

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Garrison Diversion Conservancy District  
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.

**1<sup>st</sup> 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)

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Alan Walter, Chairman

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Duane DeKrey, Secretary

# REGISTRATION

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

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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	\$ 33,000

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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## **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,



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Brian Stavenger, CPA  
Partner

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RESPONSE:

This letter correctly sets forth our understanding.

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Garrison Diversion Conservancy District Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenses For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023</b>						
	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
<b>Revenues:</b>						
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
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$5,148,517</b>	<b>\$19,037,909</b>	<b>\$4,862,331</b>	<b>\$31,966,727</b>	<b>\$492,152</b>	<b>\$61,507,636</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>						
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
<b>Total Expenditures *</b>	<b>\$ 4,289,985</b>	<b>\$ 19,024,246</b>	<b>\$ 4,114,496</b>	<b>\$ 32,258,182</b>	<b>\$ 442,534</b>	<b>\$ 60,129,443</b>
<b>Transfer In/Out</b>	<b>(812,295)</b>	<b>(12,767)</b>	<b>(486,790)</b>	<b>1,628,156</b>	<b>(316,304)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Revenues Over Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 46,237</b>	<b>\$ 896</b>	<b>\$ 261,045</b>	<b>\$ 1,336,701</b>	<b>\$ (266,686)</b>	<b>\$ 1,378,193</b>
<b>Net Change in Assets</b>	<b>(2,131,506)</b>		<b>(19,219)</b>	<b>(128,035)</b>	<b>259,674</b>	<b>\$ (2,019,086)</b>
<b>Ending Bank Balance</b>	<b>\$ 6,235,008</b>	<b>\$ 5,491</b>	<b>\$ 621,834</b>	<b>\$ 1,458,389</b>	<b>\$ 165,656</b>	<b>\$ 8,486,378</b>

<b>GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT</b>				
<b>INCOME BUDGET ANALYSIS STATEMENT</b>				
<b>For Eleven Months Ended December 31, 2023</b>				
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)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$61,842,734</b>	<b>\$61,507,636</b>	<b>99.5%</b>	<b>\$335,098</b>



<b>GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT</b>						
<b>Expense Budget Analysis Statement</b>						
<b>For Twelve Months Ended Dec 31, 2023</b>						
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
<b>Expenses</b>						
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
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 68,103,497</b>	<b>\$ 64,436,480</b>	<b>\$ 63,077,445</b>	<b>60,129,443</b>	<b>95.3%</b>	<b>\$ 2,948,002</b>
<b>Transfers In/Out</b>						
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
<b>Total Transfers Out</b>	<b>\$ (457,151)</b>	<b>\$ (461,073)</b>	<b>\$ 943,000</b>	<b>\$ (812,295)</b>	<b>(86.1%)</b>	<b>\$ 1,755,295</b>
<b>Total Expenses &amp; Transfers Out</b>	<b>\$ 67,646,346</b>	<b>\$ 63,975,407</b>	<b>\$ 64,020,445</b>	<b>59,317,148</b>	<b>92.7%</b>	<b>\$ 4,703,297</b>

<b>GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT RESERVES STATEMENT December 31, 2023</b>	
<b>OPERATING RESERVE</b>	
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
<b>O&amp;M EMERGENCY RESERVE</b>	
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
<b>DEFICIENCY RESERVE</b>	
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
<b>PROJECT DEVELOPMENT RESERVE</b>	
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
<b>TOTAL GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT RESERVES</b>	<b>\$8,126,969.24</b>

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%		\$ -
<b>Total Checking Account Balance</b>				<b>\$ 762,651.97</b>
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
<b>Total Savings Account Balance</b>				<b>\$ 2,505,480.80</b>
<b>Total Deposits</b>				<b>\$ 4,030,784.74</b>

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
<b>Total Investments</b>				<b>\$ 10,033,398.64</b>
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
<b>Total Money Market Account Balance</b>				<b>\$ 2,966,875.61</b>
<b>Total Deposits</b>				<b>\$ 13,000,274.25</b>
<b>Pledging</b>	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
<b>Pledging Excess</b>				<b>\$ 3,520,702.01</b>

