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THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AT 6:00 P.M. THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2000 AT THE COMMISSION OFFICE 6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD PORTAGE, IN

#### WORK STUDY SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order by Chairman Emerson Delaney

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Recognition of Visitors and Guests 3.

Approval of Minutes of July 6, 2000 4.

5. Chairman's Report

> Resignation letter from Commissioner John DeMeo effective October 1, 2000

Col. Mark A. Roncoli/Lt. Col. Peter Rowan visit to office on July 17<sup>th</sup>

Executive Director's Report

Project Wetland Mitigation meeting scheduled for August 1st at Chicago COE office

- Letter from Philip Bernstein, COE Planning Div.

Budget Committee notification of funds balance

Meeting with COE Cincinnati Division personnel re: project coordination

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### 7. Standing Committees

	<ul> <li>A. Land Acquisition/Management Committee - Chuck Agnew, Chairman</li> <li>COMMITTEE MEETING AT 4:30         <ul> <li>Presentation of handicapped park design by Tarik El Naggar</li> </ul> </li> <li>Appraisals, offers, acquisitions, recommended actions</li> <li>Status report on Gary Youth Golf Course proposal</li> <li>COE Real Estate meeting to be held August 8<sup>th</sup></li> <li>Other issues</li> </ul>	12-13
	<ul> <li>B. Project Engineering Committee – Bob Huffman, Chairman</li> <li>Report on Partnering meeting held July 19<sup>th</sup></li> <li>Pre-design meeting on July 21<sup>st</sup> with SEH for Stage VIII</li> <li>Value engineering will be used for Stage VII</li> <li>Other issues</li> </ul>	
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9.	Statements to the Board from the Floor	
10.	Set date for next meeting	

# MINUTES OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION HELD AT 6:00 P.M. THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2000 AT THE COMMISSION OFFICE 6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD PORTAGE, INDIANA

Chairman Emerson Delaney called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Nine (9) Commissioners were present. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Quorum was declared and guests were recognized.

#### **Development Commissioners:**

John DeMeo Charles Agnew Emerson Delaney George Carlson John Mroczkowski

Steve Davis Curt Vosti Bob Huffman Arlene Colvin

#### **Staff**

Dan Gardner Sandy Mordus Lou Casale Jim Pokrajac Judy Vamos

#### Visitors:

Bill Petrites, Highland resident Jomary Crary - IDNR

Jim Flora, R.W. Armstrong Company

Don Ewoldt, LEL

Donna Gonzalez, Dunes/Cal.Audobon

Howard Anderson, F.T.A. Louise Karwowski, Sierra Club George Smolka, Sierra Club Herb Read, Izaak Walton League

Bill White, COE Imad Samara, COE

Chuck Agnew made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 1st meeting; motion seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously.

<u>Chairman's Report</u> — Chairman Emerson Delaney referred to Dan Gardner for a brief discussion on the incoming new Colonel. Mr. Gardner stated that the Change of Command ceremony to officially welcome the new Colonel will be held on July 25<sup>th</sup>. We have been invited. Also, the new Colonel Mark A. Roncoli is scheduled to meet in our office at 1:30 p.m. on July 17<sup>th</sup>. All Commissioners are invited. He will meet staff and be given a presentation on the flood control/recreation project.

Executive Director's Report – Mr. Gardner reported on the partnering coordination meeting held with the COE on June 7<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to establish how we would be able to begin and maintain construction in the west reach in a timely manner, namely to be completed by 2006. At that meeting, there were 5 areas where teams were established and staff assigned to them. The teams were: (1) utility relocations, (2) land buying, (3) appraisals, (4) permitting, and (5) scheduling. A team leader was selected and it was established that there would be monthly meetings and phone calls in between to keep on a fast pace schedule. Overall, it was a very good meeting. Mr. Gardner thanked Judy Vamos for the time and effort put into

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preparing a schedule that we felt would work. Bill White added that this is the first time that we've actually sat down and prepared a schedule together and actually identified ways on meeting that schedule. We've identified where the overloads would be and then identified ways to handle those overloads. Curt Vosti asked about the teams that were set up. Mr. Gardner stated that he felt it was appropriate that staff head the teams since we are the local sponsor. Judy Vamos added that she has identified 389 properties in the west reach (Cline Avenue to the IN/IL state line) that will need easements on. We are bringing in appraiser Dale Kleszynski to act as a "manager" over the appraisers that would be working for us. Bob Huffman asked how the facilitator of the meeting worked out. Mr. Gardner replied he did a very good job and was very impressed as to the preparation we had done.

Mr. Gardner introduced Bill White, Chief of Real Estate, and Imad Samara, Project Manager for the Little Calumet River project. He summarized his letter written to Col Rowan on June 15, 2000 seeking the COE's written position on respective mitigation responsibilities and our reiteration that the best way to proceed is to publicly advertise for proposals if property outside the river corridor is required for the mitigation plan. Mr. Gardner referenced the letter by Attorney Casale on September 9,1998 seeking clarification of the same issues. In summary, he stated that the position of the Commission is to use the lands purchased with State of Indiana funds to the extent possible as they were along the river corridor and already in the control of the Development Commission. We feel that this would be most cost effective and environmentally appropriate. The Hobart Marsh component of the mitigation requirement should be pursued only after our lands are fully investigated.

Mr. Gardner stated that the COE seemed to be in agreement with a public solicitation but upon Washington level review, the position came back to us that the Commission is still responsible for providing the lands for the mitigation. This would make it very difficult for a comprehensive solicitation since lands would be split from implementation and maintenance. He stated that the reason Bill White and Imad Samara have been invited to this meeting was to respond to these two letters, to clarify the COE's position, and to answer questions.

Mr. Gardner read Col. Rowan's letter aloud. Bill White responded that this is a difficult process since lands identified are outside of our jurisdiction and that a third party would probably have to do the acquisition. He added that anyone who wanted to offer lands could do so for evaluation. Bill White added that he felt that it was still possible to do a segmented solicitation once lands were identified. Imad Samara added that following Federal regulations are simple if we could identify the lands first. Don Ewoldt spoke saying that he felt there was enough land but felt that the COE does not have enough money identified. Wetlands in the Chicago area are going at \$40,000 an acre for mitigation not including land acquisition. The COE responded that their budget was thought to be adequate once all of the lands are identified.

Don Ewoldt commented that the COE is sending a signal that an acre in Indiana is worth only \$6,000 compared to \$40,000 in Illinois. Curt Vosti then asked the COE how the Commission lands were determined to be not suitable for mitigation. Imad Samara responded by saying that the original FDM plan was not coordinated with IDNR, IDEM, or F&W. As the they finalized the plan, it was determined that forested wetlands had to be restored and the more they looked at the Commission lands, the less they appeared suitable. It was at that time

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that Hobart Marsh was identified. Curt Vosti questioned the geographic distance between the two areas. Jomary Crary stated that the IDNR permit approved in 1995 conditions the type of wetlands to be restored. DNR states that the COE must comply with the permit or construction cannot begin in the west reach. Discussion then centered on how the Hobart Marsh was identified and studied and then emerged as suitable for mitigation.

Mr. Vosti made a motion to dispense with normal proceedings of the meeting and allow the public to speak; motion seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously. The following is a summary of the comments that were offered on the wetlands:

George Smolka (Sierra Club) asked if lands abutting the construction are highly impacted wetlands and what are their quality?

Howard Anderson (Fur Takers of America) answered that they were high quality wetlands.

Mr. Gardner added that he thinks our own lands that have been bought with public dollars should be considered first.

Howard Anderson – By using donations from environmental groups, we could conceivably end up with a better area of wetlands.

Herb Read (Izaak Walton League) asked what LEL has in mind for in between the levees.

Don Ewoldt (LEL) – Stated that LEL wants to restore or enhance as much as possible. His main concern is the cheaper value being put on Indiana lands.

Herb Read – Lands in between the levees should be used for what was intended years ago.

Howard Anderson – It is easier to buy forested wetlands than to plant forested wetlands.

Herb Read – You cannot just substitute wetland for wetland. You need to take a piece of land not destroyed and develop it into a wetland.

Don Ewoldt – An entity has to be able to maintain the lands. Costs are high. Ratios are set so there is no net loss because you will have some loss of plantings.

Donna Gonzales (Dunes/Cal Audubon) – Land costs are much higher in Illinois so mitigation lands probably would be higher than Indiana.

Don Ewoldt expressed the concern of setting a precedent.

Imad Samara (COE) Says you cannot compare government lands against private lands relative to mitigation.

Bill White (COE) - Wetlands are scarce in Illinois and that makes a difference.

George Smolka – He distributed a letter that he is sending to the COE strongly supporting the Hobart Marsh area. He thinks this is the most cost effective way to go.

Bob Huffman (LCRBDC) - Asked how the COE can dictate to us what they want without us agreeing to it.

Lou Casale (LCRBDC Attorney) – His concern is the administrative ability to do Hobart Marsh. The Commission, because of the jurisdiction boundary, cannot hold interest in the land. The COE is asking us to supply the money to purchase it but then cannot hold interest. Administratively, he does not know how we can do this.

Imad Samara – If someone else owns the land, he sees the Commission entering into an agreement with the owner for right-of-entry for operation and maintenance. If O&M does not get done, it would revert to IDNR.

Imad Samara – By doing a public notice, we will get some proposals in. The COE is against doing an RFP for the entire package. They want to identify lands first. We need an agreement with a third party.

Bob Huffman - How are lands deemed acceptable?

Imad Samra – Replied that they need to be economically viable.

Donna Gonzales – She understood that lands have already been identified in Hobart Marsh. What kind of different lands are we looking for?

George Smolka – Delay of time is a real concern. We need to proceed quickly before the lands in Hobart Marsh are gone.

Mr. Vosti then made a motion to return to the order of business; motion seconded by John DeMeo; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Gardner added that we will proceed as quickly as we can with the mitigation discussions with the COE.

Mr. Gardner referred to the letter in the packet from Bill Petrites about his concern of adequate drainage in the area once the Indpls. Blvd. bridge comes down. Mr. Petrites has a concern with INDOT's mapping in regard to drainage. Mr. Gardner shared a letter with him that had been sent to INDOT by the COE expressing the same concern. We will have a discussion with the town of Highland and pursue the discussion with INDOT.

Land Acquisition/Management Committee — Committee Chairman Chuck Agnew reported there were no increased offers or condemnations. Mr. Agnew made a motion approving staff to select lowest bidder on getting some selected levees mowed; motion seconded by Arlene Colvin; motion passed unanimously. Mr. Agnew then proceeded to make a motion to approve the Commission providing 2.5 acres of land for mitigation to the town of Highland (to allow for an extension of Franklin Street) in exchange for some property that we will need from Highland for our construction project; motion seconded by Arlene Colvin; motion passed unanimously. Mr. Agnew then made a motion directing the attorney to draft a new lease agreement with Stan Stann to increase his lease payment according to the Metropolitan Chicago Consumer Price Index; motion seconded by Arlene Colvin; motion passed unanimously. Mr. Agnew then made a motion to donate 5 gallons of paint to the Urban League of Northwest IN (cap of \$100) to paint their building since it was dirtied because of our construction in the immediate area; motion seconded by Curt Vosti; motion passed unanimously. Mr. Agnew also reported on a meeting held July 13<sup>th</sup> relative to the handicapped park discussions. The architect was at the meeting and had plans available. The attorney is working out an agreement to allow for this development.

<u>Project Engineering Committee</u> – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman gave the engineering report. He informed the Board that a pre construction meeting for Burr Street betterment levee was held on June 6<sup>th</sup>. COE says contractor utilities were there; minority participation reports were discussed. Jim Pokrajac added that the staging area is being set up. No construction has started yet. Mr. Huffman also reported that bids were received on June 26<sup>th</sup> for the pump station 1B project. The low bid was received from Thieneman Construction and was below the government estimate. Mr. Huffman then reported a design review coordination meeting with Hammond and the COE was held on June 28<sup>th</sup> to review upcoming contracts.

<u>Legislative Committee</u> – Committee Chairman George Carlson reported on the meeting held earlier today in the Congressman's office. Mr. Gardner, attorney Lou Casale and the Legislative Committee met with the Congressman and his staff to reiterate to him our need for increased dollars in order to keep up with the COE construction. The Congressman has been very successful in securing large sums of Federal dollars but we, in turn, have not been as successful in securing State dollars. The Congressman did seem very receptive and understood our plight. Mr. Gardner feels that it is essential to be in the Governor's budget. We will try to schedule a meeting with Pete Manous, who can talk on our behalf to the Governor. Mr. Gardner will also talk to key legislators and the Congressman will talk to the Governor. The Congressman would like to see this project completed so he can move on to other commitments. August 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for the Commission to send in the budget request for 01/03.

Recreational Development Committee — Committee Chairman Curt Vosti reported that the handicapped park discussions seem to be moving forward. He also indicated that the COE appear to be receptive to the idea of moving the trail to the landward side of the I-wall to allow better connection of all 4 trails. Imad stated that he would officially respond to our request letter soon. Mr. Vosti asked staff to prepare a list of proposed recreational enhancements for the west reach.

Marina Committee — In Committee Chairman Bill Tanke's absence, Mr. Gardner gave an update on the dredging of Burns Waterway. Commissioner Steve Davis stated that the dredging is complete now and the dredgings are being placed on the beach. Mr. Tanke also stated that discussions are underway with Jerry Hodges, Portage Port Authority, as to the completion of the marina. The additional 100 slips are still the Commission's obligation to construct.

<u>Finance Committee</u> – Committee Chairperson Arlene Colvin referred to the monthly financial status sheet and claims in the amount of \$72,986.85. She proceeded to make a motion to approve the financial status sheet and the June claims; motion seconded by George Carlson; motion passed unanimously. Ms. Colvin also referred to the letter from Valparaiso Insurance Professionals for the renewal of the Commission's liability policy to cover our property. She proceeded to make a motion to renew the insurance; motion seconded by George Carlson; motion passed unanimously.

Minority Contracting Committee – In Committee Chairman Marion Williams' absence, there was no report.

<u>Other Business</u> – Commissioner Curt Vosti welcomed John DeMeo back from his months in Florida. Commissioner Bob Huffman asked that an effort be made in getting the committee agendas out in the mail with the regular agenda meeting packet a week before the meeting date.

Executive Director Dan Gardner thanked the Legislative Committee members for accompanying him to the Congressman's office.

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<u>Statements to the Board</u> — Herb Read thanked the Board for the discussion on the mitigation topic and although it took a lengthy amount of meeting time, he felt the discussion time was worth it. Mr. Gardner assured him that we are making every effort in working with the COE to find a solution everyone can live with.

There being no further business, the next regular Commission meeting was scheduled for <u>6:00 p.m. Thursday</u>, <u>August 3, 2000</u>.

/sjm

John S. DeMeo 39D Fentree Drive Valparaiso, In 46385

July, 17, 2000

Governor Frank O'Bannon Statehouse, Room 206 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Governor,

This is to inform you of my intent to resign my commission on the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission. as of October 1st. The reason for this is that we are relocating to Florida.

I have been a member of the commission since 1980 and have really enjoyed working with the staff and other commissioners. They are a wonderful group of people dedicated to the task at hand and I'm sure, giving the funding and resources, will bring this project to a successful conclusion. I want to thank you and your predecessors for giving me this opportunity to serve the state of Indiana and our region on this very important project. It has been an enjoyable and rewarding experience and I consider it one of the highlights of my life.

I do regret that I will not be here for the November elections. I would have enjoyed voting for you again but I do wish you luck and know the people of Indiana will return you to office to continue your excellent leadership

Again, thank you and I hope your replacement for me will enjoy this honor as much as I did.

John & Sincerely

cc. Robin Rogers
Dan Gardner

# REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

CHICAGO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS 111 NORTH CANAL STREET CHICAGO, IL 60606-7206

5 July 2000

Environmental and Social Analysis Branch

Mr. Dan Gardner
Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission
6100 Southport Road
Portage, Indiana 46386

**RE:** (1) Mitigation for the Little Calumet River flood control project and (2) USACE response to the attached 23 June 2000 letter from IN-DNR Deputy Director Paul J. Ehret to Planning Division Chief Philip R. Bernstein.

Dear Dan,

I know you are well aware that we must begin significant progress on our mitigation obligation if we are to proceed with construction of the project west of Cline Avenue. Without such progress, we cannot expect to receive construction permits from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources or 401 water quality certification from the Indiana Department of Environmental Management.

The Chicago District is determined to maintain a good working relationship with these agencies and others, as well as the local citizens who will ultimately live with the project we are creating. That is why I am quite concerned by the attached letter from IN-DNR Deputy Director Mr. Paul Ehret. I have sent him a letter, also attached, explaining to him that the Chicago District has not abandoned the mitigation plan that we agreed to on 15 July 1999. Given the track record of interminable delays and missed deadlines that may appear to others as broken promises, I am committed to seeing that this project proceeds.

We believe, as do the IN-DNR, IDEM, USFWS and a number of local and national conservation agencies, that the Hobart property constitutes the most practical site for mitigation necessary to complete our obligation for the Little Calumet River Flood Control Project. It is our view that this site, and development of the current plan for mitigation on it, will enable us to obtain the requisite construction permit from IN-DNR and 401 water quality certification permit from IDEM.

I am aware that you are proposing the 179 acre Clay Street property as a partial alternative to the Hobart property. However, we have not received any written proposal from LCRBDC regarding the site, nor any others that may be preferred alternatives to Hobart. As you are aware, local sponsor concurrence on the mitigation plan is necessary before the final permit application package is submitted to IN-DNR.

If you believe that other sites, including Clay Street, are viable alternatives to Hobart, please obtain preliminary indication of that from IN-DNR and IDEM. Then, formally transmit to us a request to alter the mitigation plan, including the lands proposed by LCRBDC.

We will then commence work on modifying the plan to reflect the wishes of the local sponsor, with the understanding that the additional delays, costs, determinations relative to the unsuitability of any of these lands and the inability to obtain necessary permits for construction may well result in a lengthy cessation of future work on the project.

Until we receive an official communication from the LCRBDC regarding these issues, we will limit further work on the project to publishing within the next two weeks a public notice that will solicit candidate mitigation lands (subject to a set of criteria). We will provide the results of that solicitation to the LCRBDC for consideration.

We look forward to working together with you on this important mitigation plan.

Sincerely,

Philip/R. Bernstein

Chief, Planning Division

#### Attachments:

23 June 2000 letter from Paul Ehret to Philip Bernstein Response from Philip Bernstein to Paul Ehret's 23 June 2000 letter



FRANK O'BANNON Governor

> Betty Cockrum Director



### STATE BUDGET AGENCY

212 State House Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2796 317/232-5610

July 20, 2000

Dan Gardner
Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission
6100 Southport Road
Portage, IN 46368

Dear Mr. Gardner:

During the fiscal year closing of accounts, it was discovered that the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission had received more money from the Build Indiana Fund than had been appropriated by the Legislature. As the attached spreadsheet indicates, the Build Indiana Fund accounts were over-allotted by \$1,792,954. Of that amount \$362,525 has already been spent, leaving the accounts with a negative balance. This negative balance can be covered with the General Fund dollars appropriated to your Commission. After using General Fund dollars to cover the Build Indiana Fund deficit, the total available balance is \$184,720.

Your Commission may request the remaining \$184,720 by claim voucher. Please call me with questions at (317) 232-5624.

