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MEETING NOTICE

**THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF THE
LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
AT 6:00 P.M. THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 2001
AT THE COMMISSION OFFICE
6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD
PORTAGE, IN**

WORK STUDY SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order by Chairman William Tanke
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Recognition of Visitors and Guests
4. Approval of Minutes of March 1, 2001
5. Chairman's Report
 - Response to Commission from COE re: funding crisis
 - Project video sent to all 150 legislators
6. Executive Director's Report
 - \$250,000 escrow transmitted to COE to continue existing contracts
 - Financial breakdown of State appropriation expenditures (1975 - 2000)
 - Other issues

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COE ltr.
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Know yesterday
2pc. blk sheets
w/ multi styled top
get Judy's low leg
sheet sheet

• Note to School Corp.
• make a letter per MRC
re: DNR early involvement

7. Standing Committees

A. Land Acquisition/Management Committee – Chuck Agnew, Chairman

- Appraisals, offers, acquisitions, recommended actions
- COE Real Estate meeting to be held April 9, 2001 *April 10*
- Meeting with Dale Keleszynski and ~~Tim~~ Nugent re: Woodmar Country Club on March 5th *Tim Nugent*
- Report on Land Acquisition Committee meeting held March 27th
 - Handicapped Park
 - Presentation to River Forest School Board on April 17th
- Other issues

B. Project Engineering Committee – Bob Huffman, Chairman

- Meeting scheduled w/Griffith, COE, Kortenhoven, Dennis Zebell on April 3rd to review culvert west of EJ&E
- Comments will be sent to COE shortly on 50% BCOE P&S review for Stage III drainage remediation project
- Meeting scheduled on April 10th for Pump Station 1A
- Meeting scheduled on April 11th w/RANI and INDOT for Stage VI-2 review
- Other issues

C. Legislative Committee – George Carlson, Chairman

- State Budget request status – Senate version status, Conference Committee
 - NIRPC support Resolution 01-07
 - Legislative contacts/future actions
 - Newspaper articles
- Other issues

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14-21
22-25*

D. Recreational Development Committee – Curtis Vosti, Chairman

- Meeting scheduled for April 12th with Gary/I.U. for recreation trail coordination
- Presentation on Kennedy bridge walkway analysis by R.W. Armstrong
- Other issues

E. Marina Development Committee – Bill Tanke, Chairman

- Permit application public notice received for sediment removal at Burns Waterway
- Other issues

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F. Finance/Policy Committee – Curt Vosti, Chairman

- Financial status report
- Approval of claims for April 2001
- Other issues

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G. Minority Contracting Committee – Marion Williams, Chairman

- Other issues

8. Other Business

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, MARCH 1, 2001
AT THE COMMISSION OFFICE
6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD
PORTAGE, INDIANA**

Chairman William Tanke called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Eleven (11) Commissioners were present. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Quorum was declared and guests were recognized.

Development Commissioners:

George Carlson
Charles Agnew
John Mroczkowski
William Tanke
Curt Vosti
Bob Huffman
Emerson Delaney
Steve Davis
Mark Reshkin
Arlene Colvin
Marion Williams

Visitors:

Bill Petrites -- Highland resident
Sandy O'Brien -- Dunelands Sierra Club
Jim Flora -- R. W. ARMSTRONG CO.

Staff

Dan Gardner
Sandy Mordus
Lou Casale
Jim Pokrajac

Commissioner Chuck Agnew made a motion to approve the minutes of February 1, 2001; motion seconded by Arlene Colvin; motion passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report -- Mr. Tanke distributed a new phone list/committee list to fellow Board members. He asked that if there were any changes, please let Sandy know.

He went on to discuss the Retreat meeting recently held on February 6th in which funding was the main topic.

Chairman Tanke also discussed the meeting held on February 20th in Chicago with the Colonel, John Sirles and Imad Samara. Mark Lopez and Mark Savinski from the Congressman's office also attended. The discussion centered on non-availability of funds to move as quickly as the COE would like us to move, where we are going with the project as far as prioritizing goes, scheduling, and funding issues in general. All in all, it was a good meeting.

He also referred to the Press Release that Judy Vamos prepared for the media.

Executive Director's Report - Mr. Gardner updated the Board members with the project wetland mitigation report and implementation of the plan. On February 21st, he, attorney Casale, Mark Reshkin and Chuck Agnew met with Ron Trigg and Mryna Nugent from the Shirley Hines Environmental Foundation (SHEF). They had a

very productive meeting in which the matrix that the COE developed and the letter from the COE directing us how to proceed and what properties to pursue in Hobart Marsh were shared with SHEF. It was discussed that a legal document needs to be drafted that both parties can accept. SHEF stressed that although they have a limited budget, they have plenty of volunteer workers. If their properties could just be enhanced, to the satisfaction of IDNR and the COE, it would be to all of our advantage. IDNR has been kept in the loop on our discussions with SHEF. The delay in proceeding forward is, although the COE has the money for development of the enhancement mitigation, the Commission does not have the money for acquisition, at this point in time. They thought that IN Dunes Lakeshore would be an ideal organization to accept the mitigation properties and manage them. Attorney Casale added that since the Commission only has a one-mile jurisdiction, a third party would have to be contracted with in order to pursue acquiring the mitigation property. And although the COE letter identifies properties to pursue, it still does not allow for as much acreage that we would need to satisfy IDNR and IDEM.

Mr. Gardner referred to the COE letter from Imad Samara updating the spreadsheet of the federal funds and the non-federal matching funds required for the years 2001, 2002 and 2003. Although the COE had originally asked for \$671,410 to be placed in escrow, since we do not have the money, we are hoping to be able to give them partial money in order to keep the existing contracts working. If construction had to stop, it would cost much more to re-mobilize at a later date when funds are available.

Land Acquisition/Management Committee – Committee Chairman Chuck Agnew made a motion for staff to proceed with condemnation on DC497; motion seconded by Arlene Colvin; motion passed unanimously. Mr. Agnew stated that staff is going to talk to the COE once again about eliminating Lyles & Sons property from acquisition. Mr. Agnew also reported that appraiser Dale Kleszynski has been authorized to hire Nugent Associates as a sub-contractor to complete the Woodmar County Club appraisal. It was also reported that the Ewen acquisitions are ongoing and once complete, we will have acquired several new billboards. A lease agreement will then be pursued with LAMAR after the old lease agreements are updated. It was also reported that an order has been placed for 150 videos with Merging Pictures for a cost of \$639. Mr. Agnew stated that he would be calling a Land Acquisition Committee meeting very shortly to discuss the development of the handicapped park.

Project Engineering Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman gave the engineering report. He reported that bids were opened for North 5th Street pump station on February 6th and the apparent low bidder was Overstreet who came in \$274,500 under the government estimate. It was reported that the utilities coordination meeting scheduled for February 27th was cancelled and will be rescheduled at a later date. The plan-in-hand mitigation review meeting scheduled for March 6th was also cancelled and will be rescheduled at a later date. A final utility plan review was held with the city of Gary on February 6th at which time the COE distributed 50% drawings for pump station review. Phase 1 will start in the spring of 2002. It was also stated that the pipeline relocations in Stage IV-2 is estimated to be over \$1,000,000.