<b>BREMER BANK DEPOSIT AND PLEDGING SUMMARY December 31, 2023</b>					
<i>Account Type</i>	<i>Balance</i>	<i>Interest Rate</i>	<i>Maturity Date</i>	<i>Deposit Insurance / Pledging Status</i>	
<b><i>Demand Deposit Accounts</i></b>					
<b>Non-Interest Bearing Checking Accounts</b>				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
<b>Total Demand Deposits</b>				<b>Pledging Required on Demand Deposits</b>	<b>\$2,013,246.73</b>
<b><i>Time and Savings Deposits</i></b>					
<b>Interest Bearing Checking</b>					
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>			
<b>Savings Accounts</b>					
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>			
<b>Certificates of Deposit</b>					
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
<b>Total CD Balance</b>		<u>4,845,056.53</u>			Time & Savings Deposit Balance to Secure
				x 110%	1.10
<b>Total Time &amp; Savings Deposit Account Balance</b>				<b>Pledging Required on Time &amp; Savings Deposits</b>	<b>\$6,029,700.97</b>
<b>Total Deposits</b>				<b>Total Pledging Required on all Deposits</b>	<b>\$8,042,947.70</b>
				<b>Pledged Security/Letter of Credit</b>	<b>\$12,077,935.00</b>
				<b>Pledging Excess</b>	<b>\$4,034,987.30</b>

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)
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 4,250,000</b>	<b>\$4,279,384</b>	<b>\$ (29,384)</b>	<b>\$ 180,000</b>	<b>\$ 303,676</b>	<b>(\$123,676)</b>

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT  
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For Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023**

	<b>Budget 1/1/22 to 12/31/22</b>	<b>Expenditures Chargeable to 2022 Budget</b>	<b>Budget 1/1/23 to 12/31/23</b>	<b>2023 Actual as of 12/31/2023</b>	<b>Balance of Budget as of 12/31/2023</b>	<b>Percentage of Budget Spent</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>						
<b>Directors Expense</b>						
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%
<b>Total Directors Expense</b>	<b>\$ 270,000</b>	<b>\$ 235,482</b>	<b>\$ 261,000</b>	<b>\$ 271,960</b>	<b>\$ (10,960)</b>	<b>104.2%</b>
<b>Employee Expense</b>						
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%
<b>Total Employee Expense</b>	<b>\$ 1,341,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,167,595</b>	<b>\$ 1,434,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,198,042</b>	<b>\$ 235,957</b>	<b>83.5%</b>
<b>Administration</b>						
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%
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>\$ 218,500</b>	<b>\$ 165,984</b>	<b>\$ 247,500</b>	<b>\$ 229,957</b>	<b>\$ 17,545</b>	<b>92.9%</b>
<b>Public Education</b>						
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%
<b>Total Public Education</b>	<b>\$ 151,840</b>	<b>\$ 135,407</b>	<b>\$ 157,000</b>	<b>\$ 81,523</b>	<b>\$ 75,477</b>	<b>51.9%</b>

