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Cass County Planning Commission 1201 Main Ave West West Fargo, ND 58078

SUBJECT: Ida Subdivision - S18-T137N-R48W

Dear Commissioners:

After reviewing the plat for the Ida Subdivision, the FM Diversion Authority requests you table this plat. While this plat may be in accordance to the Subdivision Ordinance, this plat will only result in additional structures to be purchased as part of FM Diversion project.

A preliminary analysis shows this new subdivision would be subject to up to three feet of flooding during a 100 year flood event without the FM Diversion project. With the FM Diversion project this land would have five to eight feet of water during a 100 year event. Due to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer requirements, structures with over three feet of impact would require a buyout. The FM Diversion Authority is currently acquiring properties in this area as part of its hardship buyout program. With the upcoming construction of the Oxbow/Hickson/Bakke Levee, it is expected more homes will be bought out in this area over the next several years. Allowing any new structure to be built on this subdivision would only add to the buyout costs of the Diversion project.

I therefore request this plat be tabled until issues with constructing any new structure can be resolved.

Sincerely,

Darrell Vanyo, Chairman

FM Diversion Board of Authority

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City of Moorhead

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