

Flood Diversion Authority July Report

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June Board Highlights

💧 The Board approved:

- *Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Oxbow*
- *Confirmed the FY14 Program priorities*

💧 The Board received updates:

- *Leadership team's trip to Washington, DC*
- *Red River Basin Commission update*
- *NEPA process and timeline update from the USACE*

June Priority Areas

💧 FY14 Authority Decisions

- *Initial drafted of Joint Work Plan with technical team and USACE*
- *Joint Powers Agreement*

💧 Oxbow/Hickson/Bakke levee

- *design scope/timeline development*
- *Oxbow MOU*

💧 Ongoing technical/design activities

June 2013 Highlights - Technical

- 💧 Initiated draft of the FY15 Joint Work Plan
- 💧 Joint meetings: LSLCTT, Technical Working Group (TWG), and Joint Design Board (JDB)
- 💧 Closeout design review of CR-31, I-29, CR-31, CR-32, and CR-22 Bridge design packages
- 💧 Start of 2013 Phase 1 cultural survey field work

June 2013 Highlights – Other Program Activities

- 💧 Hardship acquisitions:
 - *3rd property scheduled to close in July*
 - *4th property in negotiations*
 - *5th hardship property – appraisal approved*
- 💧 HMG presented the Upstream Property Impacts Table for the USACE to use for determination of mitigation requirements.
- 💧 Authority conducted an Ag Sub committee meeting and continued development of the Agricultural Mitigation Policy
- 💧 Conducted the quarterly Joint Program Mgt Board and Executive Leadership Council meetings

June 2013 Highlights – Regulatory/Permitting

- 💧 USACE released the Environmental Assessment on June 14 for 30-day comment period
- 💧 Minnesota EIS Scoping Document:
 - *USACE and Authority participated in Minnesota EIS extended work session to review draft responses to comments*
- 💧 USACE – FEMA meeting on mitigation requirements

June 2013 Highlights - Outreach

- 💧 USACE held a public meeting on the Environmental Assessment June 25
- 💧 USACE conducted a northern landowners meeting June 26
- 💧 Coordinated a technical presentation to the Home Builders Association on June 20
- 💧 Conducted meetings with individual staging area landowners to discuss specific impacts to their properties

June 2013 Highlights – Outreach (cont)

- 💧 Developed information packet for the North Dakota State Water Commission meeting on June 19
- 💧 Participated in Outreach Working Group meetings and weekly calls with the USACE to coordinate outreach activities.
- 💧 Updates to the project website, www.fmdiversion.com
- 💧 Published the June Diversion Dialogue E-Newsletter