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	<b>Budget 1/1/22 to 12/31/22</b>	<b>Expenditures Chargeable to 2022 Budget</b>	<b>Budget 1/1/23 to 12/31/23</b>	<b>2023 Actual as of 12/31/2023</b>	<b>Balance of Budget as of 12/31/2023</b>	<b>Percentage of Budget Spent</b>
<b>Professional Services</b>						
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%
<b>RRVWSP Development</b>	<b>\$ 469,000</b>	<b>\$ 65,640</b>	<b>\$ 456,000</b>	<b>\$ 114,456</b>	<b>\$ 341,544</b>	<b>25.1%</b>
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%
<b>Total Professional Services</b>	<b>\$ 999,000</b>	<b>\$ 383,818</b>	<b>\$ 851,000</b>	<b>\$ 465,440</b>	<b>\$ 385,561</b>	<b>54.7%</b>
<b>Irrigation Development</b>						
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%
<b>Total Irrigation Development</b>	<b>\$ 911,200</b>	<b>\$ 881,347</b>	<b>\$ 269,875</b>	<b>\$ 230,780</b>	<b>\$ 39,095</b>	<b>85.5%</b>
<b>Recreation</b>						
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%
<b>Total Recreation</b>	<b>\$ 610,000</b>	<b>\$ 546,500</b>	<b>\$ 860,000</b>	<b>\$ 809,931</b>	<b>\$ 50,069</b>	<b>94.2%</b>
<b>Water Supply Grant Program</b>	<b>\$ 300,000</b>	<b>\$ 98,614</b>	<b>\$ 300,000</b>	<b>\$ 224,683</b>	<b>\$ 75,317</b>	<b>74.9%</b>
<b>Irrigation Districts Expense</b>						
Irrigation Districts	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	0.0%
<b>Total Irrigation Districts Expense</b>	<b>\$ 2,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,000</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Maintenance &amp; Repair</b>						
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%
<b>Total Maintenance &amp; Repair</b>	<b>\$ 86,000</b>	<b>\$ 83,481</b>	<b>\$ 82,000</b>	<b>\$ 52,724</b>	<b>\$ 29,275</b>	<b>64.3%</b>
<b>Capital Purchases</b>						
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%
<b>Total Capital Purchases</b>	<b>\$ 381,000</b>	<b>\$ 371,241</b>	<b>\$ 750,000</b>	<b>\$ 724,945</b>	<b>\$ 25,056</b>	<b>96.7%</b>
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$ 5,270,540</b>	<b>\$ 4,069,469</b>	<b>\$ 5,214,375</b>	<b>\$ 4,289,985</b>	<b>\$ 924,392</b>	<b>82.3%</b>

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	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
<b>IRRIGATION FUND</b>						
<b>McClusky Canal Irrigation:</b>	\$ 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%
<b>Debt Payments</b>	\$ 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%
<b>Total Irrigation Fund</b>	<b>\$ 939,800</b>	<b>\$ 752,710</b>	<b>\$ 828,100</b>	<b>\$ 442,534</b>	<b>\$ 385,566</b>	<b>53.4%</b>
<b>GDU O &amp; M</b>						
<b>Salaries and Benefits</b>	\$ 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%
<b>Total GDU O &amp; M</b>	<b>\$ 5,984,831</b>	<b>\$ 5,335,606</b>	<b>\$ 4,336,987</b>	<b>\$ 4,114,496</b>	<b>\$ 222,492</b>	<b>94.9%</b>
<b>MR&amp;I Fund</b>						
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%
<b>Total MR&amp;I Fund</b>	<b>\$ 27,176,835</b>	<b>\$ 25,421,501</b>	<b>\$ 20,235,000</b>	<b>\$ 19,024,246</b>	<b>\$ 1,210,754</b>	<b>94.0%</b>
<b>RRV Water Supply Project</b>						
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%
<b>Total RRVWSP</b>	<b>\$ 28,891,491</b>	<b>\$ 28,857,194</b>	<b>\$ 32,462,983</b>	<b>\$ 32,258,182</b>	<b>\$ 204,801</b>	<b>99.4%</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 68,263,497</b>	<b>\$ 64,436,480</b>	<b>\$ 63,077,445</b>	<b>\$ 60,129,443</b>	<b>\$ 2,948,005</b>	<b>95.3%</b>



GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT GD CD 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)
<b>TOTALS</b>				<b>\$192,029.00</b>	<b>\$ 136,019.30</b>	<b>(\$56,009.70)</b>