Legislative Committee – Committee Chairman George Carlson gave the report. He referred to the letter in the agenda packet that we wrote to Rep. Earl Harris regarding the budget request. He reported that the Legislative Committee met tonight prior to the Board meeting to discuss strategy on getting the 1 to 1 local match stipulation eliminated from the \$5.5 million budget amount. Mr. Carlson referred to the handout of the bill language. Requiring a local match would be impossible. Mr. Gardner added that this was totally unexpected and unrealistic. Evidently, it was inserted at the last minute. A newspaper article stated that from a 200 page budget, legislators had only 20 minutes for review before passage. The Congressman is aware of the language and has already spoken to the Governor. Mr. Gardner thanked Bill Tanke and Mark Reshkin for making some calls on our behalf. The COE office is very frustrated that are experiencing this setback, which, of course, delays moving forward to the west reach (Cline Ave. to State Line). This is not setting a very good example for the COE either. It could jeopardize any future projects that the State would want to undertake with the COE. They will not want to start any future projects if they think the State can stop funding in the middle of it. Mr. Carlson added that one of the main reasons we passed a Resolution declaring a funding crisis was to gain media coverage and alert citizens that the less money we obtain, the longer the project goes on, and higher the cost of overall project. He has called a newspaper reporter in hopes of obtaining more news coverage from the Times. Mr. Vosti added that maybe we should look at the positive side – we did get in the Governor's general budget and we did get more than what was originally proposed. We really need to step up our efforts, though, to get this 1 to 1 local match option dropped from the language. This would probably only be done in committee conference. We will notify the mayor/town councils of the impact this would have on their cities/towns. Mr. Agnew added that he had the opportunity to talk to Rep. Earline Rogers and asked her to help us anyway she could. Emerson Delaney stated he had talked to Rep. Ralph Ayres also. John Mroczkowski had been in Indianapolis and talked with Rose Ann Antich. Mr. Gardner informed the Board members that the Lake Michigan Marina Development Comm. and the Kankakee River Commission did not get anything in the budget. The South Shore RR is listed for \$5 million but they are in a transportation category. They have no line item in the budget. Staff will keep Board members informed. Mr. Gardner urged the Board members to continue to contact their legislators and that every effort will be made to document the disastrous consequences if the "local match" language remained in the budget. The key will be the conference committee.

Recreational Development Committee – Committee Chairman Curt Vosti informed the Board members that a meeting will be scheduled shortly with the City of Gary and I.U. Northwest to discuss the trail relocation at Broadway and east of Grant. Mr. Vosti also reported that a letter was sent to the city of Gary to coordinate a meeting with them, Gas City, and us for the consideration of relocating our trail further east (near Gilroy Stadium) to avoid construction in a wetland. It was also reported that R. W. Armstrong Co. will make a presentation at our next meeting concerning the pedestrian walkway on the east side of the Kennedy Avenue bridge to allow our trail to be contiguous. We have kept Lake County Highway Dept. in the loop so they are aware that we have authorized the feasibility study.

Marina Committee – Committee Chairman Bill Tanke referred to Steve Davis. Mr. Davis reported that he has contacted John Smolar, Portage Port Authority, in regards to providing a "match" for dollars from the Indiana

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Waters Grant to extend the Portage Public Marina's boat launch ramp length and water depth. He is pursuing checking into the DNR permit issuance status when the launch ramp was originally constructed. Some engineering work may be required first if local funds are found. The IN Water Grant provides 50-75% reimbursement for the cost of a project. Steve will keep us informed.

Commissioner Mark Reshkin informed Board members that an all day conference will be held in Chicago on March 30 regarding lake level changes. If anyone is interested, let him know.

Finance Committee – Committee Chairman Curt Vosti gave the finance report. He referred to the monthly financial status report in the agenda packet. He proceeded to make a motion to approve the financial status report; motion seconded by George Carlson; motion passed unanimously. He then referred to the monthly claim sheet totaling \$59,999.99 and a marina claim sheet for the April marina bond payment in the amount of \$28,643.84. He proceeded to make a motion approving the claim sheets for February; motion seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously.

Minority Contracting Committee – Jim Pokrajac stated that contractor's minority participation sheets were distributed at the last meeting. If anyone still needs a copy, let him know and he will provide you with a copy. Mr. Gardner added that the 40% minority participation goal will be enforced in the entire west reach. Mr. Vosti asked if any minority firms bid on the pump stations and he was informed that there was not.

Other Business – Mr. Agnew made a motion for the Commission to officially adopt the Robert's Rules of Order format for our Board meetings; motion seconded by Curt Vosti; motion passed unanimously. Mr. Vosti and Mr. Carlson both added that common courtesy should still prevail at meetings. That the suspension of normal proceedings may still be necessary at times in order to allow an audience member to speak and that decision will be at the discretion of the Chairman.

Attorney Lou Casale referred to the letter of request from the COE for an escrow payment of \$671,410. We do not have the funds to forward this entire amount to them. At the meeting with the COE, and during this interim period before we find out the availability of the \$5.5 million, discussion ensued about putting \$250,000 into the escrow account so that it will keep the current construction contracts working. The COE felt this was the least amount that would keep them working. To stop the contracts will only cost us much more in the long run. Mr. Agnew made a motion to forward the \$250,000 escrow funds to the COE; motion seconded by George Carlson; motion passed unanimously.

Statements to the Board – Sandy O'Brien stated that she understands that funding is a big issue right now, but so is the mitigation. She asked why we just do not find another entity to purchase the Hobart Marsh lands because the longer we wait, the possibility of more of the land will be bought up. She was informed that we have thought of this and we are considering it; we realize that IDNR is looking for some action from us. Ms. O'Brien said that a nation-wide organization like Trust for Public Land buys up land for this purpose and then will hold it until we can purchase it. Mr. Gardner has talked to them already. Commissioner Reshkin added that Nature Conservancy is another organization to consider. Chairman Tanke stated that we will pursue. There being no further business, the next regular Commission meeting was scheduled for **5:00 p.m. for a Work Study session and 6:00 for the regular Board meeting on Thursday, April 5, 2001.**



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March 14, 2001

112th Indiana General Assembly
The Honorable
Indiana State Senator

Dear Senator:

The Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission is sending you this 7-minute video to give you an update of this important State project that has reached a critical stage of State funding. The Development Commission, as the non-Federal sponsor, is leveraging 3 Federal dollars for each State dollar invested. We believe this project is a model that can assist other areas in water development. We are proud of our accomplishments to date and respectfully ask for your support in continuing the State funding to see the project to its successful completion.

Sincerely,

William S. Tanke,
Chairman

Dan Gardner,
Executive Director

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cc: IN State Senators
IN State Representatives



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March 20, 2001

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

Dear Imad:

As you are aware, the Development Commission is working hard to acquire funding from this 2001-03 General Assembly. At the present time, the Commission is in the proposed budget for \$5.5 million but with the stipulation that funds can only be used as part of a local match. This is unacceptable. As we continue to work with our Congressman, area legislators, mayors and town councils to lobby for the stipulation to be dropped, we will keep you informed of our progress. We will do everything we can to keep the Federal construction contracts going.

Based on our discussion at the meeting we had on February 27th, the Development Commission has approved an amount of \$250,000 to be used as the non-Federal cash contribution. Although your letter dated January 24, 2001 requested a total of \$671,410 to be placed in escrow, which would allow construction contracts to continue through June 2001, we are unable, at this time, to provide the full amount. It is my understanding that this \$250,000 we are forwarding to you will allow the contractor to continue working for several months.

We realize that we are obligated to provide the 7% cash contribution and as soon as we are able to do so, we will deposit the remaining amount of escrow funds as requested.

We appreciate your understanding of the Commission's funding situation and we look forward to the day when this crisis is behind us and we can channel our time and energy into completing the west reach of the project.