Sincerely,

Sarah Bowers

### Little Calumet River Basin Appropriations and Allotments

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1000 398380	1987 General Fund	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
1000 398380	1993 General Fund	4,000,000	4,000,000	3,999,696
1000 376410	1997 General Fund	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,671,756
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General Fund Total Balance	547,245			

Funds Available

184,720



### City of Gary

#### **Department of Public Parks**

SCOTT L. KING Mayor SUZETTE RAGGS Deputy Mayor 455 Massachusetts Street Gary, Indiana 46402 (219) 886-7099 Fax (219) 881-0008

Fred Ware Director

July 18, 2000

Mr. Tom Allenson
Project Manager
United States Army Corps of Engineers
P.O. Box 1027
Detroit, Michigan 48231-1027

Dear Mr. Allenson:

Please find attached a newly designed conceptual plan for a 3 hole youth golf course and driving range to be located in North Gleason Park in Gary, Indiana. A previous design and location were determined to be unsuitable due to wetland impacts. This new plan attempts to avoid wetland impacts, but is consistent with the original concept that was proposed to your agency.

Mr. Marty Maupin of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management has reviewed the proposed location and indicated that he believes there is minimal if any wetland impacts. Mr. Maupin suggested that we request a field visit to the proposed location from the Corps of Engineers in order to determine if a 404 permit is needed to proceed.

PAGE 2 Mr. Tom Allenson July 18, 2000

Please let us know when you will be able to meet with us to review the location and proposed plan.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

John Lowe, Manager

South Gleason Golf Course

JL:bs

Cc: Board of Park Commissioners

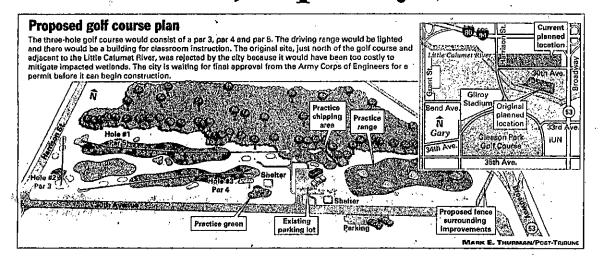
Fred Ware, Park Director Kim Lyles, Asst. Director

Dorreen Carey, Env. Affairs Coordinator

Dan Gardner, Director, NIRPC

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# Gary junior golf course in jeopardy



## South Gleason manager says state officials holding up project

By MIKE HUTTON

Staff Writer

GARY - John Lowe remembers a year when volunteers from U.S. Steel brought some old golf clubs and mowed down a field, and more than 100 kids showed up for golf

The program faded away, but the demand for a youth program never did.

Lowe, the manager at South Gleason Golf Course, still gets dozens of calls every year asking about golf lessons for kids. Because they have no certified instructor, Lowe has to turn them away.

Last winter, before the season started, Lowe thought he could answer those phone calls with "not this year but probably next."

That's because after years of talking about it, money was finally appropriated for a mini course for juniors, with tentative plans for a certified instructor.

The drawings for a three-hole course with a driving range, a building for instruction and a chipping area were rendered. A site was selected, and a construction time-line for the the course was even drawn up with a groundbreaking date set for August 1.

But unforeseen snags in getting site approval by state officials because of the presence of wetlands has left the three-hole course's future in limbo and Lowe and city officials frustrated.

"Gary needs a course for the kids," Lowe said. "We're ready to go. If we get approval, we could conceivably begin construction this

#### The problem

In February, after working with J.F New & Associates, a wetlands consulting firm, Lowe

and city officials thought an inspection by Marty Maupin, a senior environmental manager with the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, was going to be routine.

Instead, they were surprised when Maupin informed them they would have to replace an extensive amount of wetlands on the 60-acre site at a cost of approximately \$600,000, according to Fred Ware, the director of parks.

The whole cost of the golf course was estimated to be in the \$700,000 range, according to Lowe. (The project was being funded by \$500,000 from the sale of some property, a \$50,000 grant from the United States Golf Association and up to \$100,000 from First

"It was disturbing," Ware said. "It just took him (Maupin) two seconds to look at the site and say, 'No, you can't do that.' "

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#### Golf

#### Wetland designation sore point in new course

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Lowe said New & Associates, a firm to whom they paid \$20,000, should have informed them that they were facing some extensive and costly mitigation with their original site, which is just north of the golf course adjacent to the Little Calumet River (across from Gilroy Stadium), long before Maupin visit-

"In the final analysis," Lowe said "I think (J. F. New) knew we weren't going to be able to do anything there (without spending a lot of money)."

Lowe said they could appeal the

Maupin's findings, but they learned it could take years and cost thousands of dollars in legal fees.

Martha Wilczynski, the consultant from J. F. New, who worked on the project, said that city officials were kept abreast of approximate costs through feasibility studies and that the project got more complicated when they decided to add a threehole course. Initially, the proposal just called for a driving range.

#### Site No. 2

After rejecting the first site as too costly, Lowe and city officials moved quickly to select a second site. They settled on a field just off 30th Avenue and Harrison, across from where North Gleason Park - a nine-hole golf course that was used by African Americans before Richard Hatcher segregated South Gleason in 1967 - stood.

To avoid another costly session with a consulting firm before they had a permit for the new site, Lowe decided this time to contact Maupin first to inspect the field. Neither Lowe nor Ware believed the 30-acre eite contained any wetlands.

Dan Gardner, the executive director of the Little Calumet River Basin Commission, who supports the project, said whether the field is a wetland has always been open to interpretation.

"Some people say it used to be a golf course, so it's not," Gardner said. "Others say that since it's no longer a course, it's reverted back to its natural state, and now it's a wet-

City officials didn't want to take any chances this time. So on May 3, Lowe sent a letter to Maupin with the drawings for the new course and site and asked him to come inspect

Prompted by a phone call from the Post-Tribune, after eight weeks had passed, Maupin finally visited the site last Thursday.

His evaluation: There are "some" wetlands on the east side of the property, though he didn't think it would be too costly to move them.

The final approval for the site, however, must come from the Army Corps of Engineers, the federal form of the wetlands police.

Maupin suggested that perhaps

the city hire a "reputable" consulting firm to give them a recommendation, a move that would preclude them having to get an onsite inspection from the Corps, which is even more backlogged than IDEM.

"They won't be able to move quickly if they're waiting for the Corps of Engineers," Maupin said.

Gardner, who intends to write a letter to the Corps suggesting the site is reasonable, said he "hopes this comes to a happy conclusion

He added, "Unfortunately, this has languished so long that I know there is a lot of frustration out there.

In the meantime, people like Lawrence Robinson, the golf coach at Roosevelt, who has been doing his best for years to encourage kids to come out for the team even though they have to learn the game without any resources, wait.

And so do the kids.

"I hope it gets approved soon," Robinson said. "It would be a great thing for the city."



## Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

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LOUIS CASALE Attorney July 28, 2000

Ms. Betty Cockrum Director State Budget Agency 212 State House Indianapolis, IN 46204-2796

Dear Ms. Cockrum:

The Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission respectfully submits a request for capital funding in the 2001-03 state biennium budget of \$12 million. This sizable amount is needed this biennium to allow Federal appropriations of over \$16 million to be let for construction contracts. Without this amount, the Federal construction program will be half. This crisis has arisen due to an increasingly aggressive appropriation process appropriating in the past three Federal fiscal years 22.521 million dollars - \$5.66 million in FY99. \$8.061 in FY 2000 and \$8.8 million in FY 2001. The state biennial budget period covering these appropriations contained only \$1.5 million, which had to be accessed from the "Special Build Indiana Fund". This circumstance is made even worse by the Commission having drawn down remaining reserves from previous bienniums to meet the ongoing Federal construction obligation. With the project about 50% complete, and the Federal construction at its greatest pace, the state appropriation of \$12 million is critical to assuring timely project construction in Gary and initiation of construction in the communities of Hammond, Highland and Munster. These communities contain over 9,500 homes and businesses that are at risk of flooding and are anxiously awaiting the Federal construction.

As documentation for this request, I have included several enclosures. They are:

- (1) Federal construction schedule showing already completed segments, currently under construction segments, and segments awaiting Federal construction letting.
- (2) Federal and State funding history of the project
- (3) Property and utility relocation workload estimates for the west reach (Hammond, Highland, and Munster).

Ms. Betty Cockrum July 28, 2000 Page 2

(4) Project schedule chart showing needed commitments to allow Federal construction monies to be spent.

(5) Summary outline of financial needs for upcoming biennium

(6) Project map graphically identifying construction segments and locations.

I trust this will provide the State Budget Agency and Committee members clear documentation of the critical nature of our state funding needs to continue accessing Federal dollars at a project ratio of 3 Federal to 1 State dollar. We would offer to meet with the Budget staff or any legislators including members of Congressman Visclosky's staff, to answer any questions and further document the impending crisis.

We greatly appreciate the past support of the General Assembly and request serious consideration of this submission. Please call me if you need any further information or clarification.

Sincerely,

Dan Gardper Executive Director

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cc:

Congressman Peter Visclosky's office
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7 July 00



# News Release

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# DREDGING COMPLETED AT BURNS SMALL BOAT AND MICHIGAN CITY HARBORS, DREDGING TO BEGIN AT TRAIL CREEK

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Chicago District announced today that dredging at Burns Small Boat Harbor and Waterway in Portage, Ind. was completed June 30, two weeks ahead of schedule and ahead of the busy holiday weekend. The federal approach channel and harbor were deepened by about eight feet, and the 100-foot wide channel at the waterway extending one mile upstream of the harbor was deepened by about four feet. This harbor had not been dredged since its construction in the mid 1980s, and congressional funding set aside specifically for this project allowed the work to be completed this year. The dredge material was placed at the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore immediately west of the harbor. The Corps' dredging contractor, Lake Michigan Contractors, Inc. of Holland, Mich., dredged a total of over 142,000 cubic yards of silty fine sand. This is equivalent to an average of 12 feet of sand leveled over the approximately 900-foot long by 350-foot wide placement area at the beach.

Dredging at Michigan City Outer Harbor was completed June 21, several weeks prior to the July 15 deadline. Dredging was completed hydraulically by the Corps' dredging contractor, MCM Marine, Inc. of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. A total of about 85,000 cubic yards of fine sand were dredged from the outer harbor and placed on the beach in front of Mount Baldy immediately west of the harbor.

The Corps also announced today that equipment to dredge high areas at Trail Creek in Michigan City, Ind. would arrive on site today. Approximately two to four feet of sediment at areas within the federal channel i transfer and the second seco

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between Franklin Street to just upstream of U.S. Highway 12 will be dredged starting July 10 and completed by July 30. The material will be dewatered and transported in scaled trucks to Deercroft Landfill for use as alternate daily cover. This part of the creek was last dredged in 1987. The large amount of shoaling, coupled with near record low lake levels, has created navigation obstructions in these areas.

Dredging timeframes at the creek are established by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) based on the migration patterns of the fish stocked there. The normal summer dredging window ends July 15. The IDNR has extended this window to allow dredging during daylight hours through the end of the month, due to the severe shoaling of the channel.

The coordinated team effort required to initiate dredging this month included active participation from the Corps, MCM Marine, IDNR, Indiana Department of Environmental Management, Sanitary District of Michigan City and Michigan City Port Authority. Channel users, the mayor and federal elected officials brought the severity of the situation to the Corps' attention late last Fall, and worked to accelerate the dredging which was previously slated to begin in 2001. Additional dredging at the creek is scheduled for 2001.

### THE TIMES, TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2000

# Water project promotes clear sailing

■ \$1.3 million dredging project wrapped up along Burns Waterway.

BY BOB KASARDA Times Staff Writer

PORTAGE - Despite repeated delays in the beginning, the \$1.3 million dredging project along the local Burns Waterway has been completed two weeks ahead of schedule.

The job was brought to a close June 30 and was well worth the wait, according to those who do business at the various public and private marinas along the ditch.

"I think they did a fine job," said Robert Frum Jr., part-owner of Lefty's Coho Landing.

Boaters at the 84-slip marina are pleased with the work, he said, and larger boats are beginning to reappear along the waterway.

"The guys waited until the dredging was done to put the boats back in," Frum said. "I think everybody's happy."

Several of those larger 40- and

50-foot boats are kept at the city's 138-slip marina and they are indeed moving through the waterway with greater confidence these days, said Michael Doyne, who both operates his own private marina and serves as harbormaster at the city's public facility.

Doyne was uncertain just how long the benefits of the dredging will last, yet said the water levels are a big part of that equation.

With this long-awaited project out of the way, Doyne said the city is already pursuing the permits necessary to continue with the dredging work further south, along both arms of the waterway. That work will benefit several private marinas, Doyne said, including his own, but it is not yet known how the project will be funded.

The recently completed dredging project, as well as another at the outer harbor in Michigan City, were federally funded.

The work in Portage deepened the approach channel and harbor by about 8 feet, according to Lynne Whelan, public affairs officer with

the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

A 1-mile stretch upstream along the 100-foot-wide waterway was also deepened by nearly 4 feet, amounting to a total of 142,000 cubic yards of silty fine sand, Whelan said. This is the equivalent of a 900-by-350-foot pile of sand, measuring about 12 feet high.

The sand was dumped immediately to the west, along the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore. Natural shoreline drift will carry the sediment further west to the help feed the neighboring sand starved beach in Ogden Dunes.

Another 85,000 cubic yards of fine sand were dredged in Michigan City and placed on the beach just to the west at Mt. Baldy.

Both projects were completed before a deadline set for this coming Saturday. Work had to be wrapped up by that date so as not to interfere with the state's fish stocking program.

■ Bob Kasarda can be reached at bkasarda@howpubs.com or (219) 762-4334.

#### LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FINANCIAL STATEMENT JANUARY 1, 2000 - JUNE 30, 2000

CASH POSITION - JANUARY 1, 2000				
CHECKING ACCOUNT				
LAND ACQUISITION			244,197.40	
GENERAL FUND			143,144.40	
TAX FUND			0.00	
INVESTMENTS		J	1,188,076.15	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST			11,729.84	1 505 145 50
				1,587,147.79
	2000			
RECEIPTS - JANUARY 1, 2000 - JUNE 30	. 2000		22,616.76	
LEASE RENTS INTEREST INCOME			29,141.76	
LAND ACQUISITION		2	2,109,191.03	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST		-	6,749.10	
MISC. INCOME			1,116.03	
KRBC REIMBURSEMENT RE: TELE	PHONE CHARGE		1,009.43	
PROCEEDS FROM VOIDED CHECKS	· ·		163,778.63	
TOTAL RECEIPTS				2,333,602.74
DISBURSEMENTS - JANUARY 1, 2000	JUNE 30, 2000		4.	
ADMINISTRATIVE				
1999 EXPENSES PAID IN 2000		88,437.89		
PER DIEM			5,400.00	
LEGAL SERVICES			3,423.31	
NIRPC			62,388.55	
TRAVEL & MILEAGE			940.38 303.54	
PRINTING & ADVERTISING			5,802.63	
BONDS & INSURANCE TELEPHONE EXPENSE			6,150.82	
MEETING EXPENSE			2,897.55	
LAND ACQUISITION			2,077.55	
LEGAL SERVICES			41,236.14	
APPRAISAL SERVICES			18,500.00	
ENGINEERING SERVICES			54,364.09	
LAND PURCHASE CONTRACTUAL			8,217.00	
FACILITIES/PROJECT MAINTENAN	CE SERVICES		33,660.00	
OPERATIONS SERVICES			0.00	
LAND MANGEMENT SERVICES			79,472.09	
SURVEYING SERVICES			57,585.47	
ECONOMIC/MARKETING SOURCES	3		1,400.00	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURE COSTS			115,937.45	
MOVING ALLOCATION			2,050.00	
TAXES			0.00	
LAND PURCHASE CONTRACTUAL PROPERTY & STRUCTURES INSUR	ANCE		464.00	
UTILITY RELOCATION SERVICES	ANCE		21,303.19	
LAND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT			2,107.80	
STRUCTURAL CAPITAL IMPROVEN	MENTS		17,543.58	
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	·			2,131,204.19
CASH POSITION - JUNE 30, 2000				
CHECKING ACCOUNT				
LAND ACQUISITION			488,434.65	
GENERAL FUND		r	59,528.00	7
TAX FUND			0.00	
SAND MONEY			120,766.84	
INVESTMENTS	214 000 00	02/02/2000		
BANK CALUMET	316,000.00	02/02/2000 02/02/2000		
BANK CALUMET	700,000.00 105,116.15	10/04/2000		
BANK ONE BANK CALUMET	92,831.76	01/02/2001		
BANK ONE	12,258.90	01/01/2001		
BANK ONE	1,500,000.00	05/25/2001		
	L INVESTMENTS		,726,206.81	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST		_	18,478.94	
	<u> ၁</u> ၀			3,413,415.24

# LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT, JULY 2000

6 MONTH UNALLOCATED

	2000							ALLOCATED	BUDGETED
	BUDGET	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	16,000.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	~ 0.00	0.00	3,450.00	3,550.00	12,450.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500.00	283.33	283.33	579.33	379.33	475.33	395.33	2,395.98	6,104.02
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	125,000.00	18,062.13	8,874.12	8,782.12	8,347.14	9,851.88	8,411.83	62,329.22	62,670.78
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	14,000.00	39.90	16.24	27.72	8.96	34.86	311.92	439.60	13,560.40
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	5,000.00	0.00	62.58	0.00	55.11	0.00	506.17	623.86	4,376.14
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	7,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	160.00	5,642.63	0.00	5,802.63	1,697.37
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	7,000.00	438.76	216.26	1,827.68	611.31	433.27	416.01	3,943.29	3,056.71
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	00.000,8	729.60	132.20	0.00	0.00	542.31	435.04	1,839.15	6,160.85
5838 LEGAL SERVICES	125,000.00	5,866.80	5,266.54	8,499.50	5,901.48	5,417.60	3,699.54	34,651.46	90,348.54
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	500,000.00	28,441.52	28,955.95	31,571.03	35,876.29	42,961.89	21,626.57	189,433.25	310,566.75
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	807,630.00	147,954.58	66.74	102,565.17	3,015.96	11,537.00	640.00	265,779.45	541,850.55
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	25,000.00	464.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,107.00	20,571.00	4,429.00
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	200,000.00	557.50	0.00	472.50	775.00	3,446.45	12,018.44	17,269.89	182,730.11
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	250,000.00	550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	550.00	249,450.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	25,000.00	0.00	2,995.83	0.00	14,334.00	713.75	969.00	19,012.58	5,987.42
	2,123,630.00	203,488.12	46,869.79	154,325.05	69,464.58	81,056.97	72,986.85	628,191.36	1,495,438.64
								12 MONTH	UNALLOCATED
	2000							ALLOCATED	BUDGETED
	BUDGET	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER 1	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	16,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,550.00	12,450.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500.00	715.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,111.31	5,388.69
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	125,000.00	8,249.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	70,578.74	54,421.26
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	14,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	439.60	13,560.40
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	623.86	4,376.14
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	7,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,802.63	1,697.37
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	7,000.00	490.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,433.57	2,566.43
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	8,000.00	43.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,882.98	6,117.02
5838 LEGAL SERVICES	125,000.00	3,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	37,751.46	87,248.54
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	500,000.00	61,461.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250,894.84	249,105.16
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	807,630.00	1,960.00	0.00	0.00	. 0.00	0.00	0.00	267,739.45	539,890.55
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,571.00	4,429.00
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	200,000.00	3,965.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21,234.89	178,765.11
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	250,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	550.00	249,450.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,012.58	5,987.42
	2,123,630.00	79,985.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	708,176.91	1,415,453.09

