition.

Integral to the success of this legislation thus far has been the coordinated engagement of water and agriculture organizations in support of these bills. The NDIA has worked diligently to educate and engage a variety of stakeholders on this important issue, including the: North Dakota Department of Water Resources, GDCD, North Dakota

Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives, North Dakota Water Users Association, North Dakota Ethanol Producers Association, North Dakota Corn Growers Association, North Dakota Soybean Growers Association, Northern Plains Potato Growers Association, North Dakota Farmers Union, and North Dakota Farm Bureau.

Research Support:

The NDIA continues to support research at the North Dakota State University (NDSU) Extension research facilities. The association engaged with the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education (SBARE) to advocate for additional resources for both the Oakes Irrigation Research Site and the Nesson Valley Irrigation Site. The NDIA is grateful for the important funding secured for these two research sites through HB 1020 which passed during the 2023 legislative session.

Additionally, the NDIA intends to engage in and support research field days throughout the summer as time and resources allow.

Irrigation Highlighted in Tours and at the State Fair:

The North Dakota Water Education Foundation's summer water tour program for 2023 included several irrigation related stops. The June 22 tour in the Devils Lake area included a stop at NDIA board member Mike Tweed's farm. The July 12 tour of the Missouri River included a stop at the Price Farm to look at their irrigation system. The August 9 tour in the Fargo area included a stop at an NDSU research plot studying irrigation practices on specialty crops.

The NDIA also had a booth at Water Day at the North Dakota State Fair on July 27. This annual event gives the association the opportunity to engage with the public and answer questions about irrigation in North Dakota.

NRCS EQIP Grant:

Over the past two years, the NDIA worked with the US Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to apply for dedicated cost-share dollars through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). These dollars were granted to irrigators looking to make improvements to existing irrigation systems that would increase water efficiency. Examples of eligible projects included: transitioning from flood irrigation to pivot, installing variable rate irrigation on an existing low-pressure system, or converting a high-pressure center pivot to a low-pressure system. More than \$2.2 million in federal funds were used to make these types of upgrades to systems across the state.

Due to changes in programmatic priorities, the dedicated EQIP funding was not available in 2023. The NDIA will continue to look for ways to partner with NRCS to identify federal dollars to support irrigation in the state.

State Policy Work:

The NDIA was active during the legislative session, testifying and lobbying in support of policy changes to the water permit process and funding for irrigation research and development. The NDIA supported HB 1074 and HB 1075. Both bills included updates to the water permit system supported by the Department of Water Resources (DWR). The NDIA appreciates the DWR's work to make the water permit process as straightforward as possible. The NDIA was also active in supporting HB 1020 (funding for irrigation research) and SB 2020 (funding for the State Water Commission).

The interim will continue to be busy as the NDIA is actively following the interim Water Topics and Taxation Committees. The Taxation Committee will be studying an issue involving property tax rates on agricultural warehouses that are currently privately owned but were formerly used commercially. This issue impacts several irrigation members who have purchased warehouses for private storage of high value crops, like potatoes.

The NDIA was successful in petitioning the State Water Commission (SWC) to modernize state resources available to support irrigation development. At its October meeting, the SWC increased its cost share from 50 percent to 75 percent for irrigation districts building or updating "off farm" or shared works, those pieces of an irrigation system that are shared among producers such as intakes or transmission pipes. It also increased the interest rate buydown available to individual producers through the Ag PACE program, which is administered by the Bank of North Dakota (BND), from \$40,000 to \$60,000. The NDIA had requested a buydown max of \$100,000. In addition, the SWC directed staff to work with the BND to look for other BND programs that could provide additional buydown.

Irrigation Excellence Award:

The NDIA recognized the VanRay Family and Jerry Bergman each with the Irrigation Excellence Award at the annual water convention.

The VanRay brothers, Bill, Jeff, and Kent, are third-generation farmers from Pingree, ND. More than 25 years ago, they began their foray into irrigation with an investment in pivot irrigation systems for producing potatoes. The VanRays are committed stewards of land and water resources, and through the implementation of technology, they continue to innovate with their irrigation systems using both ground and surface water. The brothers are also dedicated to investing in their community and the people who reside there. The VanRay brothers are continuing their legacy of stewardship, community relations, economic development, innovation, management, and good farming practices with their sons – five of whom are now actively engaged in their irrigation and farming operation.

For nearly 50 years, Jerald “Jerry” Bergman has been instrumental in the development of irrigated research in North Dakota and Montana, a joint region encompassing more than 30 million acres. As the joint supervisor/director of both the Williston Research Extension Center in Williston, ND, and the Eastern Ag Research Center in Sidney, MT, Jerry led the efforts to bring resources and funding to the area for irrigation research and development. In his 49-year career, he secured funding to develop the NDSU Nesson Valley Irrigation Research and Development Project (NVIRDP), and his legacy will continue with the Irrigation Research and Development Technology Transfer Center at the NVIRDP with construction in 2024. Jerry retired in October 2022, but his leadership and forward-thinking regarding value-added agriculture using advanced irrigation technologies will live on in the region.

Annual North Dakota Water Convention and Irrigation Workshop:

The 2023 Water Convention and Irrigation Workshop was held December 5-8 in Bismarck. The theme of this convention was “60 Years of Making a Difference,” marking the 60th annual water convention.

The Irrigation Workshop was held on December 7. Presentations on the Farm Bill, Waters of the United States (WOTUS), state support for irrigation, and an update on the state of water appropriations were highlighted. There were also updates on NDSU research projects.

The NDIA member meeting was held on December 7. The meeting minutes from the member meeting and roster of 2024 board members accompany this report.

Membership:

As of November 2023, the NDIA membership is 106. Membership remained steady in 2023.

2023 Activities

The North Dakota Irrigation Association continues to assist in its efforts to advance opportunities for irrigation and value-added agriculture. In 2023, the NDIA:

1. Increased cost share and interest rate buydown offered by the State Water Commission available to support new and existing irrigation.
2. Lobbied and testified at the Capitol during the 2023 Legislative Session for funding for irrigation and policy to streamline the permit process. Distributed weekly legislative updates.
3. Arranged for irrigation to be highlighted in three Water Education Foundation 2023 Summer tours
 - a. The June 22nd tour in Devils Lake
 - b. The July 12th tour in Bismarck
 - c. The August 9th tour in Fargo
4. Lobbied in favor of project pumping power legislation in DC. Organized state-wide support from water and agricultural organizations.
5. Updated interim legislative committees on irrigation activities.
6. Supported irrigation research requests to the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education.
7. Participated in Ag Coalition meetings.
8. Attended and participated in SWC meetings.
9. Met regularly with the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District.
10. Maintained the NDIA Facebook page.
11. Distributed bimonthly policy updates to all members to keep members aware of ongoing policy issues.
12. Coordinated the placement of irrigation related articles in the *North Dakota Water* magazine.

2024 Workplan

1. Maintain and Sustain the Organization
 - a. Maintain current membership and recruit new members
 - b. Conduct board meetings
 - c. Hold annual member meeting
 - d. Maintain the office
 - e. Maintain and distribute promotional materials
 - f. Maintain website and Facebook page
 - g. Maintain finances of the organization

2. Irrigation Education
 - a. Prepare irrigation focused articles in the *North Dakota Water* magazine
 - b. Promote Research Field Days and participate if possible
 - c. Arrange irrigation tours in coordination with the ND Water Education Foundation

3. State Policy Support
 - a. Participate in the North Dakota Water Coalition funding process
 - b. Support legislative and administrative proposals to improve irrigation opportunities, investment, cost-share and incentives
 - c. Support Legacy Fund and infrastructure funding proposals
 - d. Support funding efforts for the expansion and modernization of the Oakes Irrigation Research Station with NDSU, SBARE, and the legislature
 - e. Participate in interim Water Topics committee meetings
 - f. Maintain favorable working relationships with State Water Commission members and Department of Water Resources staff

4. Federal Policy Support
 - a. Work to secure adequate federal funds for water projects and programs
 - b. Work to advance legislation to clarify legislative intent of the Dakota Water Resources Act of 2000 to authorize project use power for 28,000 acres of irrigable land in accordance with the flood control act of 1944

5. Irrigation Support and Development
 - a. Continue to communicate with groups, agencies, individuals, and companies to discuss irrigation development and the production of crops under irrigation
 - b. Work with proponents, including the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District, to explore opportunities for irrigation development across the state, particularly in the Missouri River corridor and along the McClusky Canal

- c. Work with partners to identify funding opportunities to promote and enhance irrigation
- d. Attend and present at Garrison Diversion Conservancy District board and executive committee meetings
- e. Explore potential for conducting and/or updating an irrigation suitability analysis
- f. Work with partners to identify funding opportunities to promote and enhance irrigation
- g. Attend and present at Garrison Diversion Conservancy District board and executive committee meetings

December 15, 2023

NORTH DAKOTA

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Policy Update

Thank you for joining us for Water Convention

Thank you for joining us for the 60th annual Joint Water Convention and Irrigation Workshop. Your participation made it a very successful meeting! All general sessions were recorded, and recordings will be available on our YouTube channel when we have them finalized.

If you need a certificate for attendance at any of the sessions, please reach out to Julie at jellingson@ndwater.net.

State Water Commission Meeting

The State Water Commission met on December 8 and approved \$6.89 million in cost-share requests. It was reported that funding from the 2021-2023 is almost expended so many requests now will be fulfilled with 2023-2035 funding.

Water Topics

The interim Water Topics committee met on December 11. They heard a deep dive on Missouri River issues, updates on NAWS and SWPP, and an update from the Irrigation Association. On behalf of the Irrigation Association, our update included information on the updated cost share available to irrigation districts (75% now, up from 50%) and increased interest rate buydown via the Ag PACE program (\$60,000 limit up from \$40,000 limit). There was also a general discussion about irrigation districts.

ANS Update

The South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks announced that zebra mussels have been found in Lake Oahe north of Pierre. This is about 100 miles south of the North Dakota border. In response, the North Dakota Department of Game and Fish is increasing watercraft inspections around Lake Oahe and putting together an enhanced monitoring plan.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Water Users, Water Coalition, Water Resource Districts Association, and Irrigation Association. As a note, our offices will be closed early on December 20 and closed all day December 22-26 and January 1-2.

We'd love to hear from you! Feel free to email us at staff@ndwater.net or call 701-223-4615.

North Dakota Irrigation Association

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Staff

Dani Quissell, Executive Director

**NORTH DAKOTA IRRIGATION ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEMBER MEETING
AGENDA**

Bismarck Hotel and Conference Center, Bismarck, North Dakota
Noon Thursday, December 7, 2023

- I. Call to order by Steve Hansen, Chairman
- II. Introduction of Attendees
- *III. **Minutes of December 8, 2022, annual meeting**
- *V. **Nomination and election of NDIA Directors for 2024**
- VI. 2023 Activity Update
- VIII. New Business
- IX. Adjourn

***motion requested**



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Dedicated to strengthening and expanding irrigation to build and diversify our economy

North Dakota Irrigation Association (NDIA) Annual Meeting December 7, 2023

Attendees: Marc Armstrong, Matt Azure, Chris Bader, Loren DeWitz, Heidi Eslinger, Spencer Eslinger, Howard Frisk, Steve Hansen, Kevin Horneman, Justin Jacobs, Lancer Labar, Milton O. Lindvig, Jay Myers, Jim Pellman, Jim P. Roers, Jerry Schaack, Bhuwan Shah, Bill Sheldon, Jim Staricka, Dean Steele, Taylor Twiest and Jay Wardner

Staff Attendees: Annika Plummer and Dani Quissell

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Hansen at 12:20 p.m.

II. Introduction of Attendees

All attendees introduced themselves.

III. Minutes of December 8, 2022, Annual Meeting

The minutes of December 8, 2022, were read for the record. Schaack moved to approve the minutes of December 8, 2022, as presented. Jim Roers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

IV. Nomination and Election of NDIA Directors for 2024

Twiest moved to approve the slate of NDIA nominated 2024 Board of Directors that was included in the meeting packet. DeWitz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

V. 2023 Activity Update

Quissell reported that NDIA's biggest win of 2023 was the increase in funding from the State Water Commission (SWC) and Bank of North Dakota; as of October 2023, cost share from the state is now 75% (up from 50%) and the cap of interest rate buydown is \$60,000 (up from \$40,000). She said that she testified on several bills during the 2023 Legislative Session, specifically for irrigation funding and policy to streamline the permit process. Irrigation was highlighted in three of the summer water tours hosted by the Water Education Foundation (Devils Lake, Bismarck and Fargo). Quissell said she visited with congressional offices regarding project pumping power in Washington, D.C., after it was reintroduced in January. Senator Cramer's office is working hard

to move this bill. A full list of activities was included in the meeting packet.

VI. New Business

Kip Kovar gave an update on irrigation in the C District. The Garrison Diversion Conservancy District allows for irrigation on 23,700 acres; currently, only 8,000 acres are being irrigated along the canal. They worked with the Bureau to buy out acres from the 960-acre cap.

Since the cost share increased from 50% to 75% and the interest buydown also increased, the NDIA will be sending letters to each irrigation district in the state to make folks aware of what is happening. There is strength in numbers; an increase in membership would be positive. If anyone has any information on inactive irrigation districts, please let Quissell know. Irrigation district land does not need to be contiguous; can petition land to be within one district.

VII. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

**Testimony of Garrison Diversion Conservancy District
to SBARE
December 2023**

Since 1969, the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District has provided financial support to the Oakes Irrigation Research Site. Due to the reallocation of funding to other projects, in 2013, a plan was set into motion for NDSU to take over full funding of the site after Garrison Diversion completed major upgrades and improvements to the facility. A proposal was developed to include Garrison Diversion's assistance with constructing a new building at the site, a six-year funding exit plan and passage of the land on to NDSU.

Garrison Diversion provided an initial match toward the heated shell of a new building, which is approximately a 60 percent match. In turn, NDSU will be expected to cover the remaining 40 percent of the building costs, which would complete the office, lab and conference space in the new building, in addition to finishing the shop area.

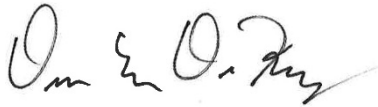
In order to secure land ownership for the future, Garrison Diversion purchased five acres of land for the building site, which will be donated to NDSU once construction of the building is complete.

Garrison Diversion strongly supports irrigation development within North Dakota, but our commitment is coming to an end and we are asking the SBARE to fully fund the completion of the building's interior. finishing the inside of the building.

The Oakes Irrigation Research Site is a highly effective irrigation research facility, and the valuable data gained from the research site throughout its history has

positively impacted the agriculture industry for over 50 years. Now, with the facility upgrades, the Oakes Irrigation Research Site will continue to benefit farmers and irrigators for years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. E. O'Keefe", written in a cursive style.

Garrison Diversion General Manager

Garrison Diversion Conservancy District
Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenses
For the Three Month Ending March, 2024

	General Fund	Municipal Rural, and Industrial Fund	Operations Maintenance Fund	Red River Valley Water Supply Project	Irrigation Fund	Total
Beginning Bank Balance	\$6,235,008	\$5,492	\$621,834	\$1,458,391	\$165,656	8,486,381
Revenues:						
Irrigation Admin						-
Lease Income						-
Revenue from Sale of Fixed Assets						-
Miscellaneous Income	1,200				256	1,456
Interest Income	212,439	93	440		815	213,787
Tax Levy	4,120,040					4,120,040
State Aid Distribution	78,687					78,687
Contract Revenue	154	1,890,762	1,400,962	9,647,529	23,051	12,962,458
Non-Project Income			92,491			92,491
Total Revenues	\$4,412,520	\$1,890,855	\$1,493,893	\$9,647,529	\$24,122	\$17,468,919
Expenditures:						
Director Expense	37,130					37,130
Employee Expense	300,073	17,322	582,117			899,512
Administrative Expense	64,335		19,278			83,613
Public Education	35,014					35,014
Professional Services	72,095		101,446	229,372		402,913
Irrigation Development	5,000					5,000
Water Supply Projects	25,041					25,041
GDCD Recreation Project	157,999					157,999
DWRA Recreation Project	384					384
Maintenance & Repairs	19,362		102,133		5,502	126,997
Capital Purchases	324,942		637,998			962,940
Construction in Progress				9,238,962		9,238,962
MR&I Project Expenses		1,868,255				1,868,255
Principal Debt Payments						0
Interest Payments						0
Total Expenditures *	\$ 1,041,375	\$ 1,885,577	\$ 1,442,972	\$ 9,468,334	\$ 5,502	\$ 13,843,760
Transfer In/Out	152,394	(5,185)	(188,350)	-	-	\$ (41,141)
Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 3,523,539	\$ 93	\$ (137,429)	\$ 179,195	\$ 18,620	\$ 3,584,018
Net Change in Assets	(1,603,194)		500,621	1,100,000	(722)	\$ (3,295)
Ending Bank Balance	\$ 8,155,353	\$ 5,585	\$ 985,026	\$ 2,737,586	\$ 183,554	\$ 12,067,104

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT				
INCOME BUDGET ANALYSIS STATEMENT				
For Three Months Ending March 31, 2024				
General, O&M MR&I, RRVWSP, and Irrigation Funds	Budget for 2024	Income Received to March 31, 2024	Percentage of Amount Budgeted	Balance of 2024 Budget
Irrigation Admin	\$ 975	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 975
Lease Income	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
Miscellaneous Income	\$ -	\$ 1,456	0.0%	\$ (1,456)
Revenue Sale of Fixed Assets	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
Interest Income	\$ 368,760	\$ 213,787	58.0%	\$ 154,973
Tax Levy	\$ 3,993,080	\$ 4,120,040	103.2%	\$ (126,960)
State Aid	\$ 196,920	\$ 78,687	40.0%	\$ 118,233
General Fund Contract Revenue	\$ 72,000	\$ 154	0.2%	\$ 71,846
O&M Contract Revenue	\$ 4,485,118	\$ 1,400,962	31.7%	\$ 3,084,156
MR&I Contract Revenue	\$ 30,104,940	\$ 1,890,762	6.3%	\$ 28,214,178
RRVWSP Contract Revenue	\$120,663,000	\$ 9,647,529	8.0%	\$111,015,471
Irrigation Fund Revenue	\$ 633,400	\$ 23,051	3.6%	\$ 610,349
Project Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
Non-Project Revenue	\$ 193,000	\$ 92,491	47.9%	\$ 100,509
Total Revenues	\$160,711,193	\$17,468,919	10.9%	\$143,242,274

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT						
Expense Budget Analysis Statement						
For Three Months Ending March 31, 2024						
General, O&M MR&I, RRVWSP, and Irrigation Funds	Budget for 2023	Expenditures Charged to 2023 Budget	Budget for 2024	Expenditures to Mar 31, 2024	Percentage Spent Amount Budgeted	Balance of Budget
Expenses						
Director Expenses	\$ 261,000	\$ 271,960	\$ 255,000	\$ 37,130	14.6%	\$ 217,870
Employee Expenses	\$ 3,778,799	\$ 3,561,540	\$ 3,457,400	\$ 899,512	26.0%	\$ 2,557,888
Administrative Expenses	\$ 503,500	\$ 359,574	\$ 294,800	\$ 83,613	28.4%	\$ 211,187
Public Education	\$ 157,000	\$ 81,523	\$ 193,000	\$ 35,014	18.1%	\$ 157,986
Professional Services	\$ 2,884,000	\$ 1,209,293	\$ 2,310,500	\$ 402,913	17.4%	\$ 1,907,587
Irrigation Development	\$ 269,875	\$ 230,780	\$ 93,000	\$ 5,000	5.4%	\$ 88,000
Water Supply Program	\$ 300,000	\$ 224,683	\$ 300,000	\$ 25,041	8.3%	\$ 274,959
GDCD Recreation Grant Program	\$ 850,000	\$ 805,891	\$ 850,000	\$ 157,999	18.6%	\$ 692,001
DWRA Recreation Program	\$ 10,000	\$ 4,040	\$ 10,000	\$ 384	3.8%	\$ 9,616
Irrigation District Expense	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 2,000
Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 1,845,100	\$ 1,262,307	\$ 1,273,100	\$ 126,997	10.0%	\$ 1,146,103
Capital Purchases	\$ 1,171,188	\$ 1,176,712	\$ 1,635,797	\$ 962,940	58.9%	\$ 672,857
Construction in Progress	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 31,146,405	\$ 118,750,000	\$ 9,238,962	7.8%	\$ 109,511,038
MR&I Fund	\$ 20,000,000	\$ 18,914,984	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 1,868,255	6.2%	\$ 28,131,745
Principal on Debt Repayment	\$ 849,127	\$ 712,511	\$ 600,000	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 600,000
Interest on Debt Repayment	\$ 195,856	\$ 167,240	\$ 281,000	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 281,000
Total Expenses	\$ 63,077,445	\$ 60,129,443	\$ 160,305,597	\$ 13,843,760	8.6%	\$ 146,461,837
Transfers In/Out						
MR&I	\$ 23,000	\$ 12,767	\$ 23,000	\$ 5,185	22.5%	\$ 17,815
O&M	\$ 920,000	\$ 486,790	\$ 698,418	\$ 188,350	20.1%	\$ 510,068
Irrigation	\$ -	\$ 316,304	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
RRVWSP	\$ -	\$ (1,628,156)	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
Total Transfers Out	\$ 943,000	\$ (812,295)	\$ 721,418	\$ 193,535	26.8%	\$ 527,883
Total Expenses & Transfers Out	\$ 64,020,445	\$ 59,317,148	\$ 161,027,015	\$ 14,037,295	8.7%	\$ 146,989,720

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT RESERVES STATEMENT March 31, 2024	
OPERATING RESERVE	
Operating Reserve authorized to be established in the amount of \$300,000.00 per resolution of the Board dated January 15, 1970. Limit changed to \$330,000 by Board action on January 6, 1995. Reserve cap removed by Board action July 2, 1997.	\$6,668,081.83
O&M EMERGENCY RESERVE	
O&M Emergency Reserve to be established in the amount of \$500,000.00 by Article 13 (a) of the Master Contract and by action taken by the Board dated January 16, 1970. Limit changed to \$1,500,000.00 July 1980. Reserve capped at \$822,817.55 by Board action July 2, 1997.	750,000.00
DEFICIENCY RESERVE	
Deficiency Reserve to be established in the amount of \$750,000.00 by Article 13 (b) of the Master Contract. Limit changed to \$1,500,000.00 July 1980. Reserve capped at \$802,287.54 by Board action July 2, 1997.	750,000.00
PROJECT DEVELOPMENT RESERVE	
Project Development Reserve to be established in the amount of \$750,000.00 by resolution of the Board dated July 17, 1969. Limit changed to \$1,000,000.00 July 1982. Reserve capped at \$915,592.98 by Board action July 2, 1997.	915,592.98
TOTAL GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT RESERVES	\$9,083,674.81

Garrison Diversion Conservancy District				
Funds in Bank of North Dakota				
March 31, 2024				
Fund	Account Name/Reserve	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Balance
General	Checking Account Cash	0.25%		\$ 874,226.32
General	Water Assistance Grant Outstanding	0.25%		\$ 114,916.00
General	Oakes Building Fund	0.25%		\$ 18,882.18
	Total Checking Account Balance			\$ 1,008,024.50
General	Money Market Savings	0.60%		\$ 2,739,741.78
General	Water Assistance Grant Reserve	0.60%		\$ 695,216.46
General	GF Accrued Leave-Operating Reserve	0.60%		\$ 175,478.91
	Total Savings Account Balance			\$ 3,610,437.15
	Total Deposits			\$ 5,626,486.15

Garrison Diversion Conservancy District				
Funds in First International Bank & Trust				
March 31, 2024				
Fund	Account Name/Reserve	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Balance
General	CD 118850-Operating Reserve	4.00%	04/29/24	\$ 50,500.00
General	CD 118848-O&M Emergency Res.	4.10%	04/29/24	\$ 350,000.00
General	CD 119561-O&M Emergency Reserve	4.10%	05/01/24	\$ 83,682.45
General	CD 119070-Operating Reserve	4.10%	05/17/24	\$ 820,000.00
General	CD 118954	4.10%	05/19/24	\$ 500,000.00
General	CD 118955-Project Development	5.50%	07/19/24	\$ 353,362.19
General	CD 119434-Deficiency Reserve	5.00%	08/30/24	\$ 175,854.00
General	CD 80120163	2.50%	09/19/24	\$ 1,000,000.00
General	CD 119245	5.00%	09/30/24	\$ 1,000,000.00
General	CD 118849-Deficiency Reserve	4.93%	10/29/24	\$ 200,000.00
General	CD 119130	4.93%	11/18/24	\$ 1,000,000.00
General	CD 80124943 Project Development Reser	4.93%	12/08/24	\$ 252,054.00
General	CD 80120161	4.93%	12/14/24	\$ 1,000,000.00
General	CD 80120162	4.93%	12/14/24	\$ 1,000,000.00
General	CD 80123425	4.93%	12/14/24	\$ 2,500,000.00
General	CD 80124990-Operating Reserve	4.60%	04/14/25	\$ 589,000.00
General	CD 80124992-Deficiency Reserve	4.60%	04/14/25	\$ 374,146.00
	Total Investments			\$ 11,248,598.64
General	Recreation Outstanding-Operating Reserv	4.00%		\$ 2,459,105.36
General	Money Market Funds	4.00%		\$ 173,548.51
General	Recreation Reserve-Operating Reserve	4.00%		\$ 923,119.70
	Total Money Market Account Balance			\$ 3,555,773.57
	Total Deposits			\$ 14,804,372.21
Pledging	Total Deposits			\$ 14,804,372.21
	Less:FDIC Coverage			(250,000.00)
	Deposit Balance to Secure			14,554,372.21
	Less: Pledging			16,156,654.18
	Pledging Excess			\$ 1,602,281.97