Sincerely,

Dan Gardner
Executive Director

/sjm
encl.
cc:

Col. Mark Roncoli, COE
John Sirles, COE
Bill Tanke, LCRBDC Chairman

INDIANA GENERAL ASSEMBLY FUND HISTORY/UTILIZATION
GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS

<u>FISCAL YEAR APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>FUND SOURCE</u>
1975-76 & 76-77	\$ 600,000	Cigarette Tax Fund
1977-78 & 78-79	\$ 2,000,000	Cigarette Tax Fund
1979-80 & 80-81	\$ 1,700,000	Cigarette Tax Fund
1981-82 & 82-83	\$ 1,000,000	Cigarette Tax Fund
(1983-84 & 84-85	\$ 1,768,800 (Breakwater Construction)	General Fund)
1983-84 & 84-85	\$ 400,000 (General purposes)	General Fund
1985-86 & 86-87	\$ 3,000,000	General Fund
1987-88 & 88-89	\$ 2,000,000	General Fund
1989-90 & 90-91	\$ 2,000,000	Build Indiana Fund
1991-92 & 92-93	\$ 2,000,000	Build Indiana Fund
1993-94 & 94-95	\$ 4,000,000	General Fund
1995-96 & 96-97	\$ 2,000,000	Build Indiana Fund
1997-98 & 98-99	\$ 2,000,000	General Fund
1999-00 & 00-01	<u>\$ 1,500,000</u>	"Special" Build IN Fund

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS

RECEIVED TO DATE **\$24,200,000**
 (\$25,968,800 including breakwater monies)

EXPENDITURES

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>FISCAL YEAR BUDGET</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
IDNR Expended for Initial Project Plan	1975/76 - 1976/77	\$60,000
Expended for Project Land Acquisition	1975/76 - 1976/77 thru 1979/80 - 1980/81	\$4,655,649
Development Commission - Capital \$ Invested to Generate Operating Fund	1981/82 - 1982/83	\$700,000
Development Commission Expended for Lands/Easements/ Rights-of-Way & Utilities Relocation (Credited or Pending Credit)	1981/82 - 1982-83 thru present (99/00 - 00/01)	\$5,860,323
Development Commission Lands Purchased, To Be Submitted for Credit		\$1,000,975
^u Local contribution for Construction Escrow Cash Deposited (7% of Project Construction)	1989/90 - 1990/91 thru present (99/00 - 00/01)	\$7,978,600
Year 2000 Drawn for Project Purposes (Lands, Utilities, & Professional Services to Acquire)	1999/00 - 2000/01	\$983,270
Remaining State funding Committed to Pending Bills	1999/00 - 2000/01	\$652,000
Portage Marina Land Acquisition, Development (Not Creditable)	1983/84 - 1984/85 thru 1991/92 - 1992/93	\$1,069,500
Lake Etta Park Matching funds, Expense (Not Creditable)	1983/84 - 1984/85 thru 1985/86 - 1986/87	\$568,478
Burr St. Betterment Levee Commitments (Not Creditable)		\$406,049
Required Environmental Remediation on Acquired Lands	1997/98 - 1998/99	\$37,765
Land Maintenance, Drainage Pumping	1995/96 - 1996/97 thru present (99/00 - 00/01)	\$167,545
Land Maintenance, Expenses, Mowing, Clearing	1991/92 - present (99/00 - 00/01)	\$42,816
Land Capital Improvements	1995/96 - present (99/00 - 00/01)	\$17,030
TOTAL		\$24,200,000

CREDITS

I.	DNR Credited (Land)	\$ 1,200,000
II.	Development Commission Credited (Land)	\$ 1,110,515
III.	Utilities Credited	\$ 922,011
IV.	Cash Escrow to date – Credited	\$ 7,978,600
V.	Pending Credit (Submitted)	\$ 3,738,312
VI.	Year 2000 yet to be submitted for credit	\$ <u>774,376</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 15,723,814

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Burr Pt.*

OTHER PROJECT CREDITS

- Previously performed credited work by other units of government – prior to project start

> Hammond levee – City of Hammond	\$ 334,250
> Hohman Ave. Pump Station – Hammond Sanitary District	\$ 997,616
> River dredging, clearing – Lake County Drainage Board	\$ <u>335,334</u>
TOTAL	\$ 1,667,200

*Break out H.P. Park contribution
Deep river borrow material.*

IDNR NOTABLE NON-CREDITABLE EXPENDITURES

- Initial Planning Studies
 - Corridor Land Acquisition Plan
 - Conceptual Design Plan for Project Lands
- All Professional and IDNR staff charges involved in Corridor Land Acquisition – Staff time, appraisals, surveys, title work, legal work on 43 parcels of land
- Lands Acquired not deemed Creditable by Corps of Engineers:
 - 179 acres West of Clay St. (Gary) – Not in Final COE Project Lands
 - 32 acres East of Clay St. (Lake Station) – Not in final COE Project Lands
 - 100 acres South of 35th Avenue (Gary) – Not needed for Channel Dredge Material
 - 38 acres West of Cline Avenue (Highland) – Not needed in Fee Ownership
 - 80 acres for Lake Etta Park (Gary) – Not needed for Flood Control

over burden
material
should be
excavated

NON-FEDERAL FINANCIAL NEEDS

7/00 - 7/02

- **Ongoing East Reach Obligations**

1. Real Estate - 76 parcels Est. cost \$ 450,000
2. Utility Relocations - 6 relocations
(2 EJ&E RR, 2 NIPSCO, WIND, Marathon Oil) Est. cost \$ 543,000

- **Non-Federal Cash/Escrow Contributions**

1. FFY 00 - Non-Federal 10/99 - 9/00 None Needed
2. FFY 01 - Non-Federal 10/00 - 9/01 \$1,498,800
3. FFY 02 - Non-Federal 10/01 - 9/02 \$1,971,849

- **Burr Street Budget**

1. Phase I & II - Non-Fed Required Contribution (53%) \$2,987,000

- **West Reach Non-Federal Project Responsibilities**

1. Real Estate - 313 parcels (1/2 Est. cost) \$5,000,000
(Est. cost - \$10,000,000)
2. Utility Relocations - 232 relocations (1/2 Est. cost) \$1,739,785
(Est. cost - \$3,479,570)

- **Mitigation Required for Construction Permit**

1. Hobart Marsh acquisition of 100 acres (Est. cost) +\$ 500,000

7/00 - 7/02 Total Need

\$14,690,434

*** At the time of this sheet's preparation, roughly \$2 million remained from available previous State appropriations. The Development Commission's request of \$12 million in this year's General Assembly is the result of the \$14,690,000 need minus the available \$2 million.



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RESOLUTION 01-07

A Resolution of The Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission Urging the Indiana General Assembly Funding of a Twelve Million Dollar Appropriation In the State's Biennial Budget and Removal of the Local Match Requirement for the Little Calumet River Flood Control and Recreation Project

WHEREAS, the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission is an organization comprised of municipal and county governments in Lake, Porter, and LaPorte counties in Indiana; and

WHEREAS, communities within the NIRPC area are involved in the Little Calumet River Project; and

WHEREAS, the Little Calumet River Flood Control and Recreation Project is midway through Federal construction to bring needed flood protection to over 9,500 homes, businesses, and public institutions in Gary, Hammond, Griffith, Highland, and Munster, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the State of Indiana will realize flood protection for I-80/94 (Borman), the Indiana University Northwest Campus, and the Purdue Calumet Campus by this project; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States, through the efforts of Congressman Peter Visclosky, Senator Richard Lugar, and Senator Evan Bayh, has fully funded the Federal construction capability in the Federal budget; and

Resolution 01-07

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly created the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission in 1980 to act as the conduit to leverage three (3) Federal construction dollars for each one (1) state dollar invested, and has funded this project continuously in eleven (11) consecutive state budgets.

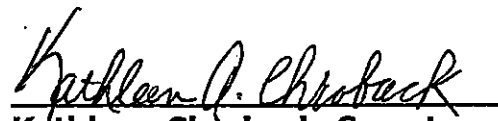
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission urges the Indiana General Assembly to appropriate full funding matching dollars of \$12 million without the requirement of local matching funds to the Little Calumet River Project, so as to utilize all available Federal construction funds.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this fifteenth day of March, 2001.



Marlow Harmon, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Kathleen Chrobach, Secretary



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The Honorable William Alexa
IN State Senator
P. O. Box 209
Valparaiso, Indiana 46384

Bill
Dear Senator:

Letter also sent to:
Senator Rose Ann Antich
Senator Sue Landske
Senator Frank Mrvan
Senator Earline Rogers

I am writing you regarding an issue of great importance to Northwest Indiana which has appeared in this year's House passed budget. As you are aware, the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers are currently in the height of Federal flood control construction along the Little Calumet River. Congressman Visclosky and Senators Lugar and Bayh have fully funded the Federal construction program and, as a result, the Development Commission needs \$12 million in this year's State budget to be able to utilize all of the Federal construction funds available. We submitted this request at the beginning to the State Budget Agency and communicated with the Governor's Office Budget Agency leadership and House Ways & Means staff, in addition to our area House delegates.