ACCT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
5838	LUCAS, HOLCOMB & MEDREA	160.00	ADDITIONAL LEGAL SERVICES(6/21/00-6/31/00)
5811	LOUIS CASALE		RETAINER FEE BILLED FOR JULY
5838	LOUIS CASALE		ADDITIONAL LEGAL SERVICES FOR JULY
5812	NIRPC		SERVICES PERFORMED JUNE 2000
5812	SAND RIDGE BANK	•	INK JET PRINTER CARTRIDGE , MISC OFFICE SUPPLIES
5812	UNITED PARCEL		OVERNIGHT MAIL
5812	UNITED PARCEL	12.00	OVERNIGHT MAIL
5812	PORTAGE POST OFFICE	31.35	POSTAGE 6/30/00 NIRPC MACHINE BROKEN
5824	GTE	228.88	BILLING PERIOD 7/16/00-8/16/00(TOTAL BILL 343.64 KRBC 114.76)
5824	MCI	261.40	BILLING PERIOD 6/15/-7/14/00(TOTAL BILL 288.95 KRBC 27.55)
5825	SAND RIDGE BANK	43.83	EXPENSES INCURRED AT COE/LCRBDC PARTNERING MEETING 6/7/00
5838	LUCAS, HOLCOMB & MEDREA	467.00	LAND ACQUISITION/LEGAL SERVICES 6/21/00-6/30/00
5838	LOUIS CASALE	2,633.00	LAND ACQUISITION/LEGAL SERVICES 7/1/00-7/21/00
5841	JANET O'TOOLE & ASSOCIATES	2,750.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-617
5841	JANET O'TOOLE & ASSOCIATES	1,900.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-810,811,& 812
5841	JANET O'TOOLE & ASSOCIATES	2,850.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-815,798,800,799, & 814
5841	JANET O'TOOLE & ASSOCIATES	3,450.00	APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR DC-719,715,739,740,741,
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5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	2,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-576
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	3,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-69B
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	2,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-574
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	4,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-69 & DC-584
5841	MARTINEZ, SHARMAT & ASSOCIATES	2,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-615
5842	R. W. ARMSTRONG	4,282.69	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED 7/21/00
5843	LAKE COUNTY RECORDER	264.00	RECORDINGS FOR DC-823/824,541,753/756,476,137,822,605,594, 81ST ST PUMP STATION & S.E. HESSVILLE PUMP STATION
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-814
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	3,738.00	LAND MANAGEMENT/ENG SERVICES 6/16/00-6/30/00
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	175.28	JUNE MILEAGE
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	3,444.00	LAND MANAGEMENT/ENG SERVICES 7/1/00-7/15/00
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	,	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT SERVICES 6/16/00-6/30/00
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	•	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT SERVICES 7/1/00-7/15/00
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	645.00	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 6/21/00-6/30/00
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	555.00	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 7/1/00-7/15/00
5844	SANDY MORDUS	318.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 6/20/00-6/29/00
5844	SANDY MORDUS	343.00	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 7/1/00-7/15/00
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES(DLZ)	2,500.00	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR TRISTATE SITE PLAN STAGE V-II
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES(DLZ)	130.00	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR TRISTATE EASEMENTS SAGE V-II
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES(DLZ)	5,000.00	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR ADDITIONAL CONTROL FOR STAGE VI
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES(DLZ)	1,750.00	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR HIGHLAND STAGING STAGE VI-1
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES (DLZ)	•	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR STAGES V & VI PROPERTY 1D
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES (DLZ)	· -	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR NE 1/4 AND 165 AND ERR
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES (DLZ)	284.15	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR STAGE VII & III CITY OF HAMMOND & INDOT EASEMENTS
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES (DLZ)	120.00	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR TAX CARDS (WESTREACH)
5861	ROBERT &/OR LINDA MUNIZ	1,080.00	DC-825 EASEMENT AGREEMENT FOR A PERMANENT ROADWAY EASEMENT & TEMPORARY WORK EASEMENT
5861	LINDA MUNIZ	500.00	DC-825 EASEMENT AGREEMENT FOR A PERMANENT ROADWAY EASEMENT & TEMPORARY WORK EASEMENT
5861	LAKE COUNTY TRUST #3071	205.00	PURCHASE PRICE OF DC-594
5861	LAKE COUNTY TRUST #3071	175.00	PURCHASE PRICE OF DC-605
5882	R. W. ARMSTRONG	3,965.00	UTILITY RELOCATION SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED 7/21/00



### United States Department of the Interior

U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY Water Resources Division 5957 Lakeside Boulevard Indianapolis, Indiana 46278-1996 (317) 290-3333

July 1, 2000

Mr. Dan Gardner, Executive Director Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission 6100 Southport Road Portage, Indiana 46368

Dear Mr. Gardner:

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), in cooperation with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Water (IDNR), operates gaging stations on the Little Calumet River at Gary, and on the Hart Ditch at Munster. Through agreements between the IDNR, the USGS, and the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission (LCRBDC), the cost for operation and maintenance of these stations is paid in total, or in part, by the LCRBDC. The costs for operating and maintaining each of these two stations in FY 2001 (October 1, 2000, through September 30, 2001) is listed below:

#### <u>Little Calumet River at Gary - \$12,000</u>

The cost is provided by the LCRBDC and includes the operation of gages to collect water levels upstream and downstream from the Pennsylvania Railroad bridge near Martin Luther King Avenue. Because of the variable backwater caused by the water-control structure, daily mean discharges are not computed.

Discharge measurements are made at each visit to the station. The cost includes electric utilities needed to keep the stilling wells operable.

#### Hart Ditch at Munster - \$10,850

This cost, which includes electrical utilities; phone utilities; DCP/voice modem; and added operation of a slope station, is shared as follows:

LCRBDC \$ 5,650 IDNR \$ 2,600 USGS \$ 2,600 \$10,850

Daily mean discharges are computed and published in our annual report of Water Resources Data. As in the past, you will be billed by the IDNR for your share of the costs for these stations, which will be \$17,650 for FY 2001. The IDNR will in turn transfer the funds to the USGS. Please call Jim Stewart, extension 153, or me at extension 175, if you have any questions concerning these two stations.

Thank you again for your cooperation and support of the stream-gaging program in Indiana i

Sincerely,

Lindsay A. Swain District Chief

Copy to: Michael Neyer, Director Division of Water, IDNR

Tom Huck, Admin. Asst.

Division of Water, IDNR



# Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

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July 12, 2000

Ms. Eloise Gentry
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Gary, Indiana 46409

Dear Eloise:

I am writing you regarding your letters of request to the Development Commission for its meeting of July 6<sup>th</sup>. I am pleased to inform you that the Commission unanimously approved your request for the donation of 5 gallons of paint of your choosing, with a cap of \$100.00. The procedure approved would require you to purchase the paint and we will either reimburse you or have the invoice sent to us for payment directly to the vendor. Either way, it would be necessary, of course, that we retain the receipt for bookkeeping purposes.

Secondly, in regard to the letter of recommendation for Jerry A. Holcomb Sr. for consideration in lawn area maintenance, the Board has approved including him on the list of eligible maintenance personnel and we will be contacting him shortly to identify maintenance projects utilizing his services.

We continue to look forward to working with the Urban League for the betterment of the Gary area through this project and our continued relationship.

Sincerely,

Executive Director

/sjm

cc: Jos

Joseph Morrow, Chairman, Urban League Arlene Colvin, City of Gary and LCRBDC

### Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

# WORK STUDY SESSION ENGINEERING COMMITTEE

August 3, 2000

Bob Huffman, Committee Chairman

- A Utility Relocation Committee consisting of Jim Flora, Jim Pokrajac, Emmett Clancy and Jan Plachta was formed at the June 7<sup>th</sup> project coordination meeting with the COE.
  - 232 utility relocates need to be done in the west reach. Each requires an agreement and an approved cost estimate (estimated total cost \$3.5 million).
  - Coordination meetings have been postponed several times by the COE due to schedule conflicts.
  - The A/E's contracted out by the Army Corps for west reach segments did not appear to complete all of the final utility relocation plans and all need to have updated costs.
- 2. We received a letter from the COE on July 18<sup>th</sup> indicating they would facilitate the field survey of property boundaries necessary to identify coordinates for real estate acquisition for Stage VIII.
- 3. We had a partnering meeting with the COE, Dyer Construction, and several utilities on July 19<sup>th</sup> to improve communication between all parties.
- 4. A pre-design meeting was held with the COE and SEH Engineering to review Stage VIII scope of work (Columbia to State Line) on July 21st.
- 5. It appears we will be using the value engineering proposal to drive sheet piling into the existing levees in Stage VII (Northcote to Columbia).

### PROJECT ENGINEERING MONTHLY STATUS REPORT Thursday, August 3, 2000

### (Information in this report is from June 30, 2000 to July 27, 2000)

#### STATUS (Stage II Phase 1) Harrison to Broadway - North Levee:

Project completed on July 10, 1992.
 Dyer Construction – Contract price \$365,524

#### STATUS (Stage II Phase II) Grant to Harrison - South Levee:

Project completed on December 1, 1993.
 Dyer/Ellas Construction – Contract price \$1,220,386

#### STATUS (Stage II Phase 3A) Georgia to Martin Luther King - South Levee:

1. Project completed on January 13, 1995.
Ramirez & Marsch Construction – Contract price \$2,275,023

# <u>Landscaping Contract (This contract includes all completed levee segments – installing, planting zones, seeding, and landscaping):</u>

- 1. Dyer Construction Final contract cost \$1,292,066
  - Overrun (over original bid) \$200,016 Project completed June 11, 1999

#### STATUS (Stage II Phase 3B) Harrison to Georgia - South Levee:

- 1. Rausch Construction started on 11/20/95. (Construction is approx. 98% complete)
  - Currently \$3,280,112.42 has been spent on this project.
  - Overrun (over original bid) \$183,281.60
  - Balance (to be paid to contractor) \$197,137.00
- 2. A final inspection with the LCRBDC and the COE will be scheduled for this entire portion of the project, including the pump station, no later than September of 2000.

#### STATUS (Stage II Phase 3C2) Grant to Harrison: (8A contract)

- 1. The final inspection was held with the COE, Webb Construction, GSD, and the LCRBDC on May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2000.
  - We received a letter from the COE on June 6<sup>th</sup> referring to our final inspection; and on the second page, reference is made regarding turnover to the local sponsor. (This will probably be the first segment for O & M.)
  - The LCRBDC request for plans, O & M, guarantees, as-built drawings, and spare parts will be submitted to us by the COE by the end of **August**, at which time we are expected to start O & M responsibility.
  - Currently, \$3,915,178.36 has been spent on this project.
  - Overrun (over original bid) \$463,196

• Balance (to be paid to contractor) \$189,875

#### STATUS (Stage II Phase 4) Broadway to MLK Drive - North Levee:

- 1. Project is approx. 98% completed, was anticipated for overall completion on September of 1999. (All work is completed except for the pump station.)
  - Overrun (over original bid) \$1,096,378
  - Balance (to be paid to contractor) \$11,070
  - Current money spent to date is \$4,175,000
- 2. A final inspection will be scheduled with the LCRBDC and the COE for this entire project, including the **Ironwood stormwater pumping** station, no later than September of 2000.

#### STATUS (STAGE III) Chase to Grant Street:

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- Project completed on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1994.
   Kiewit Construction Contract price \$6,564,520.
- 2. We received a letter from the COE on March 17<sup>th</sup>, 1999, including design recommendations, and requesting our comments and review for the <u>STAGE III</u> DRAINAGE REMEDIATION PLAN.
  - A. A meeting was held on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2000, with Lake Erie Land company, J.F. New & LCRBDC to review impact of drainage to 200 acre parcel by pumping landside drainage into their area. The current COE design had minimal impact & they stated they wouldn't object.
  - B. A letter was sent to the COE with comments regarding their design on April 17, 2000.
    - It appears the design capacity for the three (3) proposed pump stations is inadequate. Awaiting a response as of July 27, 2000.
  - C. We received a letter from N.W.Engineering on June 10<sup>th</sup> regarding upcoming construction by the city of Gary for Grant Street. Drainage concerns need to be taken into account prior to their design completion.
    - We are tentatively scheduling a meeting to review this in early August.

# STATUS (Stage IV Phase 1 - North) Cline to Burr (North of the Norfolk Southern Railroad:

- 1. IV-1 (North) The drainage system from Colfax to Burr Street North of the Norfolk Southern RR.
  - A. This project was advertised on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1999, scheduled was awarded to <u>Dillon Contractors</u> on November 30<sup>th</sup>, 1999, and received the notice to proceed on January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2000.
    - The contractor has 360 days to complete the project from the date of the notice to proceed (January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2000). This would be January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2001.
  - B. The low bidder was <u>Dillon Contractors</u>, <u>Inc.</u> with a total base bid of \$2,708,720, which was approximately 80% of the government estimate.
    - Extras on contract \$292,771.00
    - Balance (to pay) \$1,608,719.00
  - C. Excavation from Burr to Gerry Street is completed and the contractor has completed approx. 50% of the 6'x8' concrete box culvert. Burr St. to Gerry St.)
  - D. (2) 72" culverts completed under Colfax and outlet structure is in.
    - Ditch excavation has started at Colfax & Stevenson working Eastward.

STATUS (Stage IV Phase 1 – South) (South of the N.S. RR.)

- 1. The pre-bid meeting was held on February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2000. Bid due date is March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000, price range \$5 \$10 million small business set aside
  - A. Bid opening was held on March 29th, 2000.
    - Dyer Construction was low bidder at approximately \$3.8 million. The COE estimate for this project was \$4.2 million.
  - B. Received a construction schedule from Dyer Construction on July 19, 2000. Submitted it to RR, utilities, & community on July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2000.
- 2. NIPSCO and Ameritech both submitted costs for utility relocation for WIND Radio for review and concurrence.
  - A. The installation of the re-located utilities is scheduled for the week of August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2000.
- 3. 450 days to complete (hopeful September 2001 completion of landscaping.)
- 4. We received a cost estimate from the EJ & E RR on July 8th, 2000, in the amount of /-3 \$22,758.
  - This is for work on their R/W for the Norfolk Southern Corporation. (Cost not to exceed)
- 5. A letter was sent to the NS RR on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2000, requesting cost information to do riprap work under their trestle West of Burr Street.
- 6. A small section of levee was started from West of burr St. to tie into the RR embankment. This will prevent drainage from going into box culverts.
- 7. Clearing and grubbing are approx. 50% complete all is done West of Colfax.

#### STATUS (Stage IV Phase 2A) Burr to Clark - Lake Etta:

- 1. Dyer Construction-95% complete.
  - A. Currently, \$3,477,249.66 has been spent on this project.
    - Overrun (over original bid) \$183,281.00
    - Balance (to be paid to contractor) \$197,137.00
- 2. The North Burr Street stormwater pumping station has been completed.
  - A. The operational test was held on March 2, 1999. The follow-up inspection was held on March 30, 1999.
  - B. A meeting was held on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2000, with the COE and GSD to review design and installation of auxiliary power hook-up with a portable generator.
    - This will be done as an addendum to the contract with Dyer Construction sub-contracting the work. Anticipated start mid-august, anticipated completion, mid-September.
- 3. A final inspection will be scheduled with the LCRBDC and the COE for this entire project, including the pump station, no later than September of 2000.

#### STATUS (Stage IV Phase 2B) Clark to Chase

- 1. 100% of levee construction has been completed, and the projected overall completion is for the Fall of 2000. A final inspection will be held at that time with the LCRBDC prior to turnover.
  - The stoning for that area East to Chase St. for our recreation trail will be completed in the early Fall 2000.

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- 2. Project money status:
  - \$1,938,358 has been spent.
  - Overrun (over original bid) \$408,000
  - Balance (to be paid to contractor) \$155,980
- 3. Grouting behind closure structure culvert is completed. Approx. start of stoning is mid-August, completion by mid-September
  - North road at Chase is access road, South road is for recreation trail. Signage, stoning & paving will be done by mid-October, 2000.

#### STATUS (Betterment Levee - Phase 1) E.J. & E. Railroad to, and including Colfax North of the NIPSCO R/W (Drainage from Arbogast to Colfax, South of NIPSCO R/W):

- 1. The bid opening was held on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2000
  - The apparent low bidder is **Dver Construction**.
  - Government estimate is \$2,108,500 and Dyer bid \$2,078,523.
  - We received a construction schedule from Dyer Construction on July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2000.
     Submitted it to RR, utilities & communities on July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2000.
- 2. Received signed Marathon agreement in the amount of \$255,000 on June 26th, 2000.
  - The final signed agreement was sent to Marathon on July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2000, and the relocation is scheduled to start in early August.
- 3. A letter was sent to the COE on May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2000 requesting a down ramp at Arbogast and a culvert and drive in the ditch to get access Westward.
  - A ramp will be installed West of the ditch onto the levee to allow access to the staging area and the Griffith mitigation site.
- 4. Staging area completed West of Arbogast & North of NIPSCO R/W by Dyer. This will also be their staging area for IV-1 South.

### STATUS (Betterment Levee – Phase 2) Colfax to Burr Street, then North NSRR, then East (North of RR R/W) ½ between Burr and Clark, back over the RR, then South approx. 1,400 feet:

- 1. Current schedule is to advertise by November, 2000; award contract by January, 2001, and a construction start of March 2001 360 days to complete.
- 2. Engineering is ongoing. (Anticipated completion by Corps is for September, 2000.

#### STATUS Cline to **EJ&E** RR – Local Project:

A. We are including this work with Burr Street Betterment Phase 1 – Anticipated construction start in this area is in the fall of 2000.

#### STATUS (Stage V Phase 1) Wicker Park Manor:

- 1. Project completed on September 14, 1995.

  Dyer Construction Contract price \$998,630
- 2. As per a conversation with Phillips Pipeline on 9/30/96, consideration is being given to do a directional bore or both 8" lines, rather than do 2 "up and overs" for both levees (This has been ongoing with the COE since November of 1996)
  - A. Flora wrote a letter to the COE on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 1999, requesting their consideration to credit this cost and to have it by our October 7<sup>th</sup>, 1999 meeting.

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B. We finally received a written response from the COE on May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2000, stating that we should have Phillips proceed with design analysis and after the COE evaluates this submittal they will render a decision for credit approval.

#### STATUS (Stage V Phase 2):

- 1. At the June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000 partnering meeting, the current schedule shows a March 2002 advertising date.
- 2. See item "2-B" in Stage V-Phase I regarding the "up & over" of the Phillips Pipe Line.
- 3. A letter was sent to the COE on June 21<sup>st</sup> enclosing the location survey work for the Tri-State bus terminal. Asked for engineering re-considerations for the location of the I-wall
  - DLZ is taking COE computer data for their overlay and confirming that the
    utility easement coordinates match the data assembled to assure accuracy.
    (ongoing)

#### STATUS (Stage V Phase 3) Woodmar Country Club:

- 1. Refer to Land Acquisition report for status of appraisal process and revised schedule.
  - As per our June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000 partnering meeting, the schedule shows a March 2002 advertising date.
- 2. Engineering concerns were brought up by several commissioners at our January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2000 monthly board meeting and our February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2000 board meeting to lessen the impact to the Woodmar Country Club.
- 3. Appraisal work ongoing (refer to Land Acquisition report).

#### <u>STATUS Stage VI – Phase 1 (Cline to Kennedy – North of the river, and Kennedy to Liable, South of the river.):</u>

1. A meeting was held with the city of Hammond on June 28<sup>th</sup> to review community concerns and answer questions for the area north of the river from Cline Avenue to Kennedy.

#### STATUS Stage VI - Phase 2 (Liable to Cline - South of the river.):

- 1. Rani Engineering was awarded the A/E contract by the COE in January 2000. (They are out of St. Paul, Minnesota.)
- 2. Soil borings were completed on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2000, and this information is currently being used in the design process. (from Komark, Ltd.)

