## RICHLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT

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US Army Corps of Engineers ATTN: CECW-P (IP) 7701 Telegraph Road Alexandria, VA 22315-3860

RE: Fargo-Moorhead Flood Diversion Project Final Environmental Impact Study

To Whom It May Concern,

The Richland County Water Resource Board submits the following comments regarding the Final Environmental Impact Study for the Fargo-Moorhead Flood Diversion Project:

The Richland County Water Resource Board is very willing to work with Fargo, Moorhead, Cass County and all other entities involved, to help solve Fargo and Moorhead's flooding problems; however, this Board also has a duty to represent the residents of Richland County. The Board requests those upstream and downstream of the Fargo-Moorhead project be given due consideration because of the impacts they will experience as a result of this project. The protection for Fargo and Moorhead should not be at the detriment of Richland County residents.

The Richland County Water Resource Board requests additional analysis of impacts to Richland County that will be affected by the proposed project, for 100 and 500 year events, and compared to current conditions, which include:

- A. Analysis of impacts to the legal drains in the northern end of Richland County.
- B. Analysis of impacts, which include stage increases, changes in flow, velocities, and drainage patterns on the Wild Rice, Sheyenne, and Red Rivers within Richland County.
- C. Analysis of impacts on all other natural drainage systems in Richland County.

The Richland County Water Resource Board feels it is imperative that the US Army Corps of Engineers provide due diligence in addressing these issues.

Sincerely

Chairman

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