The Governor's recommended budget contained \$4.5 million recommended for Little Calumet River funding from a combination of general Funds and Build Indiana funds. The House passed budget increased the recommendation to \$5.5 million but added some very disturbing language which, if strictly interpreted, could halt all Federal construction. The House language (a copy of which is included following this letter) requires a 1 to 1 local match to draw any of the State dollars in the budget. This is the first time in the 11 State budgets that this language has appeared.

The Commission was created in 1980 specifically to act as a State development commission to leverage the roughly \$161 million Federal dollars for the flood control and recreation construction. Each State dollar leverages 3 Federal dollars and, therefore, we feel is a cost-effective use of the State appropriations.

Senator William Alexa
March 8, 2001
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Furthermore, the Development Commission does not have any mechanism to raise a local match (no taxing or general obligation bonding authority) and the Development Commission cannot compel any of the municipalities or counties to commit local money. In fact, the local municipalities' and counties' budgets are already committed this year with no excess funds available. Without the ability to access the State appropriation, the Federal construction contracts for this summer will shut down and the viability of the Development Commission to complete the project will come into question. For Northwest Indiana citizens, this means the completion of the Federal construction project is in jeopardy and until it is completed, 9,500 homes and businesses cannot come out of the floodplain. Your position on the Senate Finance Committee is critical in crafting the Senate budget related to the Development Commission's appropriation; and we appeal to you to communicate to your fellow Senate leadership to have this language removed so the project may proceed. The Commission is currently communicating with the Congressman's Office, the Governor's Office, and other key legislators in this regard.

Your interest and assistance in the Little Calumet River project has always been appreciated in the past and we again appeal to you at this critical moment.

Sincerely,


Dan Gardner
Executive Director

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Below is what is contained in the House Budget bill (H.B. 1001) which was passed 24-1 out of the Ways and Means Committee. It is on Page 97 of the roughly 200 page budget bill.

The line item is included under the "Department of Natural Resources" and contains a totally new provision of requiring a 1 to 1 local match to access the funding!!

22 FOR THE BUDGET AGENCY

- 23 Indiana Technology Fund
- 24 Libraries 4,000,000
- 25 Intelenet 4,000,000
- 26 DOE Ed/Tech Grants 15,000,000
- 27 21st Century Research & Technology Fund 50,000,000
- 28 Higher Education Technology 40,000,000
- 29 Transfer to Family and Children's Replacement Fund 100,000,000
- 30 Community Wastewater & Drinking Water 30,000,000
- 31 Local Election Equipment Matching Grants 5,000,000
- 32 (cancelled July 1, 2003)
- 33 Department of Natural Resources
 - 34 Dams 10,000,000
 - 35 Lake Shafer and Lake Freeman Enhancement 2,000,000
 - 36 Wabash River Heritage Corridor 4,000,000
 - 37 Clean Water Soil Conservation & Water Districts 10,000,000
 - 38 Hometown Indiana 500,000
 - 39 Little Calumet River Basin Commission 5,500,000

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41 The above funds appropriated to the Little Calumet River basin commission may only
42 be spent if there is a dollar for dollar local match. Additionally, prior to the
43 distribution of any funds, the commission shall develop an allocation formula which
44 insures participation by each county participating in the commission. The budget
45 committee shall review the distribution plan of the commission before the release
46 of the state dollars.



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March 19, 2001

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Dear Dan,

Thank you for your letter regarding the language in HB 1001 referring to raising local match dollars for the Little Calumet River Basin Commission.

It appears that every Representative from Lake and Porter Counties voted for the budget bill with the language in it.

I will convey your concerns to Senator Meeks and will keep them in mind as we debate the bill.

Sincerely,

Sue Landske
State Senator

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Indiana House of Representatives
112th General Assembly
First Regular Session

MEETING DAY 26

02-26-01

Roll Call 192: PASSED

HB 1001 Bauer
State budget.

3rd Reading

Yeas: 81
Nays: 18
Excused: 1
N/Voting: 0

VOTING YEA: 81

Adams, T	Crooks	Hoffman	Pond
Aguilera	Crosby	Kersey	Porter
Alderman	Day	Klinker	Richardson
Atterholt	Denbo	Kromkowski	Ripley
Avery	Dickinson	Kruzan	Robertson
Ayres	Dobis	Kuzman	Ruppel
Bardon	Domezich	Lawson, L	Scholer
Bauer	Duncan	Leuck	Smith, M
Becker	Dvorak	Liggett	Smith, V
Behning	Espich	Lutz, J	Stevenson
Bischoff	Frenz	Lytle	Stilwell
Bodiker	Friend	Mahern	Sturtz
Bosma	Fry	Mangus	Summers
Bottorff	GiaQuinta	Mannweiler	Tincher
Brown, C	Goeglein	McClain	Weinzapfel
Budak	Goodin	Mellinger	Welch
Buell	Grubb	Moses	Wolkins
Cheney	Harris	Munson	Mr. Speaker
Cochran	Hasler	Murphy	
Cook	Herrell	Oxley	
Crawford	Hinkle	Pelath	

VOTING NAY: 18

Brown, T	Foley	Saunders	Ulmer
Buck	Frizzell	Steele	Whetstone
Burton	Herndon	Thompson	Young, D
Cherry	Kruse	Torr	
Dillon	Mock	Turner	

EXCUSED FROM VOTING: 1

Yount

NOT VOTING: NONE

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BILL ACTION HISTORY
As of 03/14/2001

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Bill No.: HB 1001 Digest: State budget.

Authors/Coauthors: Bauer, Cochran

01/17/2001 H Authored by Representative Bauer
01/17/2001 H Coauthored by Representative Cochran
01/17/2001 H First reading: referred to Ways and Means
02/20/2001 H Committee report: amend do pass, adopted
02/22/2001 H Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed
02/26/2001 H Third reading: passed; Roll Call 192: Yeas 81 and Nays 18
02/26/2001 H Referred to the Senate
02/26/2001 H First Senate Sponsor: Senator R. Meeks
02/26/2001 H Second Senate Sponsor: Senator Simpson
02/28/2001 S First reading: referred to Committee on Finance

Bill No.: HB 1002 Digest: Admission of liability in civil actions.

Authors/Coauthors: Weinzapfel, Foley

01/08/2001 H Authored by Representative Weinzapfel
01/08/2001 H First reading: referred to Judiciary
01/09/2001 H Representative Foley added as coauthor

Bill No.: HB 1003 Digest: State and local finance.

Authors/Coauthors: Bauer

01/17/2001 H Authored by Representative Bauer
01/17/2001 H First reading: referred to Ways and Means
02/15/2001 H Committee report: amend do pass, adopted
02/20/2001 H Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed
02/21/2001 H Third reading: passed; Roll Call 187: Yeas 65 and Nays 33
02/21/2001 H Referred to the Senate
02/21/2001 H First Senate Sponsor: Senator Borst
02/21/2001 H Second Senate Sponsor: Senator Simpson
02/27/2001 S First reading: referred to Committee on Finance

Bill No.: HB 1004 Digest: Back to school sales tax holiday.

Authors/Coauthors: Hasler, Ayres, Crawford, Becker, Day

01/08/2001 H Authored by Representative Hasler
01/08/2001 H Coauthored by Representative Ayres
01/08/2001 H First reading: referred to Ways and Means
02/08/2001 H Representatives Crawford, Becker and Day added as coauthors

Bill No.: HB 1005 Digest: School to career program and tax credit.

Authors/Coauthors: Hasler

01/08/2001 H Authored by Representative Hasler
01/08/2001 H First reading: referred to Education

Bill No.: HB 1006 Digest: Methamphetamine and its precursors.