**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
<b>REVENUES:</b>						
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
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 5,004,822</b>	<b>\$ 5,006,026</b>	<b>\$ 19,037,909</b>	<b>\$ 31,966,727</b>	<b>\$ 492,152</b>	<b>\$ 61,507,636</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>						
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
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 5,214,375</b>	<b>\$ 4,336,987</b>	<b>\$ 20,235,000</b>	<b>\$ 32,462,983</b>	<b>\$ 828,100</b>	<b>\$ 63,077,445</b>
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)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 733,447</b>	<b>\$ (250,961)</b>	<b>\$ (1,220,091)</b>	<b>\$ (496,256)</b>	<b>\$ (335,948)</b>	<b>\$ (1,569,809)</b>

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**  
**Income Budget**  
**2023 Rv2**

	<b>2023 Budget</b>	<b>Revision</b>	<b>Revised 2023 Budget</b>
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
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
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 61,842,734</b>	<b>\$ (335,098)</b>	<b>\$ 61,507,636</b>

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**  
**Expense Budget**  
**2023 Rv2**

	<b>Budget 2023</b>	<b>Revision</b>	<b>Revised Budget 2023</b>
<b>Directors Expense</b>			
Directors Per Diem	\$133,000		\$133,000
Directors Exp	\$128,000	\$ 11,000	\$139,000
<b>Total Directors Expense</b>	<b>\$261,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$272,000</b>
<b>Employee Expense</b>			
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
<b>Total Employee Expense</b>	<b>\$1,434,000</b>	<b>-\$11,000</b>	<b>\$1,423,000</b>
<b>Administration</b>			
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
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>\$247,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$247,500</b>
<b>Public Education</b>			
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
<b>Total Public Education</b>	<b>\$157,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$ 157,000</b>

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**  
**Expense Budget**  
**2023 Rv2**

	Budget 2023	Revision	Revised Budget 2023
<b>Professional Services</b>			
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
<b>Total Professional Services</b>	<b>\$851,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$851,000</b>
<b>Irrigation Development</b>			
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
<b>Total Irrigation Development</b>	<b>\$269,875</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$269,875</b>
<b>Recreation</b>			
Recreation Matching	\$850,000		\$850,000
DWRA Recreation Program	\$10,000		\$10,000
<b>Total Recreation</b>	<b>\$860,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$860,000</b>
<b>Water Assistance</b>			
Water Assistance Grant	\$300,000	\$0	\$300,000
<b>Irrigation District Expense</b>			
Irrigation District Expenses	\$2,000		\$2,000
OTA Title Transfer	\$0		\$0
Technical Support	\$0		\$0
Legal	\$0		\$0
<b>Total Irrigation District Expense</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>
<b>Maintenance &amp; Repair</b>			
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
<b>Total Maintenance &amp; Repair</b>	<b>\$82,000</b>	<b>-\$28,394</b>	<b>\$53,606</b>
<b>Capital Purchases</b>			
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
<b>Total Capital Purchases</b>	<b>\$750,000</b>	<b>\$28,394</b>	<b>\$ 778,394</b>
<b>General Fund Subtotal</b>	<b>\$5,214,375</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,214,375</b>

**GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**  
**Expense Budget**  
**2023 Rv2**

	Budget 2023	Revision	Revised Budget 2023
<b>Irrigation Fund</b>			
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
<b>Total Irrigation Fund</b>	<b>\$828,100</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$828,100</b>
<b>GDU O &amp; M</b>			
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
<b>Total GDU O &amp; M</b>	<b>\$4,336,987</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,336,987</b>
<b>MR&amp;I Fund</b>			
Salaries & Benefits	\$82,000		\$82,000
State Administration	\$153,000		\$153,000
MR&I Project Expenditures	\$20,000,000		\$20,000,000
<b>Total MR&amp;I Fund</b>	<b>\$20,235,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$20,235,000</b>
<b>RRV Water Supply Project</b>			
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
<b>Total RRVWSP</b>	<b>\$32,462,983</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$ 32,462,983</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$63,077,445</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$ 63,077,445</b>