#### STATUS (Stage VII) Northcote to Columbia:

- 1. The final contract with <u>Earth Tech</u> to do the A/E work for this stage/phase of construction was signed and submitted by the COE on December 21<sup>st</sup>, 1999.
- 2. A final value engineering review was done by the LCRBDC and sent to the COE on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2000. These concerns need to be addressed before it is implemented into their final plans.
- 3. A public meeting will be scheduled with both communities around the **beginning of**September.

#### STATUS (Stage VIII) Columbia to the Illinois State Line):

- 1. The A/E award was given to S.E.H. (Short, Elliot & Henderson Inc.)
- 2. We received an e-mail from the COE on June 29<sup>th</sup> requesting the local sponsor identify all properties and to provide survey points and coordinates.
  - A letter was sent to the COE on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000, stating that property identification was to be included as part of their scope of work & LCRBDC should not do this.
  - A letter was sent to the COE on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000, regarding survey work & property line identification was the responsibility of the COE not the local sponsor.

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- A pre-construction meeting was held with the COE & SEH on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2000. At this meeting, the COE agreed they would do property ID & modified the scope of work accordingly. The COE also agreed they would do the survey work internally. We received a letter on July 24t<sup>b</sup>, 2000, confirming this.
   A tentative schedule was presented by SEH to completed the plans and
  - A tentative schedule was presented by SEH to completed the plans and specifications.

#### East Reach Remediation Area - North of I-80/94, MLK to I-65:

- 1. Dyer Construction is the contractor. Construction was started on September 13<sup>th</sup>, 1999, and is anticipated to be completed by August of 2000.
- 2. Contract price \$1,657,913 Extras - \$145,483
  - Balance (to be paid to contractor) \$287,950
- 3. Construction resumed after winter down time on March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2000. Approximately 100% of clay is placed and 100% of topsoil is placed and graded.
- 4. Removal of pre-load area and gatewell construction began on May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2000.
  - Pre-load has been taken out and the construction of the gatewell is about 95% complete. Minor items remain to be installed.
- 5. Inlet box completed West of I-65 & South of I-80/94, and the sluice gate is in.
- 6. Outlet structure East of I-65 & North of I-80/94 will start on July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2000, and complete no later than August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

#### West Reach Pump Stations - Phase 1A:

- 1. The four (4) pump stations that are included in this initial West Reach pump station project are Baring, Walnut, S. Kennedy, and Hohman/Munster.
- 2. Pump station Government estimate was \$2,915,265 Low bid was \$4,638,400 (63% overrun).
  - COE is currently negotiating and as of April 6th, 2000, the attorneys are still reviewing.
  - Low bidder was Kovilic Construction, based upon RFP's. A protest was filed, protest was denied, but have appealed to Federal court. Decision expected approx. August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

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West Reach Pump Stations - Phase 1B:

- 1. The Two (2) pump stations included in this contract are S.E. Hessville (Hammond), and 81<sup>st</sup> Street (Highland).
- 2. The current COE schedule, as per our January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2000 coordination meeting, is to start construction by late August 700 days to complete.

North Fifth Avenue Pump Station:

1. We received a request from the COE on July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2000 (dated June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2000) to complete 100% review of P. & S. for this station. We submitted our comments on July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

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#### **GENERAL:**

- 1. Alternate Concrete Formliners:
  - A. The COE has agreed to using the formliner for their base bid on all future projects and will bid the "fin-type" finish as an alternate. We received a letter from the COE informing us of this decision on June 5<sup>th</sup>.
- 2. Utility Re-locations:
  - A. On June 7, 2000 a coordination meeting was held with the COE and the LCRBDC to review, discuss, and establish an accelerated schedule to complete the entire west reach.
    - 1. A committee was established with Jim flora as Chairman and includes Jim Pokrajac and Emmett Clancy and Jan Plachta from the COE.
    - 2. A letter was sent to the COE on June 26<sup>th</sup> reminding them of the June 16<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit A/E date with approved utility re-location plans that were to be included as part of their work. (We received them on July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2000.)
    - 3. A meeting was held with the Utility Re-locations Committee on July 27th, 2000, to review status and how we will proceed.

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# REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

CHICAGO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS -111 NORTH CANAL STREET CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606-7206

July 6, 2000

Programs and Project Management Division Project Management Branch

Mr. James E. Pokrajac Agent, Land Acquisition Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission 6100 Southport Rd. Portage, Indiana 46368

Dear Mr. Pokrajac;

Enclosed for your records find please a copy of the EJ&E labor and material cost estimate for sheet piling installation across the Norfolk Southern Railway track located on the EJ&E right –of-way near Black Oak Road. The cost estimate has been reviewed by this office and is acceptable.

If you have any questions please contact Mr. Jan S. Plachta of this office at (312) 353-6400, extension 1801.

Sincerely,

⊌nad Samara Project Manager

CF: Jim Flora

1 NORTH BUCHANAN STREET - GARY, INDIANA 46402

June 1, 2000

Mr. Imad Samara
Programs & Project Management Division
Project Management Branch
Department of the Army
Chicago District, Corps. of Engineers
111 North Canal Street
Chicago, Illinois 60606-7206

Subject:

Little Calumet River, Indiana, Local Flood Protection Project,

Stage IV, Phase 1 South

Dear Mr. Samara:

Attached, please find a cost estimate for EJ&E labor and material required for the associated track work and flagging necessary, as part of the sheet piling installation across the Norfolk Southern Railway track located on the EJ&E right-of-way near Black Oak Road. The estimate is based on the track being removed and reinstalled within the same day. The EJ&E Railway is presently in negotiations with the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees Union and labor rates may increase at any time:

A railroad flagman is required at all times while the contractor is working within the right-of-way. Flagman costs are not included in the above estimate since the project duration within the right-of-way limits is not known. Flagman rates are as follows:

Hourly:

\$ 41.75/manhour (eight hours, Monday thru Friday)

Overtime:

\$ 62.63/manhour (more than eight hours and weekends)

Vehicle:

\$ 35.00 per day

Sincerely,

K. G. Emst

Manager Maintenance Planning

KGE/gc Attachment

cc:

: D. R. Ojard

M. A. Paull

R. W. Weber

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#### **MATERIAL:**

160' – 115 lb. Rail 53 - 10' Ties 106 each - Tie Plates 212 each – Rail Anchors 212 each - Track Spikes 4 pair Splice bars 24 Track Bolts 100 cubic yard – Granite Ballast 1 lot – Drainage Materials	\$ 1,913 2,101 606 170 51 288 43 625 125			
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Total Equipment Subtotal Contingencies 15%	\$  19,789 2,969		\$ .	<b>2,976</b>
Total			\$	22,758



#### Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

6100 Southport Road Portage, Indiana 46368 (219) 763-0696 Fax (219) 762-1653 E-mail: littlecal@nirpc.org

EMERSON DELANEY, Chaliman Governor's Appointment

July 10, 2000

WILLIAM TANKE, Vice Chairman Porter County Commissioners' Appointment

ARLENE COLVIN, Treasurer Mayor of Gary's Appointment

CURTIS VOSTI, Secretary Governor's Appointment

CHARLES AGNEW

Governor's Appointment

GEORGE CARLSON Mayor of Hammond's Appointment

STEVE DAVIS
Dept. of Natural Resources'
Appointment

JOHN DE MEO Governor's Appointment

ROBERT HUFFMAN Governor's Appointment

JOHN MROCZKOWSKI Governor's Appointment

MARION WILLIAMS Lake County Commissioners' Appointment

DAN GARDNER Executive Director

LOUIS CASALE

Mr. David L. Woodsmall, P.E. Project Manager Engineering Dept.
MARATHON ASHLAND
277 Streamwood Drive Valparaiso IN 46383

Dear Mr. Woodsmall:

Enclosed please find your copy of the fully executed agreement between Marathon and the Development Commission for the relocation of the 6" pipeline for the Burr Street Betterment levee.

Thank you for your timely cooperation in this matter in working with us to execute this agreement. If you have any questions, please call me at the above number.

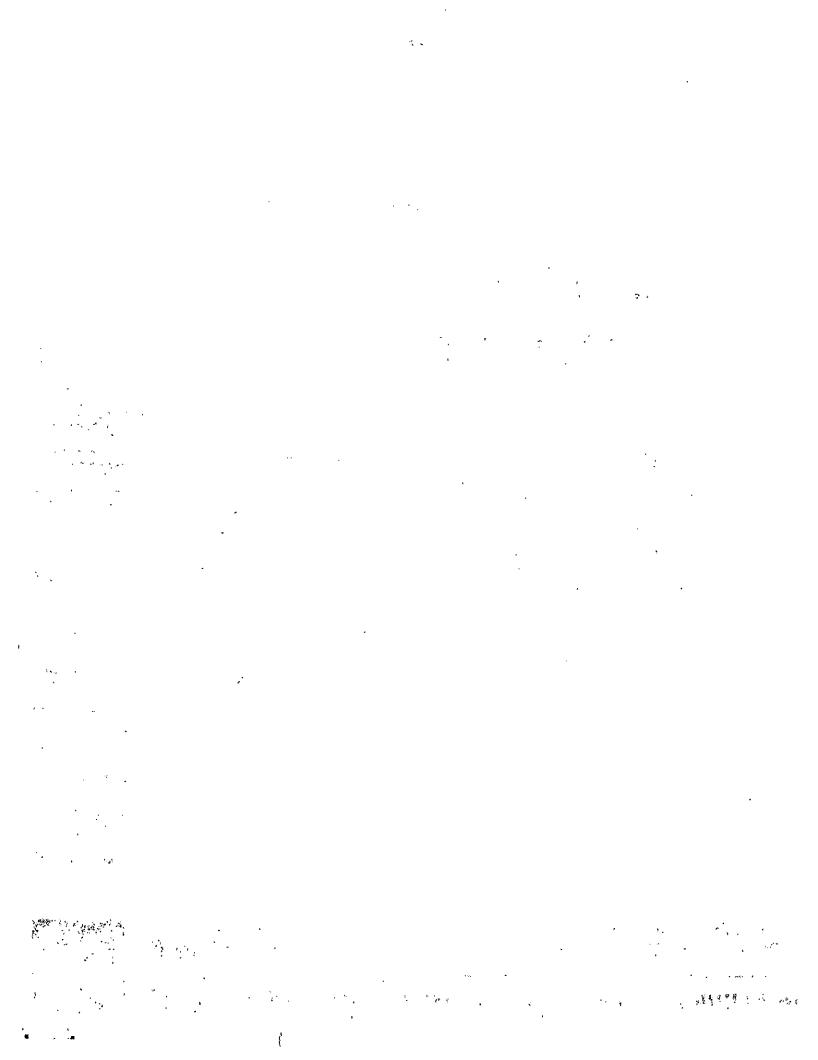
Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent Land Management/

Engineering

/sjm encl.

cc: Lou Casale, LCRBDC attorney





July 25, 2000

Mr. Imad Samara
Programs & Project Management Division
Project Management Branch
Corps of Engineers
111 North Canal Street
Chicago, IL 60606-7206

Re: Stage VII

Value Engineering Study

Dear Mr. Samara:

This letter is to follow-up on our conference call of July 10, 2000 and the subsequent receipt of cross-sections from the Value Engineering Study on July 12, 2000. Just to make sure that we are all on the same page regarding the Stage VII project and the implementation of the VE Study proposals, we have the following comments and questions as a result of the conference call and review of the cross-sections:

- 1. It is our understanding that the VE Proposal is to install a sheet pile flood wall in the approximate center of the existing levee crest. It is also our understanding that this proposal will be implemented everywhere in Stage VII and that even the original design sheet pile wall will be modified and relocated to conform with the VE proposal. How will the sheet pile wall be handled in area adjacent to Columbia Avenue and Northcote Avenue since both of these streets are lower than the top of the levee? How will the sheet pile wall be handled around the Walnut Pump Station?
- 2. It is also our understanding that the top of the sheet pile wall will be covered with soil or aggregate depending on location.
- 3. One of the benefits of the VE proposal is that it will reduce real estate requirements by minimizing the area impacted by construction activity.
  - a. Is there adequate room for a 10' wide levee crest with the encapsulation of the sheet piling and minimizing the work area? A 10' wide crest is a minimum for maintenance, inspection, and flood fighting.

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Mr. Imad Samara Corps of Engineers July 25, 2000 Page Two

- b. How does the reduction of the area disturbed by construction impact landscaping, and how will the work limits be modified accordingly? During our conference call it was indicated by the Corps that landscaping will be done as was done in other areas. Before we can agree to this, we will need a better understanding of what is proposed, what exists, and that the plan will work with the reduced real estate requirements in the residential neighborhood.
- c. Will there be adequate room for the necessary construction equipment including crane for the sheet pile driver on the levee crest with the reduced work limits?
- 4. What will happen between levees with the new VE plan tree and brush removal and regrading?
- 5. How will underground utility penetrations through the sheet pile wall be handled?
- 6. The following issues still remain to be adequately addressed:
  - a. Corrosion and anticipated life of sheet piling. Please see our comments in our March 15, 2000 and July 5, 2000 letters regarding this topic.
  - b. Noise and vibration impacts on nearby properties during sheet pile driving which could cause liability issues. Please see our comments in our March 15, 2000 and July 5, 2000 letters regarding this topic.

Both of the above items need to be adequately addressed by the time of the 50% BCOE plan and specification review.

7. When will the cross-sections at 500' intervals be taken and when will the hydraulic analysis be complete? Is 500' spacing for cross-sections adequate?

In general the implementation of the VE proposal appears to be a very good idea and should save time and money for the project. While not a Stage VII issue, the use of this concept should be considered for other portions of the project. This includes other portions of the project which have already been designed. It seems likely that the cost for reengineering might be small compared to the real estate and construction cost savings. It also appears that it could reduce construction time which is critical in areas such as Woodmar Country Club.

Mr. Imad Samara Corps of Engineers July 25, 2000 Page Three

Please call if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

R. W. Armstrong & Associates, Inc.

James J. Plora, Jr., P.E. Vice President

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cc: Dan Gardner, LCRBDC Jim Pokrajac, LCRBDC



#### Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

July 7, 2000

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Mr. Imad Samara U. S. Army Corps of Engineers 111 N. Canal Street Chicago, Illinois 60606-7206

#### Dear Imad:

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Accordingly, we would recommend that in this particular case, that SEH define the property owners as is indicated in the enclosed Appendixes. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at the above number.

Sincerely.

Dan Gardner

Executive Director

/sjm encl.

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Dear Imad:

In response to your e-mail dated June 29<sup>th</sup> regarding reference to property line identification to be provided by the local sponsor, we have enclosed a copy of the scope of work for Stage VIII Appendix A3 Item 2 that states "COR shall provide the field survey property boundaries within 60 days of NTP". The reference is made in this item that the COR shall provide the field survey property boundaries within 60 days of the NTP. We feel that with the increased work schedule that our survey companies could be best used doing legal descriptions and surveys that are required as part of the responsibility of the local sponsor. We would request that you coordinate this internally as soon as possible.

We have also enclosed a letter to Tim Kroll dated May 22<sup>nd</sup> that requested that you provide us with points that would be necessary for us to do the survey work. It also indicates that upon receipt of these points, we would then be required to solicit bids to obtain services to do this work. As of this date, we have not received this information. At the time this letter was written, it was our intent to provide these survey coordinates based upon procedures that we had established in the past for establishing coordinates that would later be used by your AE. However, upon reviewing the scope of work for the A/E for Stage VIII, we feel that the COE should assume this responsibility rather than the local sponsor.

If you have any questions regarding this, please contact me at the above number.

Sincerely,

Dan Gardner
Executive Director

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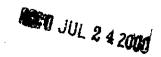
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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

CHICAGO DISTRICT. CORPS OF ENGINEERS 111 NORTH CANAL STREET CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606-7206



July 18, 2000

Programs and Project Management Division Project Management Branch

Mr. Dan Gardner
Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission
6100 Southport Rd.
Portage, Indiana 46368

Dear Mr. Gardner:

We have reviewed your letter of July 7, 2000, and agree that your survey companies will be doing legal descriptions and surveys as part of the local sponsor responsibility. At your request we will go ahead with the field survey of property boundaries, necessary to identify coordinates as part of the real estate acquisition for the Stage VIII portion of construction. Additionally, we will make sure that the A/E, (SHE, Inc.), will fulfill his contractual obligations and will define property owners in accordance with the scope of work, Appendix A, Item 2b.

If you have any questions please contact me at (312) 353-6400, extension 1809.

Imad Samara

Project Manager

CF: Jim Pokrajac b

#### Agenda

#### **Pre-Design Meeting**

#### Little Calumet River, Indiana

Local Flood Protection Project, Plans and Specifications, Stage VIII Levee Contract: DACW23-00-C-005

#### 8. Schedule

i.) Real Estate Survey by Government not sooner than November 30

NTP		12-Jul-00
Predesign conference	14	26-Jul-00
COE RE info	60	10-Sep-00
Mid design conference	130	19-Nov-00
Initial submittal	110	9-Mar-01
BCOE meeting	40	18-Apr-01
MFR	7	25-Apr-01
COE comments	56	4-May-01
Prefinal submittal	90	2-Aug-01
BCOE meeting	40	11-Sep-01
MFR.	7	18-Sep-01
COE comments	56	27-Sep-01
Final submittal	21	18-Oct-01

END OF MEETING



## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PITTSBURGH DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS WILLIAM S. MOORHEAD FEDERAL BUILDING 1000 LIBERTY AVENUE PITTSBURGH, PA 15222-4186 June 28, 2000

REPLY TO

Electrical & Mechanical Section Design Branch

SUBJECT: Little Calumet River, Indiana Local Flood Protection, West Reach Levee System, North Fifth Avenue Pump Station Rehabilitation Project, 100% Submittal

Mr. Jim Pokrajac
Agent, Land Acquisition/
Management/Engineering
LCRBDC
6100 Southport Rd.
Portage, Indiana 46368

Dear Mr. Pokrajac:

Enclosed is one copy of the Plans and Specifications for the 100% submittal. Please provide review comments within 10 working days to Mr. Jan Plachta, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Chicago District, 111 North Canal Street, Suite 600, Chicago IL 60606-7206. Comments of major significance should be provided as soon as possible.

If you have any questions please call Mr. Jim Lowe at (412)395-7266.

Sincerely,

HENRY MASER, III, P.E.

Chief, Design Branch

Enclosures

Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission North Fifth Avenue Pump Station Rehabilitation

Date:

July 17, 2000

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Type:

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Responders:

James J. Flora, Jr.

James Pokrajac

#	REFERENCE	REVIEWER	COMMENT	RESPONSE/ACTION
1.	General		We have been receiving copies of the comments and requests made by Highland's engineering consultant, NIES Engineering, Inc. regarding the Fifth Avenue Pump Station project. We however are not receiving the Corps' responses to those comments and requests. In the future please copy the LCRBDC on any correspondence with the local community. If any of the requests made by Highland are considered betterment also please advise the LCRBDC of that as soon as possible.	-
2.	General		The set of plans we received for review did not contain the Real Estate drawing which has been requested by the LCRBDC to be included with their plan review sets. That drawing should show project coordinates defining the Work Limits.	
3.	Sheet Ref. No. FA-C1		This sheet shows the river flowing to the west. We believe that the normal flow of the river in this section of the river is eastward.	
4.	Sheet Ref. No. FA-M8		<ul> <li>a. Section D on this sheet shows two EF-3 fans. We believe that the one to the right is actually EF-1.</li> <li>b. A note pointing to the 20" schedule 40 PVC duct to EF-3 states the following:</li> </ul>	
	}		"20" SCH. 40 PVC. SEAL ROOF PENETRATIONS WITH SILICONE SEALANT."	
			It is unclear what is to be sealed with the silicone sealant, since Detail A on Sheet FA-M5 shows the curbing and flashing around this fan which is the proper way to seal the roof at the fan penetration. We suggest that the proposed location for the silicone sealant be shown on Detail A on Sheet FA-M5.	