Authors/Coauthors: Hasler

01/08/2001 H Authored by Representative Hasler
01/08/2001 H First reading: referred to Courts and Criminal Code

Bill No.: HB 1007 Digest: Speed limits.

Authors/Coauthors: Hasler, Becker, Goodin

01/08/2001 H Authored by Representative Hasler
01/08/2001 H Coauthored by Representative Becker
01/08/2001 H First reading: referred to Roads and Transportation



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March 26, 2001

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Flood control cash mustn't dry up

The issue: Funding for the Little Calumet flood control work. Our opinion: The federal government is kicking in its share, but the state government should pay its fair share, too.

The Little Calumet River flood control project has reached the stage where future construction will yield the biggest benefits. It has also reached the stage where the project is struggling simply to stay afloat.

Not to continue funding the massive drainage and recreation project would be unconscionable.

The state legislature, which committed to joining with the federal government in funding this long-term project, created the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission without guaranteeing it a permanent source of income throughout the duration of the project. And now, with the project half finished, the state seems to be reluctant to pay its fair share — \$1 for every \$3 contributed by the federal government.

Gov. Frank O'Bannon's budget includes \$4.5 million for the project. It's the first time O'Bannon has included the project in his budget.

State Rep. D. Patrick Bauer, D-South Bend, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, put \$5.5 million for the project in the House budget, which is good. But he poisoned that amount by inserting a provision that requires local communities to put up \$1 for each \$1 contributed by the state.

State Rep. Chester Dobis, D-Merrillville, has been one of the project's guardian angels since it began in 1980. He has promised to see what he can do to remove the provision requiring the local match. Let's hope he succeeds.

For now, though, the situation in Indianapolis looks grim. Senate Finance Chairman Lawrence Borst, R-Greenville, says the Senate budget will be even more stingy than the House version. It's too early to know how much will be set aside in the Senate budget for the project, but it doesn't look good.

So now here we are, smack dab in the middle of a project that will cost about \$200 million, and the funding rules could change in midstream.

If the state expected local communities to contribute to the cost of the project, it should have given the Little Calumet agency taxing powers or allowed it to force other units of government to contribute to the cause.

It has none of these powers. All it can do is beg the legislature to include it in the budget each time.

Instead, Bauer's move raises



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some thorny questions: How could the cost of a project already half completed be fairly distributed among the communities that will benefit? Further, how could small communities even begin to help pay for it? Lake County communities get casino money, but Portage doesn't.

More to the point, how could these communities come up with the money in time to make sure this construction season isn't lost?

U.S. Rep. Pete Visclosky, D-Ind., has been effective in obtaining money for the project in Washington. But failing to provide the state match could jeopardize future federal funding for this project and for other U.S. Army Corps of Engineers projects in Indiana, too.

Visclosky is optimistic.

"In all the years this project has been ongoing, the state and our legislative delegation have never failed us," he said. "I believe that will be the case here — that reason will prevail and that the state won't turn its back on \$9 million to \$11 million in additional federal dollars for this project."

It looks likely that the Little Calumet project will have to hope that reason will prevail when the budgets go to a conference committee to reconcile differences between the House and Senate versions. It's in the murky atmosphere of conference committee negotiations that the project has historically gained inclusion in the state budget.

Legislators should consider the project's benefits. It protects homes and businesses in a flood plain, enables Gary to develop real estate closer to the river, protects the Indiana University Northwest campus and part of Purdue University Calumet, and provides additional recreation facilities.

The flood control project has so far completed the stretch from Burns Ditch in Portage to Cline Avenue. If the construction stops, what's built so far will do little more than channel water to where it can do the most harm.

If the price of the project looks high, remember that flooding would cost more than constructing the levees. In comparison, this project is a bargain.

Commission supports flood plan

State provision might demand local matching funds for Little Calumet River project

BY ROBIN BIESEN
Times Staff Writer

Gary Mayor Scott King said he couldn't believe it when he heard the state might change the funding rules for the Little Calumet River levee project midway through the \$200 million project.

For the first time, the state - through the House version of Indiana's two-year budget bill - is making project funding contingent on a local match.

Under the bill's provisions, local

governments would have to put up an equal amount to qualify for any of the \$5.5 million in earmarked state funds for the Little Calumet project, which has been billed as the largest flood control project in the state.

The provision has threatened to prematurely end construction of protective flood barriers along the length of the river from Gary to the Indiana/Illinois state line.

At a meeting Thursday of the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission board, King said it was unfair of House members to

change the rules now, when the project is half completed.

"We expect the state to pay the share they agreed to," King said. "I understand the state is going through some financial difficulties, but that is no basis to change the rules in the middle of the game."

Members of NIRPC agreed and drafted a resolution in support of the project but in opposition to the local match. The resolution will be forwarded to all Indiana lawmakers in the

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hope that the local match provision will be stripped from the bill before it is passed by the Senate.

Since 1980, when the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission began amassing funds to protect the neighborhoods along the river, the project has been paid for with a combination of federal and state contributions.

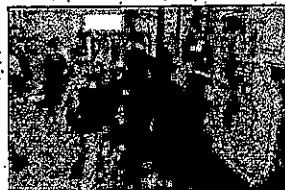
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Still to be completed is construction of the last leg of the project, east of Cline Avenue in Gary, as well as reconstruction of the levees along the river in Hammond, Munster and Highland.

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LOCAL



District 215 proposes a \$37 million expansion

State grant money, public referendum would finance work on high schools.
Region, A5

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THURSDAY, THE TIME

Funding changes could halt project on Little Calumet

BY ROBIN BIESEN
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Changes in the way the state is proposing to fund the Little Calumet River levee reconstruction could bring the project to an abrupt and unexpected end.

For the first time, the state — through the House version of Indiana's two-year budget bill — is making project funding contingent on a local match.

Under the bill's provisions, for the Little Calumet project to qualify for any of the \$5.5 million in earmarked state funds, local governments would have to put up an equal amount.

Without an influx of state dollars, the flood-control project cannot qualify for federal funds, which have already been earmarked for use this year.

Those close to the project say without federal funding, the project, which is at the

halfway point, will die.

Dan Gardner, executive director of the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission, said the commission, which was created by the state, has no ability to raise money on its own and no authority to compel any other governmental agency to raise money on its behalf.

Gardner said the local funding addendum was an unexpected complication of an already complex process.

"We're going to talk to our local senators and representatives and see if we can get the provision waived," Gardner said.

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When Gov. Frank O'Bannon included the Little Calumet River project in his version of the budget, there were no local strings attached.

That all changed when Rep. Patrick Bauer, D-South Bend, and chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, included the project as part of the House version of the budget bill and inserted the local match provision.

Rep. Chester Dobis, D-Merrillville, said he is investigating what can be done.

If the state contracted with federal authorities for the project, Dobis said, it may be that state, not local, government is responsible for the local share of the project.

U.S. Rep. Pete Visclosky, D-Ind., said he has faith that state lawmakers will do what is necessary to advance the project.

"Clearly questions have been

raised about language," Visclosky said. "In all the years this project has been ongoing, the state and our legislative delegation have never failed us. I believe that will be the case here — that reason will prevail and that the state won't turn its back on \$9 (million) to \$11 million in additional federal dollars for this project."

As long as the funding provision remains, however, members of the Little Calumet commission say they can't proceed to draw down federal funds for this year's construction season.

John Mroczkowski, who was appointed to the commission by O'Bannon, said the project is entering a critical phase, providing flood protection for the highly developed western branch of the river.

"Our goal is to provide flood protection in the remaining areas of the project — Highland, Munster and Hammond — and to finish up in Gary," Mroczkowski said.

"We need to make sure these neighborhoods are no longer jeopardized by flooding and to protect the area so the people who live near the river no longer have to pay flood insurance."

