Component Analysis

Presentation by: Technical Advisory Group

Presentation to: Fargo-Moorhead Area Flood Diversion Task Force

November 29, 2017



Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

- Held two public meetings on Nov. 14 & Nov. 28
 - Meetings were well attended by Task Force members
- Defined criteria to evaluate alternatives and components
- Screened alternatives and components for further evaluation
- All information shown is for the 1-percent annual chance (100-year flood event)

TAG Key Criteria (not in particular order)

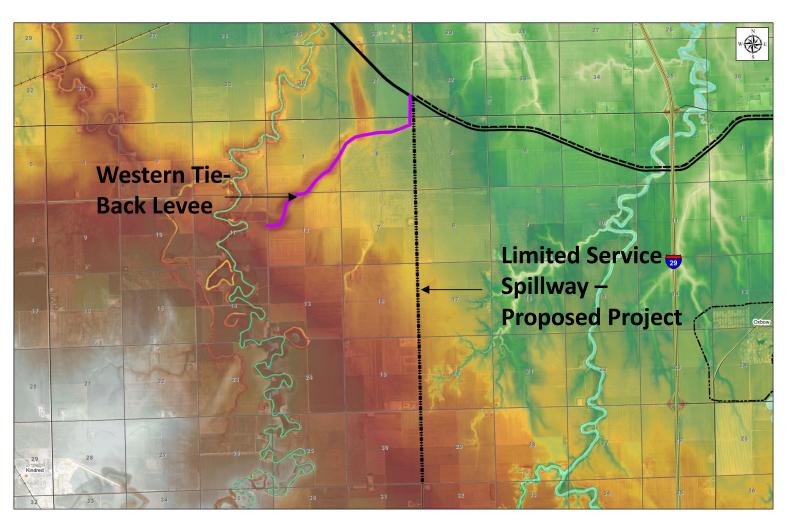
- A. Satisfy Task Force Charter
- B. Meet Laws and Ordinances
- C. Minimize Residual Risk
- D. Reduce Floodplain Impacts
- E. Reduce Environmental Effects
- F. Limit Impacts to Structures
- G. Resilience/Robustness of Design
- H. Cost and Engineering Feasibility
- I. Upstream and Downstream Impacts
- J. Impacts at the U.S./Canadian Border

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Western Tie Back Levee as a Component

- Included as part of Alternatives 1, 3, 4, and 5
- Alternatives 2 and 6 do not include a WTBL



Consideration of Distributed Storage

- Basin-wide retention efforts can increase the overall level of flood protection for communities
- Distributed storage can be a component for 100-year protection for Fargo-Moorhead only if projects are completed and operational
- Support for retention should continue as a long-term strategy to increase protection above the 100-year

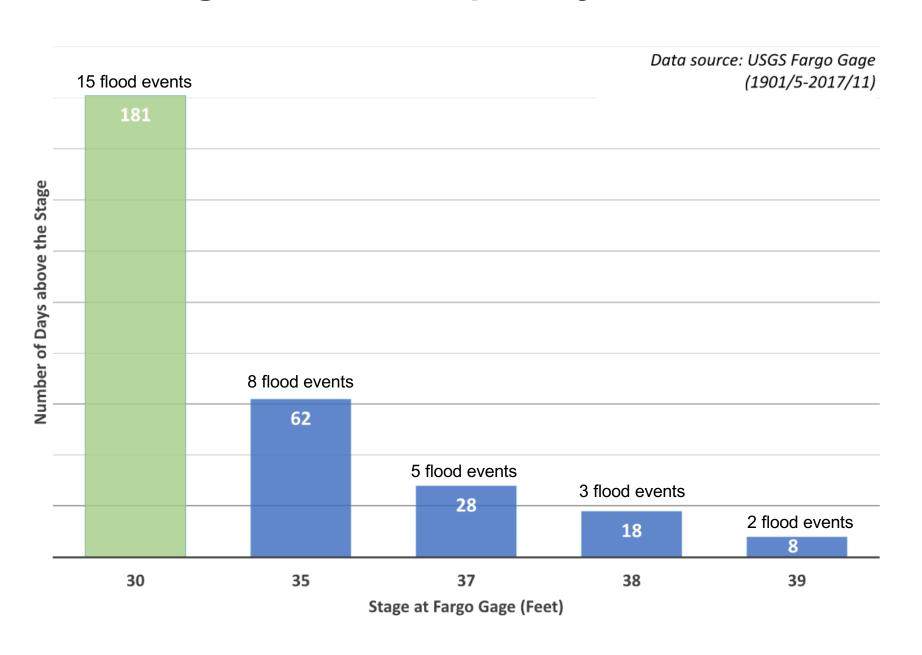
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Components #1a-1d: Additional Flows Through Town

