The Fargo Dam & Diversion Project is bad for hundreds of people and many surrounding communities' on the Red River Basin. Water detention is a much better system for every body and the land and "Fargo".

My farmstead value is worthless right now, No improvements from now on would pay off. My life is on hold until whenever, nobody knows. The future was looking very good for us but Fargo will take it for there future and leave us with so called current value (which is very low right now). A Very Very nice home by Oxbow had a buyer with the money and refused to buy it because of what Fargo wants to do with the area.

This prime rural development now will be Fargo future Parks and Golf course development because of the holding pond plans.

I bought this Farmstead 23 years ago this far out of Fargo knowing that by the time I would need to go to a retirement home the value of this place would take care of me and my family, now I have nothing and some Fargo planned investor will be sitting good,

Where can I move to now, all farmsteads in a 30 mile radius will be untouchable for us now because all other farmstead south of Fargo will have to move also. I would not be able to afford extra cost of fuel, cars, time, to move that far out now.

The family heritage will be lost also. Because the family has lived within a few miles radius for many generation's, back to 18<sup>th</sup> century.

Moving in a new home, converting a barn into a modern shop, planting hundreds of trees and some of them for hardwood harvesting can not just be replaced.

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