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#### COMMENTS and RESPONSES

Project:

Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission North Fifth Avenue Pump Station Rehabilitation

Review Item:

Date:

July 17, 2000

Type:

100%

Responders:

James J. Flora, Jr. James Pokrajac

#	REFERENCE	FERENCE REVIEWER COMMENT		RESPONSE/ACTION
5.	Sheet Ref. No. FA-S1		This comment is basically the same comment as our comment no. 6 in our May 19, 2000 submittal on 50% Plans and Specifications.  That comment is that the load specified for the 3 aluminum access or hatch covers on the main floor plan is too low. We suggest that the covers be designed to handle a live load of 300/pounds per square foot. We checked a catalog of one of the suppliers of such access hatches, Halliday Products, and it appears that 300 psf is one	
			of their standard load ratings.	





#### Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

#### WORK STUDY SESSION

#### **3 AUGUST 2000**

#### LAND ACQUISITION / MANAGEMENT REPORT

#### CHUCK AGNEW, CHAIRMAN

- 1.) There are no increased offers or condemnations.
- 2.) The minority-contracting firm of Precision Lawn Care has completed mowing the levees along Broadway, 35th and Chase, and several individual lots that we received complaints about. Cost was \$2,500.
- 3.) A meeting was held with officials of the River Forest School System, Lake Erie Land Company, IN Architects, and LCRBDC to discuss the Handicapped Accessible park. The proposed park cost estimates total \$435,000 and includes:

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- a.) the park with handicapped accessible playground equipment
- b.) a community building with concession stand and public room
- c.) an entrance overlook and trail in the environmentally sensitive area behind River Forest Elementary School.

The River Forest school area with its tennis courts, track, etc. is the hub of community activities in Lake Station. Deep River behind the school is actually the northern edge of the Hobart Marsh area. Lou and LEL have worked out an agreement to extract 32 acres from our lease/option of 904 acres with LEL. LEL will be able to fund the park when enough mitigation credits have been sold to finance the park. Tarik El Naggar, owner of IN Architects, will make a presentation this evening explaining plans for the park. Commissioners are invited to ask questions and make suggestions.

#### \* WE NEED A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGREEMENT

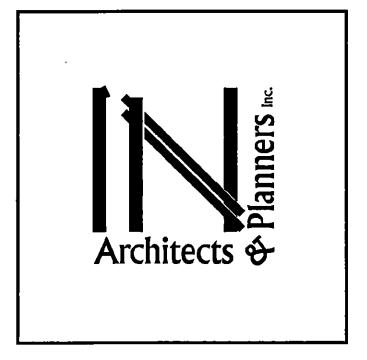
#### 4.) For discussion:

Gary Parks and Recreation has designed a new plan for their proposed golf course. The previous site north of 30th Avenue had too many wetlands. New site is immediately south of 30th Avenue. (Refer to Dan)

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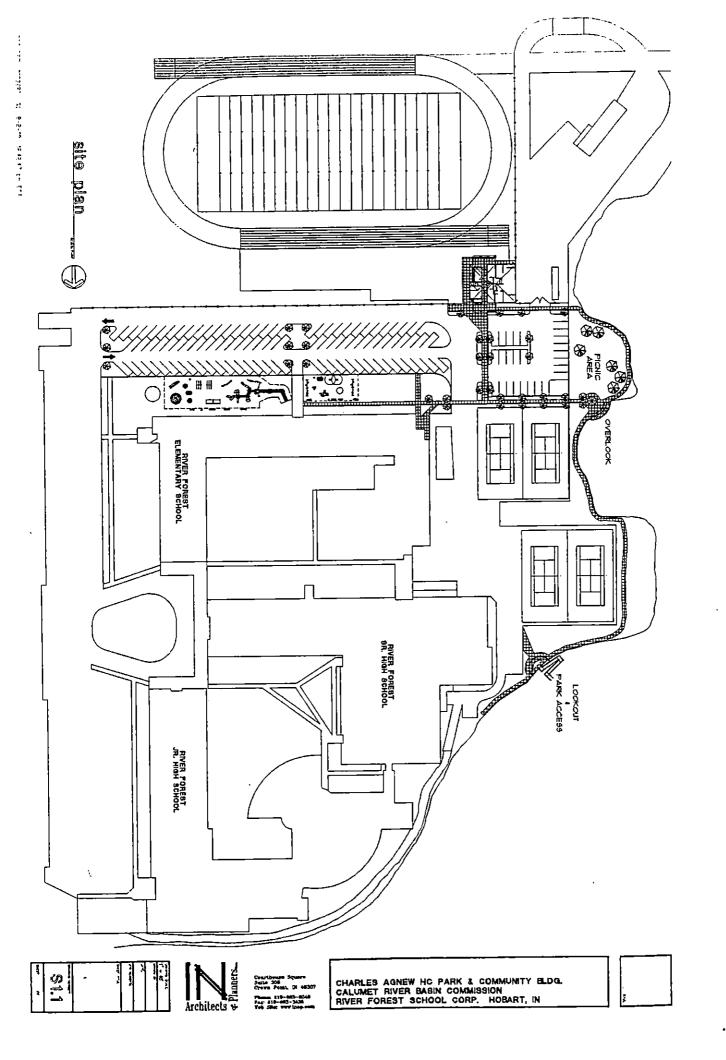
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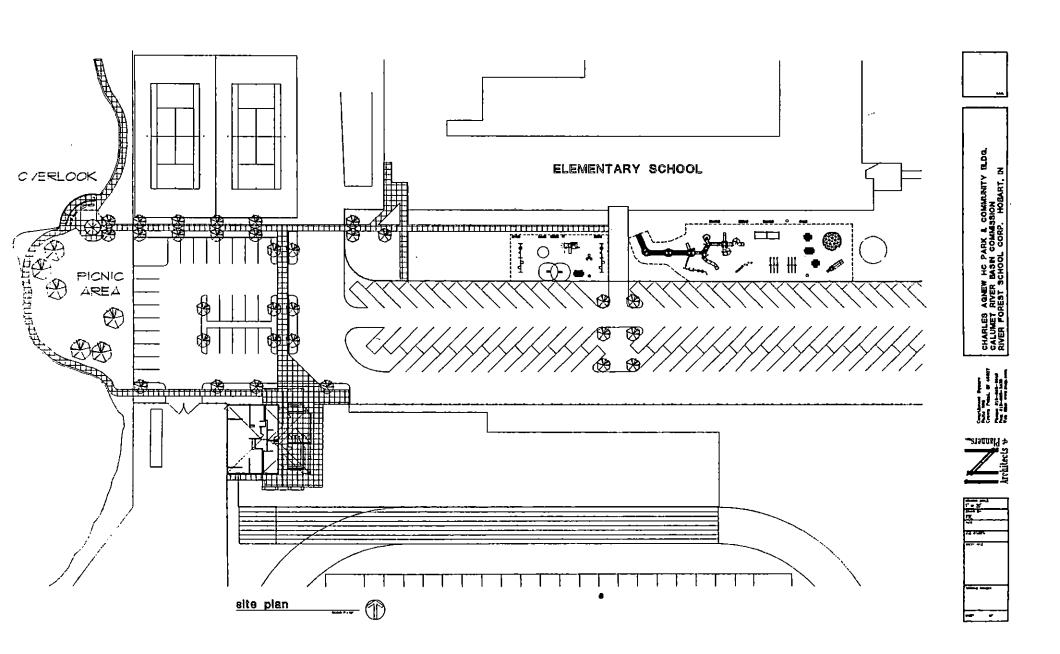
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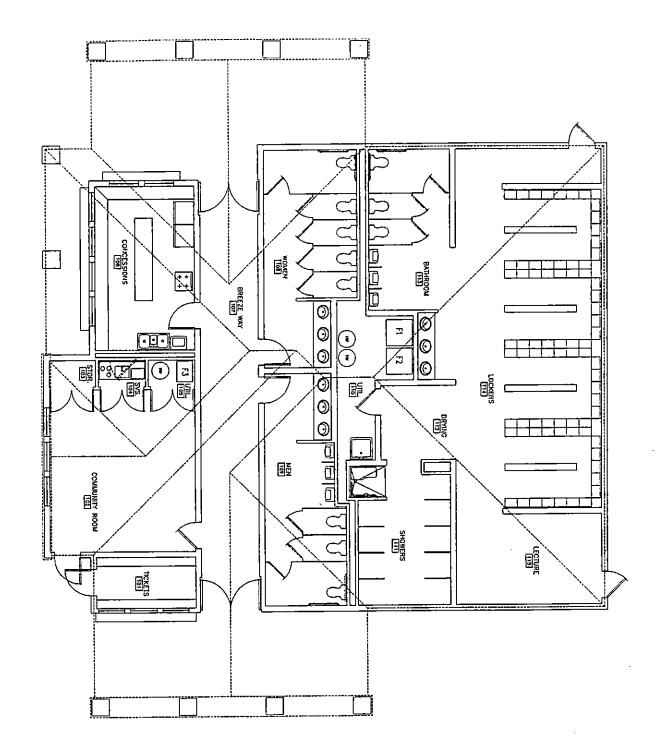


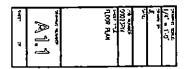


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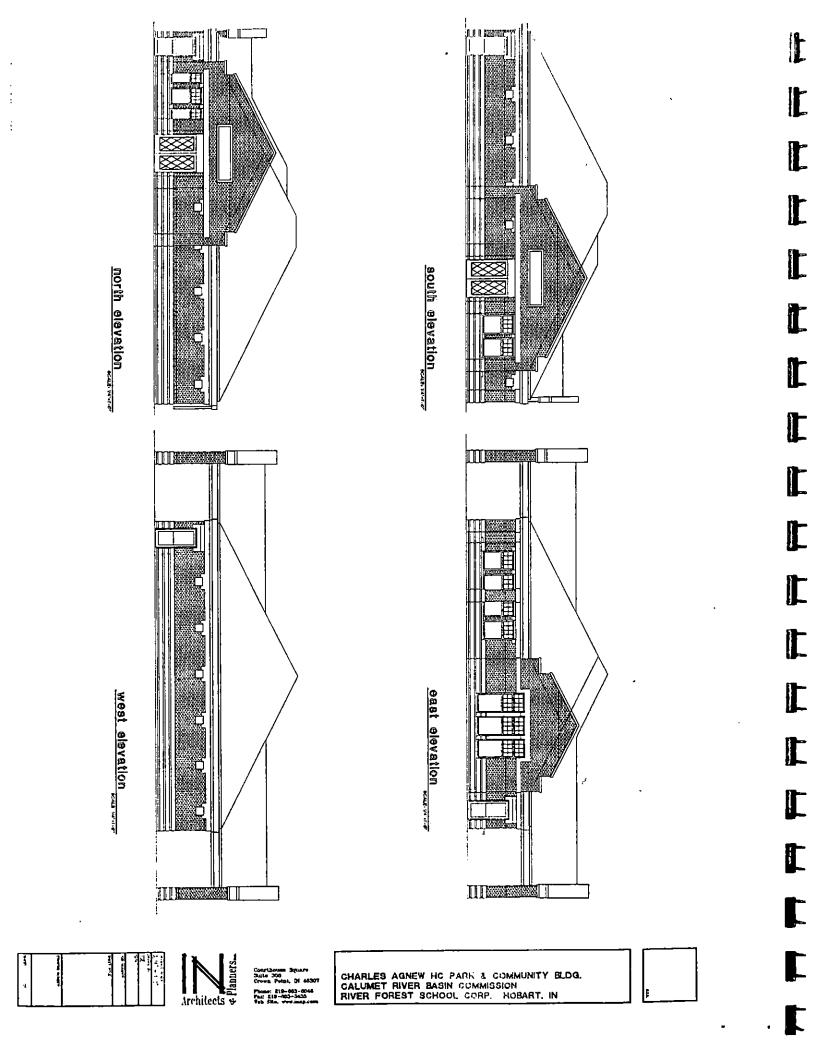






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Courthouse Square Suite 306 Crown Point, IN 46307

August 3, 2000

RE: Charles Agnew HC Park & Community Center

Calumet River Basin Commission
Dear Calumet River Basin Commission,

Subject: Preliminary Budget

ITEM	SQ.FT.	UNIT COST	COST
Community Building			
Locker / Bath	2147	120	\$257,640.00
Kit. / Comm. Rm.	745	98	\$73,010.00
Breezeway	343	35	\$12,005.00
Covered Areas	904	45	\$40,680.00
Building Total			\$383,335.00
Site Development			)
Building & Parking	1	14500	\$14,500.00
Overlook / Access / Paths	1	35000	\$35,000.00
Site Total			\$49,500.00
Playground			
Equipment	1	100447	\$100,447.00
Credit	1	-9000	(\$9,000.00)
Installation	1	38000	\$38,000.00
			\$129,447.00
Fees	.08	432835.00	\$34,626.80
Contingency	.1	432835.00	\$43,283.50
Total Project Cost (Preliminary)			\$640,192.30

Respectfully Submitted,

Tarik El-Naggar, A.I.A. President IN Architects & Planners, Inc.

## DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ATTENDANCE ROSTER

NAME OF MEETING: 2028/10	DATE: Hugust 3rd
LOCATION: 6100 Southpoet, Portage	CHAIRMAN: Emerson Delaney
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NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	ORGANIZATION, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER
1 Jim Kice	RIVER FOREST COMM. SCHOOLS 969-2909
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10 DENIS BUKSA	MUNSTER, IN
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16 BILL PETRITUS	(Aughternation)
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18 GEORGE SMOLKA	- Sierra Club
19 Louise KARWOWSK;	Sierra Club
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## LEVEE MOWING SERVICES - EAST REACH COMPLETED SEGMENTS - BURR ST. to MUK

August, 2000

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\* WE RECOMMEND USING C&H MOWING. INC. TO DO THIS WORK BASED UPON THEIR SUBMITTING THE LOWEST BID AND UPON THEIR RECORD OF MOWING THIS HIGHWAY CORRIDOR FOR INDO OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, AND WORK DONE FOR THE LCREDC IN THE PAST.

#### GENERAL NOTES:

- 1. BID INCLUDES MOWING LEVEE CREST, ONE PASS EACH SIDE OF DOWNSLOPE, ALL AREA TO INDOT RIW FENCE FROM CHASE TO MIK DRIVE, AND ALL NECESSARY HAND WORK AND TRIMMING AROUND PLANTING AREAS.
- 2. THIS WORK SHOULD BE COMPLETED NO LATER THAN AUGUST 25,2000

#### LAND ACQUISITION REPORT Thursday, August 3, 2000

(Information in this report is from June 30, 2000 – July 27, 2000)

#### STATUS (Stage II Phase I) - Harrison to Broadway - North Levee:

Project completed July 10, 1992.
 Dyer Construction – Contract price \$365,524

#### STATUS (Stage II Phase II) - Grant to Harrison - North Levee:

Project completed December 1, 1993
 Dyer/Ellas Construction – Contract price \$1,220,386

#### STATUS (Stage II, Phase 3A (8A) - Georgia to Martin Luther King - South Levee:

Project completed January 13, 1995.
 Ramirez & Marsch Construction – Contract price \$2,275,023

#### STATUS (Stage II, Phase 3B) - Harrison to Georgia - South Levee:

1. Project currently 98% complete.

2. Additional land will be required to extend a recreation trail off of the existing levee north of IUN to allow recreation trail users. (Refer to Recreation Report.)

#### STATUS (Stage II, Phase 3C2) - Grant to Harrison:

1. The final inspection was made on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2000 – completion and turnover anticipated by **September** of 2000.

2. The re-location of the recreation trail due to the crossing at Grant St. would require agreements with the Gas City Truck Stop and the city of Gary to be able to cross Grant St. at the light at 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

• LCRBDC and COE are considering moving the trail farther east (nearer Gilroy Stadium) and coming south off the existing levee to 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. LCRBDC to facilitate a meeting with Gas City to ask for re-consideration of the trail location.

• This work to be done as part of an "East Reach catch all" scheduled for Fall, 2000.

#### STATUS (Stage II, Phase 4) - Broadway to MLK Drive - North Levee:

1. Easement agreements were sent to Norfolk & Southern RR in February 1999. N & S did sign the right-to-construct, but we have no response on the easements.

#### STATUS (Stage III) - Chase to Grant:

1. Project completed on May 6, 1994. Kiewit Construction – Contract price \$6,564,520

#### STATUS (Stage IV - Phase 1-North) - Cline to Burr (North of the Norfolk Southern RR):

1. All easements obtained, utility re-locations completed, and construction started.

Anticipated completion of project is Summer of 2001.

#### STATUS (Stage IV - Phase 1-South) - Cline to Burr (South of the Norfolk Southern RR):

Bids were reviewed and <u>Dyer Construction</u> is the contractor. Work started on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2000
 - 450 days to complete project (see Engineering Report).

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#### STATUS (Stage IV - Phase 2A) - Lake Etta - Burr to Clark:

1. All construction is currently completed. Pump test is scheduled for mid-April. (Refer to Engineering Report)

#### STATUS (Stage IV - Phase 2B) - Clark to Chase:

1. Construction currently 95% complete. Projected completion in late fall, 1999. (Refer to Engineering Report)

#### STATUS (Stage V - Phase 1) - Wicker Park Manor:

Project completed September 14, 1995
 Dyer Construction – Contract price \$998,630

#### STATUS (Stage V - Phase 2) - Indianapolis to Kennedy - North Levee:

1. A letter was sent to the COE on June 21<sup>st</sup> enclosing survey location information for the Tri-State bus terminal. Questions regarding real estate easements need to be addressed. (Refer to Engineering Report)

#### STATUS (Stage V - Phase 3) - Northcote to Indianapolis - (Woodmar Country Club):

- 1. Appraisal with Dale Kleszynski is ongoing.
- 2. Adjacent property ID is completed by DLZ.

#### STATUS (Stage VI-Phase 1) - Cline to Kennedy - North of the river, and Kennedy to Liable - South of the River:

- 1. We received (4) sets of real estate drawings from the COE on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2000, along with a request for authorization for ROE.
  - A letter was sent to the COE on June 15<sup>th</sup> including modified project coordinates for a staging area in the Homestead Park area.

#### STATUS (Stage VI - Phase 2) Liable to Cline - South of the River:

1. A letter was sent to the COE from the Town of Highland requesting re-consideration for alignment at the North end of Liable on Highland Park Department property with potential for recreation development. (No response to date)

#### STATUS (Stage VII) - Northcote to Columbia:

1. A public meeting will tentatively be scheduled with Hammond and Munster upon completion of 50% engineering review early September.

#### STATUS (Stage VIII - Columbia to State Line (Both Sides of River)

- 1. We received an e-mail from the COE on June 29<sup>th</sup> requesting LCRBDC to do property I.D. and survey points to determine project coordinates.
  - We are currently questioning scope of work for SEH (Corps A/E) because we do not want to double pay.
- 2. A letter was sent to the COE on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000, regarding survey work & property line identification. Still under discussion as to whether it's the responsibility of the COE, not the local sponsor.