- Additional flows through town reduces the frequency of staging area operation and size of the inundation area
- Additional flows through town requires additional In Town measures be implemented
- Original project (2011) had River Stage (RS) 30' through town in a 100-year flood
- Proposed project design (2013) has RS 35' through town in a 100-year flood
- Additional analysis considered up to RS 39'

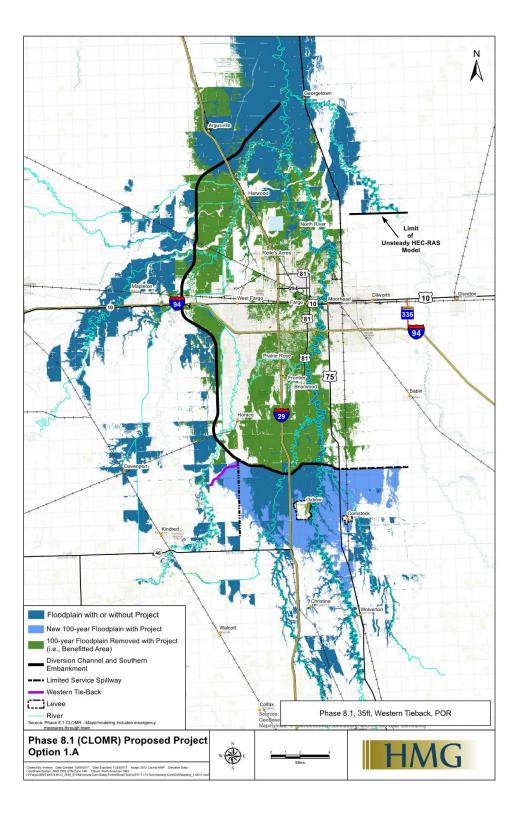
Components #1a-1d: Additional Flows Through Town Histogram and Frequency Curve



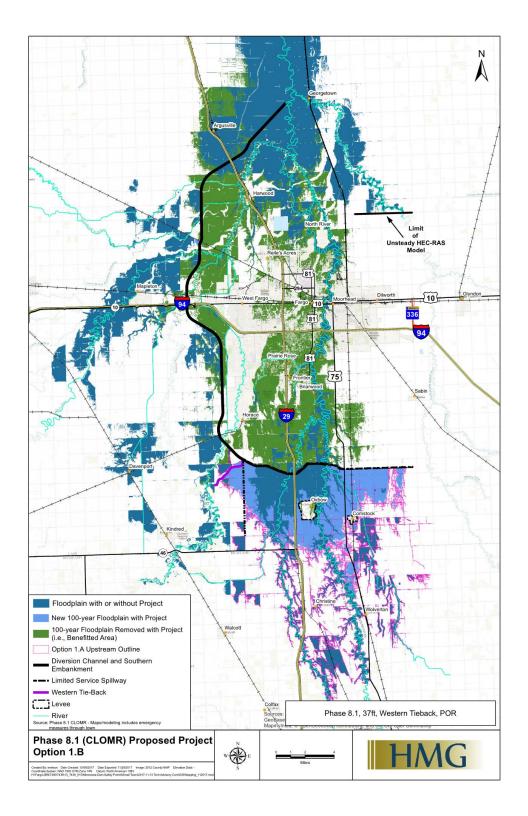
Component #1a-1d: Additional Flows Through Town

	Proposed 35' (baseline)	35' w/WTBL (1a)	36'	37' (1b)	38' (1c)	39' (1d)
Return Frequency /Discharge (cfs)	13 year / 16,400 cfs	13 year / 16,400 cfs	N/A	21 year / 20,200 cfs	28 year / 22,200 cfs	39 year / 24,500 cfs
Staging Area Elevation at Dam	921.66	921.54	N/A	920.87	920.64	920.51
Total Upstream Impacted Area (acres)	35,456	36,364	N/A	33,208	32,136	31,519
Newly Impacted Upstream Area (acres)	18,720	19,463	N/A	16,875	16,015	15,493
Residential/Total Structures Impacted Upstream	69 / 636	70 / 638	N/A	65 / 578	60 / 548	59 / 533
Residential/Total Unprotected Structures within FDRA	29 / 155	29 / 55	N/A	101 / 374	156 / 534	257 / 763
Residual Floodplain Through the Protected Area (acres)	21,051	21,068	N/A	26,736	31,209	35,239
Cost (Construction and Acquisitions – FM Only)	Ongoing	Ongoing	N/A	\$150M/130 Homes	\$330M/208 Homes	\$400M/326 Homes