**BREMER BANK
DEPOSIT AND PLEDGING SUMMARY
March 31, 2024**

Account Type	Balance	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Deposit Insurance / Pledging Status
Demand Deposit Accounts				
Non-Interest Bearing Checking Accounts				
				Total Demand Deposits \$3,722,609.85
				Less: FDIC Insurance Coverage 250,000.00
xxxx61 Operations & Maintenance Fund	985,024.44	0.00%		Demand Deposit Balance to Secure \$3,472,609.85
xxxxx52 Red River Valley Water Supply	2,737,585.41	0.00%		x 110% 1.10
Total Demand Deposits	3,722,609.85			Pledging Required on Demand Deposits \$3,819,870.84
Time and Savings Deposits				
Interest Bearing Checking				
xxxxx34 Irrigation Fund	183,555.37	0.20%		
xxxxxx62 M R & I Working Fund	5,584.70	0.20%		
Total Interest Bearing Checking Balance	<u>189,140.07</u>			
Savings Accounts				
xxxxx41 O&M - Accrued Leave Reserve	176,678.54	1.00%		
xxxxxx63 Irrigation - Debt Service Reserve	289,462.02	1.00%		
Total Savings Balance	<u>466,140.56</u>			
Certificates of Deposit				
xxxxxx803-1 Certificate of Deposit	1,000,000.00	4.05%	4/11/2024	
xxx591-1 Certificate of Deposit-OM Emergency Res.	210,000.00	4.15%	4/24/2024	
xxxxxx106 Certificate of Deposit-OM Emergency Res.	106,317.55	4.15%	5/22/2024	
xxxxxx30-1 Certificate of Deposit	2,000,000.00	4.15%	5/24/2024	
xxxxxx933-1 Certificate of Deposit-Project Dev Reserve	313,538.98	5.00%	8/30/2024	
Total CD Balance	<u>3,629,856.53</u>			
				Total Time & Savings Deposit Account Balance \$4,285,137.16
				Less: FDIC Insurance Coverage 250,000.00
				Time & Savings Deposit Balance to Secure \$4,285,103.16
				x 110% 1.10
Total Time & Savings Deposit Account Balance	\$4,285,137.16			Pledging Required on Time & Savings Deposits \$4,713,613.48
Total Deposits	\$8,007,747.01			Total Pledging Required on all Deposits \$8,533,484.31
				Pledged Security/Letter of Credit \$10,276,462.00
				Pledging Excess \$1,742,977.69

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT						
Tax Collections Statement						
For Three Months Ending March 31, 2024						
County	2024 Tax Levy Budget	2024 Tax Collections	Balance of Tax Levy Budget	2024 State Aid Budget	2024 State Aid	Balance State Aid Budget
Barnes	\$84,238	\$82,429	1,809	\$4,376	\$1,690	\$2,686
Benson	35,008	33,526	1,482	3,282	1,162	2,120
Bottineau	60,170	58,560	1,610	3,282	1,407	1,875
Burleigh	536,057	594,396	(58,339)	24,068	9,810	14,258
Cass	988,968	1,110,944	(121,976)	45,948	19,514	26,434
Dickey	44,854	40,407	4,447	3,282	1,386	1,896
Eddy	14,222	14,814	(592)	2,188	763	1,425
Foster	29,538	29,597	(59)	5,470	770	4,700
Grand Forks	317,258	323,199	(5,941)	9,846	3,933	5,913
Griggs	20,786	20,976	(190)	2,188	761	1,427
LaMoure	43,760	40,188	3,572	3,282	1,393	1,889
McHenry	50,324	43,403	6,921	2,188	717	1,471
McKenzie	351,172	331,017	20,155	25,162	10,198	14,964
McLean	82,050	79,805	2,245	6,564	2,666	3,898
Nelson	26,256	25,482	774	2,188	738	1,450
Pierce	33,914	31,579	2,335	2,188	998	1,190
Ramsey	62,358	61,086	1,272	4,376	1,826	2,550
Ransom	39,384	38,128	1,256	-	-	-
Renville	24,068	23,954	114	2,188	881	1,307
Richland	103,930	104,284	(354)	-	-	-
Sargeant	37,196	37,486	(290)	2,188	1,076	1,112
Sheridan	15,316	68,888	(53,572)	3,282	1,341	1,941
Steele	30,632	30,542	90	2,188	638	1,550
Stutsman	131,279	119,946	11,333	6,564	2,753	3,811
Traill	57,982	59,993	(2,011)	3,282	1,271	2,011
Ward	330,386	300,532	29,854	16,410	6,596	9,814
Wells	43,760	41,444	2,316	3,282	1,142	2,140
Williams	398,214	373,435	24,779	7,658	3,257	4,401
Totals	\$ 3,993,080	\$4,120,040	\$ (126,960)	\$ 196,920	\$ 78,687	\$118,233

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
EXPENSE BUDGET ANALYSIS STATEMENT
For Three Month Ending March 31, 2024**

	Budget 1/1/23 to 12/31/23	Expenditures Chargeable to 2023 Budget	Budget 1/1/24 to 12/31/24	2024 Actual as of 3/31/2024	Balance of Budget as of 3/31/2024	Percentage of Budget Spent
GENERAL FUND						
Directors Expense						
Directors Per Diem	\$ 133,000	\$ 132,989	\$ 135,000	\$ 18,553	\$ 116,447	13.7%
Directors Expense	\$ 128,000	\$ 138,971	\$ 120,000	\$ 18,577	\$ 101,423	15.5%
Total Directors Expense	\$ 261,000	\$ 271,960	\$ 255,000	\$ 37,130	\$ 217,870	14.6%
Employee Expense						
Employee Salaries	\$ 908,000	\$ 788,482	\$ 972,000	\$ 202,327	\$ 769,673	20.8%
General Manager Exp	\$ 21,000	\$ 12,806	\$ 21,000	\$ 4,486	\$ 16,514	21.4%
Travel	\$ 57,444	\$ 29,744	\$ 61,000	\$ 3,426	\$ 57,574	5.6%
Admn Officer - Merri Mooridian	\$ 25,000	\$ 19,255	\$ 25,000	\$ 1,792	\$ 23,208	7.2%
Dist. Engr - Kip Kovar	\$ 10,000	\$ 3,702	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	0.0%
Engineer - Ryan Anderson	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,127	\$ 5,000	\$ 287	\$ 4,713	5.7%
Dir. Comm. - Kim Cook	\$ 6,000	\$ 1,512	\$ 6,000	\$ 696	\$ 5,304	11.6%
Emp Exp Other	\$ 11,444	\$ 3,148	\$ 15,000	\$ 651	\$ 14,349	4.3%
Professional Development	\$ 17,000	\$ 1,411	\$ 17,000	\$ 319	\$ 16,681	1.9%
Employee Training	\$ 15,000	\$ 1,411	\$ 15,000	\$ 319	\$ 14,681	2.1%
Wellness Program	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	0.0%
Benefits	\$ 430,556	\$ 365,600	\$ 469,000	\$ 89,515	\$ 379,485	19.1%
GDCD FICA	\$ 79,000	\$ 68,428	\$ 82,000	\$ 14,598	\$ 67,402	17.8%
Retirement	\$ 129,000	\$ 112,983	\$ 149,000	\$ 33,245	\$ 115,755	22.3%
Hospital & Life Insurance	\$ 175,000	\$ 143,729	\$ 191,000	\$ 36,953	\$ 154,047	19.3%
Unemployment Comp	\$ 3,621	\$ 3,572	\$ 5,000	\$ (198)	\$ 5,198	-4.0%
Dental / Vision Ins.	\$ 14,000	\$ 10,659	\$ 13,000	\$ 3,116	\$ 9,884	24.0%
Work Force Safety	\$ 1,000	\$ 380	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	0.0%
Long-Term Disability Ins	\$ 10,000	\$ 6,914	\$ 10,000	\$ 1,801	\$ 8,199	18.0%
Vacation/Sick Leave Liability	\$ 18,935	\$ 18,935	\$ 18,000	\$ -	\$ 18,000	0.0%
Total Employee Expense	\$ 1,434,000	\$ 1,198,043	\$ 1,540,000	\$ 300,073	\$ 1,239,927	19.5%
Administration						
Postage	\$ 6,000	\$ 3,977	\$ 3,500	\$ 1,932	\$ 1,568	55.2%
Communications	\$ 16,000	\$ 13,023	\$ 16,000	\$ 3,201	\$ 12,799	20.0%
Utilities	\$ 33,000	\$ 35,560	\$ 35,000	\$ 11,147	\$ 23,853	31.8%
Meetings & Events	\$ 30,000	\$ 26,714	\$ 9,500	\$ 802	\$ 8,698	8.4%
Subscriptions/Publications	\$ 6,000	\$ 4,694	\$ 6,500	\$ 4,251	\$ 2,249	65.4%
Miscellaneous	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,037	\$ 3,500	\$ 210	\$ 3,290	6.0%
Data Processing	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,701	\$ 22,500	\$ 13,408	\$ 9,092	59.6%
Employee Recruiting	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,635	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,721	\$ 3,279	34.4%
Supplies	\$ 14,000	\$ 11,155	\$ 11,500	\$ 2,507	\$ 8,993	21.8%
Small Office Equipment	\$ 20,000	\$ 22,640	\$ 25,000	\$ 8,309	\$ 16,691	33.2%
Dues	\$ 14,000	\$ 12,937	\$ 14,000	\$ 8,499	\$ 5,501	60.7%
Insurance	\$ 18,000	\$ 17,232	\$ 17,000	\$ 8,348	\$ 8,652	49.1%
Annual Independent Audit	\$ 36,500	\$ 30,650	\$ 35,000	\$ -	\$ 35,000	0.0%
Total Administration	\$ 247,500	\$ 229,955	\$ 204,000	\$ 64,335	\$ 139,665	31.5%
Public Education						
GDCD Tours	\$ 9,019	\$ 3,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	0.0%
ND Water Users Ass'n Dues	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ -	100.0%
ND Water Coalition Dues	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	\$ -	100.0%
ND Water Magazine	\$ 18,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 18,000	\$ -	\$ 18,000	0.0%
Missouri River Joint Board	\$ 15,981	\$ 15,981	\$ 51,000	\$ -	\$ 51,000	0.0%
Upper Sheyenne	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000	0.0%
Conference Booth Fees, Sponsorships	\$ 20,000	\$ 8,542	\$ 20,000	\$ 680	\$ 19,320	3.4%
Miscellaneous	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ 334	\$ 9,666	3.3%
Total Public Education	\$ 157,000	\$ 81,523	\$ 193,000	\$ 35,014	\$ 157,986	18.1%

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	Budget 1/1/23 to 12/31/23	Expenditures Chargeable to 2023 Budget	Budget 1/1/24 to 12/31/24	2024 Actual as of 3/31/2024	Balance of Budget as of 3/31/2024	Percentage of Budget Spent
Professional Services						
Communications	\$ 140,000	\$ 127,866	\$ 140,000	\$ 33,570	\$ 106,430	24.0%
Engineering	\$ 47,000	\$ 20,330	\$ 125,000	\$ 7,581	\$ 117,419	6.1%
RRVWSP Development	\$ 456,000	\$ 114,456	\$ 313,000	\$ 194	\$ 312,806	0.1%
Technical Support for LAWA	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000	0.0%
Engineering	\$ 240,000	\$ 2,607	\$ 100,000	\$ 134	\$ 99,866	0.1%
Legal	\$ 125,000	\$ 61,896	\$ 122,000	\$ 60	\$ 121,940	0.0%
Financial	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	0.0%
Consultants	\$ 50,000	\$ 45,824	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000	0.0%
Meeting, Misc. Exp	\$ 16,000	\$ 4,129	\$ 16,000	\$ -	\$ 16,000	0.0%
Prof Services Other	\$ 20,000	\$ 16,719	\$ 45,000	\$ -	\$ 45,000	0.0%
Legal Services	\$ 188,000	\$ 186,068	\$ 158,000	\$ 30,750	\$ 127,250	19.5%
Total Professional Services	\$ 851,000	\$ 465,439	\$ 781,000	\$ 72,095	\$ 708,905	9.2%
Irrigation Development						
ND Irrigation Association	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000	0.0%
NDSU Oakes Irrigation Site	\$ 196,875	\$ 161,070	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
Robert Titus Lease	\$ 17,000	\$ 16,083	\$ 17,000	\$ -	\$ 17,000	0.0%
Irrigation Development	\$ 6,000	\$ 3,627	\$ 26,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 21,000	19.2%
Total Irrigation Development	\$ 269,875	\$ 230,780	\$ 93,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 88,000	5.4%
Recreation						
GDCD Recreation Grant Program	\$ 850,000	\$ 805,891	\$ 850,000	\$ 157,999	\$ 692,001	18.6%
DWRA Recreation Program	\$ 10,000	\$ 4,040	\$ 10,000	\$ 384	\$ 9,616	3.8%
Total Recreation	\$ 860,000	\$ 809,931	\$ 860,000	\$ 158,383	\$ 701,617	18.4%
Water Supply Grant Program	\$ 300,000	\$ 224,683	\$ 300,000	\$ 25,041	\$ 274,959	8.3%
Irrigation Districts Expense						
Irrigation Districts	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	0.0%
Total Irrigation Districts Expense	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	0.0%
Maintenance & Repair						
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 27,000	\$ 21,078	\$ 27,000	\$ 9,356	\$ 17,644	34.7%
Small Yard Equipment Purchases	\$ 5,000	\$ 8,350	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	0.0%
Land & Bldg Maintenance	\$ 35,000	\$ 9,993	\$ 35,000	\$ 8,403	\$ 26,597	24.0%
Auto Expense	\$ 15,000	\$ 13,304	\$ 15,000	\$ 1,603	\$ 13,397	10.7%
Total Maintenance & Repair	\$ 82,000	\$ 52,725	\$ 82,000	\$ 19,362	\$ 62,638	23.6%
Capital Purchases						
Office Equip & Furniture	\$ 20,000	\$ 5,450	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000	0.0%
Yard Equipment	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ 20,000	0.0%
Vehicle	\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ 80,000	\$ -	\$ 80,000	0.0%
Land and Buildings	\$ 670,000	\$ 719,494	\$ 484,797	\$ 324,942	\$ 159,855	67.0%
Total Capital Purchases	\$ 750,000	\$ 724,944	\$ 634,797	\$ 324,942	\$ 309,855	51.2%
Total General Fund	\$ 5,214,375	\$ 4,289,983	\$ 4,944,797	\$ 1,041,375	\$ 3,903,422	21.1%

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	Budget 1/1/23 to 12/31/23	Expenditures Chargeable to 2023 Budget	Budget 1/1/24 to 12/31/24	2024 Actual as of 3/31/2024	Balance of Budget as of 3/31/2024	Percentage of Budget Spent
IRRIGATION FUND						
McClusky Canal Irrigation:	\$ 446,100	\$ 225,766	\$ 418,100	\$ 5,502	\$ 412,598	1.3%
Construction	\$ 19,000	\$ 18,769	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
Operations	\$ 427,100	\$ 206,997	\$ 418,100	\$ 5,502	\$ 412,598	1.3%
Debt Payments	\$ 382,000	\$ 216,768	\$ 218,000	\$ -	\$ 218,000	0.0%
Principal	\$ 315,000	\$ 178,384	\$ 187,000	\$ -	\$ 187,000	0.0%
Interest	\$ 67,000	\$ 38,384	\$ 31,000	\$ -	\$ 31,000	0.0%
Total Irrigation Fund	\$ 828,100	\$ 442,534	\$ 636,100	\$ 5,502	\$ 630,598	0.9%
GDU O & M						
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 2,172,799	\$ 2,199,804	\$ 1,768,600	\$ 572,036	\$ 1,196,564	32.3%
Salaries	\$ 1,434,799	\$ 1,461,526	\$ 1,188,200	\$ 375,820	\$ 812,380	31.6%
Benefits	\$ 738,000	\$ 738,278	\$ 580,400	\$ 196,216	\$ 384,184	33.8%
Travel	\$ 29,000	\$ 28,228	\$ 11,100	\$ 1,719	\$ 9,381	15.5%
Training	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,239	\$ 2,700	\$ -	\$ 2,700	0.0%
Utilities	\$ 84,000	\$ 76,751	\$ 73,900	\$ 15,425	\$ 58,475	20.9%
Contractual Services	\$ 233,000	\$ 325,869	\$ 279,500	\$ 101,446	\$ 178,054	36.3%
Supplies	\$ 445,000	\$ 458,463	\$ 214,000	\$ 53,296	\$ 160,704	24.9%
Capital Purchases	\$ 402,188	\$ 402,188	\$ 1,001,000	\$ 637,998	\$ 363,002	63.7%
Small Equipment Purchases	\$ 11,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000	0.0%
Equipment Rental	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 7,000	\$ -	\$ 7,000	0.0%
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 505,000	\$ 237,080	\$ 300,000	\$ 41,766	\$ 258,234	13.9%
Safety	\$ 57,000	\$ 57,671	\$ 53,000	\$ 8,362	\$ 44,638	15.8%
Miscellaneous	\$ 19,000	\$ 18,160	\$ 16,900	\$ 3,853	\$ 13,047	22.8%
Materials	\$ 325,000	\$ 307,042	\$ 237,000	\$ 7,071	\$ 229,929	3.0%
Total GDU O & M	\$ 4,336,987	\$ 4,114,495	\$ 3,979,700	\$ 1,442,972	\$ 2,536,728	36.3%
MR&I Fund						
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 82,000	\$ 74,556	\$ 82,000	\$ 17,322	\$ 64,678	21.1%
State Administration	\$ 153,000	\$ 34,706	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
MR&I Project Expenditures	\$ 20,000,000	\$ 18,914,984	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 1,868,255	\$ 28,131,745	6.2%
Total MR&I Fund	\$ 20,235,000	\$ 19,024,246	\$ 30,082,000	\$ 1,885,577	\$ 28,196,423	6.3%
RRV Water Supply Project						
Right of Way	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 1,568,596	\$ 1,250,000	\$ 706,873	\$ 543,127	56.5%
Design/Construction in Progress	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 29,608,619	\$ 117,500,000	\$ 8,532,089	\$ 108,967,911	7.3%
Salaries & Benefits	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
Professional Services	\$ 400,000	\$ 417,984	\$ 1,250,000	\$ 229,372	\$ 1,020,628	26%
Financing/Legal/Administration	\$ 391,000	\$ 385,092	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 220,231	\$ 779,769	22.0%
Other Engineering	\$ 9,000	\$ 32,892	\$ 250,000	\$ 9,141	\$ 240,859	3.7%
Debt Payments	\$ 662,983	\$ 662,983	\$ 663,000	\$ -	\$ 663,000	0%
Principal	\$ 534,127	\$ 534,127	\$ 413,000	\$ -	\$ 413,000	0.0%
Interest	\$ 128,856	\$ 128,856	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ 250,000	0.0%
Total RRVWSP	\$ 32,462,983	\$ 32,258,182	\$ 120,663,000	\$ 9,468,334	\$ 111,194,666	7.8%
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$ 63,077,445	\$ 60,129,440	\$ 160,305,597	\$ 13,843,760	\$ 146,461,837	8.6%

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
GDCD RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM
OUTSTANDING PROJECTS
July 1, 1990 to March 31, 2024**

COUNTY	PROJECT	GRANT APPROVAL DATE	OUTSTANDING PROJECTS	PROJECTS APPROVED 2024	EXPENDITURES 04-23-15 to 12-31-2023	EXPENDITURES 1-1-24 to 03-31-24	AMOUNTS RETURNED TO PROGRAM	BALANCE REMAINING 03-31-24
Barnes	Sheyenne River Water Trail	04-29-21	\$ 51,005.00			\$ 51,005.00		\$ -
Barnes	Valley City Parks-Hi-Line Pickleball Court	09-20-23	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
Barnes	Valley City Park Playground	03-20-24		\$ 50,000.00				\$ 50,000.00
Bottineau	Kramer City Park	09-28-22	\$ 21,250.00					\$ 21,250.00
Bottineau	City of Landa-Restroom Facilitites	09-20-23	\$ 6,250.00					\$ 6,250.00
Bottineau	Bottineau Winter Park Snow System	03-20-24		\$ 50,000.00				\$ 50,000.00
Bottineau	Maxbass Community Park	03-20-24		\$ 31,141.00				\$ 31,141.00
Burleigh	Steckel Boat Landing Picnic Shelter	04-29-21	\$ 6,000.00				\$ (6,000.00)	\$ -
Burleigh	American Legion Splash Pad	09-28-22	\$ 30,000.00		\$ 17,232.25			\$ 12,767.75
Burleigh	Wilton North Park Pickle Ball Court	09-28-22	\$ 2,395.00		\$ 958.10			\$ 1,436.90
Burleigh	Municipal Ballpark Master Plan Improv	03-20-24		\$ 50,000.00				\$ 50,000.00
Cass	Brewer Lake Water Hook-ups	03-30-22	\$ 638.00					\$ 638.00
Cass	Tinta Tawa Park Restroom	03-30-22	\$ 9,575.00					\$ 9,575.00
Cass	West Fargo Park District Playground Imp	09-28-22	\$ 16,145.00					\$ 16,145.00
Cass	Harwood-Splash Pad	03-30-23	\$ 27,204.00					\$ 27,204.00
Cass	North Elmwood Park Restoration	03-30-23	\$ 24,323.00					\$ 24,323.00
Cass	Tower City Pickle Courts	03-30-23	\$ 4,700.00		\$ 4,666.75			\$ 33.25
Cass	Casselton-Governor's Share Use Path	09-20-23	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
Cass	Fargo Park-Pepsi Soccer Playground	09-20-23	\$ 62,500.00					\$ 62,500.00
Cass	Rheault Farm Playground Improvement	03-20-24		\$ 50,000.00				\$ 50,000.00
Dickey	West Side Park Playground	04-29-21	\$ 7,520.00				\$ (7,520.00)	\$ -
Dickey	Ellendale Baseball Grandstand Reno	09-28-22	\$ 20,000.00					\$ 20,000.00
Dickey	Wilson Dam Picnic Shelter Renovation	09-28-22	\$ 1,778.00					\$ 1,778.00
Dickey	Ellendale-Ice Skating Rink Expansion	09-20-23	\$ 4,500.00					\$ 4,500.00
Dickey	Oakes -Main Street Park	09-20-23	\$ 26,125.00					\$ 26,125.00
Dickey	Dickey County Community Rec Facility	03-20-24		\$ 34,996.00				\$ 34,996.00
Eddy	Warming House/Boat Rental Building	04-29-21	\$ 5,750.00			\$ 5,750.00		\$ -
Foster	Foster County Fairgrounds Picnic Shelter	09-23-21	\$ 5,191.00					\$ 5,191.00
Foster	Baseball/Softball Diamond Renovations	03-30-22	\$ 75,000.00		\$ 37,305.43			\$ 37,694.57
Foster	Carrington West Park Renovation	03-30-22	\$ 61,202.00		\$ 38,506.00			\$ 22,696.00
Foster	Carrington -Baseball Diamond	09-20-23	\$ 26,906.00					\$ 26,906.00
Grand Forks	Kraft Field Grandstand Replacement	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
Grand Forks	Manvel Community Park Improvement	09-28-22	\$ 12,699.00					\$ 12,699.00
Grand Forks	Grand Forks -Kraft Field Turf Resurfacing	09-20-23	\$ 56,250.00					\$ 56,250.00
Grand Forks	Grand Valley Development Park Playground	03-20-24		\$ 50,000.00				\$ 50,000.00
Griggs	Binford Park Playground Update	03-30-22	\$ 2,950.00		\$ 1,249.50			\$ 1,700.50
Griggs	Binford Rodeo Ass. Community Centre	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00		\$ 56,870.02			\$ 18,129.98
LaMoire	LaMoire Park-Sunset Park Swim Center	09-20-23	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
LaMoire	Marion ADA Bathroom	03-20-24		\$ 9,068.00				\$ 9,068.00
LaMoire	Twin Lakes Vault Toilet	03-20-24		\$ 3,500.00				\$ 3,500.00
McHenry	Upham Park Improvement	04-29-21	\$ 9,125.00		\$ 8,627.75	\$ 497.25		\$ -
McHenry	Splash Pad	09-23-21	\$ 19,838.00		\$ 1,725.00			\$ 18,113.00
McHenry	City of Upham-Park Restrooms	03-30-23	\$ 12,500.00					\$ 12,500.00
McHenry	Towner -Baseball Field Renovation	09-20-23	\$ 3,750.00					\$ 3,750.00
McHenry	Park Swints Set	03-20-24		\$ 9,071.00				\$ 9,071.00
McKenzie	Tobacco Garden Shower/Bathroom	03-30-23	\$ 40,071.00					\$ 40,071.00
McLean	Lakeside Park Gazebo/Riverdale	04-29-21	\$ 1,500.00				\$ (1,500.00)	\$ -
McLean	Playground Equipment-Coleharbor	09-23-21	\$ 23,460.00		\$ 7,709.63	\$ 891.22		\$ 14,859.15
McLean	Garrison Softball Field Renovation	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
McLean	City of Butte-City Park	03-30-23	\$ 874.00					\$ 874.00
McLean	Arena Announcer Office & Concessions	03-30-23	\$ 6,946.00					\$ 6,946.00
McLean	Nelson Park & Community Garden	03-30-23	\$ 12,750.00					\$ 12,750.00
McLean	McLean-Dynamite Bay Public Stairs	09-20-23	\$ 1,618.00					\$ 1,618.00
McLean	Lake Brekken Picnic Tables	03-20-24		\$ 2,356.00				\$ 2,356.00
McLean	Sportsmens Centennial Park Fault Toilet	03-20-24		\$ 875.00				\$ 875.00
Nelson	Tolna City Park Restrooms	10-03-18	\$ 21,933.00			\$ 5,522.98		\$ 16,410.02
Pierce	Buffalo Lake Camp Site	04-29-21	\$ 3,250.00		\$ 1,930.06		\$ (1,319.94)	\$ -
Pierce	Barton Park Picnic Tables/Play Gym	09-23-21	\$ 1,250.00					\$ 1,250.00
Pierce	Rugby-Jaycee's Splashpad	03-30-23	\$ 40,202.00					\$ 40,202.00
Ramsey	Roosevelt Park Activity Building	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
Ramsey	Devils Lake-Indoor Playground	09-20-23	\$ 37,500.00					\$ 37,500.00
Ramsey	Ramsey County-Multi-Purpose Event Center	09-20-23	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
Ransom	Dead Colt Walkway	04-29-21	\$ 23,750.00			\$ 23,750.00		\$ -
Ransom	Sheldon Pickle Ball/BB Courts	03-30-22	\$ 5,262.00					\$ 5,262.00
Renville	Mohall Adult Recreation Comple	03-20-24		\$ 37,500.00				\$ 37,500.00
Richland	City Park Improvement-Abercrombie	04-29-21	\$ 34,682.00			\$ 18,590.75		\$ 16,091.25
Richland	Chaninkapa Park Multipurpose Shelter	03-30-22	\$ 42,000.00			\$ 29,330.77	\$ (12,669.23)	\$ -
Richland	Manatador Park Softball Dugouts	03-30-22	\$ 2,000.00					\$ 2,000.00
Richland	Wyndmere Park Board	03-30-22	\$ 10,728.00					\$ 10,728.00
Richland	Fairmount-Park Playground Equipment	03-30-23	\$ 9,750.00			\$ 6,080.00		\$ 3,670.00
Sargent	Gwinner Aquatic Center	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00		\$ 19,962.50			\$ 55,037.50
Sargent	Forman-Central Park Community Gardens	09-20-23	\$ 1,375.00			\$ 857.12		\$ 517.88
Sargent	Hero's Park	03-20-24		\$ 10,500.00				\$ 10,500.00
Sheridan	Hoffer Lake Beach & Swimming Develop.	09-23-21	\$ 4,093.00					\$ 4,093.00
Sheridan	Sheridan County-Hoffer Lake Rec Area	09-20-23	\$ 2,850.00			\$ 2,850.00		\$ -
Steele	City Park Development-Colgate	04-29-21	\$ 6,250.00					\$ 6,250.00
Steele	Finley-Park Playground Equipment	03-30-23	\$ 13,750.00					\$ 13,750.00
Stutsman	Park Bench Project-Stutsman County	04-29-21	\$ 3,113.00				\$ (3,113.00)	\$ -
Stutsman	Electrical Upgrades for Campers	09-23-21	\$ 1,750.00					\$ 1,750.00
Stutsman	Field Renovation Phase I	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00		\$ 23,407.39			\$ 51,592.61
Stutsman	Jamestown Reservoir Vault Toilet	09-28-22	\$ 6,204.00					\$ 6,204.00
Stutsman	4-H Horse Arena Improvement	03-30-23	\$ 8,843.00			\$ 8,124.14	\$ (718.86)	\$ -
Stutsman	Pedestrian Bridge Replacement	03-30-23	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
GDCD RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM
OUTSTANDING PROJECTS
July 1, 1990 to March 31, 2024

