

# Memorandum

TO: Robert Wilson & Michael Redlinger

FROM: Jodi A. Smith

DATE: April 17, 2024

RE: Excess Lands Recommendation – OIN 7248

### 1. Introduction

The Metro Flood Diversion Authority (Authority) adopted the Policy on the Disposition and Management of Comprehensive Project Lands (Policy) in March 2021. Per the Policy Preamble, the Authority will periodically review its inventory of real property to determine if its land ownership exceeds its foreseeable needs for the Fargo-Moorhead Area Flood Diversion Project (Comprehensive Project). Land that is no longer needed, not expected to be needed in the future for the Comprehensive Project and declared "Excess Land" by the Co-Directors may be made available for sale, lease, or exchange in accordance with this Policy.

This Memorandum serves as a recommendation for the Co-Directors to declare OIN 7248 as Excess Land and begin the process to dispose of the property following the Policy.

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Description of	See Exhibit A for a map showing the parcel recommended as excess land.
Parcel(s)	
Legal Description	See Exhibit B for legal description for the parcel recommended as excess
	land.
Asset Parcel(s)	OIN 7248 – 1.03 acres
Size	

### 2. Pertinent Facts Regarding OIN 7248

Narrative	OIN 7248 is located off of 100 <sup>th</sup> Ave S and County Road 17 within Horace,
Description of	near the Diversion Channel area associated with the project. This parcel
Parcel(s)	was previously owned and maintained by BNSF.
Purchase Date	December 19, 2023
Purchase Price	\$30,958
Proposed Sale	\$22,433
Price	Based on \$0.50 per square foot.
Former Owner	BNSF
Adjacent Owners	Multiple. See Exhibit C
Property	This parcel has been maintained through a weed control and mowing
Management	contract with JT Lawn Services.
Approach	
Property Taxes	The 2023 property taxes were \$0.
Relation to	This parcel is located just east of the Diversion Channel and is not
Construction	impacted by construction of the Comprehensive Project. This rail corridor
	was purchased from BNSF to alleviate the need to raise the rail line that
	crosses the Diversion Channel. Instead, it was decided that the entire
	corridor be taken out of operation.
Right of First	The prior landowner is not entitled to a ROFO.
Refusal	

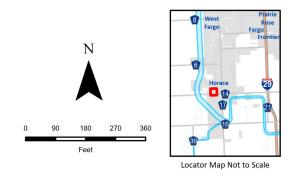
### 3. Conclusion and Recommendation

Based on the pertinent facts presented above, it is recommended to declare OIN 7248 as "Excess Land" and proceed with the process outlined in the Policy. If you agree with this recommendation, please sign the attached declaration form for our records (Exhibit D).

Exhibit A: Map Exhibit of Parcel Recommended as Excess Lands



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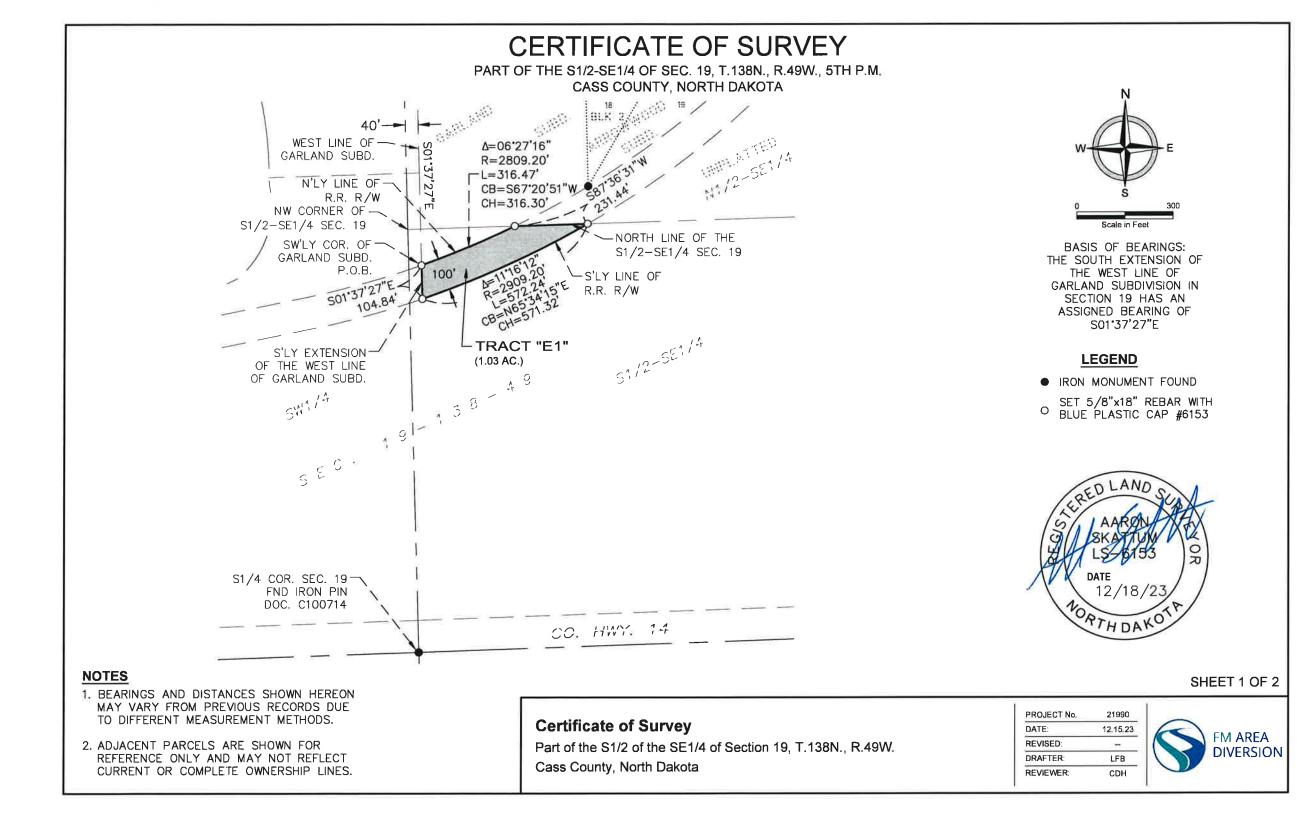
OIN: 7248 CASS COUNTY JOINT WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT Parcel ID: 15000012900010 Cass County, ND