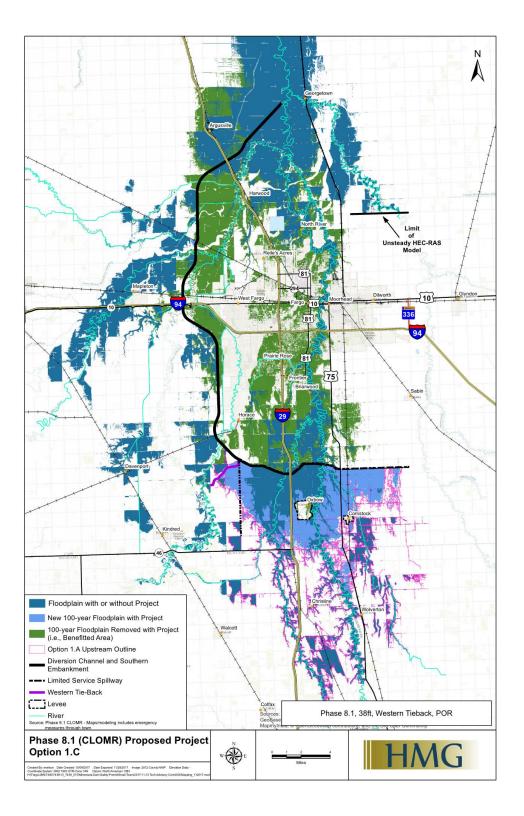
Component #1a (RS 35')



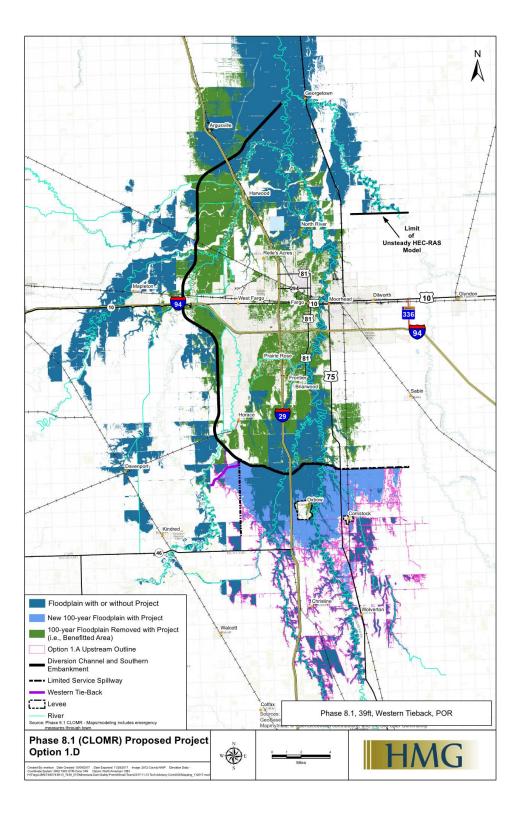
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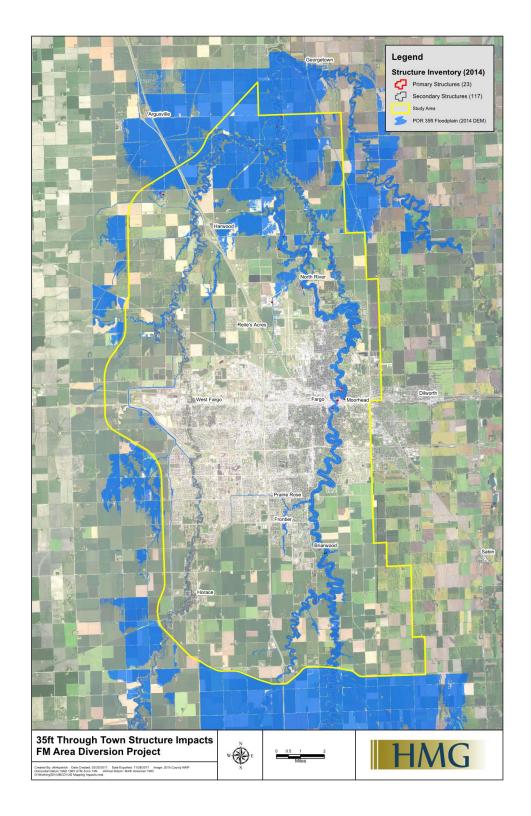
Component #1c (RS 38')



