

Flood Diversion Authority June Report

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May Board Highlights

💧 The Board approved:

- *Oxbow/ Hickson/Bakke (O/H/B) levee alignment*
- *\$350,000 in USACE funding for USACE design reviews of In-town and O/H/B levees*
- *\$356,000 for a third Hardship Property purchase*

💧 The Board received updates:

- *Hardship Properties status*
- *Minnesota EIS public scoping meeting on May 8*
- *NEPA process and timeline update from the USACE*

May Priority Areas

- 💧 Washington DC leadership trip May 20-23
- 💧 Legislative sessions followups
- 💧 Develop biennium and FY14 program priorities
- 💧 Oxbow levee way forward
- 💧 Ongoing technical/design activities

May 2013 Legislative Activities

- 💧 Federal engagements/updates:
 - *Washington DC leadership trip May 20-23*
 - *Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) passes Senate with language that would authorization project*

- 💧 State engagements
 - *Minnesota legislators meeting on May 30*
 - *ND legislative session follow-ups*

Other Program Activities

💧 Oxbow / Hickson / Bakke levee:

- *Legal team and City of Oxbow refined MOU language*
- *Corps approved the expansion of the protected area to allow for additional lots for staging area mitigation*
- *HMG developed concept design for levee alignment*

💧 Hardship acquisitions:

- *Continued acquisition process for 3rd and 4th properties*
- *Began processing of 5th hardship property*

Other Program Activities, con't.

- 💧 Continued development of the Agricultural Mitigation Policy
- 💧 HMG data analysis of upstream impacts, began development of a master impacted structures database
- 💧 Developed Staging Area property impacts timeline
- 💧 Conducted the quarterly Joint Program Mgt Board and Executive Leadership Council

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💧 Technical effort:

- *Completed review of Drayton Dam Mitigation 95% design*
- *Joint meetings: LSLCTT, Technical Working Group (TWG), and Joint Design Board (JDB)*
- *Participated in and I-29 Interchange planning meeting May 7*
- *2013 Cultural Field Investigations kick-off meeting May 30*
- *Developed Phased Construction Plan and initial FY program priorities*

May 2013 Highlights

💧 Federal/State Agency Coordination:

- *USACE, and local team participated in MnEIS Public Scoping meeting on May 8th.*
- *USACE and local team responded to questions from the MnEIS Public Scoping meeting*
- *Assisted USACE in preparing the Environmental Assessment documentation for public release.*

May 2013 Highlights - Outreach

- 💧 Worked with Home Builders Association to develop a “Lunch n’ Learn” for their members.
- 💧 Developed a plan for Chamber business taskforce meeting quarterly updates.
- 💧 Refined/updated the biennium outreach plan.
- 💧 Received/answered numerous questions from the public.
- 💧 Updates to the project website, www.fmdiversion.com
- 💧 Published the May *Diversions Dialogue E-Newsletter*