Curtis Vosti, who also was appointed to the commission by O'Bannon, said what happens at the hands of state lawmakers in the near term will set a precedent for federal funding for the future.

"We are treading on dangerous ground," Vosti said.

"If we do not make use of federal dollars, and this project does not go forward, not only do we lose federal funds, it puts in danger federal funding for other water projects throughout the state of Indiana."

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Budget defeat in Senate is likely

■ Lawmakers add \$5.5 million to the budget for the Little Calumet River Basin Commission.

BY TERRY BURNS
Times Statehouse Bureau Chief

Calling a Republican-inspired budget blueprint potentially disastrous for Indiana schools and the elderly, Senate Democrats tried to offer their own spending plan Tuesday — one that would increase state spending in those areas by \$183 million over the next two years.

Not surprisingly, the Democrat budget proposal, as well as many of their other efforts to influence the budget process, were soundly defeated by the Republican-dominated Senate, where Democratic lawmakers are outnumbered 32-18.

At the urging of some Democrats, however, lawmakers did agree to one thing — restoring \$5.5 million to the budget for the Little Calumet River Basin Commission, funding not included in the original package.

The Senate is expected to give its final approval to the budget bill Thursday and send the measure on to a conference commit-

tee, where House Democrats and Senate Republicans will try reconcile their fiscal and philosophical differences.

Last week, Finance Committee Chairman Lawrence Borst, R-Greenwood, unveiled the Senate's version of the state budget, which includes smaller increases for public schools and universities than envisioned in a budget bill already approved by the Democratic-led House.

Overall, the plan provides for an additional \$684 million in new state spending, with nearly half of that money earmarked for elementary and secondary education.

The Senate budget bill also provides more money for state prisons and heftier funding for state-run Medicaid programs, which are expected to post double-digit spending increases in the coming years.

Most importantly, Republicans leaders said, their spending plan won't force a tax increase and unlike the House budget, doesn't tap into the state's Rainy Day Fund or a \$130 million Medicaid reserve to balance the books.

Democrats, however, claim the \$21 billion budget proposal shortchanges children and the elderly, among Indiana's most vulnerable



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citizens.

"We have no quarrel with our Republican counterparts when it comes to the bottom line of this budget," said state Sen. Vi Simpson of Bloomington, the ranking Democrat on the Finance Committee. "What we disagree with is their priorities." Under the Republican education formula, she claimed, at least 24 schools would get less money than they now receive, including Gary, which could lose \$15.6 million, and Hammond, which might come up \$5.5 million short.

The Democratic plan, on the other hand, would spend an additional \$72 million on public schools over the two-year budget cycle and guarantee districts at least a 2 percent increase in funding.

At the same time, the state would increase funding for higher education by \$84 million, which roughly translates into a

yearly 4 percent hike.

Republicans, meantime, want to boost spending by only 1.7 percent a year.

In addition, Democrats are calling for a \$20 million increase in funding for CHOICE, a home and community-based health care initiative for the elderly.

For his part, Borst, who played a key role in crafting the GOP budget, said his political rivals were engaging in some dangerous fiscal sleight of hand that ultimately would lead to a tax increase.

Despite some shortcomings, the Republican budget bill "is honorable and doesn't call for a tax increase," he added. "There is no smoke and mirrors in what we are trying to do."

"I wish I could stand up here and say that we're fully funding everybody," Borst told his fellow senators, but this budget "is more in tune with the (economic) times and the times aren't too good."

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Public Notice

Form N2

Date 3-20-01

Indiana Code 14-11-4 was enacted to ensure that adjacent property owners are notified of permit applications and provided with an opportunity to present their views to the Department of Natural Resources prior to action.

Under the legislation, the applicant or agent is responsible for providing notice to the owner of the real property owned by a person, other than the applicant, which is both of the following: 1.) located within one-fourth (1/4) mile of the site where the licensed activity would take place, and 2.) has a border or point in common with the exterior boundary of the property where the licensed activity would take place. Included is property which would share a common border if not for the separation caused by a roadway, stream, channel, right-of-way, easement, or railroad.

Due to your proximity to the project site, you are considered to be an adjacent property owner; therefore, notice is being provided in conformance with the provisions of IC 14-11-4 and 312 IAC 2-3.

Applicant's Name, Address, and Telephone
City of Portage Port Authority

Agent's Name, Address, and Telephone
Craig Hendrix, City Engineer

6070 Central Avenue

Portage, IN 46368

(219) 762-1815

Stream or Lake Name Burns Water Way

Project Description and Location Removal of Sediment at the mouth of the City of Portage
Public Marina.

Check relevant Statute or Rule:

- ☒ Flood Control Act, IC 14-28-1
- ☐ Lake Preservation Act, IC 14-26-2
- ☐ "Ditch Act", IC 14-26-5
- ☐ Channels Act, IC 14-29-4
- ☐ Removal of Sands or Gravel, IC 14-29-3

Questions relating to the project should be directed to:

Applicant (or Agent) Name

Mailing Address

City, State, Zip Code

Telephone Number

You may request an informal public hearing, pre-AOPA (Administrative Orders and Procedures Act) hearing, on this application by filing a petition with the Division of Water. The petition must conform to administrative rule 312 IAC 2-3-4 as follows:

- (a) This section establishes the requirements for a petition to request a public hearing under IC 14-11-4-8(a)(2).
- (b) The petition shall include the signatures of at least twenty-five (25) individuals who are at least eighteen (18) years of age and who reside in the county where the licensed activity would take place or who own real property within one (1) mile of the site of the proposed or existing licensed activity.
- (c) The complete mailing addresses of the petitioners shall be typed or printed legibly on the petition.

- (d) Each individual who signs the petition shall affirm that the individual qualifies under subsection (b).
- (e) The petition shall identify the application for which a public hearing is sought, either by division docket number (application number) or by the name of the applicant and the location of the project.

A pre-AOPA public hearing on the application will be limited to the Department's authority under the permitting statutes. Only the issues relevant to the Department's jurisdiction directly related to this application for construction will be addressed. Under permitting statutes, the Department has no authority in zoning, local drainage, burning, traffic safety, etc.; therefore, topics beyond the Department's jurisdiction will not be discussed during the public hearing.

The Department's jurisdiction under the Flood Control Act is confined to the floodway of the stream and its review limited to the following criteria.

To be approvable a project must demonstrate that it will:

- (a) not adversely affect the efficiency or unduly restrict the capacity of the floodway; defined as, the project will not result in an increase in flood stages of more than 0.14 feet above the base 100-year regulatory flood elevation.
- (b) ~~not constitute an unreasonable hazard to the safety of life or property; defined as, the project will not~~ result in either of the following during the regulatory flood: (1) the loss of human life, (2) damage to public or private property to which the applicant has neither ownership nor a flood easement;
- (c) not result in unreasonably detrimental effects upon fish, wildlife or botanical resources.

Additionally, the Department must consider the cumulative effects of the above items.

The Department's jurisdiction under the Lakes Preservation Act is confined to the area at or lakeward of the shoreline of the lake and any impact which the project may have on:

- (a) the natural resources and/or scenic beauty of the lake;
- (b) the water level or contour of the lake below the waterline;
- (c) fish, wildlife or botanical resources.

Additionally, the department must consider the cumulative effects of the above items.