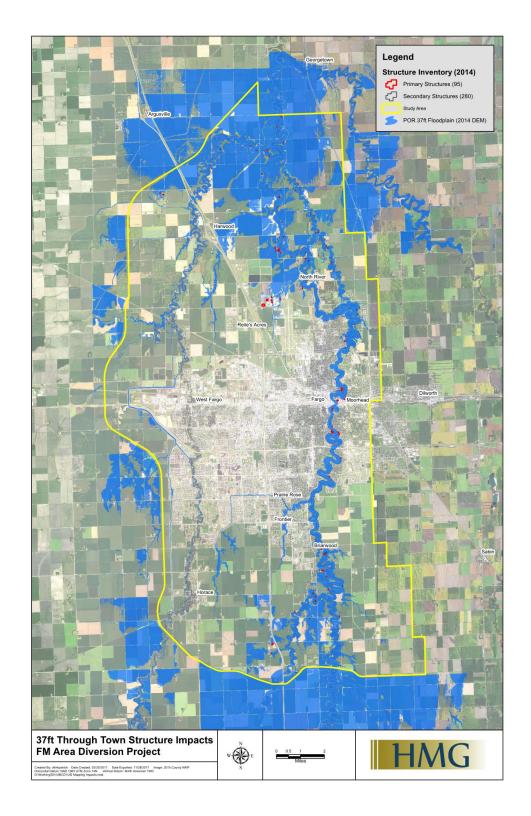
Component #1d (RS 39')



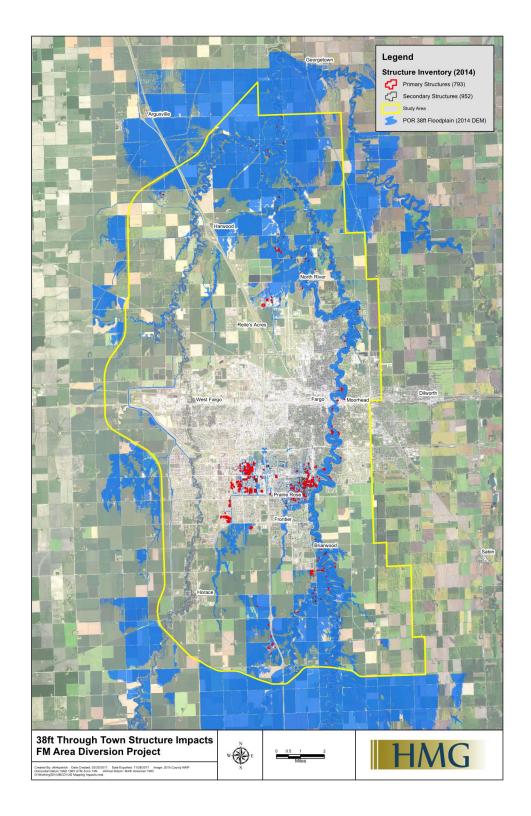
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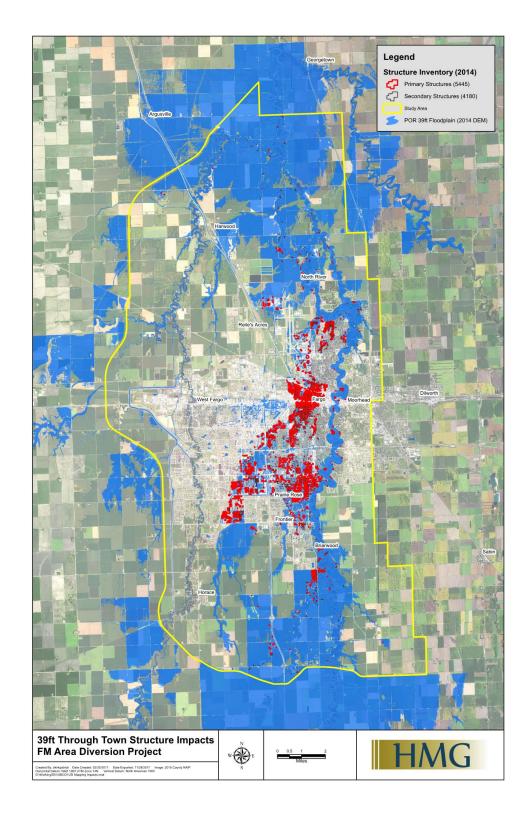
Component #1b (RS 37')



Component #1c (RS 38')



Component #1d (RS 39')



Component #2: Levees Only

- Based on a preliminary analysis, a ring levee could achieve 100-year accredited (FEMA) protection
- Would utilize existing Horace to West Fargo and West Fargo Diversion projects on the west side
- Limited capacity through the Red River induces higher water levels upstream that requires mitigation and property rights
- Causes an induced upstream stage of 1.5 (on Red River) to 4 feet (near Horace) during the 100-year flood and 5.5 to 6.5 feet during the 500-year flood
- Levee/floodwall system would overtop at some point between the 100-year and 500-year flood

