

# Presentation to: ND Senate Appropriations Committee

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# State Funding Requirements (HB1020 - 2013)

- ► State commitment for \$450M towards the federal project
  - ▶\$275M over four biennium (~\$69M a session)
  - ► Allowed for land acquisition (but not homes), construction, and 10% on professional fees
- Diversion Authority has met all legislative requirements
  - ✓ Federal Authorization received
  - ✓ Project Partnership Agreement executed
  - ✓ Federal Appropriation for construction provided
  - ✓ Budget approved by NDSWC
  - ✓ No construction south of Fargo until July, 2014

# State Commitment By the Numbers

▶ \$66.5M in Governor's budge	t for 2017
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	Biennium	Flood Control	Interior	Total
Overall Intent		\$450M	\$120M	\$570M
Approved (thru 2015)	2009-2011	\$45M	-	\$45M
	2011-2013	\$30M	-	\$30M
	2013-2015	\$100M	-	\$100M
	2015-2017	\$69M	\$60M	\$129M
Future Intent (per 2015 legislation)	2017-2019	\$51.5M	\$15M	\$66.5M
	2019-2021	\$51.5M	\$15M	\$66.5M
	2021-2023	\$51.5M	\$15M	\$66.5M
	2023-2025	\$51.5M	\$15M	\$66.5M
Total Approved and Future Intent		\$450M	\$120M	\$570M



# Local Commitment Secured

- ► Voters approved sales tax extensions (Nov. 2016)
  - ►3 sales taxes extended until 2084
- Covers local costshare of \$1.1 Billion
- Sales tax, combined with special assessment district backing, provides for long-term financing stability



# Federal Commitment Secured

- ► Congressional Authorization Received (June 2014)
- ▶ Project Partnership Agreement signed (July 2016)
  - ► Commits \$450 Million in federal funding to the Project



## Construction Underway Over \$200 Million spent through town on levees/floodwalls



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# Federal Construction has Begun

## ► Diversion Inlet Control Structure

- ►~\$50M Contract Award by USACE to Ames Construction
- ► Gated control structure that will control the amount of water that enters the diversion channel from the upstream staging area.
- ► Features three 50-foot wide radial arm flood gates
- Located South of Horace, ND
- Construction has started
- ► Complete in 2020



## Richland County Impacts (USACE 100-year flood)

- ► Over last 100-years, Diversion would have operated only 11 times for a total of 69 days
- ► 6,300 acres impacted, 42% of which are in existing FEMA floodplain
- Five residential structures would be impacted
- ► Additional flooding would be 2-3 days (100-year flood)

### MITIGATION

- Landowners will be compensated
- Development can continue