## Task Order GF 1.47 – 2024 Strategic Communications Services

Task Order Effective Date: January 1, 2024

### TASK ORDER EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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#### 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	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	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	0.54
NAWS-Glenburn to Renville (2-3C)	\$ 2,689,519.00	\$ 2,689,518.18	\$	\$ 2,689,518.18	0.82	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	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	0.54
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 80,441,042.15</b>	<b>\$ 48,693,132.59</b>	<b>\$ 18,914,983.81</b>	<b>\$ 67,608,116.40</b>	<b>\$ 12,832,925.75</b>	

**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	Total	MR&I Funding Remaining
NAWS Biota WTP & Pump Station Ph 2 (7-2B/4-1B)	\$ 26,645,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	26,645,000.00
Botineau 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
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 38,545,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 38,545,000.00</b>



## 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 \$) <sup>1,2,3</sup>		
					Total	Federal 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%
	<b>Garrison Diversion Conservancy District Budget</b> 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			
	<b>Property, Easements, and Crop Damage Payments<sup>4</sup></b> 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			\$ 2.21	\$ 1.66	\$ 0.55				
	<b>Transmission Pipeline East Contract 5C</b> 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.	Jul-23 Nov-23	Prof Svcs Const, 2026 Fin							\$ 5.64	\$ 4.23	\$ 1.41
	<b>Transmission Pipeline East Contract 5D</b> 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.	Jul-23 Oct-23	Prof Svcs Const, 2026 Fin							\$ 5.47	\$ 4.10	\$ 1.37
	<b>RRV Transmission Pipeline Contract 6A</b> 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.	Jul-23 Oct-24	Prof Svcs Const, 2027 Fin							\$ 5.47	\$ 4.10	\$ 1.37
	<b>ENDAWS Transmission Pipeline Contract 3</b> 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.	Aug-23	ENDAWS	\$ 3.06	\$ 2.30	\$ 0.76				\$ 45.00	\$ 33.75	\$ 11.25



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					Total	Federal 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%
7.	<p>Transmission Pipeline East Contracts 4A and 4B</p> <p>Scope: Final design (30% docs to biddable plans and specs) and bidding assistance.</p> <p>Need: Have the next pipeline section bid-ready when State funding becomes available (likely the 2025-27 biennium).</p>	<p>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.</p>	Feb-24	Prof Srvs				\$ 7.19	\$ 5.39	\$ 1.80			
8.	<p>RRV Transmission Pipeline Contract 7</p> <p>Scope: Final design (30% docs to biddable plans and specs) and bidding assistance.</p> <p>Need: Have the next pipeline section bid-ready when State funding becomes available (likely the 2025-27 biennium).</p>	<p>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.</p>	Aug-23	Prof Srvs				\$ 2.93	\$ 2.20	\$ 0.73			
9.	<p>McClusky Canal Intake and Pumping Station</p> <p>Scope: Conceptual and preliminary design of an intake and pumping station at the McClusky Canal.</p> <p>Need: Preliminary designs are necessary so site acquisition can begin and final design can commence when land is secured.</p>	<p>Siting: passive intake screens, pumping station similar to MRI, and utility extension design can begin for new facility to be located near McClusky, ND.</p>	Feb-24	Prof Srvs	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.19						
10.	<p>Biota Water Treatment Plant and Main Pumping Station</p> <p>Scope: Conceptual and preliminary designs for a Biota WTP and Main Pumping Station, including hydraulic surge facility.</p> <p>Need: Complete design to a point where land acquisition can begin and project can move into final design next biennium.</p>	<p>165-cfs biota WTP, with chlorine and UV disinfection to meet NDPDES permit and FEIS requirements per Reclamation. Chloramines for residual disinfectant in pipeline.</p>	Feb-24	Prof Srvs	\$ 2.88	\$ 2.16	\$ 0.72						
11.	<p>Hydraulic Break Tanks</p> <p>Scope: Preliminary design of above-ground tanks and associated facilities at or near the continental divide.</p> <p>Need: Complete design to a point where land acquisition can begin and project can move into final design next biennium.</p>	<p>Two 5 MG above-ground storage tanks and accessories, site piping and valves, monitoring, and utility extensions necessary for a new greenfield site.</p>	Feb-24	Prof Srvs	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.10						
12.	<p>PMIS Annual Licenses &amp; Continued Maint/Upgrades</p> <p>Scope: Annual software license renewal for expanded team and consulting support for training and configuration services.</p> <p>Need: Create greater efficiency and documentation for voluminous amount of construction related documents.</p>	<p>Vendor fees (e-Builder &amp; DocuSign) for licenses of expanded team and consulting support for training of contractors/ subcontractors and workflow/report additions and modifications.</p>	Feb-24	Vend & Prof Srvs				\$ 0.49	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.12			
13.	<p>Prj Mgmt to Support Larger Spend and Expanded Team</p> <p>Scope: Overall program management, planning, budgeting, scheduling, and other support for Garrison Diversion.</p> <p>Need: Consulting services of a broad programmatic nature not included under project-specific design or construction TOs.</p>	<p>Overall planning, management, administration, scheduling, budgeting, coordination, meeting preparation/attendance, regulatory interface, reporting, etc.</p>	Aug-23	Prof Srvs				\$ 0.66	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.16			