A request for a pre-AOPA public hearing or notice of initial determination pursuant to 312 IAC 2-3 should be addressed to:

Technical Services Section
Division of Water
Department of Natural Resources
402 West Washington Street, Room W264
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2748
Telephone: (877) 9283755 or (317) 232-4160

You may also request that the Department notify you in writing after an initial determination is made to issue or deny the permit. Following the receipt of the approval or denial notice, you may request administrative review of the determination by the Natural Resources Commission under IC 4-21.5 and 312 IAC 3-1. This request should be addressed to:

Division of Hearings
Natural Resources Commission
402 West Washington Street, Room W272
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
Telephone: (317) 232-4699

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
JANUARY 1, 2001 - FEBRUARY 28, 2001

CASH POSITION - JANUARY 1, 2001

CHECKING ACCOUNT	
LAND ACQUISITION	541,026.11
GENERAL FUND	49,902.51
TAX FUND	0.00
INVESTMENTS	2,596,370.26
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	21,476.77
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	3,208,775.65

RECEIPTS - JANUARY 1, 2001 - FEBRUARY 28, 2001

LEASE RENTS	9,200.00
INTEREST INCOME	1,711.61
LAND ACQUISITION	244,278.66
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	199.75
MISC. INCOME	17,253.80
AMERITECH	16,746.91
EMERSON DELANEY	100.00
MERIDIAN TITLE	406.89
KRBC REIMBURSEMENT RE: TELEPHONE CHARGE	455.42
PROCEEDS FROM VOIDED CHECKS	0.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<hr/>
	273,099.24

DISBURSEMENTS - JANUARY 1, 2001 - FEBRUARY 28, 2001

ADMINISTRATIVE	
2000 EXPENSES PAID IN 2001	179,730.72
PER DIEM	3,800.00
LEGAL SERVICES	1,587.16
NIRPC	27,354.85
TRAVEL & MILEAGE	523.80
PRINTING & ADVERTISING	2,306.00
BONDS & INSURANCE	77.00
TELEPHONE EXPENSE	1,021.89
MEETING EXPENSE	1,442.78
LAND ACQUISITION	
LEGAL SERVICES	6,034.84
APPRAISAL SERVICES	31,475.00
ENGINEERING SERVICES	20,184.71
LAND PURCHASE CONTRACTUAL	12,770.00
FACILITIES/PROJECT MAINTENANCE SERVICES	1,250.00
OPERATIONS SERVICES	0.00
LAND MANGEMENT SERVICES	26,407.19
SURVEYING SERVICES	37,331.72
ECONOMIC/MARKETING SOURCES	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURE COSTS	40,431.00
MOVING ALLOCATION	
TAXES	1,138.56
LAND PURCHASE CONTRACTUAL	13,000.00
PROPERTY & STRUCTURES INSURANCE	550.00
UTILITY RELOCATION SERVICES	
LAND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	29,745.00
STRUCTURAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	1,250.30
PURCHASE CERTIFICATE CALUMET BANK	21,500.00
PURCHASE MONEY MARKET BANK ONE	393,040.41
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<hr/>
	674,222.21

CASH POSITION - FEBRUARY 28, 2001

CHECKING ACCOUNT	
LAND ACQUISITION	166,349.81
GENERAL FUND	23,250.29
TAX FUND	
INVESTMENTS	
BANK CALUMET	316,000.00
BANK CALUMET	700,000.00
BANK ONE	105,116.15
BANK CALUMET	162,684.25
BANK ONE	12,593.99
BANK ONE	124,069.45
BANK ONE	1,006,933.02
BANK ONE	395,285.25

10/30/2001
10/30/2001
10/04/2001
07/03/2001
07/01/2001
MONEY MARKET
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TOTAL INVESTMENTS	2,822,682.11
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	21,650.75
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3,033,932.96

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+ 21,500
+ 45,600

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT, MARCH 2001

	2001							6 MONTH	UNALLOCATED
	BUDGET	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	ALLOCATED	BUDGETED
								TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	16,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00	16,000.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500.00	903.83	368.33	988.83				2,260.99	6,239.01
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	125,000.00	8,860.29	9,620.29	9,773.09				28,253.67	96,746.33
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	14,000.00	0.00	24.08	150.92				175.00	13,825.00
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	5,000.00	2,306.00	0.00	0.00				2,306.00	2,694.00
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	7,500.00	0.00	77.00	0.00				77.00	7,423.00
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	7,000.00	113.26	244.35	677.99				1,035.60	5,964.40
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	8,000.00	137.05	609.24	163.60				909.89	7,090.11
5838 LEGAL SERVICES	62,500.00	3,907.48	5,670.91	6,963.27				16,541.66	45,958.34
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	250,000.00	43,899.76	33,497.23	92,147.57				169,544.56	80,455.44
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	678,622.00	0.00	9,888.56	186,152.00				196,040.56	482,581.44
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	12,500.00	550.00	0.00	0.00				550.00	11,950.00
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,307.50				1,307.50	98,692.50
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	125,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00				5,000.00	120,000.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	12,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00	12,500.00
	1,432,122.00	60,677.67	59,999.99	303,324.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	424,002.43	1,008,119.57

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	2001							12 MONTH	UNALLOCATED
	BUDGET	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	ALLOCATED	BUDGETED
								TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	16,000.00							0.00	16,000.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500.00							2,260.99	6,239.01
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	125,000.00							28,253.67	96,746.33
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	14,000.00							175.00	13,825.00
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	5,000.00							2,306.00	2,694.00
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	7,500.00							77.00	7,423.00
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	7,000.00							1,035.60	5,964.40
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	8,000.00							909.89	7,090.11
5838 LEGAL SERVICES	62,500.00							16,541.66	45,958.34
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	250,000.00							169,544.56	80,455.44
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	678,622.00							196,040.56	482,581.44
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	12,500.00							550.00	11,950.00
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	100,000.00							1,307.50	98,692.50
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	125,000.00							5,000.00	120,000.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	12,500.00							0.00	12,500.00
	1,432,122.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	424,002.43	1,008,119.57

CLAIMS PAYABLE FOR MARCH 2001

ACCT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
5811	LOUIS CASALE	283.33	RETAINER FEE BILLED FOR 2/21/01-3/26/01
5811	LOUIS CASALE	705.50	OTHER LEGAL SERVICES 2/21/01-3/21/01
5812	NIRPC	9,489.56	SERVICES PERFORMED FEBRUARY 2001
5812	UNITED PARCEL SERVICE	12.40	OVERNIGHT MAIL
5812	UNITED PARCEL SERVICE	12.40	OVERNIGHT MAIL
5812	KRAMER & LEONARD	129.75	OFFICE SUPPLIES
5812	J. P. COOKE	35.45	SIGNATURE STAMP FOR COMMISSIONER
5812	BOYCE FORMS	93.53	LEDGER SHEETS
5821	DAN GARDNER	119.28	MILEAGE FOR 1/9/01-02/23/01
5821	SANDY MORDUS	31.64	MILEAGE FOR 2/6/01-3/27/01
5824	MCI	235.94	BILLING PERIOD 1/15/01-2/14/01 TOTAL BILL 254.36 KRBC PORTION 18.42
5824	MCI	215.50	BILLING PERIOD 2/15/01-3/14/01 TOTAL BILL 240.06 KRBC PORTION 25.56
5824	VERIZON	113.42	BILLING PERIOD 2/16/01-3/16/01 TOTAL BILL 242.94 KRBC PORTION 129.52
5824	VERIZON	113.13	BILLING PERIOD 3/16/01-4/16/01 TOTAL BILL 229.61 KRBC PORTION 116.48
5825	SAND RIDGE BANK	69.43	MEETING EXPENSES INCURRED 2/20/01 WITH COL. RONCOLI
5825	SAND RIDGE BANK	4.62	ADD'L MEETING EXPENSE INCURRED 2/6/01 @ RETREAT MEETING
5825	SAND RIDGE BANK	89.55	MEETING EXPENSES INCURRED 3/27/01 LAND ACQ/MGMT COMMITTEE
5838	LOUIS CASALE	6,963.27	LAND ACQUISITION/LEGAL SERVICES 2/21/01-3/21/01
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	2,500.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1172
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	1,800.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1105
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	2,500.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1103
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	2,500.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1023
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	2,500.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1024
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	1,200.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1123
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	1,200.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1122
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	1,200.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1118
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	2,500.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1116/1117
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	1,200.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1120
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	1,200.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1126
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	1,800.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1173
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	6,200.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1199 & DC'S WEST REACH 1172-1176, DC-1104-1107,1124-1130,1112-1119,1131-1139,1163-1177
5841	MARTINEZ, SHARMAT & ASSOCIATES	300.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1118
5841	MARTINEZ, SHARMAT & ASSOCIATES	250.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1120
5841	MARTINEZ, SHARMAT & ASSOCIATES	450.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1122
5841	MARTINEZ, SHARMAT & ASSOCIATES	450.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1123
5841	MARTINEZ, SHARMAT & ASSOCIATES	450.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1126
5841	JANET O'TOOLE	2,000.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1104
5841	JANET O'TOOLE	2,500.00	APPRAISAL FOR DC-1173
5841	JANET O'TOOLE	1,000.00	ADD'L APPRAISAL FOR DC-1105,1106, & DC-1107
5842	R. W. ARMSTRONG	4,436.12	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED 2/16/01
5842	R. W. ARMSTRONG	1,063.65	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED 3/16/01
5842	GARCIA LE & ASSOCIATES LLC	130.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SVI-N INV#2948
5842	GARCIA LE & ASSOCIATES LLC	4,200.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SVI-N INV#2949
5843	LAKE COUNTY RECORDER	39.00	RECORDING FEES FOR DC-526 & DC-743
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	250.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-216 I
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-1103
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-1112
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-1117A
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-1180
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	250.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-216A
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	250.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-216K
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	250.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-216L
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	250.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-216M
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	65.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-147
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	270.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-69A