> FM AREA DIVERSION Map Date: 3/12/2024



## Exhibit B: Legal Description for Parcel Recommended as Excess Lands

The legal description can be found in the attached Certificate of Survey.



### CERTIFICATE OF SURVEY PART OF THE S1/2-SE1/4 OF SEC. 19, T.138N., R.49W., 5TH P.M. CASS COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA

#### DESCRIPTION

That part of the South Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 19. Township 138 North, Range 49 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Cass County, North Dakota, described as follows:

Beginning at the southwesterly corner of GARLAND SUBDIVISION, according to the recorded plat thereof, from which the westerly line of said GARLAND SUBDIVISION has an assigned bearing of North 01 degree 37 minutes 27 seconds West, said point also being on the northerly right-of-way line of the Red River Valley & Western Railroad; thence South 01 degree 37 minutes 27 seconds East along the southerly extension of the west line of said GARLAND SUBDIVISION a distance of 104.84 feet to a point on the southerly right-of-way line of the Red River Valley and Western Railroad; thence easterly 572.24 feet along said southerly right-of-way, and along a non-tangential curve concave northerly, having a radius of 2,909.20 feet and a central angle of 11 degrees 16 minutes 12 seconds, the chord of said curve bears North 65 degrees 34 minutes 15 seconds East with a chord length of 571.32 feet to the north line of the South Half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 19; thence South 87 degrees 36 minutes 31 seconds West along the north line of said South Half of the Southeast Quarter a distance of 231.44 feet to the northerly right-of-way line of the Red River Valley and Western Railroad; thence westerly 316.47 feet along the said northerly right-of-way line, and along a non-tangential curve concave northerly, having a radius of 2,809.20 feet and a central angle of 06 degrees 27 minutes 16 seconds, the chord of said curve bears South 67 degrees 20 minutes 51 seconds West with a chord length of 316.30 feet to the point of beginning.

The above-described tract contains 1.03 acres, and is subject to all easements, restrictions, reservations, and rights-of-way recorded and unrecorded.

### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this survey, plan, or report was prepared by me or under my direct supervision and that I am a duly Registered Land Surveyor under the laws of the State of North Dakota.

Aaron Skattum, R.L.S. N.D. License No. LS-6153

Date: December 18, 2023

State of North Dakota County of Cass

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before me, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, personally appeared Aaron Skattum, Registered Land Surveyor, known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing certificate and acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public, Cass County, North Dakota

BRENDA JO KOSKI Notary Public State of North Dakota May 9, 2026

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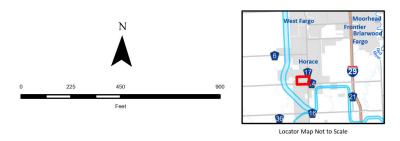
### Certificate of Survey Part of the S1/2 of the SE1/4 of Section 19, T.138N., R.49W. Cass County, North Dakota



Exhibit C: Adjacent Owners for Parcel Recommended as Excess Lands



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Railroad Corridor near Horace, ND Adjacent Owners OIN 7248



FM AREA DIVERSION Map Date: 3/14/2024 Exhibit D: Declaration of Excess Land Form

I hearby declare that \_\_\_\_\_OIN 7248 as noted in Exhibit A \_\_\_\_\_ (the parcel) is deemed Excess Land and authorize the disposal of the parcel in accordance with the Policy on the Disposition and Management of Comprehensive Project Lands.

MW. Wml

Robert Wilson Co-Director

04/17/2024 Date

MMI Michael Realinge

Co-Director

04/17/2024 Date