

BALLOT INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS

- The enclosed ballots reflect ownership according to the County tax rolls; if any ballot does not accurately reflect current ownership, you may contact Cass County Joint Water Resource District (CCJWRD) to request a revised ballot. Please contact us by telephone at (701) 298-2381, by email at LewisC@casscountynod.gov, or by mail. You will need to provide proper documentation to prove ownership different than what the tax rolls indicate (e.g., a recently-recorded deed).
- The proposed assessment listed on each ballot is the amount of your vote for that ballot. For example, if a ballot reflects a \$5,000 assessment, the ballot is worth 5,000 votes.
- All property owners listed on each ballot should vote and sign their names in order to get the full weight of the vote. For example, if there are two landowners listed on a ballot, and the ballot reflects a \$5,000 assessment, but only one landowner signs the ballot, CCJWRD will only count 2,500 of the possible votes.
- Please note you may receive more than one ballot if you own more than one parcel within the proposed assessment district, in which case you should complete and return all ballots. Only the ballots returned will be counted.
- CCJWRD is sending ballots only to the addresses shown on the ballots (the owner's mailing addresses, according to the County tax rolls). A party who receives a ballot with multiple landowners is responsible for circulating the ballot to the other landowners if they reside at different addresses. Alternatively, if landowners reside at different addresses, you may request multiple copies of a ballot and each of the landowners may sign and return original ballots with only their original signatures (for example, if a ballot reflects two landowners, each owner may separately sign and return an original ballot).
- CCJWRD can only accept original signatures on ballots; CCJWRD cannot accept emailed or faxed copies of any ballots, and CCJWRD cannot accept photocopied signatures.
- Enclosed is a prepaid envelope to return completed ballots. After completing and signing the ballots, you must return them to CCJWRD, 1201 Main Avenue West, West Fargo, North Dakota 58078. **CCJWRD must have them in-hand by 5:00 p.m. on April 30, 2015.** CCJWRD will not count or consider late ballots.
- The assessment district vote will only be successful if 50 percent or more of the ballots returned are in favor of the creation of the assessment district. For example, if CCJWRD mails out \$1,000,000 worth of ballots, but only \$200,000 worth of ballots are timely returned, CCJWRD will only count those returned; in this example, if the ballots returned in favor of the project were at least \$100,001, the assessment district vote would pass.