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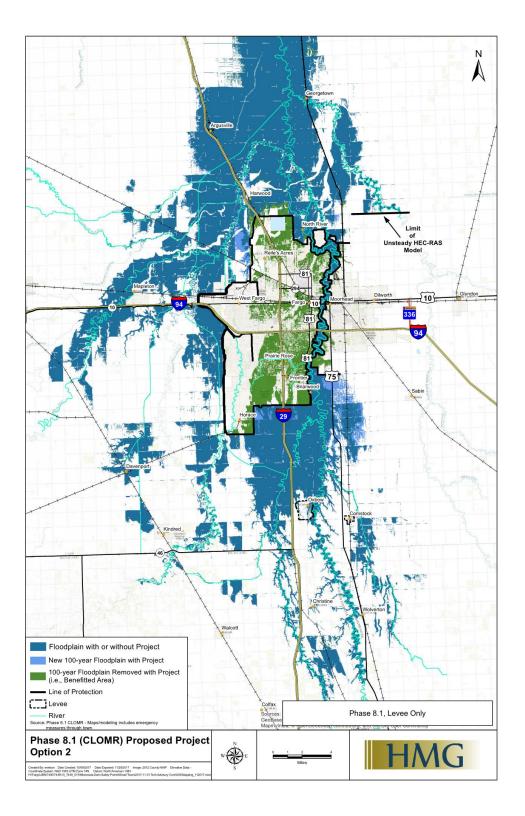
- 66.5 miles of levee/floodwall required (ND = 44 miles;
 MN = 22.5 miles)
- 64 Stormwater Lift Stations required (ND=38; MN=26)
- Grade raise required for I-29 and potential grade raises for U.S. Highway 75 and BNSF Railway through area with induced stage
- Grade Raises required through F-M for I-94, Main Avenue, and BNSF
- Grade Raise required for I-29 North of FM for levee crossing
- Existing WF and HWF Diversions may need to be modified or may offer a lesser level of protection

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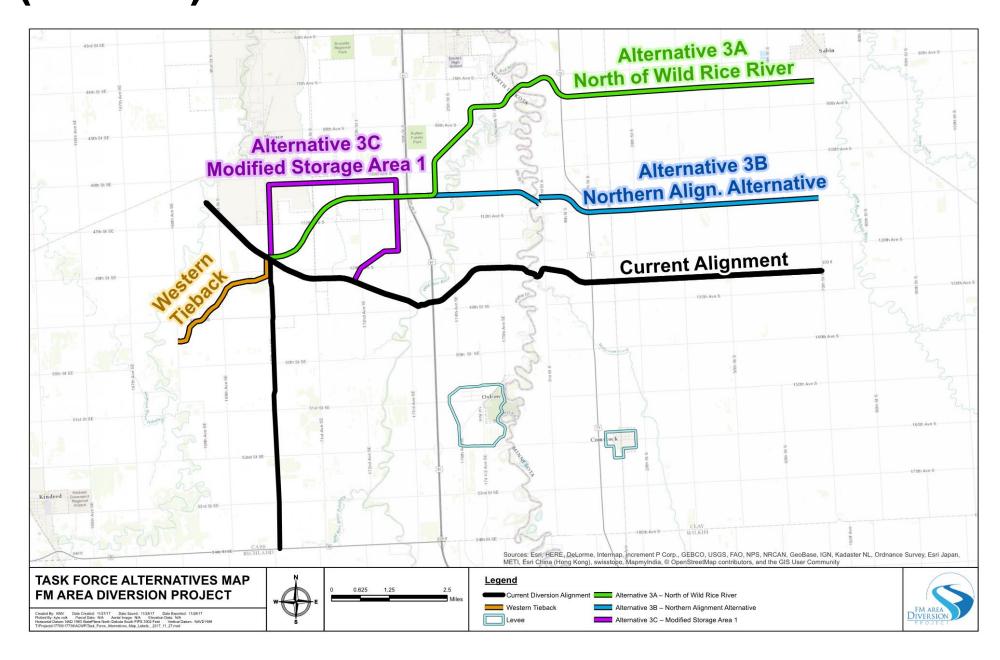
	Proposed 35' (baseline)	Levee Only Alternative (2)
Protected Area Floodplain Removed(acres)	58,137	16,197
Total Upstream Impacted Area (acres)	35,456	22,348
Newly Impacted Upstream Area (acres)	18,720	3,776
Residential/Total Structures Impacted Upstream	69 / 636	259 / 796
Unprotected Structures (Residential/Total) within the FDRA for Proposed Project	23/140	1,071 / 2,686
Residential and Commercial Structure Acquisitions for Construction (ND/MN)	14/3	831 / 673
Cost	\$2.2 Billion	*\$1.1 Billion (ND) / \$800 Million (MN)

^{*\$1.9} Billion total excluding upstream mitigation/property rights that may be required.