- A pre-construction meeting was held with the COE & SEH on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2000. At
  this meeting, the COE agreed they would do property ID & modified the scope of
  work accordingly. The COE also agreed they would do the survey work internally.
  We received a letter on July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2000, confirming this.
- A tentative schedule was presented by SEH to complete the plans and specifications. STATUS (Betterment Levee Phase 1) E.J. & E. Railroad to, and including, Colfax North of the NIPSCO R/W Ditch is South of NIPSCO R/W from Arbogast to Colfax.
- Refer to Engineering Report for construction scheduling, cost estimates, bids, and utility relocates.

# STATUS (Betterment Levee – Phase 2) Colfax to Burr Street, then North N.S. RR, then East (North of RR R/2) ½ between Burr and Clark, back over the RR, then South approx. 1,400 feet:

- 1. Current schedule is to advertise by October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2000, award contract by December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2000, and a construction start of February, 2001 360 days to complete.
- 2. LCRBDC is waiting on COE to finish Norfolk Southern RR engineering maps for an acquisition start. (Engineering still ongoing as of August 1 review process needs to be completed & agreed upon prior to advertising).

# EAST REACH REMEDIATION AREA - (NORTH OF I-80/94, MLK TO I-65):

- 1. The construction start was September 1999, with an anticipated one-year completion.
- 2. Submittals out for property north of I80/94 and east of I-65 anticipated for completion by June 30<sup>th</sup> (INDOT/City of Gary/Muniz)
  - All easements signed & approved letter to COE on July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2000, indicating such.
     Construction starting on July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2000 anticipated completion by August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

## WEST REACH PUMP STATIONS - PHASE 1A

- 1. These stations include Baring, Hohman-Munster, Walnut and South Kennedy.
- 2. This project is currently on hold due to the bid being 63% over the COE estimate.
- 3. Low bidder was Kovillic Construction, based upon RFP's. A protest was filed, protest was denied, but have appealed to Federal court. Decision expected approx. August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

## WEST REACH PUMP STATIONS - PHASE 1B

- 1. These stations include S.E. Hessville (HSD) and 81st Street pump station
- 2. We received a request for R.O.E. from the Corps on March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2000, for three (3) parcels of real estate.
  - The ROE for 81<sup>st</sup> St. and Southeast Hessville pump stations was signed by the LCRBDC on May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

# North Fifth Avenue Pump Station

- 1. We received a request from the COE to do the necessary legals and obtain the ROE for construction
  - Legals have been completed and the agreement was sent out on July 28th, 2000.

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Dear Imad:

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Accordingly, we would recommend that in this particular case, that SEH define the property owners as is indicated in the enclosed Appendixes. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at the above number.

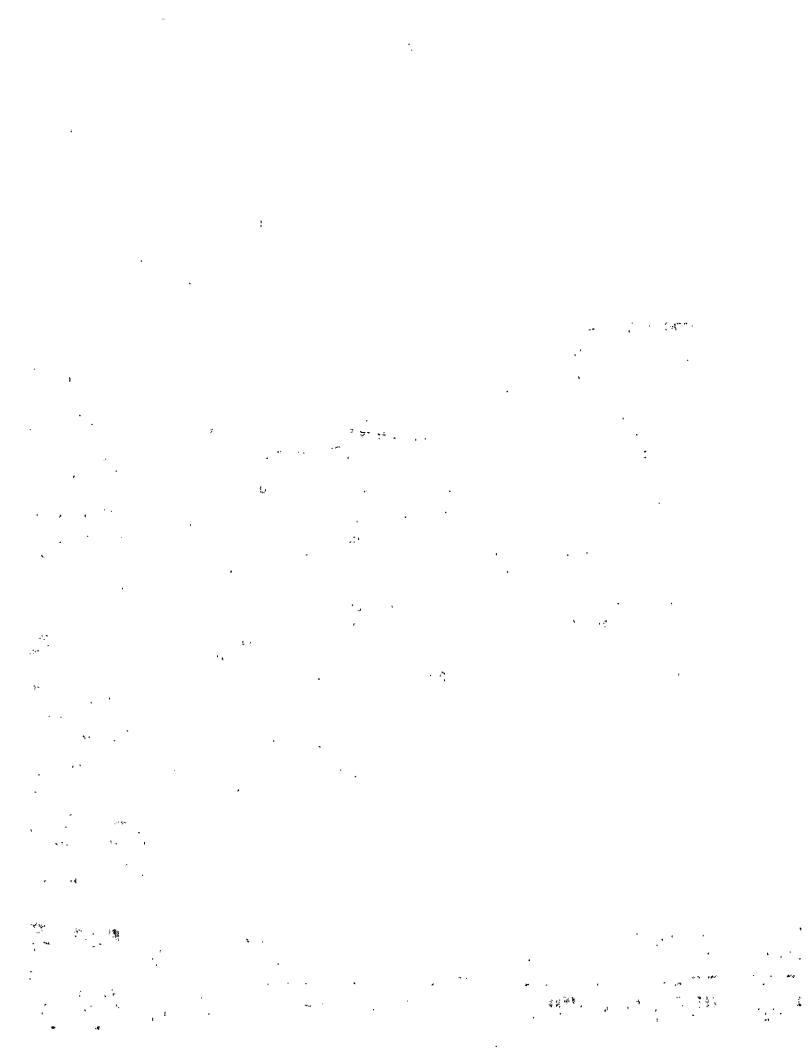
Sincerely,

Executive Director

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cc:

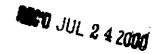
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# DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

CHICAGO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
111 NORTH CANAL STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606-7206



July 18, 2000

Programs and Project Management Division Project Management Branch

Mr. Dan Gardner
Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission
6100 Southport Rd.
Portage, Indiana 46368

Dear Mr. Gardner:

CF: Jim Pokrajac

We have reviewed your letter of July 7, 2000, and agree that your survey companies will be doing legal descriptions and surveys as part of the local sponsor responsibility. At your request we will go ahead with the field survey of property boundaries, necessary to identify coordinates as part of the real estate acquisition for the Stage VIII portion of construction. Additionally, we will make sure that the A/E, (SHE, Inc.), will fulfill his contractual obligations and will define property owners in accordance with the scope of work, Appendix A, Item 2b.

If you have any questions please contact me at (312) 353-6400, extension 1809.

Imad Samara

Sincerely

Project Manager



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LOUIS CASALE Attorney Mr. Tom Deja
U. S. Army Corps of Engineers

906 Griffith Blvd. Griffith, Indiana 46319

Dear Tom:

This letter is to serve as notice that all necessary easements have been signed to install the outlet structure north of I-80/94 and east of I-65 as part of the east reach remediation contract.

These easements include those from the city of Gary, INDOT, and one private owner. If you have any questions regarding this letter of acknowledgement that these have been signed and received.

Sincerely,

July 25, 2000

James E. Pokrajac, Agent Land Management/

Engineering

/sjm

cc: Emmett Clancy Imad Samara

Lou Casale

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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission is seeking proposals to obtain rights to land within the Little Calumet River Basin for the purpose of restoring forested wetland and wet/wet-mesic prairie as part of the Little Calumet River Flood Control Project. If accepted, the landowner will be required to encumber their lands with conservation easements, to execute rights of entry for the purpose of establishing these restorations, to provide for the operation and maintenance of the wetlands once they are established and to provide a reversionary interest in the lands to a named designee in the event any or all conditions are not met. Selection will be based upon hydrology, composition of soils, cost of establishment and contiguity with other available lands. Proposals shall submitted only by landowners or their duly representatives. Proposals must be made in writing and shall contain a legal description and survey drawing of the property. The Commission reserves the right to accept or reject any or all and/or any combination of proposals. Proposals shall be delivered in a sealed envelope to the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission, 6100 Southport Road, Portage, Indiana 46368, Attn. Dan Gardner (219/763-0696). Proposals must be received on or before 2:00 p.m. on the 28th day of August, 2000.

# RECREATION REPORT

Thursday, August 3, 2000

(Information in this report is from June 30, 2000 – July 27, 2000)

### **GENERAL STATEMENT:**

Currently, the joint recreation venture with the Army Corps is completed; 85% of the completed east reach levees have stoned trails completed; the remainder of east reach trails should be completed by the fall of 2001.

### **RECREATION - PHASE 1.**

(This contract includes recreational facilities for Lake Etta, Gleason Park, Stage III (trails), and the OxBow area in Hammond.

# A. OXBOW (Hammond)

1. October 28th, 1998 was the date that this facility was turned over to the City of Hammond.

# B. GLEASON PARK (Gary Parks & Recreation)

1. October 28<sup>th</sup>, 1998 was the date this facility was turned over to the Gary Parks and Recreation Department.

# C. LAKE ETTA (Lake County Parks)

1. October 27<sup>th</sup>, 1998 was the date that this facility was turned over to the Lake County parks department

# D. CHASE STREET TRAIL (City of Gary)

1. October 27<sup>th</sup>, 1998 was the date that this facility was turned over to the City of Gary.

## RECREATION - GENERAL

- A. LCRBDC is going to complete a revised recreation trail alignment at Broadway and coordinate with the City of Gary and INDOT.
- B. LCRBDC is going to coordinate a revised recreation trail alignment at Grant Street.
  - 1. The original plan was to run the trail South of the existing levee, along the Ease side of Gas City. They objected and we will facilitate a meeting.
- C. Tri-State recreational trail tie-in for the Highland/Wicker Park/Erie Lackawanna Trail Systems.
  - 1. A letter was written to the COE on June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2000, enclosing field location survey data and current real estate requirements. We requested some modifications to accommodate our landside trail tie-in (no response as of August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2000).

# LAND MANAGEMENT REPORT Thursday, August 3, 2000

(Information in this report is from June 30, 2000 – July 27, 2000)

## NON-PROJECT LAND MANAGEMENT

A. Handicapped-Accessible Park

- 1. A meeting was held with LEL, LCRBDC, River Forest officials, and the architect of Handicapped-accessible Park on July 13, 2000., at which plans were finalized. The architect will make presentation at the Commissioners meeting on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2000.
- B. Chase Street to Grant Street land management issues
  - 1. We received a letter from the COE on March 17, 1999 requesting local review for drainage remediation.
    - A coordination meeting was held with the COE, GSD, and the LCRBDC on February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2000 to review ongoing drainage concerns.
    - Comments were sent to the COE on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2000 indicated that their design appeared to have inadequate pumping capacity (refer to Engineering Report).
    - Sue Davis from the COE was assigned to address GSD concerns, including drainage in this area, and a meeting was to be coordinated in mid-June. It will be tentatively be scheduled for the end of August 2000.
  - 2. Stan Stann lease (communications tower at 35<sup>th</sup> & Chase) is to be increased from \$1250/month based upon the C.P.I.
    - This was as per our agreement signed July 4, 1995 to be upgraded after 5 years.
    - Attorneys are currently working on this agreement update.

# PROJECT RELATED LAND MANAGEMENT

- A. O&M (Project manual review/accepting completed segments)
  - 1. The COE has requested since August 28, 1997 that we complete our project manual review and accept completed levee segments (ongoing).
  - 2. We will schedule a meeting with a committee of commissioners to review the current COE O & M and make comparisons with what Richmond has in place. (ongoing)
  - 3. It is anticipated to start accepting levee segments (after inspections are completed and found acceptable) as early as **September** 2000.
  - 4. Although we have not accepted any levee segments for O & M, we have assumed responsibility for mowing all of the completed East Reach segments due to local complaints and for better recreational trail usage.

B. Mitigation (entire project area)

- 1. The COE stated they would have an initial "final" mitigation plan to review by the DNR by May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2000. As of July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2000 this has not been implemented.
- 2. We received a letter from the COE Colonel inquiring about our offer of the 179 acres for mitigation. They requested a formal written offer be sent to them.
- 3. A letter was sent to Elias Construction Company on July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2000, allowing them to spread spoil material from the INDOT/County Colfax Bridge project on our adjacent land.

C. Emergency Management

- The COE submitted to LCRBDC mapping for comments on May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1999, showing locations of all closures, sluice gates, sandbagging, etc.
  - We will break this down by community, showing how each community would respond during a flood event. (Ongoing)
- A coordination meeting was held with the COE, Lake County Emergency Management, the USGS, and representatives from Hammond and Gary on June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2000 to review new monitoring software and provide technical training.
  - A letter was sent to GSD on July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2000, requesting a meeting to review 2-3 installation of new software for river level monitoring.
  - A letter was sent to Mayor King on July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2000, indicating that no representatives from Gary attended this coordination meeting and that we would like to meet with them to implement an emergency response plan and familiarize them with river monitoring information.

D. Landscaping

- 1. A letter was sent to the COE on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1999, accepting the landscaping project as per plans and specs, but re-stating the ongoing problem with the finished condition of the landscaping (needs more time to establish).
  - At our Technical Review meeting with the COE on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 1999, Greg Moore said he was finalizing specification changes for future projects as well as modifying procedures for the O & M. As of August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2000, we have not received a written response.

E. Gary Parks & Recreation - Driving Range

- A meeting was held with the Gary Parks & Rec Dept. on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1999 to coordinate the current status.
  - We received a copy of a letter from Gary to the Detroit COE enclosing a plan 5-6 for a 3 hole youth golf course & driving range North of 30<sup>th</sup> Ave. & asking for a field coordination meeting.

F. Lake Erie Land Company - Wetland banking

Lake Erie Land Company's full committee met at I.U. Northwest on June 28<sup>th</sup>. LEL company's "Great Konomick River Restoration Project" is now including Grand Calumet River focus. Member groups are supplying information to create one large master map to include all of the Great Konomick River.

G. A meeting was held with <u>Lamar Advertising Company</u> (formerly Whiteco) on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2000, to review & update current leases.

1. A new balance will be calculated (formerly \$124,825) for removal of Whiteco signs for our project and we will pay this off as per a previous motion by the commissioners.

 A letter was sent to Lamar on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2000, requesting this information in order that we can close out this ongoing issue. (This was a follow-up to a previous letter dated March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2000.)

 We received a letter from <u>Lamar</u> on May 17<sup>th</sup>, 200, indicating that they will review the current balance and modify the existing agreements within the next few months. (Ongoing)

#### H. Maintenance

- 1. We received a letter for consideration of services from Eloise Gentry of the Urban League on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2000, for lawn area maintenance.
  - We are using him to mow several areas in Gary, including Stan Stann Tower, miscellaneous overgrown properties, and West of Broadway across from the Urban League.
- 2. We submitted an RFP for mowing services on July 18<sup>th</sup>, with bids due July 26<sup>th</sup>, 7-10 2000. Total lineal footage of levees to be mowed is approximately 51,927' (9.8 miles).



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LOUIS CASALE

Mr. John N. Eliopoulos P.E. V.P. of Engineering ELLAS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY 3810 East 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Gary, Indiana 46403

Dear John:

This letter is in reference to your request dated February 3, 2000 regarding your useage of our land to place your excess spoil materials. It is our understanding from your letter that you estimate approximately 3,500 cu. yds. of spoil that would be spread out and graded evenly, which would calculate to approximately 6" of additional fill above the existing grade. We also understand that this spoil area would be on land adjacent to the wetland mitigation site and that the spoil material will be the same as the area you have designated. Your drawings indicate that you will not change or interrupt internal drainage in that area nor will you cause any standing water to pocket in this area.

This letter will serve as your authorization to use our land and grade your excess spoil material. We request that upon completion of this grading, you will contact Mr. Jim Pokrajac for a final inspection to assure that you have met our request.

If you have any questions regarding this information or need any additional information, please contact me at the above number.

Sincerely,

Dan Gardner
Executive Director

/sjm

cc: Duane Alverson

Lou Casale, LCRBDC attorney



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Mr. Carmen Wilson Director Gary Sanitary District 3600 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Gary, Indiana 46406

Dear Mr. Wilson:

A meeting was held with the Army Corps of Engineers and the USGS on Tuesday, June 27th, 2000 at the Lake County Emergency Management office in Crown Point. Enclosed is a copy of the meeting notice that was sent out on June 19th, 2000. The purpose of this meeting was to provide training for the new software and to discuss the installation of new base stations for Hammond and Gary by the end of July.

On Tuesday, February 23, 1999 a motion was made and approved at the Board of Sanitary Commissioners' meeting for Resolution #2118 to "Establish a base station for the Little Calumet River Warning System at the Gary Sanitary District". We apologize for not coordinating this with you earlier, but now the new equipment is available and we would like to meet with you and your representatives to facilitate this installation. All cost for equipment, installation, and instruction will be assumed by the Army Corps and the Development Commission.

Currently, the flood control project is approximately 80% complete in the area from Cline Avenue to I-65 and we have ongoing construction in Gary that should be completed by the end of the year 2001. This would complete all the work in Gary and now is the ideal time to work with the city and the Sanitary District to establish monitoring capabilities for the Little Calumet River. This information is intended to be used in the process of flood fighting, and emergency management, with the city of Gary and the Gary Civil Defense.

Mr. Carmen Wilson July 17, 2000 Page 2

We look forward to meeting with you to implement this plan. We hope to complete installation and instruction by mid August, 2000 and would appreciate your earliest attention to this matter in order to meet this date. Any questions you may have can be directed to me at 219/763-0696.

Sincerely,

Dan Gardner
Executive Director

/sjm encl.

cc:

Mayor Scott King
Arlene Colvin, City of Gary
Charles Jones, WREP
Don Smales, Greely & Hansen
Kenny Smith, Gary Civil Defense
Jeff Miller, Lake County Emergency Management
Imad Samara, COE
Sue Davis, COE



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LOUIS CASALE

Honorable Scott King Mayor of Gary Gary City Hall 401 Broadway Gary, Indiana 46402

Dear Mayor King:

On Tuesday, June 27th, the Army Corps of Engineers held a meeting with the Lake County Emergency Management and the USGS to provide an overview of the new flood warning data system. The purpose of this meeting was to provide training for the new software and to discuss the installation of new base stations for Hammond and Gary by mid August, 2000. This system will provide necessary data to the communities regarding river elevation in order to coordinate mobilization for flood control. We have enclosed a copy of our meeting notice that was sent out on June 19th, 2000, stating the agenda and intent of this meeting.

Unfortunately, though invited, no representatives from the city of Gary attended. It is critical to Gary's interest, the equipment be installed and personnel be instructed as to its use. On Tuesday, February 23, 1999 a motion was made and approved at the Board of Sanitary Commissioners' meeting for Resolution #2118 to "Establish a base station for the Little Calumet River Warning System at the Gary Sanitary District". We will be in the process of facilitating the equipment installation, now currently available, at our cost and with instructional personnel available.

We are available to meet with your designated representatives from the City and the Civil Defense Department to facilitate whatever would be required by the City of Gary to implement this plan, and the plan for emergency response. If you have any questions, please contact me at the above number.

Sincerely,

Dan Garaner

ExecutiveDirector

/sjm encl. cc:

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Carmen Wilson, GSD
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# **Department of Public Parks**

SCOTT L. KING Mayor SUZETTE RAGGS Deputy Mayor 455 Massachusetts Street Gary, Indiana 46402 (219) 886-7099 Fax (219) 881-0008

Fred Ware Director

July 18, 2000

Mr. Tom Allenson
Project Manager
United States Army Corps of Engineers
P.O. Box 1027
Detroit, Michigan 48231-1027

Dear Mr. Allenson:

Please find attached a newly designed conceptual plan for a 3 hole youth golf course and driving range to be located in North Gleason Park in Gary, Indiana. A previous design and location were determined to be unsuitable due to wetland impacts. This new plan attempts to avoid wetland impacts, but is consistent with the original concept that was proposed to your agency.

Mr. Marty Maupin of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management has reviewed the proposed location and indicated that he believes there is minimal if any wetland impacts. Mr. Maupin suggested that we request a field visit to the proposed location from the Corps of Engineers in order to determine if a 404 permit is needed to proceed.