COUNTY	PROJECT	GRANT APPROVAL DATE	OUTSTANDING PROJECTS	PROJECTS APPROVED 2024	EXPENDITURES 04-23-15 to 12-31-2023	EXPENDITURES 1-1-24 to 03-31-24	AMOUNTS RETURNED TO PROGRAM	BALANCE REMAINING 03-31-24
Stutsman	Lakeside Campground Improvements	03-30-23	\$ 5,574.00					\$ 5,574.00
Stutsman	Medina Community Recreation Center	03-20-24		\$ 50,000.00				\$ 50,000.00
Stutsman	Nickeus Park All Abilities Playground	03-20-24		\$ 50,000.00				\$ 50,000.00
Trails	Galesburg Playground	03-30-22	\$ 22,595.00		\$ 21,880.00			\$ 715.00
Trails	Mayville-Basketball Courts	09-20-23	\$ 2,000.00					\$ 2,000.00
Trails	Mayville-Cometville Park Landscape	09-20-23	\$ 21,887.00					\$ 21,887.00
Trails	Mayville-Funbrella Shade	09-20-23	\$ 6,689.00					\$ 6,689.00
Trails	Park Gazebo	03-20-24		\$ 15,923.00				\$ 15,923.00
Ward	Ward County Parks 2022	03-30-22	\$ 10,632.00					\$ 10,632.00
Ward	11th & 11th Park Playground	09-28-22	\$ 21,875.00					\$ 21,875.00
Ward	Swimming Pool & Bathhouse	09-28-22	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
Ward	Talbott Court Disc Golf	03-30-23	\$ 2,465.00					\$ 2,465.00
Ward	Ward County-2024 Ward Co Park Improv	09-20-23	\$ 8,071.00					\$ 8,071.00
Ward	Minot-Pump Track	09-20-23	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
Ward	West Park Playground	03-20-24		\$ 50,000.00				\$ 50,000.00
Ward	Pony Tracks Pickleball	03-20-24		\$ 10,875.00				\$ 10,875.00
Wells	Fessenden-Splash Pad	09-20-23	\$ 49,250.00					\$ 49,250.00
Wells	Manfred Comfort Station & Park	03-20-24		\$ 9,372.00				\$ 9,372.00
Williams	McGregor Dam Vault Toilet	04-29-21	\$ 17,500.00				\$ (17,500.00)	\$ -
Williams	Confluence Ramp	04-29-21	\$ 4,750.00			\$ 4,750.00		\$ -
Williams	Wildrose Community Garden	03-30-22	\$ 1,000.00					\$ 1,000.00
Williams	BlackTail Beach Trail	09-28-22	\$ 22,500.00					\$ 22,500.00
Williams	Tioga Dam Trail & Park	09-28-22	\$ 24,000.00					\$ 24,000.00
Williams	Williston Water World	03-30-23	\$ 75,000.00					\$ 75,000.00
Williams	Coyote Clay Target Range Phase 3	03-20-24		\$ 50,000.00				\$ 50,000.00
Williams	Grenora Sunset Park Pre-K Playground	03-20-24		\$ 5,000.00				\$ 5,000.00
Williams	Spring Lake Frisbee Golf & Bathroom	03-20-24		\$ 27,688.00				\$ 27,688.00
TOTALS			\$ 2,251,611.00	\$ 657,865.00	\$ 242,030.38	\$ 157,999.23	\$ (50,341.03)	\$ 2,459,105.36

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT WATER ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM OUTSTANDING PROJECTS June 1, 2021 to March 31, 2024									
COUNTY	Sponsor	PROJECT	GRANT APPROVAL DATE	OUTSTANDING PROJECTS	PROJECTS APPROVED 2024	EXPENDITURES 1-1-21 to 12-31-23	EXPENDITURES 1-1-24 to 03-31-24	AMOUNTS RETURNED TO PROGRAM	BALANCE REMAINING 03-31-24
Benson	CPWD	Foss, Scott	08-24-23	\$ 10,000.00					\$ 10,000.00
Cass	CRWD	Pfeifer, Alex	05-10-23	\$ 10,000.00					\$ 10,000.00
Cass	CRWD	Claus, Dylan	08-24-23	\$ 9,025.00					\$ 9,025.00
Cass	CRWD	Korthof, Jack	08-24-23	\$ 8,413.00					\$ 8,413.00
Dickey	SEWUD	City of Ludden	10-19-23	\$ 7,550.00			\$ 7,550.00		\$ -
Eddy	GRWD	Harding, Logan	05-10-23	\$ 2,825.00		\$ 2,300.00			\$ 525.00
Eddy	GRWD	Snyder,Dale	05-10-23	\$ 7,150.00					\$ 7,150.00
Eddy	GRWD	Topp, Ryan	05-10-23	\$ 10,000.00					\$ 10,000.00
Ramsey	GRWD	Lacina, Tane	08-15-22	\$ 5,550.00		\$ 4,125.00			\$ 1,425.00
Ramsey	GRWD	Newgard, Brent	05-10-23	\$ 10,000.00					\$ 10,000.00
Ramsey	GRWD	Shoenfish, Evan	05-10-23	\$ 10,000.00					\$ 10,000.00
Renville	USWD	Frame, Jane	05-18-22	\$ 6,550.00					\$ 6,550.00
Richland	SEWUD	Wolters, Andy	08-15-22	\$ 8,475.00					\$ 8,475.00
Richland	SEWUD	Steffens, Darrin & Alissa	10-19-23	\$ 7,625.00					\$ 7,625.00
Sargent	SEWUD	Schmidt, Anthony	08-24-23	\$ 6,287.00			\$ 6,287.00		\$ -
Sargent	SEWUD	Storhaug, Travers & Brittany	08-24-23	\$ 2,035.00			\$ 1,203.60	\$ 831.40	\$ -
Stutsman	SRWD	Wahl, John	05-18-22	\$ 1,630.00					\$ 1,630.00
Stutsman	SRWD	Browning, Zac	10-19-23	\$ 8,250.00					\$ 8,250.00
Trail	ECRWD	Smith, Michael	10-19-23	\$ 10,000.00			\$ 10,000.00		\$ -
Ward	NPRWD	Hendrickson, Joann & Duwayne	08-15-22	\$ 2,197.00					\$ 2,197.00
Ward	NPRWD	Keller, Dean	08-15-22	\$ 1,182.00					\$ 1,182.00
Ward	NPRWD	Wing, Michael & Crystal	08-15-22	\$ 2,469.00					\$ 2,469.00
TOTALS				\$ 147,213.00	\$ -	\$ 6,425.00	\$ 25,040.60	\$ 831.40	\$ 114,916.00

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
2024 BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
Rv2**

	General Fund	Operations & Maintenance Fund	Municipal, Rural, and Industrial Fund	Red River Valley Water Supply Project	Irrigation Fund	Total
REVENUES:						
Irrigation Admin	\$ 975					\$ 975
Project Income						\$ -
Lease Income						\$ -
Miscellaneous Income	\$ -					\$ -
Interest Income	\$ 366,000		\$ 60		\$ 2,700	\$ 368,760
Tax Levy/State Aid	\$ 4,190,000					\$ 4,190,000
O&M Non-project Income		\$ 193,000				\$ 193,000
Contract Revenue	\$ 72,000	\$ 4,485,118	\$ 30,104,940	\$ 120,663,000	\$ 633,400	\$ 155,958,458
Total Revenues	\$ 4,628,975	\$ 4,678,118	\$ 30,105,000	\$ 120,663,000	\$ 636,100	\$ 160,711,193
EXPENDITURES:						
Directors Expense	\$ 255,000					\$ 255,000
Employee Expenses	\$ 1,540,000	\$ 1,835,400	\$ 82,000			\$ 3,457,400
Administrative Expenses	\$ 209,000	\$ 90,800				\$ 299,800
Public Education	\$ 193,000					\$ 193,000
Professional Services	\$ 781,000	\$ 279,500		\$ 1,250,000		\$ 2,310,500
Irrigation Development	\$ 93,000					\$ 93,000
Recreation Matching	\$ 860,000					\$ 860,000
Water Assistance Grant	\$ 300,000					\$ 300,000
Irrigation Districts Expenses	\$ 2,000					\$ 2,000
Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 82,000	\$ 773,000			\$ 418,100	\$ 1,273,100
Capital Purchases	\$ 654,797	\$ 1,001,000		\$ 118,750,000	\$ -	\$ 120,405,797
MR&I Project Expenditures			\$ 30,000,000			\$ 30,000,000
Debt Service Payments				\$ 413,000	\$ 187,000	\$ 600,000
Interest on Debt Service				\$ 250,000	\$ 31,000	\$ 281,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 4,969,797	\$ 3,979,700	\$ 30,082,000	\$ 120,663,000	\$ 636,100	\$ 160,330,597
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures*	\$ (340,822)	\$ 698,418	\$ 23,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 380,596
Transfers In (Out)	\$ 721,418	\$ (698,418)	\$ (23,000)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 380,596	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 380,596

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
2024 BUDGET REVISION
Rv2**

	Budget 2024	Revision	Revised Budget
Directors Expense			
Directors Per Diem	135,000		\$ 135,000
Directors Exp	120,000		120,000
Total Directors Expense	\$ 255,000	0	\$ 255,000
Employee Expense			
Employee Salaries	\$ 972,000		\$ 972,000
General Managers Expense	21,000		21,000
Travel	61,000		61,000
Administrative Officer	25,000		25,000
District Engineer	10,000		10,000
Engineer	5,000		5,000
Communications Director	6,000		6,000
Emp Exp Other	15,000		15,000
Professional Development	17,000		17,000
Employee Training	15,000		15,000
Wellness Program	2,000		2,000
Benefits	469,000		469,000
GDCD FICA	82,000		82,000
Retirement	149,000		149,000
Hospital & Life Insurance	191,000		191,000
Unemployment Comp	5,000		5,000
Vision / Dental	13,000		13,000
Workforce Safety Insurance	1,000		1,000
Long Term Disability Ins	10,000		10,000
Vacation/Sick Leave Liability	18,000		18,000
Total Employee Expense	\$ 1,540,000	0	\$ 1,540,000
Administration			
Postage	\$ 3,500		\$ 3,500
Communications	16,000		16,000
Utilities	35,000		35,000
Meetings & Events	9,500		9,500
Subscriptions	6,500		6,500
Miscellaneous	3,500		3,500
Data Processing	22,500		22,500
Employee Recruiting	5,000		5,000
Supplies	11,500		11,500
Small Office Equipment	25,000		25,000
Dues	14,000		14,000
Insurance	17,000		17,000
Annual Independent Audit	35,000	5,000	40,000
Total Administration	\$ 204,000	5,000	\$ 209,000
Public Education			
GDCD Tours	\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000
ND Water Users	20,000		20,000
ND Water Coalition	14,000		14,000
ND Water Magazine	18,000		18,000
Missouri River Joint Board	51,000		51,000
Upper Sheyenne	50,000		50,000
Conferences/Sponsorships	20,000		20,000
Miscellaneous	10,000		10,000
Total Public Education	\$ 193,000	0	\$ 193,000

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
2024 BUDGET REVISION
Rv2**

	Budget 2024	Revision	Revised Budget
Professional Services			
Communications	\$ 140,000		\$ 140,000
Engineering	125,000		125,000
RRVWSP Development	313,000		313,000
Technical Support for LAWA	15,000		15,000
Engineering	100,000		100,000
Legal	122,000		122,000
Financial	10,000		10,000
Consultants	50,000		50,000
Meeting, Misc. Exp	16,000		16,000
Prof Services Other	45,000		45,000
Legal Services	158,000		158,000
Total Professional Services	\$ 781,000	0	\$ 781,000
Irrigation Development			
ND Irrigation Association	\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000
NDSU Oakes Irrigation Site	-		-
Bob Titus Lease	17,000		17,000
Irrigation Development	26,000		26,000
Total Irrigation Development	\$ 93,000	0	\$ 93,000
Recreation			
Recreation Matching	\$ 850,000		\$ 850,000
DWRA Recreation Program	10,000		10,000
Total Recreation	\$ 860,000	0	\$ 860,000
Water Assistance			
Water Assistance Grant	\$ 300,000		\$ 300,000
Irrigation District Expense			
Irrigation District Expenses	\$ 2,000		\$ 2,000
OTA Title Transfer	-		-
Technical Support	-		-
Legal	-		-
Total Irrigation District Expense	\$ 2,000	0	\$ 2,000
Maintenance & Repair			
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 27,000		\$ 27,000
Small Yard Equipment Purchases	5,000		5,000
Land & Bldg Maintenance	35,000		35,000
Auto Expense	15,000		15,000
Total Maintenance & Repair	\$ 82,000	0	\$ 82,000
Capital Purchases			
Office Equip & Furniture	\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000
Yard Equipment	20,000		20,000
Vehicle	80,000		80,000
Land & Buildings	484,797	20,000	504,797
Total Capital Purchases	\$ 634,797	20,000	\$ 654,797
General Fund Subtotal	\$ 4,944,797	25,000	\$ 4,969,797

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
2024 BUDGET REVISION
Rv2**

	Budget 2024	Revision	Revised Budget
Irrigation Fund			
McClusky Canal Irrigation	\$ 418,100		\$ 418,100
Construction	-		-
Operations	418,100		418,100
Debt Payments	218,000		218,000
Principal	187,000		187,000
Interest	31,000		31,000
Total Irrigation Fund	\$ 636,100	0	\$ 636,100
GDU O & M			
Salaries & Benefits	1,768,600	0	\$ 1,768,600
Salaries	1,188,200		1,188,200
Benefits	580,400		580,400
Travel	11,100		11,100
Training	2,700		2,700
Utilities	73,900		73,900
Contracted Services (Eng / Survey)	279,500		279,500
Supplies	214,000		214,000
Equipment Purchases	1,001,000		1,001,000
Small Equipment Purchases	15,000		15,000
Equipment Rental	7,000		7,000
Equipment Maintenance	300,000		300,000
Safety	53,000		53,000
Miscellaneous	16,900		16,900
Materials	237,000		237,000
Total GDU O & M	\$ 3,979,700	\$ -	\$ 3,979,700
MR&I Fund			
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 82,000		\$ 82,000
State Administration	-		-
MR&I Project Expenditures	30,000,000		30,000,000
Total MR&I Fund	\$ 30,082,000		\$ 30,082,000
RRV Water Supply Project			
ROW	\$ 1,250,000		\$ 1,250,000
Construction	117,500,000		117,500,000
Salaries & Benefits	-		-
Financing/Legal/Administration	1,250,000		1,250,000
Debt Payments	663,000		663,000
Principal	413,000		413,000
Interest	250,000		250,000
Total RRVWSP	\$ 120,663,000		\$ 120,663,000
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$ 160,305,597	\$ 25,000	\$ 160,330,597

January 2024	Present 2023 budget revisions to Board of Directors for approval
March 2024	Present 2024 budget revisions to Executive Committee for approval (if needed) Present 2023 budget final revisions to Executive Committee for approval (if needed) Submission of preliminary 2025 budget (version 1) requests from staff
April 2024	Present 2025 draft budget (version 2) to Board of Directors Present 2023 budget final revisions to Board of Directors for approval (if needed)
June 2024	Present 2025 draft budget (version 3) to Executive Committee Present 2024 budget revisions to Executive Committee for approval
July 2024	Present 2025 budget (version 4) to Board of Directors
September 2024	Present 2024 budget revisions to Executive Committee for approval (if needed) 2025 budget public hearing at Board of Director Meeting Final 2025 budget approval by the Board of Directors
October 2024	2025 budget and tax levy due to member counties
December 2024	Present 2024 budget revisions to Executive Committee for approval (if needed)
January 2025	Present 2024 budget revisions to Board of Directors for approval
March 2025	Present 2025 budget revisions to Executive Committee for approval (if needed) Present 2024 budget final revisions to Executive Committee for approval Submission of preliminary 2026 budget (version 1) requests from staff

DONATION AGREEMENT

THIS DONATION AGREEMENT (“**Agreement**”) is made and entered into effective as of this _____ day of _____, 2024 (the “**Effective Date**”), by and between Garrison Diversion Conservancy District, (“**Donor**”) a political subdivision of the State of North Dakota, and the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education, d/b/a North Dakota State University, (“**Donee**”) a political subdivision of the State of North Dakota.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Donor owns certain real property located in Dickey County, North Dakota, more particularly described as Exhibit A (“**Property**”), attached hereto and incorporated herein, together with any and all hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging.

WHEREAS, Donor desires to donate the Property to Donee.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals and the mutual covenants, promises, and agreements hereinafter contained and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of where are hereby acknowledged, Donor and Donee hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DONATION OF THE PROPERTY

Section 1.1 Donation of the Property. Upon the terms, covenants, and conditions herein set forth, Donor agrees to donate to Donee the Property and all improvements located thereon, and Donee agrees to accept the donation of the Property from Donor.

Section 1.2 Condition of the Property.

1.2.1 Property Information. At the cost of Donee, Donee agrees to obtain and update the abstract documents for the Property.

1.2.2 “AS-IS” Donation. Donee acknowledges and agrees that, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement and any documents delivered to Donee by Donor at closing, Donor has not made, and specifically negates and disclaims, any representations, warranties regarding any aspect of the Property, including without limitation: (A) the value, nature, quality, or physical condition of the Property, (B) the income to be derived from the Property, (C) the suitability of the Property for any activity or use which Donee or any tenant may conduct thereon, (D) the compliance of the Property or its operation with any laws, rules, ordinances, or regulations of any applicable governmental authority or body, (E) the habitability, merchantability, marketability, profitability, or fitness for a particular purpose of the Property, (F) the manner, quality, state of repair, or lack of repair of the Property, or (G) compliance of the Property with any environmental protection, pollution, or land use laws, rules, regulations, orders, or requirements, including the existence in or on the Property of hazardous materials. Additionally, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement or any of the documents delivered by Donor to Donee at closing, no person acting on behalf of Donor is authorized to make, and by execution hereof Donee acknowledges that no person made, any representation, warranty, covenant, or agreement

regarding the Property or the donation contemplated herein. Donee acknowledges that, having been given the opportunity to inspect the Property, Donee is relying solely on its own investigation of the Property and not on any information provided or to be provided by Donor. Donee further acknowledges and agrees that to the maximum extent permitted by law, the donation of the Property as provided for herein is made on an “AS IS” basis with all faults. Donee assumes the risk that adverse past, present, or future physical characteristics and conditions of the Property may not have been revealed by Donor’s disclosures or Donee’s inspections or investigations of the Property. The provisions of this section shall survive the closing or any termination of this Agreement.

Section 1.3 Title Commitment and Contingency.

1.3.1 Title Commitment. Within 20 days of the Effective Date, Donee may, at Donee’s expense, request a title company issue and deliver to Donee a commitment to insure the Property (“**Title Commitment**”). Within 10 days following the receipt by Donee of Title Commitment and copies of all Exception Documents (the “**Title Review Period**”), Donee shall notify Donor, in writing (“**Donee’s Title Notice**”) as to which items, if any, disclosed in the Title Commitment are not acceptable to Donee. Within five (5) business days following Donor’s receipt of Donee’s Title Notice, Donor shall notify Donee, in writing (“**Donor’s Title Notice**”) that, with respect to each matter objected to in Donee’s Title Notice, either (1) it shall take such actions as may be reasonably necessary to eliminate such matter as an exception in the Title Commitment; or (2) that it shall not take any action to cure Donee’s objection to such matter. Except to the extent that Donor’s Title Notice expressly states that Donor will take an action with respect to a matter identified in Donee’s Title Notice (or if Donor fails to deliver Donor’s Title Notice within such five (5) business day period) then Donor shall be deemed to have elected cause (2) of this Section 1.3.1.

1.3.2 Title Contingency. In the event Donee fails to timely deliver Donee’s Title Notice, then Donee shall be deemed to have waived all title objections to matters shown in the Title Commitment. If Donee has timely delivered Donee’s Title Notice and Donor elects not to correct such objections, or is deemed to have elected not to correct such objections as provided in clause (2) of Section 1.3.1 hereof, Donee may either waive the objection and proceed to Closing (as defined in Article II below), or Donee may terminate this Agreement and neither Donor nor Donee shall have any further liability or obligation under this Agreement. If Donee fails to terminate this Agreement on or before the Closing Date (as defined in Article II below), then Donee shall be deemed to have waived all of its title objections (except with respect to those specific matters objected to in Donee’s Title Notice, which are agreed to be eliminated in Donor’s Title Notice (the “**Rejected Exceptions**”)).

Section 1.4 No Payment. The parties to this Agreement acknowledge and agree that there shall be no payment of money or goods of any kind made by Donee in exchange for Donor’s transfer of the Property to Donee. This Agreement and performance of any covenant or condition contained herein, is not contingent upon Donee obtaining financing from any source.

ARTICLE II

CLOSING

Section 2.1 Closing. The consummation of the property donation contemplated by this Agreement (the “Closing”) shall occur at [LOCATION], or at such other place as the parties may mutually agree, on for before [DATE] (the “Closing Date”).

Section 2.2 Board of Higher Education Contingency. The Closing of this Agreement shall be contingent on approval from the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education. Parties shall not be required to perform any part of this Agreement without this approval.

Section 2.3 Donor Obligations at Closing. At Closing, Donor shall execute, acknowledge (where necessary), and deliver to Donee, as appropriate, the following:

- (a) The Warranty Deed (attached hereto as Exhibit B), subject to easements, conditions, and restrictions of record;
- (b) Such other documents and instruments as may be required to give effect to this Agreement or as may be reasonably requested by Donee in connection with the performance of Donor’s obligations hereunder; and
- (c) Possession of the Property.

Section 2.4 Donee Obligations at Closing. At Closing, Donee shall execute, acknowledge (where necessary), and deliver to Donor, such documents and instruments as may be reasonably required to give effect to this Agreement or as may be reasonably requested by the Donor to evidence Donee’s acceptance of the Property being conveyed.

ARTICLE III

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 3.1 Default. In the event of any breach or default by Donee hereunder, Donor shall be entitled to pursue any and all rights and remedies allowed at law or in equity. In the event of a breach or default of this Agreement by Donor occurring prior to Closing and resulting in a failure to close, Donee’s sole and exclusive remedy shall be to terminate this Agreement, provided that Donee shall not exercise such remedy unless Donor has first been given written notice of the breach or default hereunder and it remains uncured following such notice for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 3.2 Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire and complete agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes any prior oral or written agreements between the parties with respect to the Property. It is expressly agreed that there are no oral understandings or agreements which in any way change the terms, covenants, and conditions herein set forth, and that no modification of this Agreement and no waiver of any of its terms and conditions shall be effective unless made in writing and duly executed by the parties hereto.

Section 3.3 Survival. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements set forth in this Agreement shall survive (and shall be enforceable

after) the Closing and shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

Section 3.4 Captions. The headings or captions of the articles, sections, or paragraphs appearing in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only, are not a part of this Agreement and are not to be considered in interpreting this Agreement.

Section 3.5 Binding Effect. This Agreement shall become effective and shall be binding on the parties only after it has been signed by both the Donee and the Donor. This Agreement and all covenants, terms, and provisions contained herein shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of all the parties and their respective successors and assigns. The restrictions, covenants, and easement set forth in the Warranty Deed shall burden and run with the Property.

Section 3.6 Governing Law. This Agreement has been made and entered into under the laws of the State of North Dakota, and said laws shall control the interpretation hereof, without giving effect to any conflict of law doctrine that otherwise might be applicable.

Section 3.7 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement and shall be binding on the parties.