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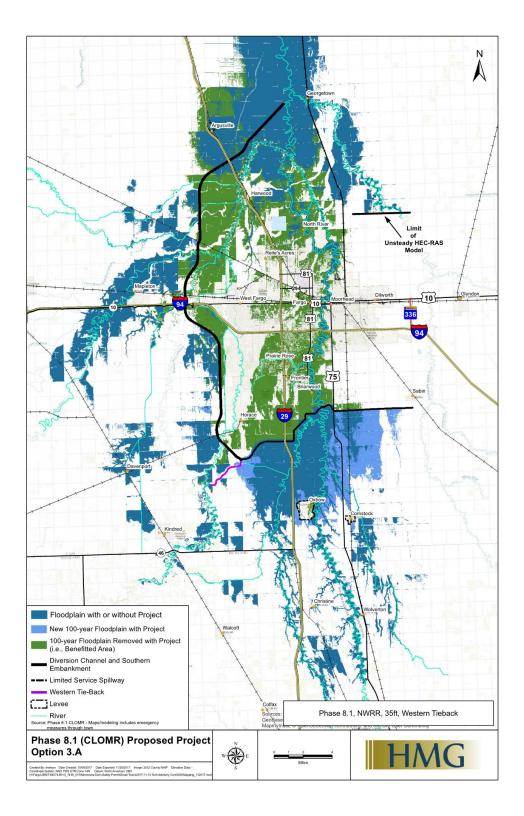
Components #3a-3c: Dam Alignments (RS 35')



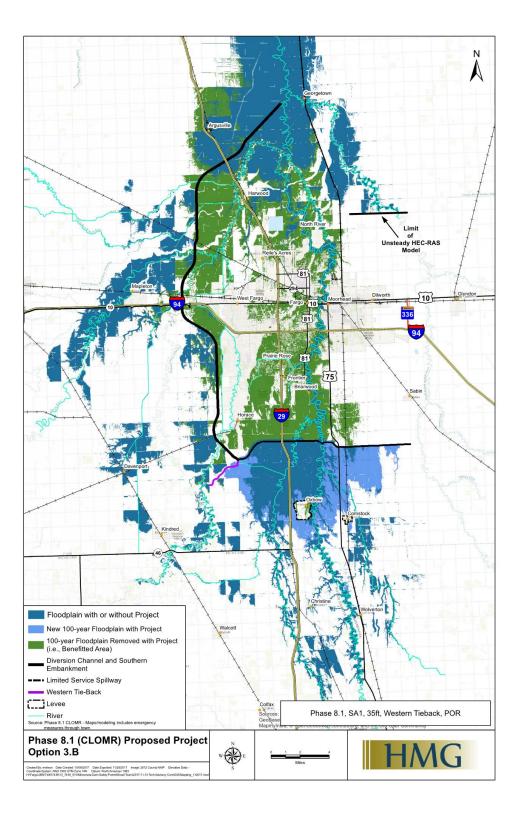
Component #3a-3c: Dam Alignments (RS 35')

	Proposed (baseline)	Proposed WTBL	3a (NWRR)	3b (NAA)	3c (SA1)
Newly Impacted Upstream Area –ND/MN (acres)	7,088 / 11,631	8,194 / 11,270	2,336 / 10,410	4,860 / 9,429	6,956 / 9,001
Newly Impacted Upstream Area –Richland/Wilkin (acres)	1,124 / 1,391	1,053 / 1,283	74 / 29	270 / 118	613 / 640
Area Protected (acres)	58,137	58,119	48,359	52,031	54,972
Residential Structures Impacted - Richland	3	3	0	1	2
Residential Structures Impacted - Wilkin	5	5	0	2	2
Residential Structures Impacted - Cass	41	42	151	90	49
Residential Structures Impacted - Clay	20	20	45	24	17