PAGE 2 Mr. Tom Allenson July 18, 2000

Please let us know when you will be able to meet with us to review the location and proposed plan.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

John Lowe, Manager

South Gleason Golf Course

JL:bs

Cc: Board of Park Commissioners

Fred Ware, Park Director Kim Lyles, Asst. Director

Dorreen Carey, Env. Affairs Coordinator

Dan Gardner, Director, NIRPC

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C&H MOWING, INC. 918 South 250 West Hebron, Indiana 46341 Mr. Pete Zak SOUTH SHORE MARINA 1700 Marine Street Portage, Indiana 46368 Mr. Jerry Holcomb, Sr. PRECISION LAWN CARE 1745 Roosevelt Street Gary, Indiana 46404

Dear John:

Enclosed is a location map showing the areas we propose to have mowed as part of our flood control project for the Little Calumet River. We estimate that approximately 32,599 linear feet will need to be mowed along the levee crest including one (1) pass on each side of the levee top (Type I) mowing. In addition, we anticipate approximately 19,328 linear feet of mowing along I-80/94 that will include the levee crest and the entire side slope to the I80/94 right-of-way. As part of this mowing, it will also be required to mow one (1) pass on the river side. Also enclosed is a general information and specification sheet as well as a bid form. Please fill out the bid form indicating the cost per section as noted along with total base bid that will be used to evaluate this proposal. This request is part of our solicitation for bids as requested by our Board members and will be evaluated based upon the lowest total base bid and job experience.

Please submit this bid back to me no later than July 26th and submit it to:

Jim Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission
6100 Southport Road
Portage, Indiana 46368

If you have any questions regarding this proposal, please call me at the above number.

Sincerely,

ames E. Pokrajac, Agent

Land Management/Engineering

/sjm

# GENERAL INFORMATION AND SPECIFICATIONS

Type I Mowing: Inc

(Approx. 32,599 lin.ft.)

Includes moving the 10' levee crest and one (1) pass (Minimum 6' width) each side of the levee top. (Most of these levees are stoned on the crest for recreational use –

Refer to drawing)

Type II Mowing: (Approx. 19,328 lin.ft.)

Includes mowing the 10' levee crest and the entire sideslope on the landward side to the INDOT (I-80/94)

R/W. It also includes one (1) pass on the river side adjacent

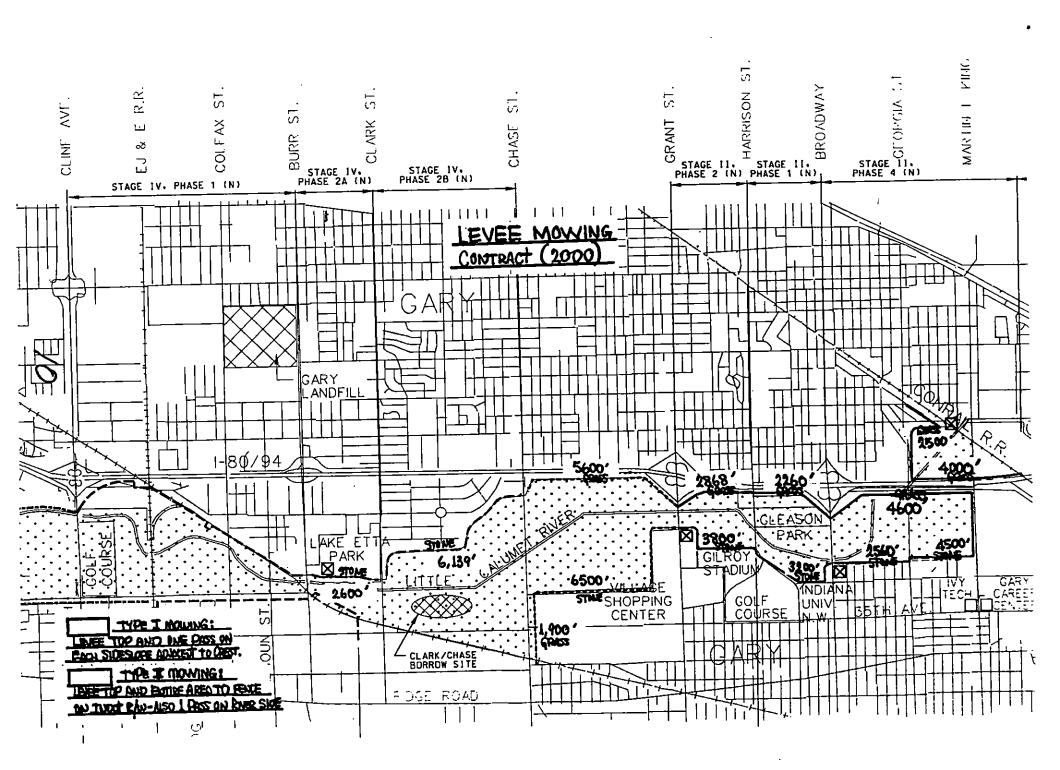
to the crest with a minimum cut of 6'.

## Specification (General Information)

- 1. From Chase Street to Broadway on the I-80/94 (landward) side of the levee, landscaping has some plantings that need to be avoided. Some handwork may be required around these plantings.
- 2. Top of levees may be cut to  $4^{\circ} 6^{\circ}$ , river side of levee should be cut to no less than 10° and landward side may be cut to 8°.
- 3. The 3200' of levee north of I.U. Northwest (Harrison to Broadway South levee only) have special plantings placed in some areas. This area is approx. 1000' west of Broadway. The remaining 2200' to the west going to Harrison Street shall be considered as Type I mowing. (Area to avoid will be flagged Call before mowing this area).
- 4. Contractor will be provided any necessary keys to gain access to these areas and assume all responsibility to lock gates after completing mowing.
- 5. Contractor will be required to have workman's compensation insurance and liability insurance in a minimum amount of \$300,000/\$1,000,000 naming the owner as co-insured.

# **BID FORM**

1.	Burr Street to Clark Street (2600')	<b>\$</b>		_
2.	Clark Street to Chase Street (6139')	<del></del>		
3.	Chase Street to Grant Street - North levee (5600')			
4.	Chase Street to Grant Street - South levee (8400')			
5.	Grant to Harrison – North levee (2868')	<del></del>	<u> </u>	
6.	Grant to Harrison - South levee (3800')	-		
Ź.	Harrison to Broadway – North levee (2260')		···	
8.	Harrison to Broadway - South levee (2200')		· .	
9.	Broadway to MLK Drive - North levee (4600')			
10.	Broadway to MLK Drive - South levee (6160')	′	<del></del>	
11.	Georgia to MLK Drive - North of I-80/94 (6500')			
	TOTAL BASE BID	•		



# LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FINANCIAL STATEMENT JANUARY 1, 2000 - JUNE 30, 2000

Vandy

CASH POSITION - JANUARY 1.2	000		
CHECKING ACCOUNT			
LAND ACQUISITION		244,197.40	
GENERAL FUND		143,144.40	
TAX FUND		0.00	
INVESTMENTS ESCROW ACCOUNT INTERE	ST	1,188,076.15 11,729.84	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTERE	.51	11,729.84	1,587,147.79
			1,301,141.13
RECEIPTS - JANUARY 1, 2000 - J	UNE 30, 2000		
LEASE RENTS		22,616.76	
INTEREST INCOME		29,141.76 2,109,191.03	
LAND ACQUISITION ESCROW ACCOUNT INTERE	CT!	2,109,191.03 6,749.10	
MISC. INCOME		1,116.03	
WILLIAM TANKE	55.68	-,	
TICOR	50.08		
GTE	10.61		
TICOR	568.00		
CITY OF PORTAGE			
DUELLEN(PHOTO)		1 000 42	
KRBC REIMBURSEMENT RE PROCEEDS FROM VOIDED O		1,009.43 163,778.63	
CHECK #6034	124,825.00 WHITECO	103,778.03	
CHECK #6505	33.60 JOHN MROCZKOWSKI		
CHECK #6569	35,000.00 ROBERT STOFFREGEN		
CHECK #6615	627.08 GTE		
CHECK #6616	3,292.95 DLZ		•
TOTAL RECEIPTS			2,333,602.74
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DISBURSEMENTS - JANUARY 1. ADMINISTRATIVE	2000 - JUNE 30, 2000		
1999 EXPENSES PAID IN 2006	1	88,437.89	
PER DIEM		5,400.00	
LEGAL SERVICES		3,423.31	
NIRPC		62,388.55	
TRAVEL & MILEAGE		940.38	
PRINTING & ADVERTISING		303.54	
BONDS & INSURANCE		5,802.63	
TELEPHONE EXPENSE		6,150.82	
MEETING EXPENSE LAND ACQUISITION		2,897.55	
LEGAL SERVICES		41,236.14	
APPRAISAL SERVICES		18,500.00	
ENGINEERING SERVICES		54,364.09	
LAND PURCHASE CONTRAC	CTUAL	8,217.00	
FACILITIES/PROJECT MAIN	TENANCE SERVICES	<b>33,66</b> 0.00	
OPERATIONS SERVICES	270	0.00	
LAND MANGEMENT SERVICES	CES	79,472.09	
SURVEYING SERVICES ECONOMIC/MARKETING SO	NIBCES	57,585.47 1,400.00	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURE O		115,937.45	
MOVING ALLOCATION		2,050.00	
TAXES		0.00	
LAND PURCHASE CONTRAC	CTUAL	0.00	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURES	INSURANCE	464.00	
UTILITY RELOCATION SERV		21,303.19	
LAND CAPITAL IMPROVEM		2,107.80	
STRUCTURAL CAPITAL IMP		17,543.58	
BANK ONE (PURCHASED CE	ECERTIFICATE W/LEL FUNDS)	1,500,000.00 <b>90,0</b> 56.60	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	COLCHICATE WILELFUNDS)	90,030.00	2,131,204.19
CASH POSITION - JUNE 30, 2000 CHECKING ACCOUNT			
LAND ACQUISITION		488,434.65	
GENERAL FUND		59,528.00	
TAX FUND		0.00	
SAND MONEY		120,766.84	
INVESTMENTS			
BANK CALUMET	316,000.00	02/02/2000	
BANK CALUMET	700,000.00	02/02/2000	
BANK ONE	105,116.15	10/04/2000	
BANK CALUMET BANK ONE	92,831.76 12,258.90	01/02/2001 01/01/2001	
BANK ONE	1,500,000.00	05/25/2001	
<del></del>	TOTAL INVESTMENTS	2,726,206.81	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTERE	ST	18,478.94	•
			3,413,415.24

# CALUMET AREA OFFICE CONTRACT STATUS REPORT 28 MAY - 30 JUNE 2000

CONT, NO. PR&C NO. (CO-S MGR.) (CO-S QA) (CO-C MGR.)	DESCRIPTION	CONTRACTOR	CONTRACT ORIGINAL CURRENT OBLIGATED EARNED AMOUNT	CONTRACT ORIGINAL CURRENT SUBSTANTIAL FINAL W/O D, COMPLETION	% COMF	
95-0071 959776 (GARCES) (KARWATKA) (TURNER)	STA, II-PHS 3B	RAUSCH	\$3,293,968.00 \$3,477,249.66 \$3,477,249.66 \$3,280,112.42	05 DEC 98 05 DEC 98	100	100

COMMENTS: Final inspection postponed pending completion of final items. Contractor and CO-S to reschedule

Awaiting PP-PM/ED-D responses to following issues: None at this time.

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95-0073 71759328 (GARCES) (RUNDZAITIS) (TURNER)	STA. IV-PHS 2A	DYER	\$2,473,311.50 \$3,367,842.64 \$3,367,842.64 \$3,192,046.22	05 OCT 98 05 OCT 98 19 NOV 99	100	100

#### COMMENTS:

FC-73.36 - Generator input at pump station. Awaiting Contractors proposal.

Awaiting PP-PM/ED-D responses to following:

A. Coordination of draft design of Generator input at pump station with Local Sponsor and final P&S.

CONT. NO. PR&C NO. (CO-S MGR.) (CO-S QA) (CO-C MGR.)	DESCRIPTION	CONTRACTOR	CONTRACT ORIGINAL CURRENT OBLIGATED EARNED AMOUNT	CONTRACT ORIGINAL CURRENT SUBSTANTIAL FINAL W/O D. COMPLETION	% con sch	MPLETE ACT
95-0076 71608714 (GARCES) (KARWATKA) (TURNER)	STA. II-PHS 4	RAUSCH	\$3,089,692.00 \$4,185,070,75 \$4,182,688.98 \$4,175,000.00	22 SEP 98 22 SEP 98	100	100

#### COMMENTS:

Final inspection postponed pending completion of final items. Contractor and CO-S to reschedule.

CITY OF HOBART ROAD REPAIR - Contractor yet to resolve with City.

Landscaping laborer Classification - Received response from CELRC-OC. Letter was sent to Rausch Construction stating existing labor Issue has been resolved with the response from CELRC-OC.

FC-76.XX - LEVEE QUANTITY OVERRUN EXCEEDING 115%. - Received final cross-section from Contractor. Initial review revealed some problems with the quantities. Meeting with Contractor scheduled for 24 JUL to resolve.

FC-76.XX • Contractor requesting additional cost due to wet material from Deep River Boπow Site. CO-S has completed review, and presented results of review to Contractor. Contractor reviewing CO-S information.

Awaiting PP-PM/ED-D Responses to the Following Issues: None At This Time.

97-0028 STAGE 71919659 (DEJA) (LEE) (TURNER)	II-3C2 SBA/WEBB CONSTRUCTION	\$3,616,679.22 \$3,915,170.36 \$3,915,170.36 \$3,915,170.36	30 JUN 99 99 NUL 08	100	100	,
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### **COMMENTS:**

Conducted final inspection on 16 MAY. One (1) Item on sluics gates to be corrected. Anticipate completion by 31 JUL 2000.

CO-S preparing Closeout file.

#### Awaiting PP-PM/ED-D responses to following:

A. Preparation of As-Built Drawings. Project can not be transferred until as-built drawings completed.

CONT. NO. PR&C NO. (CO-S MGR.) (CO-S QA) (CO-C MGR.)	DESCRIPTION	CONTRACTOR	CONTRACT ORIGINAL CURRENT OBLIGATED EARNED AMOUNT	CONTRACT ORIGINAL REQUIRED SUBSTANTIAL FINAL W/O D, COMPLETION	% CON SCH.	/IPLETE ACT
97-0026 71769388 (GARCES) (KARWATKA)	IV-2B	DYER CONSTR.	\$1,530,357.50 \$ <u>1,938,357.86</u> \$ <u>1,938,357.86</u>	16 NOV 98 30 SEP 00	100	100

#### COMMENTS:

(TURNER)

(KARWATKA)

P00021 - Installation of bollards and Gatewell Repair;, \$119,043.21 Increase, and 30 SEP 2000 completion. Executed and

\$1,782,377.50

Awaiting PP-PM/ED Responses to the Following Issues: None at this time.

Awaiting Ayres Responses to the Following Issues: None at this time.

98-C-0050 80084709 (DEJA) (NEWELL) (SMITH)	BEVERLY SHORES	AMERICAN MARINE CONST	\$1,139,575.00 , \$1,157,152.37 \$1,157,152.37 \$1,157,152.37	30 APR 99 30 APR 99 22 MAR 00	100	100
COMMENTS: Preparing contr	act closeout.			•		
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#### COMMENTS:

Continued levee placement at gatewell. Continued gatewell construction.

Topsoll placement complete except at gatewell structure. Preparation for seeding complete.

CELRC-RE and Sponsor have determined that real estate at outlet box structure was never obtained by Sponsor. Sponsor has indicated that Real Estate could be obtained by 30 JUN 2000.

FC-40.05 - ISSUED RFP for Impact of construction completed by Lake County Parks Department on the injet structure and delays to the outlet structure due to attainment of Real Estate.

Awaiting PP-PM/ED-D responses to the following:

A. Attainment of required real estate at outlet box structure by Local Sponsor.

<sup>\*</sup>Required completion date will be extended to accomplish gatewell repair.

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FAX NO. : 219 923 2957

CONTRACT CONTRACT CONT. NO. ORIGINAL ORIGINAL PR&C NO. CURRENT CURRENT (CO-S MGR.) **OBLIGATED** SUBSTANTIAL (CO-S QA) EARNED FINAL W/O D. % COMPLETE (CO-C MGR.) DESCRIPTION CONTRACTOR AMOUNT COMPLETION

FC-37.07 - Box Piles - Awalting proposal.

FC-37.08 - Standardization of Vertical H-Pile Location Outside Timber Crib. Revised Concrete Promenade cross-section; Revised jointing/chords. CO-S to issue revised RFP.

FC-37.11 - Manhole Revisions. Issued RFP. Awaiting Contractors proposal.

Awaiting PP-PM/ED-D responses to the following: None at this time.

Awaiting STS response to the following items: A. Transmittal No. 16 - Rebar Shop Drawings.

00-C-0003 STAGE IV -DILLON \$2,708,720.00 7 JAN 2001 <u>16</u> %422358 <u>16</u> PHASE 1 **CONTRACTORS** \$3,001,491,57 \$1,392,771.57 7 JAN 2001 (STEBENS) NORTH INC. (KARWATKA) \$ 500,000.00 (TURNER)

COMMENTS:

Received 72" RCP for road crossing at COLFAX

Installed approximately 356 LF of Box Culvert and two (2) manholes.

Contractor lost two weeks due to high water condition.

Awaiting PP-PM/ED responses to the following items: None at this time.

Awaiting Ayres Responses to the following Items: None at this time.

\$2,074.072.70 00-C-0021 BURR DYER 24 JUN 01 BETTERMENT CONST. CO. \$2,074,072.70 24 JUN 01 (STEBENS) (KARWATKA) PHASE I \$ 100,000.00 (TURNER)

COMMENTS:

Held Pre-Con and QA/QC Coordination Meeting

installed trailers and fencing, connecting electric & telephone.

Partnering Conference scheduled for 19 and 20 JUL 2000,

Contractor preparing submittals.

Awaiting PP-PM/ED response to the following items Design of access ramp on north side of levee,

CONT. NO. PR&C NO. (CO-S MGR.) (CO-S QA) (CO-C MGR.)	DESCRIPTION	CONTRACTOR	CONTRACT ORIGINAL CURRENT OBLIGATED EARNED AMOUNT	CONTRACT ORIGINAL CURRENT SUBSTANTIAL FINAL W/O D. COMPLETION	% COMPLETI SCH, ACT	
00-C-XXXX ( ) ( ) (TURNER)	PUMÝ STA. 1A				SCH. ACT	_
selected items,	ider (\$4,638,400,00) \ L-CT amended solicit Kovilic Construction v appealed to Federal C	Vas low bidder basi	no received proposais	ever, low bid is 63%:his from three bidders winters winter the protesting of the protesting.	gher than Gover th specific price st. Contractor pr	nment breakdown on otest was
23- 00-C-0002 %924789 ( DEJA ) ( LEE ) (TURNER)	MICHIGAN CITY DREDGING	M.C.M	\$608,585.00 \$608,585.00 \$608,585.00 \$ <u>608,585.00</u>	15 JUL 2000 15 JUL 2000	<u>100</u>	100
COMMENTS: Completed Origin	al Contract Dredging.	ı			•	
Mobilizing for Tra	il Creek Dredging.					
P0001 (FC-02.01)	– Trail Creek Dredgi	ng \$277,759,62 an	d 28 JUL 200, Priced	NTP issued. Prepari	ing Modification.	
Awaiting PP-PM r	esponse to following	items: None at this	s time			
	REDGING	MICHIGAN CONTRACTORS	\$1,345,464.00 \$1,345,464.00 \$1,345,464.00 \$1,200,000.00	15 JUL 2000 15 JUL 2000 06 JUL 2000	<u>100</u>	100
COMMENTS:	ad including MUAR					

Dredging completed, including MU48.