Section 3.8 Participation. Each of the parties has had the opportunity to participate in the negotiation and preparation of this Agreement, and expressly acknowledges such participation, and agrees that no rule construing contractual language against the party which drafted such language shall be applicable in connection with this Agreement.

Section 3.9 Exhibits. Any reference herein to any exhibit, addendum, or attachment refers to the applicable exhibit, addendum, or attachment attached to this Agreement, and all such exhibits, addenda, or attachments shall constitute a part of this Agreement and are expressly incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.

Section 3.10 Conflicts. In the event of a conflict between any provision of this Agreement and any provision of the Warranty Deed, the latter provision shall control to the extent of the conflict.

The parties have executed this Agreement as of the date stated above.

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

By: _____
Its: _____

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF CASS)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this ____ day of _____, 2024, by _____, the _____ of Garrison Diversion Conservancy District, a political subdivision, on behalf of the political subdivision.

Notary Public

NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

By:
Its:

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF CASS)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this ____ day of _____, 2024, by _____ the _____ of North Dakota State University, a political subdivision, on behalf of the political subdivision.

Notary Public

EXHIBIT A

That part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 17, Township 130 North, Range 59 West of the 5th Principal Meridian, Dickey County, North Dakota, described as follows:

Commencing at the Northeast Corner of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 17; thence South 88 degrees 18 minutes 47 seconds West along the north line of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 17 a distance of 125.00 feet to the west right-of-way line of State Highway 1; thence South 01 degree 26 minutes 43 seconds East along the west right-of-way line of State Highway 1 a distance of 50.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 01 degree 26 minutes 43 seconds East along the west right-of-way line of State Highway 1 a distance of 322.66 feet; thence South 88 degrees 18 minutes 47 seconds West parallel to the north line of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 17 a distance of 675.00; thence North 01 degree 26 minutes 43 seconds West parallel with the east line of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 17 a distance of 322.66 feet to a point 50.00 feet south of the north line of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 17; thence North 88 degrees 18 minutes 47 seconds East parallel with north line of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 17 a distance of 675.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; containing 5.00 acres more or less.

EXHIBIT B

(WARRANTY DEED)

Garrison Diversion ~~123~~nservancy District
 Recreation Committee Meeting
 March 20, 2024
 Approved Projects

County	Sponsor	Project Place/Name	Approved
Barnes	Valley City Parks & Recreation District	Valley City Park Playground	\$ 50,000
Bottineau	Bottineau County	Bottineau Winter Park Snow System	\$ 50,000
Bottineau	City of Maxbass	Maxbass Community Park	\$ 31,141
Burleigh	Bismarck Parks & Recreation District	Municipal Ballpark Master Plan Improve	\$ 50,000
Cass	Fargo Park District	Rheault Farm Playground	\$ 50,000
Dickey	Dickey County Fair Board	Dickey County Community Rec Facility	\$ 34,996
Grand Forks	Grand Forks Park District	Grand Valley Development Park Playgrnd	\$ 50,000
LaMoure	Marion Park Board	Marion ADA Bathroom	\$ 9,068
LaMoure	LaMoure County	Twin Lakes Vault Toilet	\$ 3,500
McHenry	Anamoose Park Board	Park Swing Sets	\$ 9,071
McLean	Turtle Lake Park District	Lake Brekken Picnic Tables	\$ 2,356
McLean	McLean County	Sportsmens Centennial Park Vault Toilet	\$ 875
Renville	Mohall Park District	Mohall Adult Recreation Complex	\$ 37,500
Sargent	City of Gwinner	Hero's Park	\$ 10,500
Stutsman	Medina City Park	Medina Community Recreation Center	\$ 50,000
Stutsman	Jamestown Parks & Recreation District	Nickeus Park All Abilities Playground	\$ 50,000
Traill	City of Reynolds	Park Gazebo	\$ 15,923
Ward	ND State Fair Association	West Park Playground	\$ 50,000
Ward	Surrey Park District	Pony Tracks Pickleball	\$ 10,875
Wells	Wells County	Manfred Comfort Station & Park	\$ 9,372
Williams	Williston Parks & Recreation District	Coyote Clay Target Range Phase 3	\$ 50,000
Williams	Sunset Park District	Grenora Sunset Park Pre-K Playground	\$ 5,000
Williams	Williston Parks & Recreation District	Spring Lake Frisbee Golf & Bathroom	\$ 27,688
		TOTAL	\$ 657,865

RRVWSP Work Plan Update
April 12, 2024

CONSTRUCTION

Pipeline Construction

Contract 5B

The original pipe delivery of June 15, 2021, was delayed due to a surface blemish in the steel coil. Year one, 2022, there was 7,761 feet of pipe installed out of the total nine miles. High groundwater slowed the pipe installation progress.

In the second year, 2023, there was 21,120 feet of pipe installed for a total Contract 5B pipe installation to-date of 28,881 feet (5.5 miles).

To date, \$28,804,037.79 has been paid on the original contract amount of \$45,961,700.00. Change Orders No. 1, 2 and 3 have been approved, leaving the current contract price at \$44,932,678.24.



Contract 5C

The contract price is \$76,663,355.00 for 8 miles of pipe awarded to Oscar Renda Contracting. To date, the contractor has been working on administrative construction submittals. Topsoil stripping will begin toward the end of April.

Contract 5D

The contract price is \$61,677,275.00 for 10 miles of pipe awarded to Carstensen Contracting. To date, the contractor has been prepping the first two miles by receiving aggregate deliveries, preparing for pipe and topsoil stripping.



Soil Strata



Topsoil Removal

Missouri River Intake Tunnel and Screen Final Design Contract 2

The project is closed, original contract price \$18,896,900 with five change orders bringing the final contract price to \$19,444,165.60.



Site Under Construction



Completed Missouri River Intake

DESIGN

The design team is also working with Reclamation and USFWS routing the ENDAWS pipeline through wetland and other various existing easements.

Contract 6A will be scheduled for bid in 2024. Final design efforts have been started on Contracts 7 and 4. Additional geotechnical data is complete.

CHANGE ORDER

Change Order No. 1

DATE OF ISSUANCE _____ EFFECTIVE DATE April 18, 2024

Owner: Garrison Diversion Conservancy District
Contractor: Carstensen Contracting, Inc.
Project: Red River Valley Water Supply Project, Transmission Pipeline East
Owner's Contract No.: 5D
Owner's Task Order No.: 5534

The Contract is modified as follows upon execution of this Change Order:

Description: Remove Trenchless Crossing at Station 6074+50

Attachments: BV Request for Change Proposal No. 1 – Remove Trenchless Crossing at Station 6074+50 dated February 7, 2024.

Carstensen Contracting, Inc. Change Proposal No. 1 - Remove Trenchless Crossing at Station 6074+50 dated March 21, 2024.

CHANGE IN CONTRACT PRICE:

CHANGE IN CONTRACT TIMES:

Original Contract Price

\$61,677,275.00

Original Contract Times:
Milestone Completion October 31, 2025
Substantial Completion: May 29, 2026
Ready for final payment: July 31, 2026
(days or dates)

No previously approved Change Orders

\$0.00

No previously approved Change Orderse
Milestone Completion: 0
Substantial Completion: 0
Ready for final payment: 0
(days)

Contract Price prior to this Change Order:

\$61,677,275.00

Contract Times prior to this Change Order:
Milestone Completion October 31, 2025
Substantial Completion: May 29, 2026
Ready for final payment: July 31, 2026
(days or dates)

Decrease of this Change Order:

\$(2,301,780.00)

Increase of this Change Order:
Milestone Completion: 0
Substantial Completion: 0
Ready for final payment: 0
(days)

Contract Price incorporating this Change Order:

\$59,375,495.00

Contract Times with all approved Change Orders:
Milestone Completion October 31, 2025
Substantial Completion: May 29, 2026
Ready for final payment: July 31, 2026
(days or dates)

ACCEPTED:

ACCEPTED:

By: _____
Owner (Authorized Signature)

By: _____
Contractor (Authorized Signature)

Printed: _____

Printed: _____

Title: _____

Title _____

Date: _____

Date: _____



BLACK & VEATCH CORPORATION
 8400 WARD PARKWAY
 KANSAS CITY, MO 64114 USA
 913-458-3571 | RONNEKAMPKA@BV.COM

Thursday, April 4, 2024

Garrison Diversion Conservancy District
 401 Hwy 281 NE
 Carrington, ND 58421

RRVWSP TO 5534 TPE CT 5D
 BV Project 415094-5D
 BV File 60.1350.4

Attention: Kip Kovar, Deputy Program Manager – Engineering

Subject: Task Order 5534 / CO No. 1 Recommendation

Information Referenced: Change Proposal No. 1 – Remove Tunnel at Station 6074+50

In reference to Request for Proposal No. 1 dated February 7, 2024, Black & Veatch (BV) received the attached credit proposal from Carstensen Contracting (Carstensen) dated March 21, 2024. The proposal provides a credit for deletion of a single tunnel in the amount of \$2,301,780.

A. Comments and Recommendation

1. The Carstensen proposal correctly identifies the items to be deleted (steel carrier and casing pipes and launching and receiving shafts) and identifies the addition of the same length of open cut pipe installation. All quantities and unit prices for these items are in accordance with the Bid Form submitted by Carstensen with its Bid and a part of the Agreement.
2. The Carstensen proposal also identifies an addition cost of \$155,000 for open-cut construction through the wetland using the proper non-notify construction methods. These methods include the following items:
 - a. Contractor must place and work from mats or timbers while operating equipment in the approved jurisdictional determination wetland (AJD) / preliminary jurisdictional determination wetland (PJD) area. They cannot drive on the existing ground as is the case with non-jurisdictional determination wetland (NJD) areas.
 - b. The Contractor must provide pre-construction and post-construction survey's documenting the natural lines and grades were maintained.
 - c. Excavated soil stockpiles must be replaced or removed within 90 days of commencement of work in the wetland.
 - d. Contractor cannot stage or store prohibited material, including embedment and aggregate trench backfill, in the wetland. Contractor must haul material from stockpiles outside of the wetland.
 - e. Natural flow through the wetland must be maintained during construction.
 - f. Trench excavation and backfill material cannot create a drain to the wetland.
 - g. We also note that there are additional conditions and considerations that will need to be met and documented to follow nationwide permit conditions.

BV Recommendation

The requirements outlined above, in our opinion, justify the proposed additional cost of \$155,000 for the open-cut pipeline and properly credit Garrison Diversion for deletion of the tunnel at Station 6074+50. BV therefore recommends Garrison Diversion process a change order approving this change. The overall result of this scope of work change is a reduction in the Contract Price in the amount of \$2,301,780 resulting in a revised Contract Price of \$59,375,495.

If you have any questions about the change in the scope of work or the proposed change in Contract Price, please let us know. In anticipation of Garrison Diversion agreement to this change, Change Order No. 1 has been prepared and it is attached for signature and execution.

Sincerely,
BLACK & VEATCH



Kurt A. Ronnekamp
Sr Project Manager

Attachments: BV Request for Change Proposal No. 1 dated February 7, 2024
Carstensen Proposal dated March 21, 2024
Change Order No. 1 dated April 18, 2024

cc: Brad Carstensen, CC
Mark Funston, BV
Vance Miller, BV

REQUEST FOR CHANGE PROPOSAL

Project: <u>RRVWSP TPE Contract 5D</u>	Project Number: _____
Owner: <u>Garrison Diversion Conservancy District</u>	<u>TO5534</u>
Contractor: <u>Carstensen Contracting, Inc.</u>	_____
Engineer: <u>Black & Veatch</u>	<u>415094</u>

Request No: <u>001</u>	Description: <u>Remove trenchless crossing at Sta. 6074+50</u>
Specification: <u>NA</u>	_____
Drawing No: <u>14-C-104</u>	_____

Reference Document:

Request for Information No: _____ Shop Drawing No: _____

Work Change Directive No: _____ Contract Document: _____

The Owner requests that the Contractor prepare a Change Proposal for the changes in the Contract Documents described in this Request for a Change Proposal. The compensation offered for this Change Proposal is to be the full, complete, and final compensation for all costs the Contractor may incur as a result of or relating to this change whether said costs are known, unknown, foreseen, or unforeseen at this time, including without limitation, any cost for delay, extended overhead, ripple or impact cost, or any other effect on changed or unchanged Work as a result of this Contract Amendment. Requested changes in Contract Times are to be the complete and final adjustments for direct impacts to the ability of the Contractor to complete the Work within the Contract Times and are the only adjustments to which the Contractor will be entitled. Authorization to proceed with changes must be approved by the Owner in accordance with the Contract Documents.

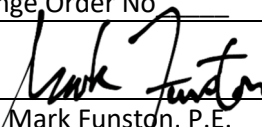
Owner requests a Change Proposal for the following modifications to the Contract Documents:
 Remove 345 LF trenchless crossing between stations 6072+65 and 6076+10 and install pipeline using open-cut construction methods. Revised profile for open-cut installation is shown on revised sheet 14-C-104. This change results in the following Bid Form adjustments:
 -Eliminate Bid Items 6 and 7
 -Reduce quantity for Bid Items 4 and 5 from 575 LF to 230 LF.
 -Increase quantity for Bid Item 2 from 50,570 LF to 50,915

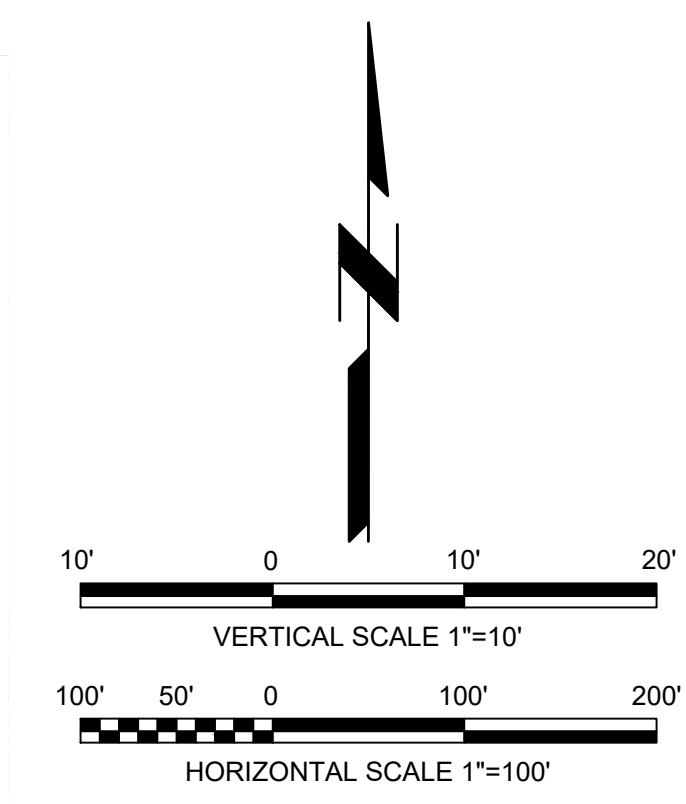
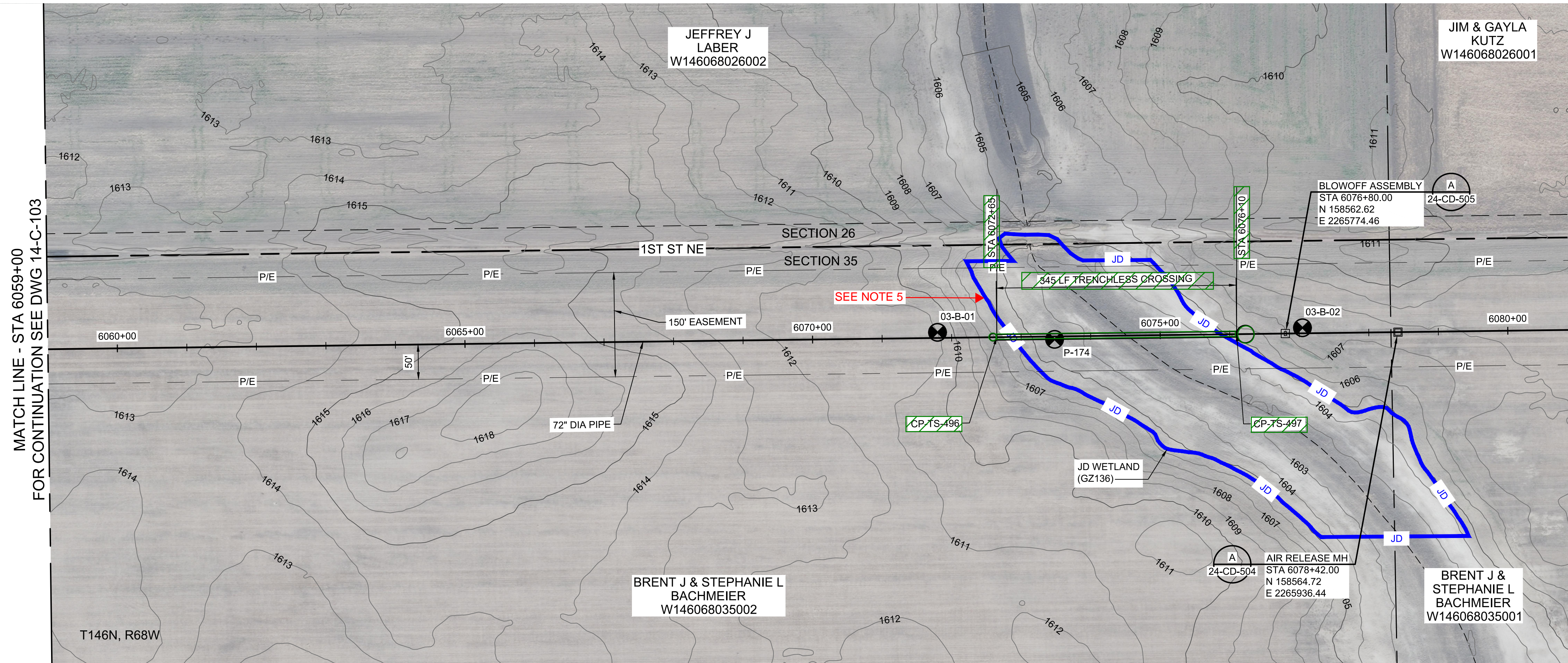
Purpose of Change Proposal:
 GDCCD and the Design Team have decided to cross the jurisdictional wetland at station 6074+50 using open-cut construction under the terms of a non-notify nationwide permit. The removal of this trenchless crossing is expected to save a significant amount of construction cost.

Attachments:
 Revised 14-C-104

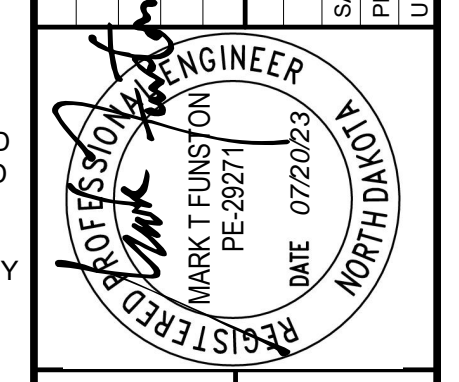
Status:
 Change Proposal No _____ Received Cancelled

Action Required:
 None Include in Change Order No _____ Revise and Resubmit Cancelled

Requested by:  **Date:** 02/07/2024
 Mark Funston, P.E.



- CONSTRUCTION NOTES:**
- SEE HYDRAULIC PROFILE FOR PIPELINE PRESSURE CLASS.
 - PROFILE FOLLOWS THE CENTERLINE OF THE PIPELINE.
 - THE LOCATIONS OF EXISTING UNDERGROUND UTILITIES ARE APPROXIMATE AND ARE BASED ON INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO THE ENGINEER. THE DEPTH AND LOCATION FOR ALL EXISTING UTILITIES SHALL BE VERIFIED BY THE CONTRACTOR IN ADVANCE OF CONSTRUCTION AND ANY CONFLICTS WITH THE PROPOSED PIPELINE SHALL BE REPORTED TO THE ENGINEER. ANY EXISTING UTILITY DAMAGED DURING CONSTRUCTION SHALL BE REPLACED OR REPAIRED WITH LIKE OR BETTER MATERIALS.
 - SEE SHEETS 34-CP-501 THROUGH 34-CP-504 FOR CATHODIC PROTECTION DETAILS.
 - JACKING SHAFT PER CONTRACTOR DESIGN.
 - RECEIVING SHAFT PER CONTRACTOR DESIGN.
 - CONTRACTOR MAY DISTURB JURISDICTIONAL (JD) WETLAND AREA AT THIS LOCATION ONLY. RESTORATION AND SOIL STOCK PILING SHALL BE AS SPECIFIED FOR NON-JURISDICTIONAL (NJD) WETLANDS. CONTACT ENGINEER BEFORE STARTING ANY WORK IN THIS AREA.



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STA 6059+00 TO STA 6081+00

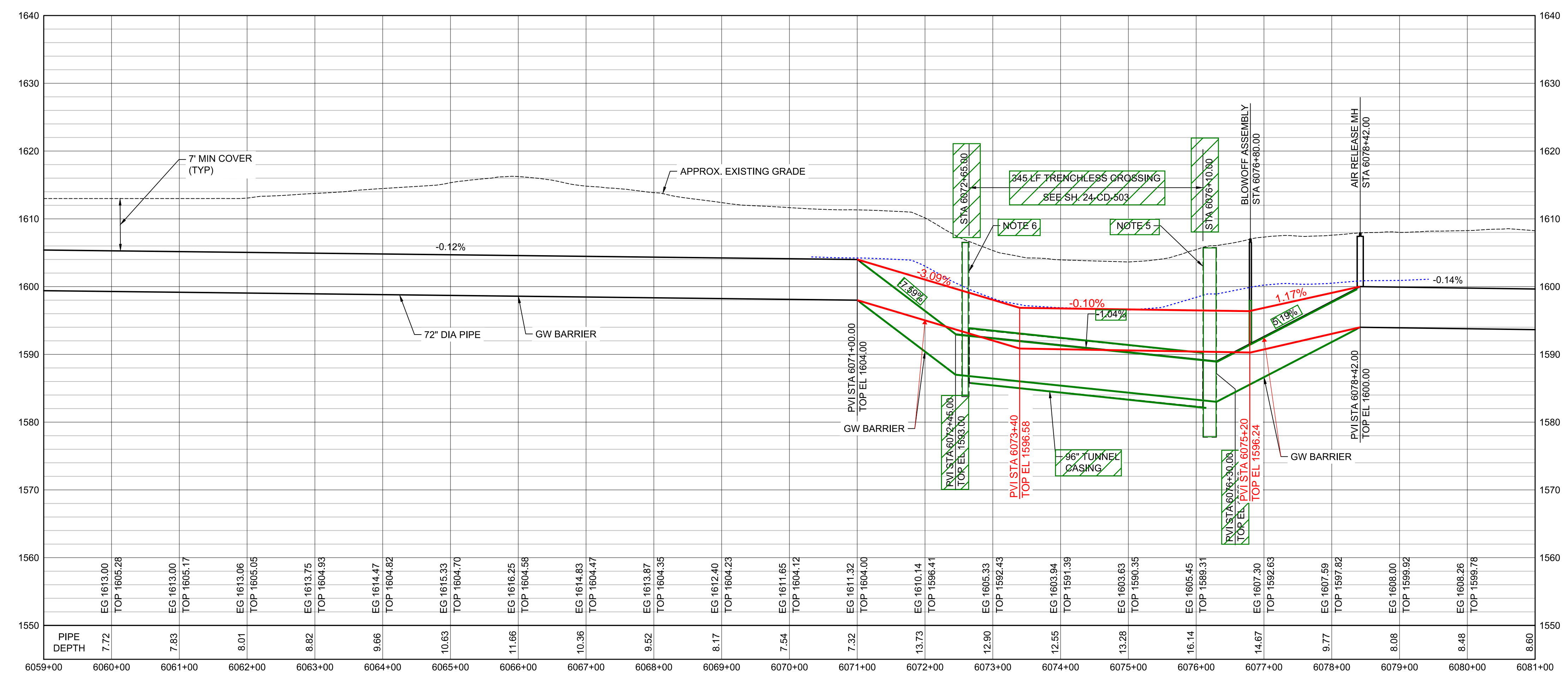
RED RIVER VALLEY WATER SUPPLY PROJECT

TRANSMISSION PIPELINE EAST
SYKESTON TO CARRINGTON
TASK ORDER 5534, CONTRACT 5D

DESIGNED: GDN
 DETAILED: SK
 CHECKED: MTF
 APPROVED: KAR
 DATE: JULY 2023

PROJECT NO.
192840

14-C-104
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800 East Quartzite Street
Dell Rapids, SD 57022

3/21/2024

QUOTE Black & Veatch
TO Attn: Mark Funston
8400 Ward Parkway
Kansas City, MO 64114

CONTACT Mark Funston
469-513-3191

JOB	WORK OFFERED	PLAN DATE
Red River Contract 5D	Remove Trenchless Crossing at Sta. 6074+50	3/21/2024

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	EXT PRICE
1	Bid item 2 - 72" Steel Pipe (Class 200) Open Cut Installation	345	LF	626.00	215,970.00
2	Bid item 4 - Trenchless Crossing 72" Steel Carrier	-345	LF	800.00	-276,000.00
3	Bid item 5 - Trenchless Crossing 96" Casing Pipe	-345	LF	5,150.00	-1,776,750.00
4	Bid item 6 - Tunnel Launching Shaft - Sta. 6076+10	-1	EA	400,000.00	-400,000.00
5	Bid item 7 - Tunnel Launching Shaft - Sta. 6072+65	-1	EA	220,000.00	-220,000.00
6	Additional Wetland Requirements	1	EA	155,000.00	155,000.00
TOTAL:					\$-2,301,780.00

Proposal for removal of trenchless crossing at Sta. 6074+50

Proposal includes removal of trenchless crossing of 345' at Sta. 6074+50 and credit for removal of tunnel shafts. This area will be completed by open cut installation. The additional line item is justified by a 75 percent credit back of the shafts for additional risk placed on CCI. Including wet conditions and following Ulteig Non-PCN Conditions for Wetlands and to maintain minimum disturbance of wetland area. Pipe installation requirements is to match adjoining pipeline and the possibility for trench bottom stabilization is to remain as owner directed and will be processed as it would be on the rest of the contracted alignment. Bore subcontractor mobilization is to remain unchanged.