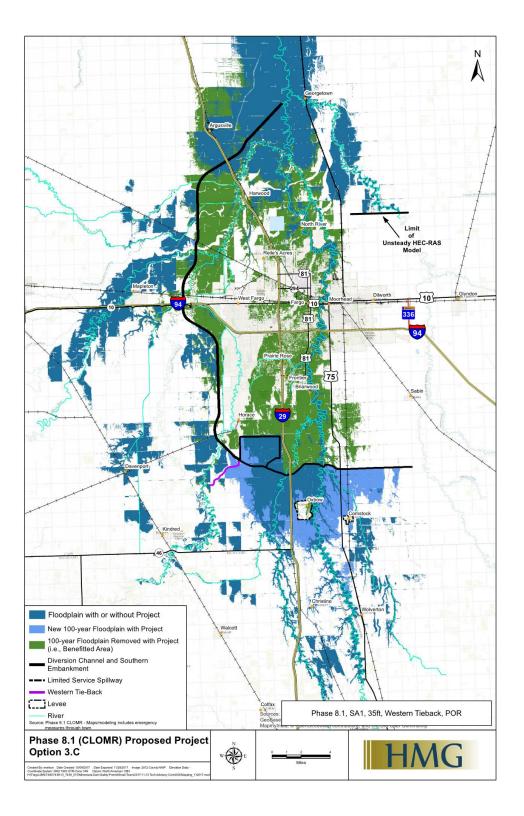
Component #3a – North of Wild Rice River (NWRR)



Component #3b – Northern Alignment Alternative

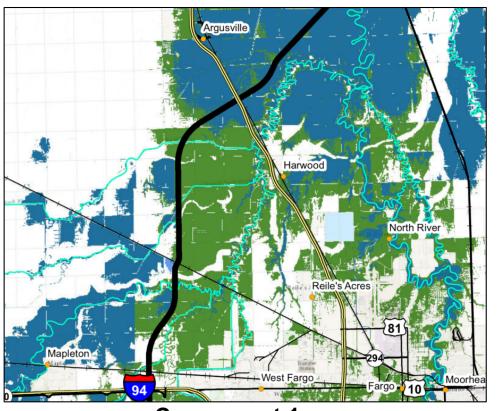


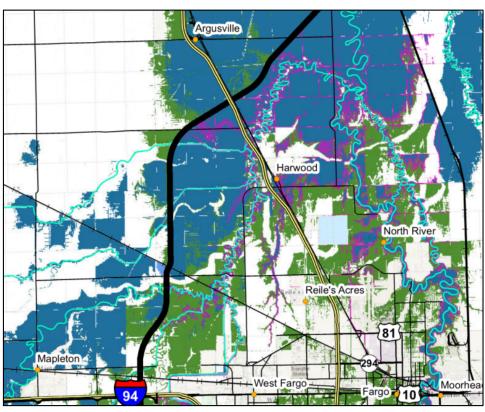
Component #3c – Modified Storage Area 1



Component #4: Northern Storage Option

 Evaluated passing additional water through the Maple and Sheyenne River Aqueduct to provide storage and retain existing floodplain in the NW area





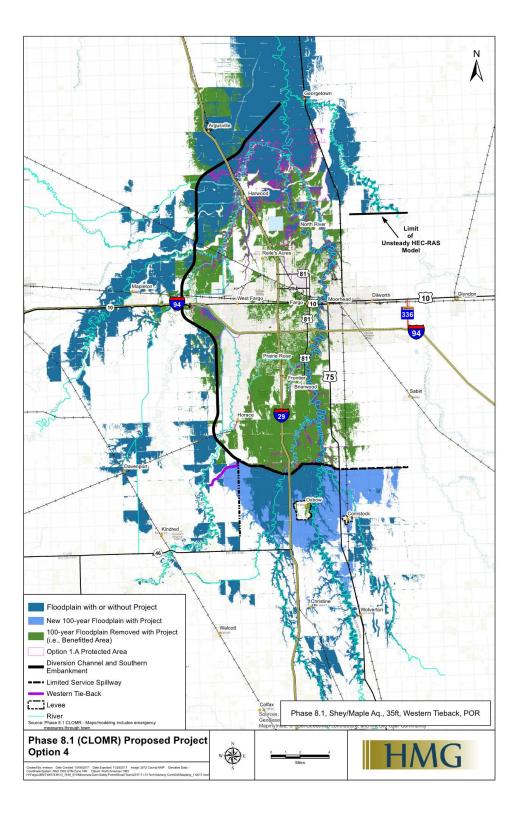
Component 1a

Component 4

Component #4: Northern Storage Option

	Proposed (baseline)	Proposed WTBL	Alt. 4
Staging Area Elevation at Dam	921.66	921.54	921.01
Newly Impacted Upstream Area – ND/MN (total)	7,088 / 11,631	8,194 / 11,270	7,335 / 9,943
Newly Impacted Upstream Area – Richland/Wilkin (total)	1,124 / 1,391	1,053 / 1,283	837 / 957
Unprotected Structures (Residential/Total) within the FDRA for Proposed Project	3 / 14	3 / 14	31 / 140
Acres Protected	58,137	58,119	50,401
Total Residential Structures Impacted—Richland/Wilkin (total)	3 / 5	3 / 5	3 / 5
Total Residential Structures Impacted—Cass/Clay (total)	41 / 20	42 / 20	41 / 19
Cost	N/A	Similar	+\$190M