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					Total	Federal 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%	Total	State 75%	Local 25%	
14.	<p><b>Outreach, Png, and Design to Secure User Commitments</b></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>	<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.</p>	Aug-23	Prof Srvs				\$ 1.70	\$ 1.28	\$ 0.42				
15.	<p><b>Operational Planning and Asset Management Phase 3</b></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>	<p>Refine details of diversions to/from Lake Ashtabula. Finalize stakeholder roles and responsibilities as it relates to system operation.</p>	Feb-24	Prof Srvs				\$ 0.47	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.12				
16.	<p><b>Financial Planning Support</b></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>	<p>Update financial models; address state loan and financing program changes; end user funding, financing, and cost-share analyses; continued funding and finance outreach.</p>	Aug-23	Prof Srvs				\$ 0.59	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.15				
17.	<p><b>Contingency</b></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>	<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.</p>	N/A	GDCD	\$ 1.08	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.27	\$ 2.18	\$ 1.64	\$ 0.54	\$ 11.72	\$ 8.79	\$ 2.93	
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET</b>						\$ 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**

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**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%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$751,031</b>	<b>2.08%</b>

**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



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- 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**


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**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%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$2,872,752</b>	<b>2.02%</b>

**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,

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- 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

**ENDAWS Task Order 4250 – Eastern North Dakota Alternate Water Supply  
 Preliminary Design Services**

Task Order Effective Date: February 1, 2024

**TASK ORDER EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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**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%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$370,443</b>	<b>1.61%</b>

**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

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- 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**


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**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
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$462,030</b>

**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%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$7,183,000</b>	<b>3.60%</b>

**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 4<sup>th</sup> Street NE and 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue NE and extends 27 miles east to 57<sup>th</sup> 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**

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**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*
<b>GDU</b>	38.425	42.224**
<b>State</b>	15.450	10.000
<b>Tribe</b>	22.975	5.224
<b>Lewis &amp; Clark</b>	78.601	13.825
<b>Fort Peck</b>	15.000	0
<b>Rocky Boys</b>	97.321	19.946
<b>Musselshell- Judith</b>	27.600	3.000
<b>E NM</b>	96.140	7.051
<b>Jicarilla</b>	19.000	10.010
<b>Total</b>	<b>372.087</b>	<b>122.804</b>

\*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 60<sup>th</sup> 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

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# *Policy Update*

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## **Thank you for joining us for Water Convention**

Thank you for joining us for the 60<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto:staff@ndwater.net) or call 701-223-4615.

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

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

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- 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.

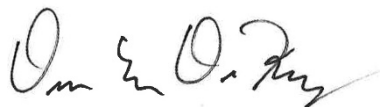
In order to secure land ownership for the future, Garrison Diversion purchased five acres of land for the building site, which will be donated to NDSU once construction of the building is complete.

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. King", written in a cursive style.

Garrison Diversion General Manager