INCLUSIONS: All labor, equipment, and materials needed to complete scope.

Brett Baerenwald
Carstensen Contracting, Inc.
507-215-0067



2023 to 2025 Biennium Work Plan

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March 14, 2024

No.	Scope of Work	Feature	Date Task Orders Auth	Note	2023-25 Bien ENDAWS Project Development Budget (mil \$)			2023-25 Biennium RRVWSP Project Development Budget (mil \$)			2023-25 Biennium RRVWSP Project Constr Budget (mil \$) ^{1,2,3}		
					Total	Federal 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%
1.	<p>Garrison Diversion Conservancy District Budget</p> <p>Scope: Account for all costs for which Garrison Diversion is responsible not included in other Task Orders listed here.</p> <p>Need: Budget allocation for GDCD direct costs associated with the Red River Valley Water Supply Project.</p>	Garrison Diversion's costs for the RRVWSP, including internal mgmt, admin, legal, communication, insurance advisory, misc., etc.		GDCD				\$ 2.50	\$ 1.87	\$ 0.63			
2.	<p>Property, Easements, and Crop Damage Payments⁴</p> <p>Scope: Costs to obtain easements and acquire property for associated facilities. Crop damage payments to landowners.</p> <p>Need: Secure land for installing future pipeline segments staying years ahead of pipeline design/construction needs. Purchase property on which to build all remaining facilities so property will be in hand before final design begins.</p>	Acquire easements in Sheridan and Wells County for 32-mi pipeline. Pay bonus payment to all easement holders. Acquire property for Biota WTP, Hydraulic Break Tanks, McClusky Canal Intake, and James River sites. Pay for crop damage.		RRVWSP ENDAWS ENDAWS Facilities Crp Dmg	\$ 0.49 \$ 2.00	\$ 0.37 \$ 1.50	\$ 0.12 \$ 0.50	\$ 2.21 \$ 0.78	\$ 1.66 \$ 0.58	\$ 0.55 \$ 0.20			
3.	<p>Transmission Pipeline East Contract 5C</p> <p>Scope: Pipeline installation, including construction phase engineering services by Engineer.</p> <p>Need: Continue progress of transmission pipeline installation for completion of RRVWSP by the target end date.</p>	8± mi of 72" pl, including two 96" tunnels. Pipeline extends eastward from Contract 5B NE of Bordulac to a termination point just east of the James River.	Jul-23 Nov-23	Prof Svcs Const, 2026 Fin							\$ 5.64 \$ 76.67	\$ 4.23 \$ 57.50	\$ 1.41 \$ 19.17
4.	<p>Transmission Pipeline East Contract 5D</p> <p>Scope: Pipeline installation, including construction phase engineering services by Engineer.</p> <p>Need: Continue progress of transmission pipeline installation for completion of RRVWSP by the target end date.</p>	10± miles of 72" pl, including several 96" tunnels. Pipeline section extends westward from Contract 5A south of Carrington to a termination point south of Sykeston.	Jul-23 Oct-23	Prof Svcs Const, 2026 Fin							\$ 5.47 \$ 61.68	\$ 4.10 \$ 46.26	\$ 1.37 \$ 15.42
5.	<p>RRV Transmission Pipeline Contract 6A</p> <p>Scope: Pipeline installation, including construction phase engineering services by Engineer.</p> <p>Need: Continue progress of transmission pipeline installation for completion of RRVWSP by the target end date.</p>	6± mi of 72" pl, including several 96" tunnels. Pipeline section extends eastward from Contract 5C just east of the James River to a termination point southwest of Glenfield.	Jul-23 Oct-24	Prof Svcs Const, 2027 Fin							\$ 5.47 \$ 45.00	\$ 4.10 \$ 33.75	\$ 1.37 \$ 11.25
6.	<p>ENDAWS Transmission Pipeline Contract 3</p> <p>Scope: Final design (30% docs to biddable plans and specs) and bidding assistance.</p> <p>Need: Continue progress of transmission pipeline installation for completion of RRVWSP/ENDAWS by the target end date.</p>	11± mi of 72" pipeline, including 96" tunnels. Pipeline section extends west from the west end of Contract 4 to the Sheridan Wells County line.	Aug-23	ENDAWS	\$ 3.06	\$ 2.30	\$ 0.76						



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7.	Transmission Pipeline East Contracts 4A and 4B	27± mi of 72" pl, including several 96" tunnels. Pipeline extends from the west end of Contract 5D south of Sykeston west to a termination point NE of Hurdsfield at HBTs.	Feb-24	Prof Srvs				\$ 7.19	\$ 5.39	\$ 1.80			
	Scope: Final design (30% docs to biddable plans and specs) and bidding assistance.												
	Need: Have the next pipeline section bid-ready when State funding becomes available (likely the 2025-27 biennium).												
8.	RRV Transmission Pipeline Contract 7	14± mi of 72" pipeline, including several 96" tunnels. Pipeline extends from the east end of Contract 6B to the outfall on the Sheyenne River southeast of Cooperstown.	Aug-23	Prof Srvs				\$ 2.93	\$ 2.20	\$ 0.73			
	Scope: Final design (30% docs to biddable plans and specs) and bidding assistance.												
	Need: Have the next pipeline section bid-ready when State funding becomes available (likely the 2025-27 biennium).												
9.	McClusky Canal Intake and Pumping Station	Siting; passive intake screens, pumping station similar to MRI, and utility extension design can begin for new facility to be located near McClusky, ND.	Feb-24	Prof Srvs	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.19						
	Scope: Conceptual and preliminary design of an intake and pumping station at the McClusky Canal.												
	Need: Preliminary designs are necessary so site acquisition can begin and final design can commence when land is secured.												
10.	Biota Water Treatment Plant and Main Pumping Station	165-cfs biota WTP, with chlorine and UV disinfection to meet NDPDES permit and FEIS requirements per Reclamation. Chloramines for residual disinfectant in pipeline.	Feb-24	Prof Srvs	\$ 2.88	\$ 2.16	\$ 0.72						
	Scope: Conceptual and preliminary designs for a Biota WTP and Main Pumping Station, including hydraulic surge facility.												
	Need: Complete design to a point where land acquisition can begin and project can move into final design next biennium.												
11.	Hydraulic Break Tanks	Two 5 MG above-ground storage tanks and accessories, site piping and valves, monitoring, and utility extensions necessary for a new greenfield site.	Feb-24	Prof Srvs	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.10						
	Scope: Preliminary design of above-ground tanks and associated facilities at or near the continental divide.												
	Need: Complete design to a point where land acquisition can begin and project can move into final design next biennium.												
12.	PMIS Annual Licenses & Continued Maint/Upgrades	Vendor fees (e-Builder & DocuSign) for licenses of expanded team and consulting support for training of contractors/ subcontractors and workflow/report additions and modifications.	Feb-24	Vend & Prof Srvs				\$ 0.49	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.12			
	Scope: Annual software license renewal for expanded team and consulting support for training and configuration services.												
	Need: Create greater efficiency and documentation for voluminous amount of construction related documents.												
13.	Prg Mgmt to Support Larger Spend and Expanded Team	Overall planning, management, administration, scheduling, budgeting, coordination, meeting preparation/attendance, regulatory interface, reporting, etc.	Aug-23	Prof Srvs				\$ 0.66	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.16			
	Scope: Overall program management, planning, budgeting, scheduling, and other support for Garrison Diversion.												
	Need: Consulting services of a broad programmatic nature not included under project-specific design or construction TOs.												



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14.	Outreach, Plng, and Design to Secure User Commitments	Size pipelines, pumping stations, channels, storage, etc. and other necessary infrastructure to deliver raw water to end users. Update capex to reflect current market.	Aug-23	Prof Srvs				\$ 1.70	\$ 1.28	\$ 0.42			
	Scope: User briefings and necessary support, including conceptual designs, to secure project commitments. Need: Define pipeline extensions to identify for users how and a what cost water will be delivered to their communities.												
15.	Operational Planning and Asset Management Phase 3	Refine details of diversions to/from Lake Ashtabula. Finalize stakeholder roles and responsibilities as it relates to system operation.	Feb-24	Prof Srvs				\$ 0.47	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.12			
	Scope: System modeling, evaluation, planning, and report development documenting results/findings/outcomes. Need: Finalize Garrison Diversion, State Water Commission, and USACE roles for system operation.												
16.	Financial Planning Support	Update financial models; address state loan and financing program changes; end user funding, financing, and cost-share analyses; continued funding and finance outreach.	Aug-23	Prof Srvs				\$ 0.59	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.15			
	Scope: Continue to refine the financial model and provide scenarios as required to support users and the program. Need: Accurate water bill estimates and affordability for customers are necessary to gain approval from users.												
17.	Contingency	Budget flexibility to adapt to work plan changes and to pay for construction change orders typically running from 3 to 5% of original construction costs at bid time.	N/A	GDCD	\$ 1.08	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.27	\$ 2.18	\$ 1.64	\$ 0.54	\$ 11.72	\$ 8.79	\$ 2.93
	Scope: A budget reserve for task order additions to professional services, construction, legal, real estate, etc. TOs. Need: Address and pay for changes that are sure to occur.												
TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET					\$ 10.65	\$ 7.99	\$ 2.66	\$ 21.70	\$ 16.28	\$ 5.42	\$ 211.65	\$ 158.73	\$ 52.92

Notes:

1. Construction costs include management, engineering services during construction, inspection, field quality control, and construction.
2. Projects indicated for construction funding in a given biennium will be shovel ready for construction at the start of the biennium.
3. Future capital costs are escalated to an anticipated midpoint of construction per Finance Team rates of 7, 6, 5, 5, and 3.5 percent per annum thereafter starting in 2022 with an anticipated 2032 finish. All future RRVWSP construction projects and costs are not shown.
4. Land services costs are the amount likely to be paid for real estate, easements, including bonus payments, crop damage, and field obstructions. Estimates include pipeline easements required for the ENDAWS east/west pipeline (none are secured at this point) and remaining easements from the Hydraulic Break Tanks to the Sheyenne River Outfall (25% remain mostly in Wells County).
5. Items appearing in blue bold are progressing with task orders and contracts issued to the engineering team and contractors, respectively. Items appearing in blue italics have been updated to reflect adjustments made for actual amounts contracted. Items shown in black text are pending.

2020-2027 Schedule
Red River Valley Water Supply Project

24-4 GDCD RRVWSP 2020-27 Schedule

Fri 4/12/24

ID	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	% Complete	2020				2021				2022				2023				2024				2025				2026				2027				2028			
						Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4				
1	EARLY-OUT PROJECTS	497 days	Mon 10/19/20	Tue 9/13/22	100%	10/19											9/13																								
32	MRI, SCREEN STRUCTURE & TUNNEL, CT 2	727 days	Thu 10/1/20	Fri 7/14/23	100%	10/1											7/14																								
48	TRANSMISSION PIPELINE EAST, CT 5B	648 days	Thu 7/1/21	Mon 12/25/23	70%					7/1															12/25																
49	Final Design Wrap-up	107 days	Thu 7/1/21	Fri 11/26/21	100%					7/1			11/26																												
52	Bidding Assistance & Award	65 days	Mon 11/29/21	Fri 2/25/22	100%					11/29			2/25																												
59	Construction 5B - Garney (9 miles)	476 days	Mon 2/28/22	Mon 12/25/23	59%									2/28											12/25																
60	Substantial Completion	433 days	Mon 2/28/22	Wed 10/25/23	65%																				10/25																
61	Final Completion	43 days	Thu 10/26/23	Mon 12/25/23	0%																				12/25																
62	TRANSMISSION PIPELINE EAST, CTS 5C&D	1261 days	Fri 10/1/21	Fri 7/31/26	38%					10/1																															
63	Final Design Wrap-up	456 days	Fri 10/1/21	Fri 6/30/23	100%					10/1			6/30																												
67	Bidding Assistance & Award	109 days	Mon 7/3/23	Thu 11/30/23	100%													7/3																							
74	Construction 5C - Oscar Renda (8 miles)	713 days	Wed 11/8/23	Fri 7/31/26	9%																	11/8																			
75	Initial Pipe Submittals, Fab, & Delivery	148 days	Wed 11/8/23	Fri 5/31/24	35%																																				
76	Pipe Installation	370 days	Mon 6/3/24	Fri 10/31/25	0%																																				
77	Testing and Substantial Completion	43 days	Wed 4/1/26	Fri 5/29/26	0%																																				
78	Final Completion	45 days	Mon 6/1/26	Fri 7/31/26	0%																																				
79	Construction 5D - Carstensen (10 miles)	726 days	Fri 10/20/23	Fri 7/31/26	20%																																				
80	Initial Pipe Submittals, Fab, & Delivery	161 days	Fri 10/20/23	Fri 5/31/24	75%																																				
81	Pipe Installation	370 days	Mon 6/3/24	Fri 10/31/25	0%																																				
82	Testing and Substantial Completion	43 days	Wed 4/1/26	Fri 5/29/26	0%																																				
83	Restoration and Final Completion	45 days	Mon 6/1/26	Fri 7/31/26	0%																																				
84	RRV TRANSMISSION PIPELINE, CTS 6A&B	1500 days	Mon 11/1/21	Fri 7/30/27	35%																																				
85	Final Design	695 days	Mon 11/1/21	Fri 6/28/24	90%					11/1																															
86	Prepare & Deliver 60% Docs	215 days	Mon 11/1/21	Fri 8/26/22	100%																																				
87	Prepare & Deliver 90% Docs	132 days	Mon 8/29/22	Tue 2/28/23	100%																																				
88	Prepare & Deliver 100% Docs	30 days	Wed 3/1/23	Tue 4/11/23	100%																																				
89	Prepare & Deliver Final Docs	43 days	Wed 5/1/24	Fri 6/28/24	0%																																				
90	Bidding Assistance & Award for 6A	67 days	Thu 8/1/24	Fri 11/1/24	0%																																				
97	Construction of 6A	716 days	Fri 11/1/24	Fri 7/30/27	0%																																				



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January 10, 2024

To: LAWA Board of Directors

RE: RRVWSP Tiered Cost Allocation Model Adjustments

Dear LAWA Board of Directors,

At last week's Financial Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting, the Committee reviewed and discussed the current four-tiered cost allocation model methodology, its limitations and associated concerns from participants, and is ultimately recommending the allocation model be changed to a new easier to understand two-tiered approach (see that accompanying presentation from the FAC meeting for more details). The FAC is recommending the LAWA Board to formally adopt this change and reflect these adjustments in current participant outreach materials and within the Project Participation Agreement (PPA) and corresponding exhibits.

Project participants expressed some concerns over the current four-tiered model during their initial reviews of the PPA. These concerns started a corresponding review process by LAWA leadership that led to the recommended two-tiered model. The key concerns expressed included equitability and pricing to different use types (industrial versus domestic uses), project changes since the time the four-tiered methodology was developed (i.e. RRVWSP State Project vs. ENDAWS Alternative Routing), the overly complicated tier assignment approach, disparate impacts to users depending upon tier assignment, and most importantly gaining policymaker understanding and support to ultimately execute the PPA.

To address these participant concerns a working group, including LAWA leadership representatives, was established to explore allocation model simplification and updates. Working group discussions were also followed by a small user review meeting with the City's of Valley City and Carrington for their review and input prior to bringing the recommendations forward to the FAC (note other users were also invited to this meeting but were unable to participate). This process led to the recommended two-tiered model and addresses the participant concerns and will also allow for easier methodology understanding and communications. To reiterate, it is the recommendation of FAC that the LAWA Board formally adopted the new two-tiered allocation model moving forward.

Sincerely,

FAC

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Maureen Storstad".

Maureen Storstad

FAC Co-Chair

Enclosures.

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT					
MR&I Project Construction Report					
March 31, 2024					
Current Funding					
Project	Federal MR&I Funding	Prior MR&I Fund Expenditures	2024 MR&I Fund Expenditures	Total Expenditures	Federal MR&I Funding Remaining
ENDAWS	\$ 3,870,000.00	\$ 819,076.12	\$ 103,789.04	\$ 922,865.16	2,947,134.84
NAWS-Biota Treatment Plant	\$ 60,874,495.85	\$ 52,542,365.41	\$ 1,764,465.94	\$ 54,306,831.35	6,567,664.50
NAWS-Westhope to Souris River (2-4B)	\$ 4,660,000.00	\$ 3,210,130.47		\$ 3,210,130.47	1,449,869.53
Totals	\$ 69,404,495.85	\$ 56,571,572.00	\$ 1,868,254.98	\$ 58,439,826.98	\$ 10,964,668.87

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
 MR&I BIL Agreement Project Construction Report
 March 31, 2024

Current Funding

Project	Federal MR&I Funding	Prior MR&I Fund Expenditures	2024 MR&I Fund Expenditures	Total Expenditures	Federal MR&I Funding Remaining
NAWS Biota WTP & Pump Station Ph 2 (7-2B/4-1B)	\$ 26,645,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	26,645,000.00
Bottineau Reservoir & Pump Station 4-4B/5-4B	\$ 7,400,000.00				7,400,000.00
Snake Creek Discharge Pipeline (2-1E)	\$ 4,500,000.00				4,500,000.00
Unallocated	\$ 2,000,000.00				2,000,000.00
Totals	\$ 40,545,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,545,000.00



March 5, 2024

The Honorable Deb Haaland
 Secretary
 U.S. Department of the Interior
 1849 C Street NW
 Room 6612
 Washington, D.C. 20240

RE: BOR Rural Water Waiver for Buy America Build America

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Secretary Haaland:

The Garrison Diversion Conservancy District (Garrison Diversion) is a political subdivision in North Dakota working together with a state agency, the North Dakota Department of Water Resources (NDDWR), to administer the federal Municipal, Rural, and Industrial (MR&I) Water Supply Program within the state. The MR&I program is a funding source for one of the seven rural water projects included in the Garrison Diversion Unit's proposed Buy America General Applicability Public Interest Waiver (Proposed Waiver) for the Bureau of Reclamation's (BOR) Rural Water Program previously planned projects.

We want to seek clarification on the following point:

In Section 1 Summary, 2nd paragraph under Proposed Waiver, the first sentence reads:

"This waiver would apply to awards obligated or incrementally funded on or after the effective date of the waiver for a period of one year, for the seven (7) "Rural Water Projects," identified below in Section 3, that were authorized prior to May 14, 2022, the statutory effective date of the BABA requirements." While the sentence immediately following that reads: "This proposed waiver would only permit the use of non-domestic manufactured products in Reclamation's Rural Water Projects for contracts entered into prior to May 14, 2023, that resulted from solicitations published before May 14, 2022." These two sentences make different projects eligible for the Proposed Waiver. Garrison Diversion recommends leaving the first sentence of the paragraph after striking "for a period of one year" and removing the second sentence in the final waiver.

Additionally, Garrison Diversion has the following comments on the Proposed Waiver regarding the Length of Waiver:

Section 1 notes the Proposed Waiver expires one year from the date of final approval. However, each rural water project covered by the Proposed Waiver have project construction ceilings established using designs and estimates which did not include domestic purchasing requirements. These were incorporated into the authorizing legislation of the projects prior to the Build America Buy America (BABA) requirement in May 2022. The Length of the Waiver included in the Proposed Waiver is not beneficial to the listed rural water projects as intended and Garrison Diversion respectfully requests the Length of the Waiver be to the completion date of the included projects.

Garrison Diversion requests the Length of the Waiver be changed to encompass the length of the project in the final approved waiver. Garrison Diversion also urges the Department of the Interior (DOI) to produce a simplified waiver process for funding recipients to utilize. In the short time BABA requirements have been effective, it has been found many critical components needed to complete water supply infrastructure are not produced nationally.

Securing BABA compliant items has negatively impacted product availability, project costs and timeliness. The current waiver process followed by the DOI to waive BABA is burdensome, extremely time consuming, and not practical for construction schedules. Garrison Diversion believes a simplified waiver process would be beneficial, and strongly urges the DOI to consider reworking the waiver process.

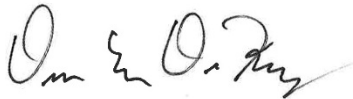
It would make sense for the DOI to identify necessary steps the funding recipient must take in order to show due diligence was taken to include BABA compliant items in their project. When BABA compliant items are unavailable, cost prohibitive, or result in significant project delays, the funding recipient should be allowed to obtain a waiver from the local area BOR office by submitting the necessary paperwork.

Given the lengthy nature of submitting and waiting for approval of a BABA item-specific waiver, federally funded projects have become less enticing to bidders, further delaying schedules, and imposing additional costs on the funding recipients. A less complicated waiver process would eliminate uncertainty and provide reduced negative impacts to projects incorporating required federal regulations.

It is reassuring to see the DOI is taking steps to implement the Proposed Waiver to benefit identified rural water projects; however, significant negative consequences are incurred under the current Proposed Waiver for the identified rural water projects under construction for many decades. Garrison Diversion requests an increased Length of the Proposed Waiver to match the completion date of identified projects and a simplified waiver process to prevent costly and arduous delays in critical projects.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment, and are hopeful to see the proposed changes in the final approved waiver.

Sincerely,



Duane DeKrey, General Manager
Garrison Diversion Conservancy District

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Joseph Hall, Area Manager, Dakota Areas Office
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Dear Ms. Cook,

The Department of the Interior (DOI) acknowledges the comments submitted by the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District in response to the Rural Water General Applicability Waiver posted to DOI's Buy America website on February 20, 2024. DOI acknowledges the significant pre-planning required for projects with the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District. However, DOI is unable to expand the waiver beyond the manufactured products or beyond the projects identified for coverage by this waiver, nor can we extend the waiver for longer than the one (1) year transition period. Regarding the waiver process, the Department follows the procedures in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Memorandum M-24-02 and the 2 CFR Part 184 regulations.

The DOI General Applicability Adjustment Period Waiver waived the Buy America preference for federal assistance obligations including the Rural Water program from July 13, 2022, through January 12, 2023. The proposed Rural Water Program General Applicability/Public Interest Waiver promotes a phased implementation of the Buy America preference for seven (7) water infrastructure projects in communities under the Rural Water Program for one year from the date the waiver is approved. This proposed waiver would only permit the use of non-domestic manufactured products in the 7 Rural Water Projects for contracts entered into prior to May 14, 2023, that resulted from solicitations published before May 14, 2022. The proposed waiver has been reviewed by the OMB's Made in America Office, which Congress tasked with enforcing compliance with Made in America laws.

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act is an historic investment in infrastructure improvement projects throughout the United States. The Buy America preference requirements stemming from the Act are an effort to rely on domestic supply chains to reduce the need to spend taxpayer dollars on foreign-made goods. DOI thanks the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District and the Yellowstone Strategies for engaging in the public comment period to provide support for, and additional feedback on the scope of the waiver. If you have concerns regarding your project's compliance with the Buy America requirements, please reach out to your Grant Officer to discuss project or product specific waiver needs.

Sincerely,

Build America Buy America

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Good afternoon:

Please see the attached comment letter from the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District on the "U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Buy America General Applicability Public Interest Waiver For Rural Water Program Previously Planned Projects".

Thank you!