Component #4 – Northern Storage Option



Components #5: Change Operation Plan to Allow up to 6 inches of Downstream Impacts

- Could be applied to Alternatives 1a-1d, 3a-3c, 4
- Some measurable impact will extend beyond the U.S./Canadian border
- Mitigation may be required for existing downstream flood protection projects

Component #5: Change Operation Plan to Allow up to 6 inches of Downstream Impacts

Reference Point	Proposed (baseline)	Proposed WTBL	Alt. 5
Drayton, ND Impact	+0.03'	+0.03'	+0.09'
Grand Forks, ND Gage Impact	+0.05'	+0.06'	+0.25'
Climax, MN Impact	-0.03'	-0.02'	+0.48'
Halstad, MN Impact	-0.05'	-0.04	+0.17'
Hendrum, MN Impact	-0.12'	-0.11'	+0.22'
Perley, MN Impact	-0.05'	-0.05'	+0.11'
Staging Area Elevation at Dam	921.66	921.54	921.24

Component #6: Wild Rice River Diversion with Levees (no dam)

- Divert the Wild Rice River only
- Includes levees through town
- No staging area or dam included
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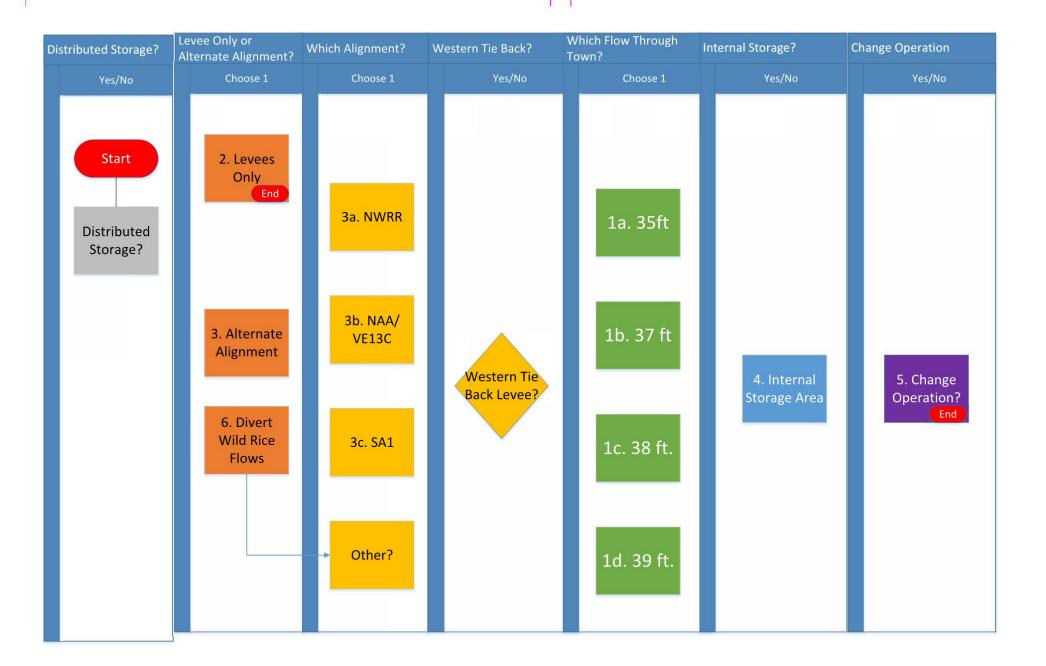
Component #6: Wild Rice River Diversion with Levees (no dam)

Reference Point	Proposed (baseline)	Proposed WTBL	Alt. 6
Drayton, ND Impact	+0.03'	+0.03'	+0.39'
Grand Forks, ND Gage Impact	+0.05'	+0.06'	+1.07'
Climax, MN Impact	-0.03'	-0.02'	+1.82'
Halstad, MN Impact	-0.05'	-0.04'	+0.63'
Hendrum, MN Impact	-0.12'	-0.11'	+0.73
Perley, MN Impact	-0.05'	-0.05'	+0.28'
Staging Area Elevation at Dam	921.66	921.54	N/A

Consensus Items?

- Basin-wide Retention
- Zoning (Development) Restrictions within the Protected Area
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Questions/Next Steps?