FC-04.01 - Decreased Mobilization costs, and opening of 24 hour dredging window. Awaiting proposal.

P00001 (FC-04.02) - Dredging MU4B. Estimated 22,000 CY@ 6.40/CY = 140,800.00. Priced NTP issued. Preparing Modification.

Awaiting PP-PM response to following Items: None at This Time.

CONT. NO. PR&C NO. (CO-S MGR.) (CO-S QA) (CO-C MGR.)	DESCRIPTION	CONTRACTOR	CONTRACT ORIGINAL CURRENT OBLIGATED EARNED AMOUNT	CONTRACT ORIGINAL CURRENT SUBSTANTIAL FINAL W/O D, COMPLETION	% COM	PLETE ACT
00-C-0019 (STEBENS) (NEWELL) (TURNER)	CAL RIVER DREDGING	MICHIGAN \$1	,922,680.00 ,922,680.00 800,000.00 0.00	08 NOV 00 08 NOV 00	ō	<u>0</u>
COMMENTS: NTP Issued						
Pre-Con Held.						
Contractor subm	nitting submittals.					
Scheduled to st	art dredging early to m	ld AUG.				
A. Trans. No.	I/ED-D responesers to 7 - Water Quality Sar 8 - Statement of Qua	npling QA Plan.	·			
00-C-0015 (STEBENS) (KARWATKA) (TURNER)	(	CONST, \$3,8 CO. \$ 5	362,736.65 362,736.65 00,000,00 92,000,00	09 AUG 2001 09 AUG 2001	2	2
COMMENTS: Conducted QA/0	QC Coordination Mtg.					
Accident Preven	tion, Quality Control &	Environmental subm	nittals approved.			
Contractor work	ng on submittals.					
Debris removal a	at Burr Street complete	<u>∍</u> ,				
	duling preparatory on					
FC-15.01 - Com	bining IV-1 South and	Burr Street Betterme	ent Trailers, Issi	ued RFP.		
00-C-XXXX ( ) ( ) (TURNER )	PUMP NORTH 5 <sup>th</sup> AVENUE			-	••••	
COMMENTS: Received CELR	P 100% P&S for revie	<u>w.</u>				
00-C-XXXX ( ) ( ) (TURNER)	IN HARBOR CDF CUTOFF WAI	-l-				•
COMMENTS: P&S Under prep	paration by CELRC.					

CONT, NO. PR&C NO. (CO-S MGR.) (CO-S QA) (CO-C MGR.)	DESCRIPTION CONTRACTOR	ORIGINAL CURRENT OBLIGATED EARNED AMOUNT	ORIGINAL CURRENT SUBSTANTIAL FINAL W/O D. COMPLETION	% COMPLETE SCH. ACT	
00-C-0033 ( ) ( ) (SMITH )	BURNS HARBOR AMERICAN NORTH B/W REPAIR MARINE	\$1,727,500.00 \$1,727,500.00			
COMMENTS: Awarded. Awaiti	ng issuance of NTP.		_		
00-C-XXXX	CAL, HARBOR CDF RPR.	-			
( ) ( ) (TURNER)					
COMMENTS: PP-PM /ED-D res	sponding to BCOE comments				
00-C-XXXX ( ) ( ) (TURNER)	PUMP 1B				<u> </u>
COMMENTS: Bid Opened, App	arent low bidder Thieneman Construction	n Inc. \$1 963 400 00	) Awaiting awardloo	uance of NTD	

## RESULTS OF REAL ESTATE MEETING HELD 29 JUNE 2000

### ARMY CORPS & LITTLE CALUMET RIVER FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT

This meeting was a conference call.

### IN ATTENDANCE:

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LCRBDCCOEDan GardnerImad SamaraLou CasaleBill WhiteSandy MordusEmmett ClancyJim PokrajacChris BortonJudy Vamos

### 1. PARTNERING REPORTS:

a. Appraisal Committee –Judy reported that she has been in contact with appraiser Dale Kleszynski and COE Appraisal Chief Chris Borton and a new format for appraisals is being considered. Time is of the essence on the West Reach and the new format will save time. Dale has proposed using a shorter appraisal report as long as it fulfills all Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP) Manual and the Federal Land Acquisition Act requirements. Judy mentioned that she's been speaking with several LCRBDC contract appraisers and they have some legal and cost concerns about the proposed format which need to be addressed. A meeting is scheduled for the LCRBDC office on 15 July 2000 at 11 a.m. to discuss the issues. (ACTION: COE and LCRBDC)

b. Utility Relocation Committee – Jim asked the COE for the AE reports not delivered as promised by 16 June 2000. Jan stated that COE can't find some of the reports but they are continuing to search for the documents. The AE reports which were found are in production and COE will get them to LCRBDC by 3 July so a meeting can be set up before 12 or 13 of July. Emmett explained that the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the Utility Relos will be completed for the meeting. Lou mentioned that future correspondence should be directed to his temporary office after 3 July. Reach Lou at:

Casale, Skozen, Woodward & Buls, Ltd. 5201 Fountain Drive Crown Point, IN 460307 Phone: 219-736-2163

Fax: 219-736-5025 (ACTION: COE and LCRBDC)

## Real Estate Meeting Results/ 6-29-00/page 2

c. Land Buying Committee - Bill has agreed to have extra help from the COE available, Lou will contact INDOT buyers for information on their resources. The land buying committee has agreed to meet on the same day (7/15) but after the appraisal committee. Meeting is scheduled for 1 p.m. at LCRBDC 15 July 2000. Judy reported she will probably not advertise for an assistant until final plans for the acquisition plan are in place.

(ACTION: COE and LCRBDC)

d. Permitting Committee – Sandy has been in contact with Jomary Crary from the INDNR and there are still some questions about allowing a permit if "construction will or will not begin in two years time." The mass mailing to the affected West Reach landowners can't be done until all properties are identified. Sandy will have a temporary employee assist in the DNR mailing.

(ACTION: Sandy/LCRBDC)

e. Construction Schedule Committee – Dan and Lou and several LCRBDC commissioners will met with Congressman Visclosky on 12 noon, Thursday 6 July 2000 to discuss LCRBDC funding. LCRBDC is putting together a chart showing funds needed. Chart will be done by 3 July so Dan can fax it for a preliminary review to the congressman's aides.

#### 2. MITIGATION

Dan reported that the COE's Colonel has written a draft letter to LCRBDC addressing the issues of the mitigation plan. Dan said the letter is acceptable. Bill asked Lou to research the law about landowners donating land to the project. Environmentalist Sandy O'Brien has been calling Dan with questions about the 179 acres. Dan said it's now available and he's not opposed to including it in the acreage needed from the Hobart Marsh.

#### 3. PARTNERING MEETING NOTES

Sandy has faxed the notes from the partnering meeting to the COE. Emmett will review and make additions.

(ACTIONS: COE)

### 4. EAST REACH REMEDIATION

a. Judy explained that the offer for landowners Robert and Linda Muniz was mailed on Monday 26 June and it takes 2 to 3 to deliver. She will be in contact with the landowner on Thursday or Friday. Jim explained that Frederick Lawrence of INDOT expects to have their offer signed by 30 June and Gary Public Works will meet on Thursday to sign their agreement. The road easements/closure structure acquisitions will probably be completed by 15 July.

(ACTION: LCRBDC)

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# 5. STAGE V-3

Lou has been in contact with Woodmar attorney Kenneth Reed. Reed will get the Club financial information to Lou who will then send it to the appraiser Dale Kleszynski.

(ACTION: Lou/LCRBDC)

# 6. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 27 July 2000, LCRBDC, 9:30 am



6100 Southport Road Portage, Indiana 46368 (219) 763-0696 Fax (219) 762-1653 E-mail: littlecal@nirpc.org

EMERSON DELANEY, Chairman Governor's Appointment

WILLIAM TANKE, Vice Chairman Porter County Commissioners' Appointment

ARLENE COLVIN, Treasurer Mayor of Gary's Appointment

CURTIS VOSTI, Secretary Governor's Appointment

CHARLES AGNEW
Governor's Appointment

GEORGE CARLSON Mayor of Hammond's Appointment

STEVE DAVIS Dept. of Natural Resources' Appointment

JOHN DE MEO Governor's Appointment

ROBERT HUFFMAN Governor's Appointment

JOHN MROCZKOWSKI Governor's Appointment

MARION WILLIAMS Lake County Commissioners' Appointment

DAN GARDNER

Executive Director

LOUIS CASALE Attorney August 3, 2000

Mr. Tom Allenson Project Manager U.S. Army Corps of Engineers P. O. Box 7 Detroit, Michigan 48231-1027

Dear Mr. Allenson:

I am writing to you in support of a proposed Gary Park Department plan for a 3 hole youth golf course and driving range in the North Gleason Park in Gary, Indiana. The proposed plan has been re-sited to avoid wetlands and minimize environmental impacts. The Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission, as the non-federal project sponsor with the Chicago District Corps of Engineers for the Little Calumet River Flood Control and Recreation Project, has attempted to work closely with the city of Gary and the Gary Park Department to increase appropriate recreational use of the river corridor through Gleason Park in Gary. The park is one of Gary's largest and is located on Broadway, the city's main north-south thoroughfare. The Federal project has funded parking, trails, river overlook, fishing pier, and support facilities in the area. We believe the proposed youth golf facility and driving range will further enhance the use of the park with low environmental impact developments.

In that regard, the Development Commission urges your favorable review of this project, which we feel is compatible with the flood control and recreation project.

Sincerely,

Dan Gardher

**Executive Director** 

/sjm

cc: Mark Lopez, Congressman Visclosky's Office John Lowe, South Gleason Golf Course

Fred Ware, Gary Park Director Arlene Colvin, LCRBDC

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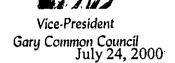
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Public Safety



Mr. Dan Gardner, Executive Director Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission 6100 Southport Road Portage, Indiana 46388

# **RE:** Special Meeting

Dear Mr. Gardner:

As you know, the City of Gary is experiencing consistent flood problems. Residents' concerns are heavy flooding on city streets basements, garages, and alleys during a heavy rainstorm and meltdown of snow. As a result, flooding becomes a health and safety hazard with sewage back up, potential order problem, and unforeseen financial expenses to residents. Development of a Partnership to come up with short-term and long-term solutions to manage flood control is essential to the welfare of the citizens of this community.

A "Special Committee Meeting" is scheduled for Monday, August 7, 2000 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 401 Broadway, Council Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor. All relevant Parties, or their representatives, should attend the meeting and be prepared to give a brief presentation concerning flood control.

Please confirm your attendance by calling the Chief of Operations, Mr. Robert McCrady at (219-881-1315) during regular business hours.

Councilwoman Carolyn D. Rogers and Special Committee Chairperson

Councilwoman Marilyn D. Krusas Special Committee Member

Special Committee Memo

Councilman Kyle Allen, Sr. Special Committee Member

Councilman Robert White Special Committee Member

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Cc All Council Members
Mayor Scott L. King
Charles Jones, Project Manager, White River Environment Partnership
Robert McCrady, Chief of Operation, Gary Common Council

# LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT, JULY 2000 REVISED

6 MONTH UNALLOCATED

	2000							ALLOCATED	BUDGETED
	BUDGET	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	16,000.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,450.00	3,550.00	12,450.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500.00	283.33	283.33	579.33	379.33	475.33	395.33	2,395.98	6,104.02
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	125,000.00	18,062.13	8,874.12	8,782.12	8,347.14	9,851.88	8,411.83	62,329.22	62,670.78
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	14,000.00	39.90	16.24	27.72	8.96	34.86	311.92	439.60	13,560.40
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	5,000.00	0.00	62.58	0.00	55.11	0.00	506.17	623.86	4,376.14
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	7,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	160.00	5,642.63	0.00	5,802.63	1,697.37
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	7,000.00	438.76	216.26	1,827.68	611.31	433.27	416.01	3,943.29	3,056.71
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	8,000.00	729.60	132.20	0.00	0.00	542.31	435.04	1,839.15	6,160.85
5838 LEGAL SERVICES	125,000.00	5,866.80	5,266.54	8,499.50	5,901.48	5,417.60	3,699.54	34,651.46	90,348.54
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	500,000.00	28,441.52	28,955.95	31,571.03	35,876.29	42,961.89	21,626.57	189,433.25	310,566.75
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	807,630.00	147,954.58	66.74	102,565.17	3,015.96	11,537.00	640.00	265,779.45	541,850.55
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	25,000.00	464.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,107.00	20,571.00	4,429.00
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	200,000.00	557.50	0.00	472.50	775.00	3,446.45	12,018.44	17,269.89	182,730.11
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	250,000.00	550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	550.00	249,450.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	25,000.00	0.00	2,995.83	0.00	14,334.00	713.75	969.00	19,012.58	5,987.42
	2,123,630.00	203,488.12	46,869.79	154,325.05	69,464.58	81,056.97	72,986.85	628,191.36	1,495,438.64
								12 MONTH	UNALLOCATED
	2000							ALLOCATED	BUDGETED
	BUDGET	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	16,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,550.00	12,450.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500.00	715.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,111.31	5,388.69
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	125,000.00	8,249.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	70,578.74	54,421.26
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	14,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	439.60	13,560.40
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	623.86	4,376.14
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	7,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,802.63	1,697.37
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	7,000.00	490.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,433.57	2,566.43
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	8,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,839.15	6,160.85
5838 LEGAL SERVICES	125,000.00	3,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	37,751.46	87,248.54
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	500,000.00	66,385.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	255,818.40	244,181.60
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	807,630.00	68,801.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	334,580.71	473,049.29
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	25,000.00	297.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,868.00	4,132.00
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	200,000.00	3,965.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21,234.89	178,765.11
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	250,000.00	6,590.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,140.00	242,860.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,012.58	5,987.42
	2,123,630.00	158,593.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	786,784.90	1,336,845.10

# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

The Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission is seeking proposals to obtain
rights to land within the Little Calumet River Basin for the purpose of restoring forested
wetland and wet/wet-mesic prairie as part of the Little Calumet River Flood Control
Project. If accepted, the landowner will be required to encumber their lands with
conservation easements, to execute rights of entry for the purpose of establishing these
restorations, to operate and maintain the wetlands once they are established and to
provide a reversionary interest in the lands to a named designee in the event any or all
conditions are not met. Selection will be based upon hydrology, composition of soils,
cost of establishment and contiguity with other available lands. Proposals shall be
submitted only by landowners or their duly authorized representatives. Proposals must
be made in writing and shall contain a legal description and survey drawing of the
property. The Commission reserves the right to accept or reject any or all and/or any
combination of proposals. Proposals shall be delivered in a sealed envelope to the Little
Calumet River Basin Development Commission, 6100 Southport Road, Portage, IN
46368, Attention: Dan Gardner. Proposals must be received on or before o'clock
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Dan Gardner, Executive Director
DATED:

ACCT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
5838	LUCAS, HOLCOMB & MEDREA		ADDITIONAL LEGAL SERVICES(6/21/00-6/31/00)
5811	LOUIS CASALE		RETAINER FEE BILLED FOR JULY
5838	LOUIS CASALE	272.00	ADDITIONAL LEGAL SERVICES FOR JULY
5812	NIRPC	8,138.34	SERVICES PERFORMED JUNE 2000
5812	SAND RIDGE BANK	43.83	INK JET PRINTER CARTRIDGE , MISC OFFICE SUPPLIES
5812	UNITED PARCEL	•	OVERNIGHT MAIL
5812	UNITED PARCEL	12.00	OVERNIGHT MAIL
5812	PORTAGE POST OFFICE	31.35	POSTAGE 6/30/00 NIRPC MACHINE BROKEN
5824	GTE	228.88	BILLING PERIOD 7/16/00-8/16/00(TOTAL BILL 343.64 KRBC 114.76)
5824	MCI	261.40	BILLING PERIOD 6/15/-7/14/00(TOTAL BILL 288.95 KRBC 27.55)
5838	LUCAS, HOLCOMB & MEDREA	467.00	LAND ACQUISITION/LEGAL SERVICES 6/21/00-6/30/00
5838	LOUIS CASALE	2,633.00	LAND ACQUISITION/LEGAL SERVICES 7/1/00-7/21/00
5841	JANET O'TOOLE & ASSOCIATES	2,750.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-617
5841	JANET O'TOOLE & ASSOCIATES	1,900.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-810,811,& 812
5841	JANET O'TOOLE & ASSOCIATES	2,850.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-815,798,800,799, & 814
5841	JANET O'TOOLE & ASSOCIATES	3,450.00	APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR DC-719,715,739,740,741,
			742,744,745,746,747,758,757,756,755,754,753,752,751,786,763,765
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	2,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-576
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	3,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-69B
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	2,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-574
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	4,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-69 & DC-584
5841	MARTINEZ, SHARMAT & ASSOCIATES	2,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR DC-615
5842	R. W. ARMSTRONG	4,282.69	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED 7/21/00
5843	LAKE COUNTY RECORDER	264.00	RECORDINGS FOR DC-823/824,541,753/756,476,137,822,605,594, 81ST ST PUMP STATION & S.E. HESSVILLE PUMP STATION
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-814
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	3,738.00	LAND MANAGEMENT/ENG SERVICES 6/16/00-6/30/00
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	175.28	JUNE MILEAGE
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	3,444.00	LAND MANAGEMENT/ENG SERVICES 7/1/00-7/15/00
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	2,565.00	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT SERVICES 6/16/00-6/30/00
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	63.56	JUNE MILEAGE
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	2,400.00	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT SERVICES 7/1/00-7/15/00
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	645.00	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 6/21/00-6/30/00
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	555.00	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 7/1/00-7/15/00
5844	SANDY MORDUS		CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 6/20/00-6/29/00
5844	SANDY MORDUS	343.00	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 7/1/00-7/15/00
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES(DLZ)		ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR TRISTATE SITE PLAN STAGE V-II
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES(DLZ)	· ·	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR TRISTATE EASEMENTS SAGE V-II
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES(DLZ)		ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR ADDITIONAL CONTROL FOR STAGE VI
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES(DLZ)	•	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR HIGHLAND STAGING STAGE VI-1
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES (DLZ)	-	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR STAGES V & VI PROPERTY 1D
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES (DLZ)	· ·	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR NE 1/4 AND I65 AND ERR
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES (DLZ)	•	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR STAGE VII & III CITY OF HAMMOND &
E047	COLE ASSOCIATES (DI 7)	490.00	INDOT EASEMENTS  ENGINEEDING SEDVICES FOR TAY CARDS (MESTREACH)
5847 5847	COLE ASSOCIATES (DLZ)		ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR TAX CARDS (WESTREACH)
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES (DLZ)		ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR ERR
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES (DLZ)		ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR STAGE VI
5847	COLE ASSOCIATES (DLZ)	•	ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR STAGE VII
5861	ROBERT &/OR LINDA MUNIZ	•	DC-825 EASEMENT AGREEMENT FOR A PERMANENT ROADWAY EASEMENT & TEMPORARY WORK EASEMENT
5861	LINDA MUNIZ	500.00	DC-825 EASEMENT AGREEMENT FOR A PERMANENT ROADWAY EASEMENT & TEMPORARY WORK EASEMENT
5861	MC COLLY REALTOR	1,000.00	ERNEST MONEY FOR REPLACEMENT HOME FOR DC-748
5861	LAKE COUNTY TRUST #3071	205.00	PURCHASE PRICE OF DC-594
5861	LAKE COUNTY TRUST #3071	175.00	PURCHASE PRICE OF DC-605