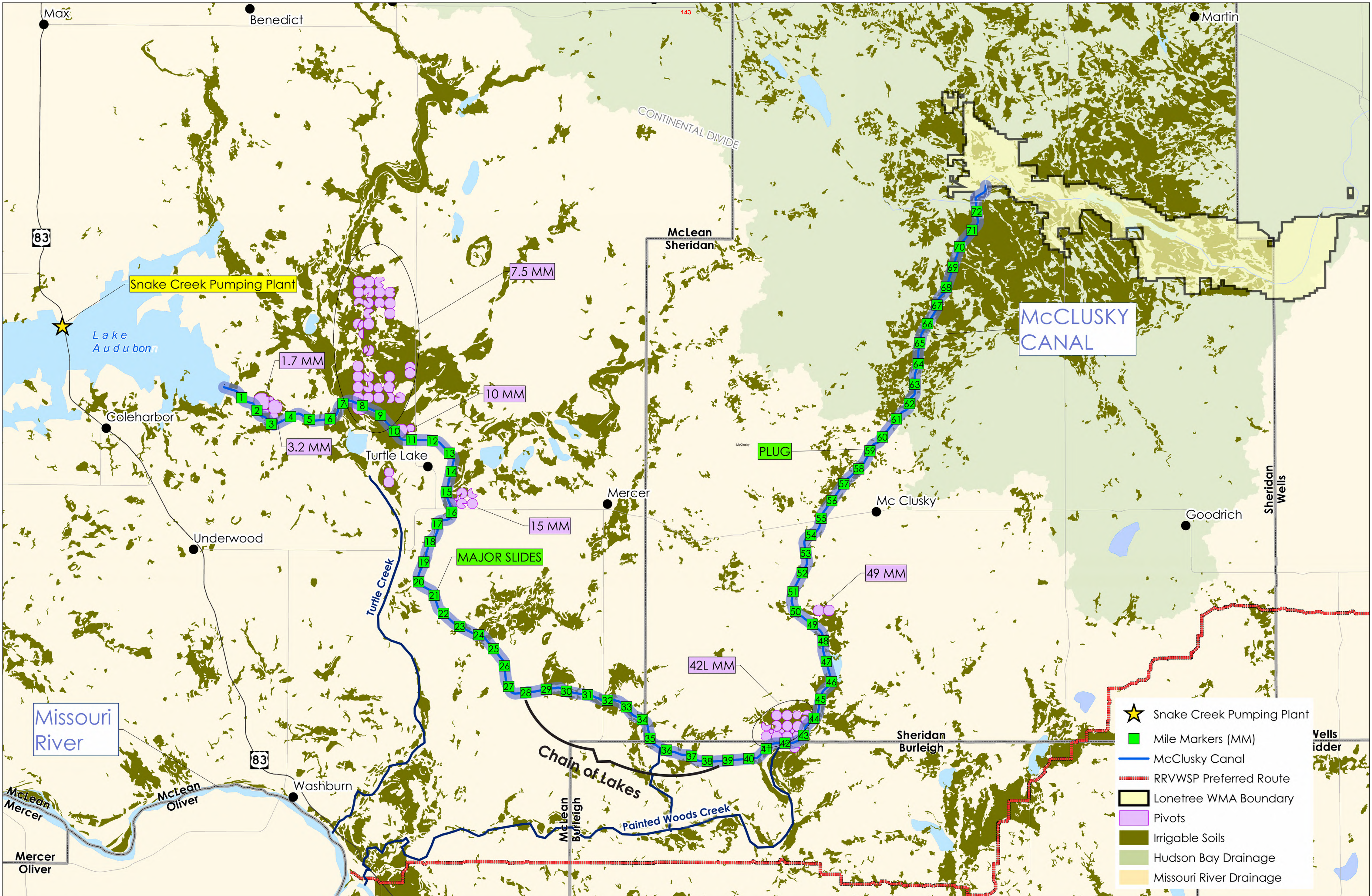
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Communications Director

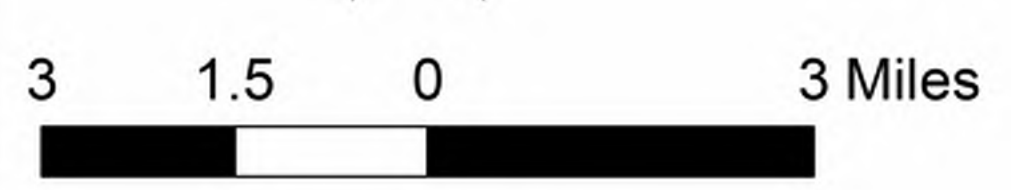
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- ★ Snake Creek Pumping Plant
- Mile Markers (MM)
- McClusky Canal
- - - RRVWP Preferred Route
- Lonetree WMA Boundary
- Pivots
- Irrigable Soils
- Hudson Bay Drainage
- Missouri River Drainage

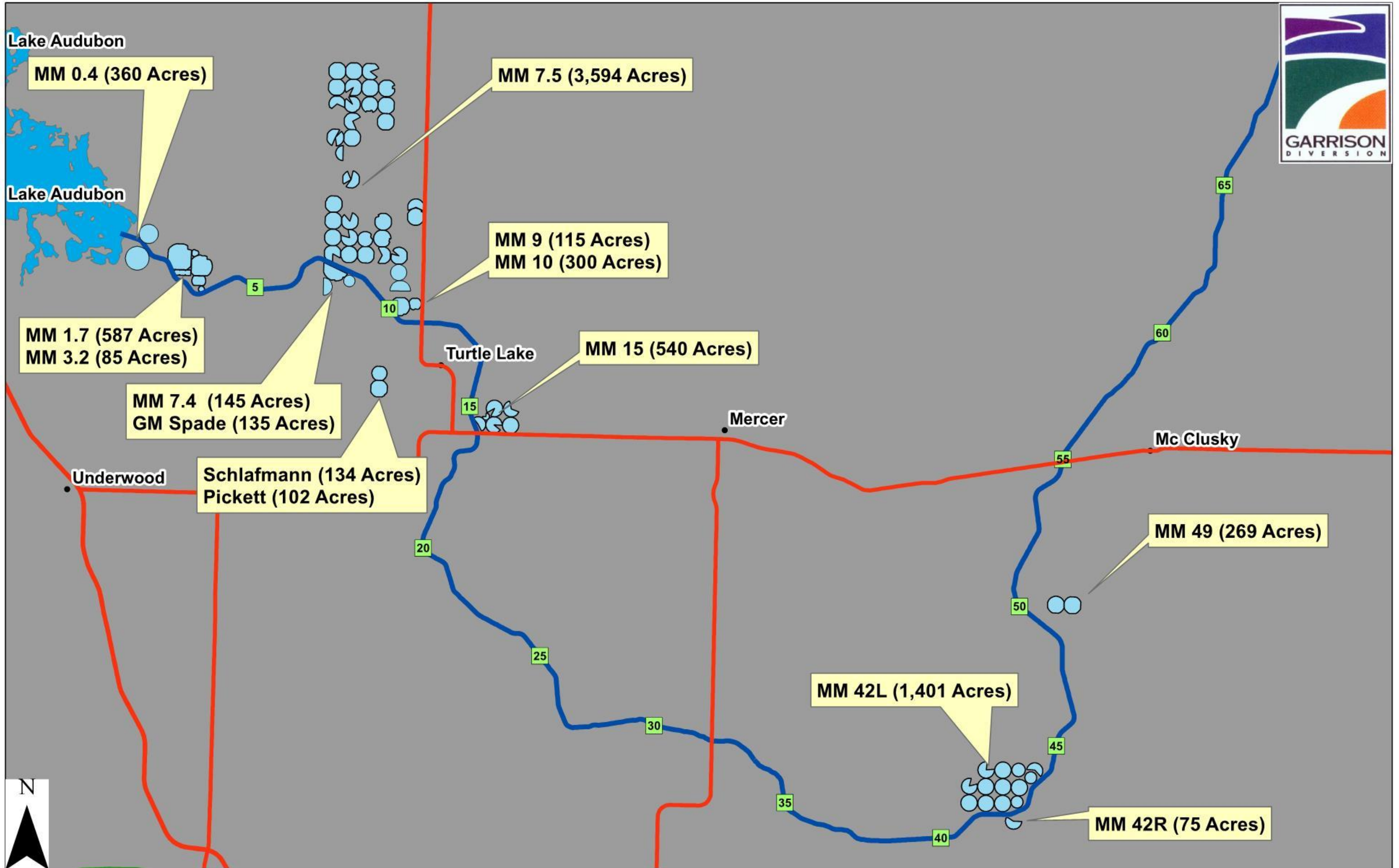


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Date: 2/15/2019





Bureau of Reclamation Activities

Garrison Diversion Board of Directors Meeting
April 18-19, 2024

Municipal, Rural, and Industrial Program

Rural Water Budgets:

Rural Water Budgets	Final Fiscal Year 2023*	Fiscal Year 2024*
GDU	38.425	42.224*
State	15.450	12.000
Tribe	22.975	30.224
Lewis & Clark	78.601	25.825
Fort Peck	15.000	0
Rocky Boys	97.321	19.946
Musselshell- Judith	27.600	3.000
E NM	96.140	7.051
Jicarilla	19.000	10.010
Total	372.087	108.056

*Includes BIL funding and additional earmarked funding

State Municipal Rural and Industrial Program

Northwest Area Water Supply (NAWS)

Construction is ongoing for the Biota Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Phase I (Contract 7-2A/4-1A), the Snake Creek Pumping Plant (SCPP) Intake Modification (Contract 6-1A), the South Prairie Reservoir and Hydraulic Control Structure (Contract 5-1A/B), the Bottineau Reservoir & Pump Station (Contract 4-4B/5-4B), and the Snake Creek Pumping Plant Discharge Pipeline (Contract 2-1E). The Biota WTP Phase I construction is 95 percent complete; however, the startup of the Biota WTP has been delayed. The SCPP Intake Modification project demolition and discharge contracts of the project are proceeding. The South Prairie Reservoir is substantially complete, and the hydraulic control structure is almost complete. Work on the Bottineau Pump Station began in September and will continue through the winter and the reservoir contractor will be onsite in the spring. The contractor for the SCPP Discharge Pipeline contracts has installed about half of the pipeline for the contract and will return in the spring to complete the pipe installation.

The Minot WTP Phase III (Contract 7-1C) and the Souris Reservoir & Pump Station (Contract 4-4A/5-4A) projects are in the design phase. Reclamation is also working with the Department of Water Resources in the planning of the permanent intake for NAWS at the SCPP.

Reclamation is collaborating with the Department of Water Resources and the City of Minot regarding the Operations & Maintenance agreement for the NAWS Biota WTP. Reclamation is drafting a Cooperative Agreement between Reclamation and the Department of Water Resources which will be the funding mechanism by which Reclamation can provide Federal funds for the Operations and Maintenance of the Biota WTP. The Department of Water Resources and the City of Minot are working to establish a contract to reflect their roles in this effort.

Eastern North Dakota Alternate Water Supply (ENDAWS)

Reclamation, Garrison staff, and Garrison's consultant are coordinating with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on proposed pipeline routes. Discussions on this topic continue to ensure compliance with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) commitments. The purchase of easements for this project has been included in the Cooperative Agreement (R17AC00049) as an approved activity.

Southwest Pipeline Project

The Department of Water Resources is working with the contractor on a claim filed and a path forward with this project.

Cooperative Agreement

Reclamation and Garrison Diversion's working relationship for the State Municipal, Rural, and Industrial (MR&I) Program is defined by the terms of a Cooperative Agreement (R17AC00049). Eighteen modifications have been completed for this agreement for the purposes of adding construction projects, engineering projects, and/or obligating funds to the agreement. Now that Reclamation has a Fiscal Year 2024 budget, a modification to this agreement will be initiated for approximately \$9,300,000.

Another Cooperative Agreement (R23AC00093) includes the design and construction tasks funded by Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funding. Projects included in this agreement include the design and construction tasks associated with Phase II of the NAWS Biota WTP, the Bottineau Reservoir and Pump Station contract and the SCPP Discharge Pipeline. In January 2024 a modification was executed to add Fiscal Year 2024 BIL funding (\$2,000,000).

Buy America Waiver

Reclamation is pursuing a Rural Water Program waiver that would exempt all Reclamation's authorized rural water programs from the Buy America requirements. On February 20, 2024, the Office of Management and Budget posted the proposed waiver online for 15 days of public comment. Comment deadline is March 5, 2024. Several comment letters were received, and the Office of Management & Budget is working to respond to those comments. No timeline has been provided for the resolution to the comments or the issuance of a waiver. Reclamation will keep project sponsors informed as information becomes available.

Indian MR&I Program

Standing Rock MR&I System

The Tribe has awarded the Standing Rock Water Treatment Plant Membrane Equipment Procurement project to WesTech Engineering, Inc., from Salt Lake City, Utah, in the amount of

\$1,033,556.51. These ceramic membranes will be used to increase the water treatment capacity of the Standing Rock Water Treatment Plant from 3 MGD to 5 MGD. Bartlett & West is the engineer for this project. Change Order No. 1 has been processed, upgrading clean in place (CIP) and backwash pumps and increased the contract by \$117,391.78 for a total contract price of \$1,150,948.29. Bartlett & West has designed and prepared plans and specifications for the installation of the procured membranes. The installation contract was bid on February 11, 2021, with no bidders. The Installation Contract was readvertised with a bid opening of March 16, 2021. The Installation Contract received three bids with the low bid coming from American General Contractors, Inc. of Valley City, North Dakota in the amount of \$2,021,350.87. Notice to Proceed was issued on August 5, 2021. The Substantial Completion Date is March 31, 2022. Due to several of the construction supplies having long lead times, the Substantial Completion date will not be met. The ceramic membranes were delivered to the Standing Rock Water Treatment Plant on November 16, 2021. Variable Frequency Drives (VFD) were delivered in December. Contractors have been onsite working on commissioning the new ceramic membrane skid. During this work additional tasks have been identified as needing to be completed, therefore, the anticipated substantial completion date has been pushed back to April/May 2024.

Construction Contract Kenel to State Line project was bid on April 22, 2022, with Storms Construction as the only bidder. Storms Construction's bid of \$5,330,759.91 was \$253,080.09 lower than the engineer's estimate. Reclamation has a cost share in this project of \$144,500.00. The remaining funding was a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) grant. This project includes installation of 54,013 feet of 6-inch Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Standard Dimension Ratio (SDR) 17 water main, 1,458 feet of 12-inch yellowed directional drilled casing, 4,845 feet of 6-inch high density polyethylene (HDPE) directionally drilled piping, 36 air release valve pits with 560 feet of 1-inch PE 250 psi piping, 1 inch corporation stops and 1 inch curb stops, 2 pressure reducing valve vaults, 18 6-inch gate valves, 13 1-inch stainless steel saddle with 1-inch corporation stop, 14 1-inch curb stops, 1,294 feet of 1-inch HDPE 250 psi, 1,120 feet of 1-inch HDPE 200 psi, 1 1/2-inch stainless steel saddle with corporation stop, 1 1/2-inch curb stop, 940 feet 1 1/2-inch PVC SDR 17, 15 meter pits, 6 2-inch flush hydrants, 100 feet of 1-inch HDPE non cased directional drilling, 1,000 feet of 2-inch HDPE non cased directional drilling, 7,200 feet of 4-inch PVC SDR 17, 4-inch gate valve, 4-inch flush hydrant, 85 feet of 8-inch yellowed bored casing, 388 feet of 4-inch yellowed bored casing and related materials and appurtenances. The pre-construction conference was held on August 4, 2022, and the notice to proceed was issued on August 10, 2022. The contract documents indicate the final completion date shall be no later than 250 calendar days after the notice to proceed. Storms Construction began installing the pipeline in August 2022. Storms Construction mobilized the first week of May 2023 and has continued installation of the rural water line through the summer. The lines have all been installed and the contractor is working on disinfecting, flushing, and testing the lines. The final inspection will take place in the spring.

In March 2023 Reclamation awarded the Tribe \$10,548,561.00 of Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) - Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Aging Infrastructure (AI) funds. This Aging Infrastructure money funds five projects: Cannonball AC Pipe Replacement, Kenel AC Pipe Replacement, Master Meter Upgrades, Office and Shop Upgrades, and Wakpala Pipeline Relocation.

Spirit Lake MR&I System

Preliminary design and right-of-way acquisitions continued on several projects including: Tokio Service Area, Service to Warwick School, and Warwick Service Area.

Fort Totten Community Upgrades' design has been completed by Indian Health Service (IHS). The project was bid in May, after the Grant of Right of Way was received from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). The low bidder was Storms Construction with a bid of \$3,106,992.07. The pre-construction conference was held on October 21, 2022. Storms Construction began construction on May 8, 2023, fusing pipe for directional drilling. The final completion date for this contract is October 31, 2023. Indian Health Service has indicated the substantial completion date has been extended into 2024.

In March 2023 Reclamation awarded the Tribe \$2,192,370 of Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) - Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Aging Infrastructure (AI) funds. This Aging Infrastructure money funds four projects: Spirit Lake Office Upgrades, R5 Tank Access Road, Saint Michael Reservoir Recoat, Water Treatment Plant Access Road Repair.

Reclamation staff has continued to work with the Tribe's operators to help resolve operation and maintenance issues with the B6 Booster Station, the St. Michael control vault, the Water Treatment Plant and most recently are working with North Dakota Water Resources and North Dakota Game and Fish to explore service options for the town of Oberon and the White Horse Hill Game Preserve.

Fort Berthold Rural Water System (FBRWS)

Reclamation will continue to submit the permit application to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for a temporary raw water intake for MR&I purposes after the Tribe provides adequate information to do so. These requests have diminished. USACE has issued permits for sloopetube-shoreline intake protection projects at Twin Buttes and White Shield.

In March 2023, Reclamation awarded the Tribe \$54.38 million of BIL Aging Infrastructure (AI) funds. In August 2023, a PL 93-638 contract was requested for those funds. FBRW paused engineering and design work on most AI projects since the contract was not finished. Soon the draft contract will be sent to the Tribes to start the negotiations. On February 29, 2024, the Regional Office approved the Tribes' AI project pre-award costs incurred up to that date.

In July 2023, Reclamation conducted a Management Standards Review (MSR) on the Tribe; the MSR is needed before entering a new contract. In October 2023, the draft results were shared with the Tribe. On February 26, 2024, the final MSR report was emailed to the Tribe; they have until Friday, April 26, 2024, to provide a corrective action plan for each finding.

IHS IIJA-BIL funds are available for some projects that Reclamation has AI funds for. Prior to Reclamation informing the Tribe of their AI fund award, the Tribe passed resolutions to fund some projects using their own (non-Federal) funds. Those projects would now use AI funds.

Each of the six Tribal Representatives have planned development for their Segment. Tribal funds are used for water projects if Reclamation construction funds are not available. Most Tribally funded projects are conducted in a manner that meet Federal requirements, making the costs reimbursable if a new Dakota Water Resources Act construction ceiling is authorized. The Tribe decided to pause work on most Segment projects until 2025.

On January 22, 2024, the final Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the funding and construction of the Phase III funding of design, construction, operation and maintenance of water infrastructure projects with the Fort Berthold Rural Water System was completed. That NEPA document will be used on future FBRWS construction projects.

Turtle Mountain Rural Water System

Contract 3-2 Membrane Treatment Improvements - The membrane treatment project will address the formation of disinfection by-products caused by an organic component in the source ground water. Project re-advertised in September 2019, with two responsible bidders submitting bids, with apparent low bidder being approximately \$1 million over. Consultant negotiated with low bidder, and project was awarded in July 2020. Construction began fall 2020. A soft start-up was completed in December with some issues being addressed and full startup planned for April.

Contract 2-4 Thorne Reservoir and Booster Station – This project includes the construction of a 500,000-gallon raw water reservoir and booster pumping station, which will help to meet pressure and quantity demands on the system and will increase the efficiencies of the well field pumps. This project was advertised spring 2020, with all bids being \$3 million plus above engineer's estimate. Consultant amended the Plans and Specifications, and re-advertised fall 2020. Negotiations with contractor took place with the project being awarded spring 2021. Project is near substantial completion.

Contract 4-3 Belcourt Sewer and Water Phase 5 – This project will replace aging existing water and sewer lines within Belcourt. This project received \$4 million in Aging Infrastructure Funding. It was advertised and awarded to Marion Contracting for \$6,335,487. Project is currently under construction.

Trenton Indian Service Area

The Hilltop Water and Sewer Replacement and Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV) Vault project was awarded to Teraflex Group, LLC for \$495,835 and construction work was started summer 2018. The project installed 2539 LF of water line and will replace the existing Booster Station B with a PRV to connect to the existing Western Area Water Supply mainline. User agreement with Western Area Water Supply was being negotiated, with work on the PRV to be completed after agreement was finalized. Trenton received a letter from the City of Williston stating they would be cutting of Trenton's bulk supply by April 15. NWRWD has sent Trenton an agreement for them to provide the supply, but that agreement is not acceptable to Trenton. Trenton has been working on resolving this issue.

Principal Supply Works

Repayment Contract

Reclamation continues to collaborate with Garrison Diversion on the Municipal and Industrial (M&I) pricing for the capital repayment of the Garrison Diversion Unit Project. On June 29, 2022, Regional Director presented Garrison Diversion with a repayment cost of \$47,501 per cubic feet per second. Garrison Diversion did not accept the repayment cost presented and will be coordinating with North Dakota congressional staff for protentional legislation.

Snake Creek Pumping Plant (SCPP)

Reclamation continues discussion with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on the Snake Creek embankment foundation concerns. Reclamation has signed to be a cooperating agency with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in preparing their Dam Safety Modification Study and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Review. The preferred alternative removes the 43 feet reservoir restriction and focuses any future reservoir restrictions to be based on embankment performance data at the time. The Corps will be conducting a 30 percent design technical analysis of one of the structural plans that is separate from the Dam Safety Mod Study. Reclamation and Garrison Diversion continue to prepare a feasibility design and cost estimate to provide water to Snake Creek Pumping Plant and the McClusky Canal should a Lake Audubon restriction be implemented.

Further excavation of the cofferdam was introduced to the Corps of Engineers in late December as part of the Northwest Area Water Supply (NAWS) permanent intake. The NAWS intake installation would provide an opportunity to dredge the existing cofferdam from elevation 1795 to 1780. Further discussions with North Dakota Department of Water Resources and Corps of Engineers occurred in January-February. Garrison Diversion Conservancy District concurred to fund a portion of the design and specification preparation costs. A discission to award the alternative will likely be in December 2024.

McClusky and New Rockford Canals

Reclamation has received Garrison Diversion's 2024 workplan and has identified sufficient funding to cover their budget request.

Reclamation and Garrison Diversion are scheduled on May 9 to discuss potential title transfer of New Rockford Canal.

Irrigation

Jamestown Dam

The annual James River operations meeting was held on April 3, 2024, at the Stutsman County Law Enforcement Center.

Turtle Lake and McClusky Canal Irrigation Areas

Reclamation and Garrison Diversion executed the irrigation repayment contract to increase the 2023 irrigated acres by 595 acres, to a total of 7,842.6. Reclamation is amending the project use power contract to include these acres for the 2024 irrigation season.

Standing Rock Irrigation Project

Tribe's Fiscal Year 2023 Aging Infrastructure application through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding for embankment stabilization geotechnical study at Eagle Unit was awarded. Tribe decided to modify existing 638 contract and started contract modification process.

Data collected will be used for evaluating permanent repair options of the embankment in the future. Tribe is submitting a Fiscal Year 2024 Aging Infrastructure application for buried power line replacement at the Fort Yates unit. At Eagle Unit a pipeline inspection of the 30" pipe to determine the integrity of it is in the schedule, since it has not been inspected since installation in 1985. Reclamation has worked with the Tribe and their irrigator to develop a long-term plan that addresses the future of their three irrigation units. This plan is being used to explore the availability of funds to complete their efforts.

Recreation Development

Chain of Lakes

Moving forward with a new 5-year Interagency Agreement (IAA) for Law Enforcement with the Bureau of Land Management. Has been sent to Alicia Waters and Michelle Vetter to enter into Lens and start processing.

The New Johns shoreline stabilization project Categorical Exclusion Checklist (CEC) has been signed and is moving forward to the 404 Permit process.

North Dakota Natural Resources Trust

No new updates

Wildlife Program

Lonetree

North Dakota Game and Fish has received their funding for Fiscal Year 2024.

Audubon

No updates

Arrowwood

No updates

Scattered Tracts

Budgets and workplans for Fiscal Year 2024 have been received by Reclamation. Funding modification is with Region Semi-annual meeting was held in Carrington on March 19. DIRT Tour is planning to be scheduled for Devils Lake in July, date to be determined.

April 5, 2024

NORTH DAKOTA

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Policy Update

Interim Taxation Committee Meeting

The interim Taxation Committee met on March 27 to further discuss their study of the agricultural commodity storage property tax exemption. Committee members heard from several county tax directors on the assessment process and how they approach valuations of agricultural and commercial property. Conversation again revolved around the possibility of clarifying the definition of “growing crops” within the Century Code. The committee will meet two more times this interim and committee members indicated they will bring legislative drafts for the committee’s consideration at the next meeting.

Other Interim Committee Meetings of Note

The Budget Section met on March 20. Committee members voted to approve a proposal establishing Budget Section divisions—Leadership, Education and Environment, Government Operations, and Human Resources. These divisions will meet in the afternoon after each quarterly Budget Section meeting to review agency base budgets and programs. The proposal will be fully operational in the 2025-26 interim, but a trial period will begin in June 2024. The tentative date for the next Budget Section meeting is June 19.

The Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee met on March 20. Legislative Council presented a 5-year plan related to staffing. They reviewed a comparison of staffing for the legislative branch in North Dakota (45 permanent staff) versus Montana (152 permanent staff). [Montana](#) is the best comparison available because of its biennial sessions, term limits, population, enacted budget, and other factors. Legislative Council presented a proposal to add 25 FTEs for [2025](#) and 25 FTEs for [2027](#). The committee agrees that significant change is necessary and long overdue; this plan is a good starting point.

Both of these proposals were considered in response to term limits and the need for additional education and preparation for legislators outside of legislative session.

State Revolving Fund (SRF) Update

Both the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds will be amending their respective 2024 priority lists to add additional projects ready to proceed in 2024. This includes 2024 water meter projects, which would be eligible under Clean Water. Political subdivisions are invited to submit CWSRF questionnaires or DWSRF questionnaires for projects that are not on the current 2024 CWSRF priority list or current 2024 DWSRF priority list and expect to need funds during the 2024 calendar year. If fund needs are not anticipated until 2025 or later, please wait to submit a questionnaire until the 2025 priority list is prepared later this year. The deadline to include projects on the amended 2024 priority list is May 3, 2024. The completed questionnaire can be sent to ndsrf@nd.gov or:

SRF Program
4201 Normandy St, 3rd Floor
Bismarck, ND 58503-1324

USDA Announced \$1.5 Billion Available for RCPP

On Wednesday, USDA announced the availability of \$1.5 billion to invest in partner-driven conservation and climate solutions through the [Regional Conservation Partnership Program](#)

(RCPP). RCPP projects fall under two different categories: RCPP Classic and RCPP Grants. RCPP Classic projects are implemented using NRCS contracts and easements with producers, landowners and communities, in collaboration with project partners. Through RCPP Grants, the lead partner must work directly with agricultural producers to support the development of new conservation structures and approaches that would not otherwise be available under RCPP Classic. Project proposals will be accepted on the RCPP Portal through July 2, 2024.

Upcoming Events

Applications for the Dushinske & Jamison Water Resources Scholarship will be accepted until April 1, 2024. The application form can be found [here](#).

The Water Resource District Summer Meeting will be July 10-11 in Minot.

The Upper Missouri Water Association conference will be October 15-17 in Fairmont Hot Springs, MT.

The 61st Joint Water Convention and Irrigation Workshop will be December 10-13 in Bismarck.

We'd love to hear from you! Feel free to email us at staff@ndwater.net or call 701-223-4615.



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March 15, 2024

MERRI MOORIDIAN
GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
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Votes = 65447

RE: NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Dear NDIRF Member Representative:

As a representative of a member of the North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund, you are cordially invited to attend its annual meeting. The meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, May 9, 2024, beginning at 9:30 a.m. CDT, at the North Dakota Heritage Center, 612 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND.**

The purpose of the 2024 Annual Meeting is to review 2023 business, discuss current and future business and elect representatives in the **“Cities”, “Counties”, and “Others” categories** to the NDIRF Board of Directors. A copy of the minutes of the 2023 Annual Meeting is enclosed.

The number of votes to which your entity is entitled is indicated at the top of this page. You may cast votes regarding NDIRF business and/or election of directors at the Annual Meeting or by signing and returning the enclosed proxy. **If your entity is represented by a NDIRF Board Member whose term expires as of the end of the 2024 annual meeting, your proxy includes directions regarding the NDIRF Board Member election.**

If you will not be able to attend the 2024 NDIRF Annual Meeting, please sign and return your proxy. For your proxy to be effective, it must be received by the NDIRF no later than May 8, 2024.

The NDIRF will serve pastries, coffee, and other beverages for those attending the meeting. To assist in the planning of the meeting, complete and return the enclosed RSVP by May 8.

The NDIRF Board of Directors looks forward to meeting with you on May 9, 2024.

Sincerely,

Chad Peterson
Chairperson, NDIRF Board of Directors

For North Dakota. For Local Government. For You.

NDIRF BOARD NOMINEE PROFILES 2024

“CITIES” CATEGORY

CHRIS WEST is the Mayor of Grafton, North Dakota, currently serving his third term in that capacity following two terms on the Grafton City Council. Mr. West is an insurance professional, owning Northern States Insurance in Grafton since 2002. Chris is a Past President of the North Dakota League of Cities and has been a member of the NDIRF Board of Directors since 2014.

“COUNTIES” CATEGORY

TRAVIS FREY is a Mercer County Commissioner (Stanton, N.D.). Mr. Frey holds a bachelor's degree in agricultural and biosystems engineering from North Dakota State University and is currently a project engineer for Interstate Engineering, Inc. in Beulah. Mr. Frey has previously served as Beulah Mayor (June 2018-June 2022), Beulah City Council Member (June 2014-June 2018), Mercer County Fair Board Member (January 2014-January 2016), City of Towner Planning and Zoning Committee Member (February 2012-April 2013), McHenry County Planning and Zoning Committee Member (June 2012-April 2013), McHenry County Planning and Zoning Committee Chairperson (2013), and City of Towner Commissioner (June 2012-April 2013).

“OTHERS” CATEGORY

TYLER JACOBSON is the Director of the Valley City Parks and Recreation District, serving in that capacity since 2001. Before joining the Valley City Parks and Recreation District, Tyler served as the Director of the Casselton Park District. He is a graduate of the University of North Dakota. He has been involved in various advisory or service roles throughout North Dakota, including with the University of North Dakota, the North Dakota Recreation and Park Association, and other community organizations in Valley City and Casselton. Tyler is also currently an instructor at Valley City State University.

**ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS
NORTH DAKOTA INSURANCE RESERVE FUND
MAY 10, 2023
NORTH DAKOTA HERITAGE CENTER, BISMARCK, ND**

NDIRF Board Chairperson Scott Ouradnik called the annual meeting of members of the North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund to order at 9:34 a.m. at the North Dakota Heritage Center, Bismarck, ND. Chairperson Ouradnik welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated that, with the members in attendance and written proxies received, a quorum had been established.

The minutes from the 2022 annual meeting were reviewed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as presented. (Duane DeKrey/Aaron Birst, passed unanimously by voice vote.)

Chairperson Ouradnik stated that, for the past 14 years, he has served as a Slope County Commissioner, which also provided an opportunity to serve on the NDIRF Board of Directors and as board chair over the past year. One thing he has learned while serving on the NDIRF Board is the resilience of NDIRF and the political subdivision membership it serves. The shared resilience was first demonstrated in 1986 when NDIRF began its operations and political subdivisions banded together for a common cause to form a member-owned risk pool. In 2022, though the NDIRF experienced unrealized investment losses, it still had an operating surplus of over \$2 million; and members equity of \$22.6 million. The board did not declare a conferment of benefits for 2022 as it wanted to be prudent and wait for the market to rebound rather than sell investments from a loss position. Today, the NDIRF remains strong and stable. Chairperson Ouradnik ended by stating, on behalf of the NDIRF Board of Directors and staff, we look forward to another year of serving you.

CEO Brennan Quintus was introduced. CEO Quintus thanked everyone for attending the meeting today. Brennan recognized the NDIRF Board of Directors and thanked them for their guidance and service to the NDIRF. He also thanked the NDIRF staff for doing a fantastic job this past year and for being great insurance professionals serving the Fund's members. Brennan stated that the 2022 operating year results helped to offset the investment losses (even though they were unrealized) and that the NDIRF retained twice the amount of surplus our consulting actuarial firm requires to provide a 95% confidence level so that the NDIRF can meet future financial obligations. As stated earlier, the NDIRF Board of Directors did not declare a conferment of benefits for 2022 largely due to unrealized investment market losses. However, since the Conferment of Benefits program was introduced in 1996, the Fund has returned over \$75 million to its members.

CEO Quintus provided key highlights from 2022 which included membership at an all-time high of 2,586 members, which is over 90% of the entities eligible to participate in the Fund. Premium distribution showed Cities at 33%; Counties at 31%; Others at 21%; and Schools at 15%. Net written premium was \$17.9 million; losses were \$9.2 million; resulting in an overall 51.5% loss ratio. As a reference, the NDIRF's annual loss ratio budget is 60%. There were 1,747 claims reported with liability losses in 2022 accounting for the Fund's highest amounts at \$4.5 million and auto losses were \$4 million. Those amounts continue to highlight the continued need for risk management courses and training the Fund provides such as online and in-person defensive driving courses, and equipment operation courses through the Fund's partnership with the ND Local Technical Assistance Program. Training partnerships continued with the ND League of Cities, ND Association of Counties, ND School Boards Association, and ND Parks & Recreation Association in conjunction with the HR Collaborative which is an organization that provides ND

local governments with human resource management tools, resources, and training along with a HR Reference Guide for Local Governments. The Fund continued to offer reimbursements for law enforcement officers to receive hands-on subject control and defensive tactics training and continued LocalGovU, which is a free online training platform that offers thousands of local government professional development and training courses. Since 2019, the NDIRF has administered the ND Fire & Tornado Fund (NDFT) which provides property coverage to North Dakota state agencies and political subdivisions. In July 2022, Blanket Limit of Insurance was introduced as an option for adequately scheduled and valued property. The NDFT's total insured value has grown by over \$5.6 billion since 2019, a result that was achieved through the collaboration of the Fund's members, agents, and employees who have verified property schedules, updated property values, and added new or missing property to schedules.

CEO Quintus stated that the Fund ended 2022 with net earnings of -\$2.7 million and \$22.6 million in members' equity. The current members' equity showcases the NDIRF's continued financial strength which allowed the Fund to maintain stable rates for its members. Fund management will continue to monitor the events happening on a regional, national, and international level to evaluate their potential effect on NDIRF's members and determine if adjustments need to be made to Fund coverages or rates in the future. Brennan then provided a breakdown of member services provided in 2022 stating that 518 in-person defensive driving courses (DDC) were completed; 223 online DDC were completed; 1,327 LocalGovU courses were completed, and 116 property surveys were conducted that included a total of 945 total buildings surveyed. The NDIRF also engaged in supporting road maintenance and signage education, and training resources and events covered a variety of topics including playground safety, law enforcement liability, and employment policies and procedures. Training was also provided throughout the year to insurance agents on Fund coverages, claims procedures, and member services.

Mr. Jared Mack from Eide Bailly, LLP was then introduced. Mr. Mack stated that a financial audit was conducted for operating year 2022 and the NDIRF was given an unmodified (clean) opinion. A summary of the financial audit was included in the 2022 NDIRF Annual Report that was provided to members.

Board Chairperson Ouradnik thanked Mr. Mack for the audit update. The meeting then recessed at 10:00 a.m. so the "Others" and "Schools" category of members could caucus for the election of board members. When the meeting reconvened at 10:08 a.m., Chairperson Ouradnik reported that, with all the proxies received as of May 10, 2023, the results were accepted and will stand showing Burdell Johnson elected to represent the "Others" category and Sonya Larson elected to represent the "Schools" category.

Meeting attendees were given an opportunity to ask questions.

The door prize was won by Lynda Roller representing Chaseley Township.

There being no further business to come before the 2023 NDIRF Annual Meeting of Members, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Reis, Recording Secretary

REPORT ON OUT-OF-STATE MEETING

Name: Steve Metzger Place: West Fargo Conference Center

Meeting: Red River Basin Land and Water Conference Date: January 16-18, 2024

Key issues covered: Integration of Holistic management into farming and ranching.
Building soil health while improving water quality.
Evolving agricultural practices. Use of drain tile.
Planning for watershed districts. Present and future weather patterns.
Use of LiDAR technology.

Contact or resource people at meeting:

Name	Organization	Address/Phone	Issue
Jerry Doan	Various - N.D. Nat. Resources Trust Board	McKenzie, N.D.	Holistic Mgmt.
Carson Klosterman	Crop Farmer	Wyndmere, N.D.	Using Drain tile
Erik Jones	Houston Engineering	Bismark, ND.	Low head dam modifications

New ideas or solutions that could benefit North Dakota:

Ideas for integrating crops and livestock to preserve and enhance land and water quality. Use of cover crops to clean up water areas (Within Co., MN.) Use of drone technology and LiDAR technology for managing water resources.

Evaluation of meeting (i.e., did you obtain information of value to your interim or standing committees?):

Conference tended to deal more with soil and water resources together than in the past. Good review of some areas and an opportunity to hear about others such as the original flooding disasters. Great opportunity to meet and visit with others from the area and from Canada.

Additional comments:

Good conference. The one speaker that did deal with regional water supply systems, did not mention the RRVWSP as one of the alternatives, which seemed strange to me. Good accommodations for the conference.

Steve Metzger
Signature

REPORT ON OUT-OF-STATE MEETING

Name:

Place:

Meeting:

Date:

Key issues covered:

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Contact or resource people at meeting:

Name	Organization	Address/Phone	Issue

New ideas or solutions that could benefit North Dakota:

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Evaluation of meeting (i.e., did you obtain information of value to your interim or standing committees?):

Four horizontal lines for writing evaluation of meeting.

Additional comments:

Four horizontal lines for writing additional comments.

Signature

REPORT ON OUT-OF-STATE MEETING

Name:

Place:

Meeting:

Date:

Key issues covered:

Contact or resource people at meeting:

Name	Organization	Address/Phone	Issue

New ideas or solutions that could benefit North Dakota:

Evaluation of meeting (i.e., did you obtain information of value to your interim or standing committees?):

Additional comments:

Signature

REPORT ON OUT-OF-STATE MEETING

Name: Greg Bischoff

Place: Washington DC

Meeting: NWRA

Date: April 9-11, 2024

Key issues covered:

Main things covered were Hill visits, Appropriations, Climate Change, PFAS, Farm Bill.

Contact or resource people at meeting:

Name	Organization	Address/Phone	Issue
Matt Klasen	EPA		PFAS
Courtney Briggs	American Farm Bureau		Disputed some PFAS

New ideas or solutions that could benefit North Dakota:

Evaluation of meeting (i.e., did you obtain information of value to your interim or standing committees?):

Climate change was brought up a lot by the presentors.

Additional comments:

Still sounds like they can just add money out west and somehow that will make more water.

Greg Bischoff

Signature

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MRRIC'S YEAR IN REVIEW

The **Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee** (MRRIC or the Committee) will celebrate its fifteenth anniversary at the end of 2023. It is hard to exaggerate the historic context, geographic scale, scientific complexity, importance of the issues, and diversity of views on those issues on which MRRIC is charged to provide guidance.

Looking back at responses to the self-assessment survey over the years, members have highlighted many accomplishments, among them that:



- MRRIC has been an important venue for advocating for a strong scientific foundation for species recovery actions on the Missouri River. One of MRRIC's first recommendations was the need to establish an Independent Science Advisory Panel (ISAP), which has played a critical role as a trusted resource in the Missouri River Recovery Program (MRRP).
- The development of the MRRP Science and Adaptive Management Plan (SAMP) was a major focus for the Committee for many years, which provided the basis for those affected by the emerging management plan to understand the rationale for different management actions and to provide input to MRRP on ways different options under consideration might affect those in the Basin.
- Over the years, MRRIC also has been a forum for members representing diverse interests in the Basin to talk with one another, as well as to enhance mutual understanding and to build trust. One member emphasized that the "importance of getting everyone to the table" for dialogue should not be underestimated. This has provided the foundation for finding areas of common ground. MRRIC provided input in early years on the Intake Bypass, which opened this year and saw passage of over 20 pallid sturgeon. This has led in recent years to formal consensus on ways to move forward to implement portions of the MRRP that have been controversial for a long time, including recommendations in 2022 for Interception Rearing Complex (IRC) locations that will be constructed in 2024 and, most recently, concerning the Bank Stabilization and Navigation Program (BSNP) Fish and Wildlife (F&W) Mitigation Project described below.

- MRRIC's support for sound science has continued over the years, and the MRRP's investments in monitoring, modeling, and basic research has advanced understanding about the listed species and contributes to decisions about effective management actions through the adaptive management process. This is evident in the intensive monitoring and modeling of "areas of enhanced capture" for pallid sturgeon which will inform upcoming decisions about possible alternatives to the IRC management action, as well as in the improvements to sampling in the river and the genetics work that follows which has contributed to finding larval pallid sturgeon downstream from Gavins Point Dam. Research by US Geological Survey (USGS) scientists also has contributed to a new understanding of movement by piping plovers between nesting habitats on and off the river, which now is being incorporated into the modeling that informs management decisions for the birds.



- MRRIC members representing Tribal nations have expressed their concerns over the years about impacts on cultural resources in the context of their treaties, water rights, effects of the dams, and the responsibility of federal agencies to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. While progress on these concerns has been limited so far, efforts by Tribal members this year described below may prove fruitful in helping MRRIC re-engage in the dialogue in a fresh way, in part with a deeper and more holistic understanding of what indigenous people mean by cultural resources as a living resource, as well as with a focus on incorporating Indigenous Traditional Ecological Knowledges (ITEK) in the MRRP.

- MRRIC has withstood many challenges over the years: major floods threatening lives and livelihoods; intense workloads; disagreements over procedures; a global pandemic; and limited MRRP budgets, reducing the Committee's ability to meet. Smaller budgets also have had an impact on the MRRP.

- While many of these challenges remain, MRRIC members point to the value of bringing together diverse interests to build a shared understanding of what is important to the people in the Basin. The opportunity to learn more about each other's perspectives, interests, and concerns has helped to improve collaboration both within and outside MRRIC.

The Committee met twice in person during this fiscal year, first in November 2022 and again in August 2023. Although this was less than envisioned in the Committee's charter, the second meeting was made possible by an effort midway through the year by the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to find additional funding. This was much appreciated given MRRP budget constraints. A tight budget also limited the number of work group calls that could be held.

In 2023, USACE also was able to provide funding for travel stipends to stakeholder members and those representing Tribal Nations. These stipends are being managed through the National Center for Environmental Conflict Resolution (NCECR). The hope is that this new program will ease the participation challenges for these members.

MRRIC continued to operate under a temporary change in the Operating Procedures established at its November 2021 meeting to enable the Committee to function remotely as well as in person as an experiment in 2022 and 2023. During the November 2022 plenary, the Committee approved a one-year continuation of the experiment, with an adjustment to discontinue virtual members from participating in decision making or counting towards attendance or quorum.

MRRIC also elected Jim Horan, a stakeholder member representing hydropower and Executive Director of Midwest Electric Consumers Association, as Vice Chair.

Information sharing and discussions at the November 2022 plenary meeting focused on strategic issues for the MRRP where decisions or actions will be needed in the next few years and MRRIC input is particularly important. These included:

- BSNP F&W Mitigation Project issues and opportunities, with a goal of MRRIC guidance regarding an implementation approach that can be broadly supported; and
- The evaluation of pallid sturgeon response to naturally occurring flows on the Lower Missouri River, to inform a decision in 2027 about whether to implement a test flow from Gavins Point, including the timeline, approach to monitoring, decision-scenarios and potential roles for the ISAP.

MRRIC also learned about the following topics during the November 2022 plenary:

- Steps to engage stakeholders around the approach to implementing the Fort Peck Test Flow;
- The environmental assessment process for the next two interception rearing complex (IRC) sites, providing more opportunities for dialogue with local stakeholders;
- The Lower Missouri River Flood Risk and Resiliency study;
- Tribal-Federal Government relationships, including relevant case law, legislation, executive orders, and treaties; and
- The Information Management System tool developed by USACE.

Three meetings took place the day before the November 2022 plenary meeting. The first provided an opportunity for the ISAP to discuss questions regarding the IRC site selection process with USACE personnel and relevant technical experts. MRRIC's Fish and HC Work Group members were invited to observe the meeting. The other two meetings were "Discuss and Feedback" (D&F) engagements with the ISAP focused on the fish and bird monitoring programs and included Technical Team members, Lead Agency representatives, and Fish and HC Work Group members.

In April 2023, a group of MRRIC members, agency representatives, and support staff visited the Fort Peck Reservation, an opportunity made possible by the generosity of the Fort Peck Tribes and the efforts of MRRIC members representing the Fort Peck Tribes, Dyan Youpee and Martina Wilson. While this was not an official MRRIC activity, it was a valuable learning opportunity. Reflecting on the trip, MRRIC members described the personal impact both of difficult, painful topics discussed on the trip and the beautiful places and things they witnessed. Members expressed appreciation for how much they had learned about the Missouri River's role in the Tribes' economy, infrastructure, and well-being, as well as its sacredness and role in their belief systems and culture. Trip attendees committed to thinking about how to incorporate their learnings into how MRRIC operates and engages.

MRRIC met again in August 2023. During the meeting, MRRIC reached tentative consensus on two recommendations regarding implementation of the BSNP F&W Mitigation Project. This project was established to acquire land to mitigate for lost fish and wildlife habitat but has not acquired lands since 2017. MRRIC recommended the MRRP receive funding to acquire land, particularly on the river side of levees, which either

are inholdings within current BSNP Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project lands or are contiguous to such project lands and could help address existing access or management problems. MRRIC also recommended the MRRP and other USACE staff continue to work collaboratively with MRRIC to provide information about the Lower Missouri Flood Risk Resiliency Study and related spinoff studies, as well as other efforts where locally supported opportunities for land acquisition that have multiple flood risk reduction and habitat creation benefits are identified. Regarding the spinoff studies, should the locally preferred alternatives include opportunities for land acquisition for BSNP Mitigation, MRRIC recommended the USACE cooperate with local communities and Tribes to take advantage of those opportunities. Looking ahead, MRRIC will be learning about and discussing how BSNP F&W mitigation lands are managed.

During the meeting, USACE informed the Committee that they have begun a limited re-consultation with the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) to propose a different approach for resolving uncertainties for the Lower Basin pallid sturgeon population around interception dynamics, drift, and recruitment to age one. A revised Biological Assessment (BA) is expected in the spring of 2024.

Reno Red Cloud, Oglala Sioux Tribe, presented a resolution from the Great Plains Tribal Water Alliance calling for revisions in the Missouri River Recovery Program (MRRP) to address “environmental justice for the Great Plains Tribes, to evaluate the impacts of climate change, and to incorporate indigenous traditional ecological knowledge.” MRRIC tasked the Tribal Interests and Human Considerations (HC) Work Groups with jointly reviewing the resolution and determining next steps to address the concerns raised, including potential recommendations. The Tribal Interests Work Group will also be working with one or more other work groups to draft elements of a MRRIC Tribal Policy addressing Tribal engagement in MRRIC for consideration by the Committee.

MRRIC members also took time at the meeting to discuss the USFWS’s recently released Biological Report for the Northern Great Plains (NGP) Piping Plover Population. The report provides foundational scientific information to support USFWS recovery planning and highlights three primary needs: 1) an integrated and standardized surveillance and monitoring program; 2) methods to monitor the population and habitat; and 3) action to reduce the threat of increased habitat loss. The USFWS indicated they would have additional information to share about next steps in recovery planning for the NGP Piping Plover at the December 2023 MRRIC plenary meeting.

This Annual Report, detailing MRRIC’s fifteenth year of operations, was prepared with input from MRRIC’s Communications Work Group.

Gail Bingham
MRRIC Chair

2023 CONSENSUS RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee reached consensus on two recommendations relating to the implementation of the BSNP Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Program in 2023. The full text of these recommendations is included below.

In addition, the Committee approved multiple process recommendations in November 2022 and August 2023, including a recommendation to temporarily modify MRRIC's Operating Procedures and Virtual Participation Protocols to allow for limited virtual participation in in-person MRRIC meetings.

MRRIC also approved a revision to the Charter addressing a procedural issue. The revision aligned the start of the Vice-Chair's term with the calendar year, rather than the annual meeting cycle. The Committee reached tentative consensus on this change in November 2021 and final consensus at the November 2022 plenary meeting.

MRRIC approved the following recommendation to Beth Coffey, Director of Programs, Northwestern Division, USACE, recommending a targeted approach to BSNP Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project implementation:





Dear Ms. Coffey,

I am writing on behalf of the Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee (MRRIC or the Committee) regarding the Bank Stabilization and Navigation Project (BSNP) Fish and Wildlife (F&W) Mitigation Project (Mitigation Project). MRRIC has nearly 70 members comprised of States, Tribes, Federal Agencies, and Stakeholders associated with Missouri River. It was authorized by Congress in Section 5018 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 and established in 2008 by the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works (Secretary). The duties of the Committee include providing guidance to the Secretary regarding the existing Missouri River recovery and mitigation plans, including recommendations on the annual work plan and budget.

MRRIC appreciates the time and resources that Missouri River Recovery Program (MRRP) staff have spent to inform MRRIC about the objectives and challenges associated with implementing the BSNP F&W Mitigation Project. As you know, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has a responsibility beginning with Section 601(a) of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1986 initially to acquire 48,100 acres through fee title or by donated public easement to mitigate for 522,000 acres of fish and wildlife habitat lost, which was increased with Section 334 WRDA 1999 to 166,750 mitigation acres.

MRRIC has worked collaboratively with MRRP staff to understand a diverse range of concerns about the impediments to achieving the BSNP Mitigation project requirements and impacts of project implementation, and to seek solutions that have broad support.

The Committee recommends that MRRP, in cooperation with the appropriate state agencies, take these initial actions to implement the project.

1. MRRP should target funds intended for land acquisition related to the BSNP F&W Mitigation Project in the annual budget requests for FY 2025 and 2026 on land from willing sellers, particularly on the river side of levees, which either are inholdings within or are contiguous to current Mitigation Project lands and could help address existing access or management problems or could take advantage of opportunities consistent with implementing applicable management plans. MRRIC also recommends that MRRP provide regular updates to the Committee to share non-confidential information estimating the approximate acreage this approach might achieve toward implementation of the mitigation program.
2. MRRP should target funds intended for managing BSNP F&W Mitigation Project lands in the annual budget requests for FY 2025 and 2026 on habitat enhancement projects, where recent assessments indicate they are needed. MRRIC also recommends that the MRRP inform the Committee about the factors it considers in making land management decisions regarding habitat enhancement projects. We also ask that this include the understanding of the need for flow conveyance and for reestablishing lost habitat types.
3. Further, MRRP and other USACE staff as appropriate should continue to work collaboratively with MRRIC to provide information about the Lower Missouri Flood Risk Resiliency Study and related spinoff studies and other efforts where locally supported opportunities for land acquisition are identified that have multiple flood risk reduction and habitat creation benefits. With regard to the spinoff studies, should the locally preferred alternatives include opportunities for land acquisition for BSNP Mitigation, MRRIC recommends that USACE cooperate with local communities and Tribes to take advantage of those opportunities.

In addition, MRRIC is sending the attached recommendation letter to Assistant Secretary of the Army, Michael Connor, asking him to direct his budget staff to include funding for MRRP's BSNP F&W Mitigation Project land acquisition budget at the levels in annual budget requests and request the Office of Management and Budget include this in the President's Budget for FY 2025 and FY 2026.

Thank you very much. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gail Bingham".

Gail Bingham
MRRIC Chair

In addition, MRRIC approved the following recommendation to Michael Connor, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, recommending that he provide funding to the MRRP supporting implementation of the BSNP Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project following the same targeted approach:



Dear Assistant Secretary Connor,

I am writing, as Chair of the Congressionally authorized Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee (MRRIC or the Committee), to recommend that you support the funding described in the Committee's attached letter to Ms. Beth Coffey, USACE Northwestern Division Director of Programs, regarding the Bank Stabilization and Navigation (BSNP) Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project.

MRRIC has nearly 70 members comprised of States, Tribes, Federal Agencies, and Stakeholders associated with Missouri River. It was authorized by Congress in Section 5018 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 and established in 2008 by the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works. The duties of the Committee include providing guidance to the Secretary regarding the existing Missouri River recovery and mitigation plans, including recommendations on the annual work plan and budget.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has a responsibility under a series of authorizations beginning in 1986 to acquire 166,750 acres of floodplain lands mitigating the loss of 522,000 acres of fish and wildlife habitat by the Corps' construction and continuing maintenance of the Bank Stabilization Project. To date, the Corps has acquired in fee title or through permanent easement only 66,713 acres, 40% of the total mitigation authorized and less than 13% of the habitat lost. No acreage has been acquired since 2017 but, with your help, the project can proceed again.

The Committee, by consensus, recommends that you support BSNP Mitigation Project funding for the Missouri River Recovery Program (MRRP), in FY 2025 and FY 2026, to acquire lands from willing sellers, particularly on the river side of levees, which either are inholdings within current BSNP Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project lands or are contiguous to such project lands and could help address existing access or management problems. There is significant acreage that meets these criteria and acquisition of these acres will provide multiple habitat and flood resiliency benefits. We specifically recommend you direct your budget staff to include funding for MRRP's BSNP F&W Mitigation Project land acquisition budget at the levels in the annual budget requests and request the Office of Management and Budget include this in the President's Budget for FY 2025 and FY 2026.

MRRIC expects to continue to work collaboratively with the Corps to explore opportunities that may emerge through the Lower Missouri Flood Risk Resiliency Study and related spinoff studies and other efforts where locally supported opportunities for land acquisition have been identified that have multiple habitat creation and flood risk reduction benefits and to look for opportunities to fund habitat enhancement on existing land owned by USACE, USFWS, and State agencies.

Thank you very much for your attention to this long-standing issue. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this issue or about the Committee.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gail Bingham".

Gail Bingham
MRRIC Chair



MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES

MRRIC held a number of in-person and virtual engagements in FY23, including the first in-person Adaptive Management Workshop since the start of the COVID pandemic.

- **MRRIC November 2022 Fall Science Meeting Webinars:** On November 1-3, MRRIC held Fall Science Meeting Webinars dedicated to sharing results of research on pallid sturgeon and piping plovers in the Basin, updates on ongoing studies, and discussing scientific issues relevant to the management of the species.
- **MRRIC November 2022 Agencies Updates Webinar:** On November 9, MRRIC held an Agencies Updates Webinar in preparation for the November 2022 plenary meeting. The Lead Agencies shared updates on MRRP activities and provided a Water Management Update. The MRRIC Chair reviewed the agenda and key materials for the upcoming plenary meeting.
- **MRRIC November 2022 Plenary Meeting:** On November 16-18, MRRIC held an in-person plenary meeting in Omaha, Nebraska. The Committee made a number of process decisions, including approval of changes to the MRRIC Operating Procedures and Virtual Meeting Protocols, applicable through 2023 only, to allow virtual participants in plenary meetings to participate verbally. The Committee also reached final consensus on a change to the Charter to begin the Vice-Chair's term

at the beginning of the calendar year. MRRIC also learned about and discussed key MRRP issues for collaboration in 2023 and beyond; takeaways from the Fall Science Meetings and highlights of the ISAP Discuss and Feedback engagements on bird and fish monitoring; the evaluation of the effects of natural flow events on pallid reproduction in the Lower River, to inform future decisions about whether or not to implement a test flow; the Environmental assessment process for the next two IRC sites, as well as the selection process for the next IRC sites; ongoing Missouri River Studies; the BSNP F&W Mitigation Project, including opportunities for MRRIC engagement and input looking forward; and a variety of other issues.

- **MRRIC May 2023 Draft AMCR Webinar:** On May 10 and 11, MRRIC held webinars to provide members with an opportunity to learn about key parts of the draft 2022 Adaptive Management Compliance Report (AMCR) and prepare for discussions at the upcoming Adaptive Management Workshop. The May 10 webinar was focused on aspects of the AMCR relevant to pallid sturgeon and the May 11 webinar was focused on aspects of the AMCR relevant to piping plover.
- **MRRIC May 2023 Adaptive Management Workshop:** On May 16-18, MRRIC held an in-person Adaptive Management Workshop in Nebraska City, NE. At the meeting members explored management options building on the draft 2022 AMCR; assessed the AMCR's implications for the MRRP's strategic direction; defined priority information to support future decision-making; and discussed tradeoffs and priorities for implementation and strategic direction given the current budget context. During the May 16 session, which was focused on issues relevant to piping plover, discussion focused on management actions including Emergent Sandbar Habitat (ESH) construction and sandbar augmentation, vegetation management, and predation management; plans for implementing the new bird monitoring program in 2023; and research priorities and plans for the bird program. The morning session on May 17 focused on Upper River issues relevant to pallid sturgeon and related human considerations. Participants discussed the flow management action at Fort Peck; passage at Intake Dam and spawning on the Yellowstone River; and propagation and augmentation on the Upper River. At the afternoon session on May 17 and the May 18 session, which were focused on Lower River issues relevant to pallid sturgeon and related human considerations, discussion focused on Lower Basin propagation and augmentation, spawning habitat-related activities, evaluation of lower river flows at Gavins' Point, and the status of the IRC management action.
- **MRRIC August 2023 Plenary Meeting:** MRRIC held an in-person plenary meeting from August 22-24 in Kansas City, MO. A highlight of the Plenary was that the Committee reached tentative consensus on two substantive recommendations

related to the BSNP Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project, which included a recommendation for the Assistant Secretary of the Army to provide funding to the MRRP to acquire land from willing sellers that meet specific criteria such as enhancing access and connectivity between existing BSNP lands. In addition, the Committee heard updates on water management in the Missouri River Basin; an update on the status of the Fort Peck Test Flow management action; and an update on recent discussions between USFWS and USACE about MRRP management plan implementation progress, which resulted in a decision to conduct a limited re-consultation on the Lower Missouri River focused on spawning habitat and IRCs. The Committee discussed the results of the USFWS Biological Report for the piping plover and next steps in the recovery planning process; heard from representatives of the Great Plains Tribal Water Alliance about their concerns with the MRRP and a recent resolution; and discussed ways to improve MRRIC's ability to address tribal issues and enhance inclusion of tribal members in MRRIC and respect for tribal sovereignty. The Bird Work Group, Fish Work Group, Tribal Interests Work Group, and HC Work Group all shared updates on their activities. Finally, MRRIC members shared their perspectives on MRRIC, its accomplishments, and lessons learned from their time on the Committee, as well as their goals for the future.

- **MRRIC September 2023 Plenary Webinar:** On September 25, MRRIC met virtually and reached final consensus on two BSNP F&W Mitigation recommendations. In addition, the Committee discussed its areas of focus for Fall 2023, including agenda highlights for the December 2023 plenary meeting.



WORK GROUP ACTIVITIES

The Committee has established standing Work Groups consisting of MRRIC members, alternates, and others approved by the full Committee. Work Groups allow MRRIC members to better understand the actions at hand and work directly with the agencies to make recommendations on how the MRRP can be as effective as possible. The Work Groups are indispensable for conducting MRRIC's procedural and substantive endeavors. The groups meet by facilitated conference calls and occasional in-person meetings. They track implementation of the MRRP, help prepare and review presentations for plenary sessions, and develop recommendations for MRRIC's consideration.

ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT GOVERNANCE PLANNING (AMGP) WORK GROUP

- **PURPOSE:** Building on MRRIC's Adaptive Management Governance recommendation (November 2016), this Work Group will track the governance aspects of AM Plan v7 and develop recommendations regarding how MRRIC should engage in efforts to implement the AM Plan.
- **FY 23 HIGHLIGHTS:** AMGP Work Group activities were reduced during FY23 because of budget constraints. However, the AMGP Work Group held one call to learn about revisions to the MRRIC Work Plan, receive an overview of the 2023 AM Workshop, and discuss the 2019 AM Governance recommendations and AM implementation.

AGENDA WORK GROUP

- **PURPOSE:** Collaborates with the Committee's Chair in developing the agenda for each MRRIC meeting.
- **FY 23 HIGHLIGHTS:** The Agenda Work Group helped the Chair prepare for the November 2022 and August 2023 plenary meetings. Agenda Work Group members provided important insights into the key questions and issues to address during the plenary meeting and strategies to enhance relationship building during the meeting. Each of the plenary meetings included sessions focused on helping members learn more about each other. One session in November 2022 included a series of short presentations from eight people about the interests they represent on the Committee. In August 2023, MRRIC Vice-Chair Jim Horan led a dialogue between long-time and new members of the Committee regarding accomplishments, lessons learned, and goals for MRRIC in the future. Both sessions provided valuable opportunities for MRRIC members to learn more about the people sitting around the table.



BIRD WORK GROUP

- PURPOSE:** Understand the science and technical issues that relate to the piping plover and closely monitor USACE activities underway intended to achieve the bird objectives presented in the 2018 BiOp and Adaptive Management Plan as well as any that might jeopardize the continued existence of the Piping Plover on the river. Understand what actions are being implemented for the birds, monitoring methods and results, the status of hypotheses related to the birds, and the implications of model results. Keep MRRIC informed of the science and Bird Team deliberations, provide an opportunity for MRRIC to discuss MRRP activities, and develop recommendations for MRRIC's consideration.
- FY 23 HIGHLIGHTS:** Work Group members engaged in Adaptive Management implementation efforts, including participation in discussions about monitoring and research results during the virtual Fall Science Meeting and discussions at the Adaptive Management Workshop regarding the implications of science on the implementation of management actions for the Piping Plover. The Bird Work Group continued to track development of the new bird monitoring program, which included a meeting between the Bird Technical Team and the ISAP to discuss and get feedback on the new monitoring program; learning about plans for implementing the program at a pilot scale in 2023; and developing a charge for another ISAP engagement on monitoring in the fall of 2023. The Bird Work Group continued to track implementation of bird-related MRRIC recommendations, review bird-specific sections of the MRRP Strategic Plan; and began to utilize the new MRRP Information Management System (IMS).

COMMUNICATIONS WORK GROUP

- PURPOSE:** Develop the Committee's communication materials, including post-plenary meeting communications packets and MRRIC Annual Reports. Facilitate the Committee's annual self-assessment process, and facilitate communication among MRRIC members and agencies.

- **FY 23 HIGHLIGHTS:** The Communications Work Group developed the Annual Report, updated and helped administer the self-assessment survey, and continued its efforts to strengthen and enhance MRRIC's internal and external communications. In particular, the group focused on revising the self-assessment survey questions to shorten the survey and target the most important issues for Committee attention. The group discussed strategies to help increase effective communications to members' constituents and address issues raised in the self-assessment survey responses. The Communications Work Group is also involved in planning activities to celebrate MRRIC's 15th Anniversary at the December 2023 plenary meeting.

FISH WORK GROUP

- **PURPOSE:** Track progress toward fish objectives presented in the 2018 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and the Science and Adaptive Management Plan (SAMP) through an understanding of the science and technical issues related to pallid sturgeon recovery and conservation. Work with agency staff to review actions implemented for the fish, including research and monitoring methods and results, status of hypotheses related to fish, how models work, and implications of updated modeling results. Provide information on program activities and insights based on science findings to the full MRRIC for discussion, and draft recommendations for MRRIC's consideration.
- **FY 23 HIGHLIGHTS:** Fish Work Group (FWG) members engaged in AM implementation efforts by contributing agenda topics and participating in the November 2022 virtual Fall Science Meeting and the May 2023 AM Workshop. The FWG worked with the HC Work Group to review the draft Adaptive Management Compliance Report (AMCR), consider priorities outlined in the MRRP Strategic Plan, and learned more about program implementation. Working collaboratively, the HC Work Group and the FWG developed recommendations on the Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project for the Bank Stabilization and Navigation Project. The recommendations call for the Corps to seek the needed funding for mitigation and target private inholdings and parcels adjacent to existing mitigation sites, from



willing sellers, on the lower river. It also calls on the Corps to work with state and local governments and Tribal Nations on future mitigation efforts. The recommendations received tentative consensus from MRRIC in August, and final approval in September. Building on the MRRIC recommendation from August 2022, two Interception Rearing Complexes (IRCs) are scheduled to be constructed in 2024. However, they may be the last IRCs built, ending the experiment from the 2018 Record of Decision and SAMP. In September 2023, the Corps entered formal consultation with the USFWS to develop a new Biological Assessment (BA) for pallid recovery. The FWS will issue a Biological Opinion, and the Independent Science Advisory Panel (ISAP) will review the proposed new approach. The Fish Work Group and HC Work Group continued discussions regarding the potential HC impacts of possible future flow actions from Ft. Peck Dam regarding Upper Basin pallid recovery.



HUMAN CONSIDERATIONS WORK GROUP

- PURPOSE:** Understand the technical aspects of AM that relate to human uses of the Missouri River System and their impact on humans, including economic, cultural, health, and safety impacts. Understand how human considerations (HC) are being accounted for in AM. Understand the hydrologic, hydraulic, economic, or other models used to predict the effects to HC. Keep MRRIC informed of the HC Work Group deliberations, provide an opportunity for MRRIC to discuss program activities, and develop recommendations for MRRIC's consideration.
- FY 23 HIGHLIGHTS:** Work Group members engaged in AM implementation efforts, including the November 2022 Fall Science Meeting and plenary, and the May 2023 AM Workshop. The HC Work Group, in coordination with the Bird Work Group and Fish Work Group, reviewed the draft AM Compliance Report (AMCR), considered priorities outlined in the MRRP Strategic Plan, and learned more about program implementation.



Working collaboratively, the HCWG and the FWG developed recommendations on the Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project for the Bank Stabilization and Navigation Project. The recommendations call for the Corps to seek the needed funding for mitigation and target private inholdings and parcels adjacent to existing mitigation sites, from willing sellers, on the lower river. It also calls on the Corps to work with state and local governments and Tribal Nations on future mitigation efforts. The recommendations received tentative consensus from MRRIC in August, and final approval in September. The HC Work Group continued discussions regarding the implementation of, and stakeholder concerns associated with, the BSNP Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Program and specifically began to set the stage for upcoming conversations about issues associated with management of the BSNP F&W Mitigation Project lands.

The HC Work Group continued to track possible HC implications of future Ft. Peck flow test for pallid sturgeon as well as ongoing pallid monitoring in response to natural flow events on the lower river. The HC Work Group and Fish Work Group also continued discussions regarding repairs to MRRP constructed features. In May 2023, HC Work Group members were among the participants in on-site meetings, a tribal council meeting, and discussions with the Fort Peck Tribes near Wolf Point.

In August 2023, the HC Work Group received a charge from MRRIC to work with the Tribal Interests Work Group on tribal issues. The group's initial focus is on Indigenous Tribal Ecological Knowledges and how to integrate it into the MRRP and specifically the Science and Adaptive Management Plan as it is revised.

MEMBERSHIP, PROCESS & PROCEDURES (MP2) AD HOC GROUP

- **PURPOSE:** Address processes and procedures related to the operations of MRRIC. The Ad Hoc Group also assists the lead agencies (USACE and USFWS) with aspects of stakeholder membership in MRRIC.

- **FY 23 HIGHLIGHTS:** At the November 2022 plenary meeting, the Committee reached final consensus on the recommendation of the Membership, Process and Procedures Ad Hoc Group's (MP2's) recommendation to include an edit to the MRRIC Charter to start the Vice Chair's term at the beginning of the calendar year. MRRIC also reached consensus at the November plenary on a package of procedural updates applicable to virtual participation procedures for 2023. The 2023 experiment continues elements of the 2022 experiment, allowing virtual participants to contribute verbally to Committee discussions, with verbal participation limited to one MRRIC member per seat. The experiment discontinued virtual members counting towards attendance or quorum. MRRIC also reached consensus regarding edits to the Operating Procedure's definition of "meetings," which enables the Chair to call a virtual meeting under extraordinary circumstances.

MP2 was charged with evaluating the above changes and making recommendations about whether to continue, abandon, or modify them by the end of CY 2023, or these procedures would sunset. At the August 2023 plenary meeting, the MP2 requested MRRIC feedback on how these virtual engagement protocols have been working. Additionally, new questions regarding perspectives on virtual engagement were added to the MRRIC Assessment survey. The MP2 is considering both of those types of data in developing a recommendation for MRRIC consideration at the December 2023 plenary meeting.

TRIBAL INTERESTS WORK GROUP

- **PURPOSE:** Provide information and advice on Tribal-related issues, increase Tribal participation in MRRIC, and incorporate Tribal concerns into the work of MRRIC.
- **FY 23 HIGHLIGHTS:** The Tribal Interests Work Group took stock of the range of issues raised by MRRIC members representing Tribal nations in previous meetings and calls through an "Inventory of Concerns." Building on a review and discussion of the document, the Tribal Interests Work Group focused their efforts on three main issues: input on outreach strategies to build awareness among eligible MRRIC members about the availability of funding for travel to meetings; ways to advance Committee discussions about integrating Indigenous Knowledges into the MRRP (building on White House guidance released in December 2022); and the development of a Tribal Policy, intended to answer questions about what the Committee wants to gain from Tribal engagement.

FISCAL YEAR FINANCIALS

MRRIC Financials

Actual

NCECR & Contractor Fees October 1, 202 through September 30, 2023

NCECR Contractor Fees

Facilitation Team	\$384,351.38
Chair	\$141,969.19
ORAU	\$87,707.18
A. Subtotal Contractor Fees (Labor & Direct Costs)	\$614,027.75

Meeting Expenses (Committee meetings& adaptative management meetings: fees for room rental, A/V, etc.)*	\$100,929.50
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NCECR Services, Direct Costs, and Fees

NCECR Services (labor) - 2,541.5 hours**	\$313,275.00
NCECR Services - Travel Stipend Program (362 labor hours)	\$39,027.50
NCECR Direct Costs (e.g. phone charges, materials, shipping, international travel & travel expenses)	\$18,202.86
Contract Administration Fee	\$25,765.42
B. Subtotal NCECR (Services, Direct Costs, Fees)	\$396,270.78
Total NCECR & Contractor Fees (Sum of Lines A & B above)	\$1,010,298.53

TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

\$1,010,298.53

* Meeting expenses are broken out for reference, but included in the facilitation team costs listed above.

** The NCECR contributed 63.60 unbillable hours (with a value of \$6,995.00) to the MRRIC project over & above the hours listed in line 1.

ORIGINS OF MRRIC



The Missouri River is the longest river in North America, flowing over 2,340 miles through seven states. Its basin encompasses over 529,000 square miles. It has been a source of sustenance and transportation for more than 12,000 years. The river basin was heavily developed in the 20th century, affecting the environment and human interests.

In 1989, the USACE announced it would undertake a revision of the Master Water Control Manual (Master Manual) for Missouri River Reservoir Operations, the principal water management tool for the river. The extensive revision process coincided with the listing of the pallid sturgeon, least tern and piping plover as threatened or endangered species under the federal Endangered Species Act; the issuance by the USFWS of two biological opinions on steps necessary to preclude jeopardy to these species; and extensive federal and state court litigation on water management and species recovery issues. When USACE finalized the revised Master Manual in 2004, the agency committed to establishing a group consisting of stakeholders and sovereign nations to be known as the Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee, often referred to as MRRIC.

Commencing in 2005, USACE, USFWS, and other federal agencies enlisted the assistance of the National Center for Environmental Conflict Resolution (formally known as the U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution) to develop a process for establishing MRRIC. These steps included a Situation Assessment which concluded that a group, such as the MRRIC, was needed to assist in the coordination of recovery actions in the Basin. The assessment also concluded federal agencies take a leadership role in establishing this Committee.

A Working Group of federal agency representatives organized a Planning Group and a Review Panel to draft a governing document for MRRIC. The groups were comprised of appointed members and alternates from basin Tribes and states, and self-selected nongovernmental participants from a wide range of basin interests. The Planning Group, with the Review Panel's concurrence, proposed a Charter to the Secretary of the Army in February 2008.

Following Government-to-Government consultation with basin Tribes, the Charter was approved by the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works at the Planning Group's final meeting in St. Louis, Missouri on July 1, 2008. For additional information on the background of MRRIC, please visit www.MRRIC.org.

The Missouri River Recovery Program (MRRP) is designed to comply with the 2018 USFWS Biological Opinion and has a number of elements to the program to include flow management, habitat creation, AM, hatchery support, and research. This program is funded annually to support these activities as well as the activities of MRRIC which was authorized in 2007. MRRIC is comprised of nearly 70 representatives of Tribes, stakeholder groups, states, and federal agencies from all parts of the Missouri River Basin. Through this Committee, members can express their interests in a collaborative forum while developing a shared vision and comprehensive plan for Missouri River recovery.

ABOUT MRRIC

The Committee's purposes are set forth in Section 5018 of the 2007 Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) and include:

- Providing guidance to federal agencies on the existing Missouri River recovery plan, including priorities for recovery work and implementing changes based on the results of AM.
- Providing guidance to federal agencies on a long-term study of the Missouri River and its tributaries to determine actions required to mitigate losses of aquatic and terrestrial habitat, recovery of federally listed species, and restore the ecosystem to prevent further declines among other native species.
- Developing recommendations that recognize the social, economic and cultural interests of stakeholders; mitigate the impacts on those interests; and advance the multiple uses of the river.

The Committee approves its recommendations by a consensus vote; each recommendation proposal is fully vetted through Work Group deliberations and discussions at one or more MRRIC meetings. While this process takes time, it encourages informed decision-making and widespread agreement for approved recommendations. The preamble to the MRRIC Charter reiterates that the Committee's purpose is to "make recommendations and provide guidance on a study of the Missouri River and its tributaries and on the existing Missouri River recovery and mitigation plan." The Charter also defines recommendations as "official suggestions, comments, or advice representing the consensus of the Committee and provided to the appropriate governmental or non-governmental agencies, groups or persons." Recommendations include substantive recommendations to federal agencies as well as process recommendations related to the Committee's operations.

Consensus recommendations made on substantive issues require a two-step decision making process, with a tentative recommendation made at an initial meeting and a final recommendation made no sooner than the next MRRIC meeting. The two-step process is intended to allow time between the tentative and final consensus recommendation determinations for members to deliberate and consult with their constituents.

MRRIC's Annual Report is prepared by MRRIC's Communications Work Group and approved by MRRIC each year.

MRRIC MEMBERS

MRRIC has nearly 70 members who represent a wide array of local, state, Tribal and federal interests throughout the Missouri River Basin. MRRIC's 2023 membership included representatives of eight states and 19 of the eligible 29 basin Tribes. The 29 stakeholder members, representing 16 different interest categories, apply to and are selected by the USACE's Northwestern Division Commander to serve three-year terms. Federal agency representatives are appointed by their agency. State representatives are appointed by the governor. Tribal representatives are appointed by tribal leadership. USACE and USFWS serve as lead agencies. For additional information about MRRIC membership, please visit www.MRRIC.org.

Members select the Vice Chair and provide input on selection of the Committee's Chair and facilitation team. USIECR provides support services to MRRIC through a Memorandum of Understanding with USACE, and in turn contracts with the Chair and the facilitation team.

The 2022-2023 MRRIC members and alternates* are as follows:

STAKEHOLDER CATEGORIES

Stakeholder Categories	Stakeholder Members	Stakeholder Alternates
Agriculture	Dan Engemann	
Agriculture	David Sieck	Leo Ettleman
At Large	Larry Buss	
At Large	Kenneth Reeder	<i>Harold Higman, Jr.</i>
Conservation Districts	Richard Iversen	Molly Masters
Environmental/Conservation Org	Caroline Pufalt	Edward ("Ted") Heisel
Environmental/Conservation Org	Paul Lepisto	
Flood Control	Robert Vincze	
Flood Control		<i>Daniel Kuenzel</i>
Hydropower	Jim Horan	Jeff Peters
Hydropower	Douglas Hardy	Chris Studer
Irrigation	Scott Olson	
Local Government	Tom Bullock	Carla Markt
Local Government		Franklyn Pogge
Major Tributaries	Ross Silcock	
Major Tributaries	Dan Rostad	
Navigation	Justin Lampert	Lynn Muench
Navigation	Lucy Fletcher	Steven Engemann
Recreation	Terry Fleck	Jesse Kist
Recreation	Larry Shepard	Scott Mansker
Thermal Power	Ryan Lyman	Chris Vritska
Water Quality	Marian Maas	
Water Quality	Craig Giesmann	Julianne Randazzo
Water Supply	Greg Totzke	Melissa Polito/ <i>Michael Armstrong</i>
Water Supply	Michelle Bostinelos	Jeff Dooley
Waterway Industries	Bill Becker	
Waterway Industries	Shane Kinne/ <i>David Shorr</i>	Frank Huseman

MISSOURI RIVER BASIN TRIBES

Missouri River Basin Tribes	Tribal Members	Tribal Alternates
Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe	Robert Walters	
Chippewa Cree of the Rocky Boy's Reservation	Harlan Baker	
Eastern Shoshone Tribe of the Wind River Reservation	Baptiste Weed	
Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe	Elizabeth Wakeman	Anthony Reider
Fort Belknap Indian Community	John Allen	Dennis Longknife
Fork Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes	Martina Wilson	Dyan Youpee
Iowa Tribe of Kansas & Nebraska	Alan Kelley	Lance Foster
Oglala Sioux Tribe	Reno Red Cloud	
Omaha Tribe of Nebraska	Alan Harlan	Tim Grant/Jessica Webster-Valentino
Osage Nation	Andrea Hunter	Caitlin Nichols
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska	Stacy Laravie	Nick Mauro
Prairie Band of Potawatomi of Kansas	Virginia LeClere	
Rosebud Sioux Tribe	Syed Huq	
Sac & Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas & Nebraska		Kirby Robidoux
Santee Sioux Nation	Alonzo Denney/Roger Trudell	David Henry
Spirit Lake Sioux Nation	Robert Thompson	Joan Black
Standing Rock Sioux Tribe	Doug Crow Ghost	Jon Eagle
Three Affiliated Tribes of Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara Nation	Toni Fettig-Smith	
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska	Sunshine Thomas-Bear	
Yankton Sioux Tribe	Colton Archambeau/Kip Spotted Eagle	

STATES REPRESENTED

States Represented	State Members	State Alternates
Iowa	Chris Larson	
Kansas	Steve Adams	
Missouri	Erin Fanning	Michael Weller
Montana		Eric Roberts
Nebraska		Shuhuai Zheng
North Dakota	John Paczkowski	Clay Carufel
South Dakota	John Lott	Chris Longhenry
Wyoming	Jeff Cowley	Michelle Gess

FEDERAL AGENCIES REPRESENTED

Federal Agencies Represented	Federal Members	Federal Alternates
Bureau of Indian Affairs		Wayne Stone
Bureau of Land Management	<i>Mike Philbin</i>	
Bureau of Reclamation	Jason Gibbons	
Federal Highway Administration	Brian Yanchik	
Maritime Administration		Travis Black
National Park Service	Brandon Gerig	Hector Santiago
National Weather Service/NOAA	Maren Stoflet	Wendy Pearson
Natural Resources Conservation Service	Carrie Lindig/ <i>Xavier Montoya</i>	Richard Vaughn
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	Beth Coffey	Brad Thompson
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service	Anna Muñoz	Wayne Nelson-Stastny
U.S. Geological Survey	Josh Valder	Rip Shively
U.S. Forest Service	<i>John Hagenruber</i>	
Western Area Power Administration	Lloyd Linke	John Russell

*Where two members are listed on one line, this indicates the position was held by different individuals at different points in the fiscal year. If a member is listed in italics, this indicates the individual is no longer with the Committee.

IN MEMORIAM

The Committee was saddened by the recent passing of a longtime MRRIC member. His participation & contributions were valued, & will be remembered.



David Shorr

May 24, 1955 - December 26, 2022

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**2024 GARRISON DIVERSION
BOARD & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DATES**

GDCD Board

January 11 & 12
April 18 & 19
July 18 & 19
October 10 & 11

Executive Committee

March 14
June 13
September 26
December 12

Ag & Natural Resources Committee

April 18

Red River Valley Committee

April 18