ACCT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	270.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-157A
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	345.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-574
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	270.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1010A
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	270.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1010B
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	270.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1010E
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	270.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1010F
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	345.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1129
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	345.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1132
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	345.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1133
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	270.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1134
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	345.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1163
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	270.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1173
5843	MAXI MILIAN TITLE CORPORATION	3,240.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-231A,DC-295,DC-149,DC-328A DC-138,DC-275A,DC-291A,DC-153,DC-274A,DC-274B,DC-270,DC-35A
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	2,806.00	ENGINEERING/LAND MANAGEMENT SERVICES 2/16/01-2/28/01
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	164.64	FEBRUARY MILEAGE
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	4,370.00	ENGINEERING/LAND MANAGEMENT SERVICES 3/1/01-3/15/01
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	1,914.00	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT SERVICES 2/20/01-2/28/01
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	13.16	FEBRUARY MILEAGE
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	2,524.50	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT SERVICES 3/1/01-3/15/01
5844	SANDY MORDUS	343.00	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 2/20/01-2/28/01
5844	SANDY MORDUS	416.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 3/5/01-3/15/01
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	643.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 2/20/01-2/28/01
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	726.00	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 3/1/01-3/15/01
5845	DEPT NATURAL RESOURCES	17,650.00	LCRBDC PORTION OF COST OF OPERATION 10/1/00-9/30/01
5845	SUPERIOR SIGN SERVICE	525.00	DECALS FOR SIGNS FOR COMMISSION OWNED PROPERTY
5845	DLZ	1,702.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SV-I INV#401475
5845	DLZ	595.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SV-II INV#401476
5845	DLZ	330.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SV-II INV#401477
5845	DLZ	850.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SV-II INV#401480
5845	DLZ	65.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SV-II INV#401490
5845	DLZ	1,100.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SV-I INV#401491
5845	DLZ	170.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SV-II INV#401499
5845	DLZ	130.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SV-II INV#401505
5861	MERIDIAN TITLE COMPANY	39,000.00	PURCHASE PRICE OF DC-816
5861	MERIDIAN TITLE COMPANY	147,152.00	PURCHASE PRICE OF DC-707
5882	R. W. ARMSTRONG	67.50	UTILITY RELOCATION SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED 2/16/01
5882	R. W. ARMSTRONG	1,240.00	UTILITY RELOCATION SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED 3/16/01
5883	HAMMOND FENCE COMPANY	5,000.00	TO ENCLOSE BURR STREET, GRANT STREET, & BROADWAY STORM WATER PUMPING STATIONS
	TOTAL	303,324.77	

RECREATION REPORT

For meeting on Thursday, April 5, 2001

(Information in this report is from February 27, 2001 – March 23, 2001)

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 spring of 2002.

- A supplemental contract will be released as part of the Stage III remediation project in the late summer of 2001 that will include the paving of all ramps.

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 28th, 1998 was the date this facility was turned over to the Gary Parks and Recreation Department.

C. LAKE ETTA (Lake County Parks)

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

EAST REACH RECREATION

A. We have an existing agreement with Gary for constructing the ramp down from the levee, West of Broadway.

1. We received a letter of response from INDOT on October 18 indicating no concerns regarding the crossing as long as we coordinate with the locals, and that a right-of-way permit with them would be required.
2. A meeting is scheduled with the City of Gary, Indiana University, LCRBDC, and the COE on April 12, 2001 (at Indiana University) to review our proposals for recreation trail re-alignment at Broadway Street and at Grant Street.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
DEPARTMENT OF THE HISTORY OF ARTS
AND ARCHITECTURE
OFFICE OF THE CURATOR
OF THE MUSEUM OF ARTS
AND ARCHITECTURE

MEMORANDUM

TO: THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FROM: THE CURATOR OF THE MUSEUM OF ARTS
AND ARCHITECTURE

SUBJECT: A PROPOSAL FOR THE
ACQUISITION OF A
WORK OF ART

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. regarding the proposed acquisition of a work of art.

2. The work of art in question is a painting by the artist [Name], which is currently in the collection of the [Institution].

3. The proposed acquisition of this work of art is in accordance with the policy of the Museum of Arts and Architecture, which is to acquire works of art of the highest quality.

4. The proposed acquisition of this work of art is also in accordance with the policy of the Board of Trustees, which is to acquire works of art of the highest quality.

5. The proposed acquisition of this work of art is also in accordance with the policy of the Department of the History of Arts and Architecture, which is to acquire works of art of the highest quality.

Very truly yours,
[Signature]

- 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 East side of Gas City. They originally objected but appear to be re-considering and will meet with us this January.
 2. A meeting was held with Len McEnery (Gas City) General Manager , on January 23, 2001 to review our re-location.
 - We are considering re-locating our trail further east (near Gilroy Stadium) to avoid construction in a wetland, and will have a meeting with the Gary Parks & Rec and the COE. **This issue will also be discussed with the City of Gary at our April 12, 2001 meeting.**

WEST REACH RECREATION

- A. We received a copy of a letter from INDOT to RANI ENGINEERING (Stage VI Phase 2) on January 8, 2001 indicating their concerns regarding our recreation trail crossing, on adjacent to, Cline Avenue.
1. A meeting is scheduled with INDOT and the COE on **April 11, 2001**, to review this situation.
 - **This meeting is also intended to review the unresolved engineering issues addressed from their 50% design submittal. (See Engineering Report).**
- B. Tri-State recreational trail tie-in for the Highland/Wicker Park/Erie Lackawanna Trail Systems.
1. The COE has modified the engineering and real estate drawings. It is still the intent to have this recreation trail on the land side. **(Refer to Land Acquisition & Engineering Reports).**
 2. North Township – Wicker Park recreational trail alignment is being evaluated.
 - It was mentioned to re-locate the trail from between the golf courses to the existing trail along the West and South boundaries.
 - North Township would not have a problem, but are awaiting information from INDOT for impacts to Indianapolis Blvd. R/W which would cause their existing trail to be re-located. (Ongoing)
- C. A letter was sent to the Lake County Highway Dept. on December 28, 2000 requesting permission, and comments, to cantilever a walkway on the east side of the Kennedy Avenue bridge to allow our trail to be contiguous.
1. It was approved at our February 1 Board meeting to contract with R.W. Armstrong to do a feasibility study for the pedestrian walkway and get an agreement at a cost not to exceed \$7,000.
 - We had a field meeting on February 9 with Lake County Highway, R.W. Armstrong, and LCRBDC to establish a scope of work and familiarize with field conditions.
 - **R.W. Armstrong (Indianapolis) will attend our April 5, 2001 Board Meeting and will be available to make a presentation or to address any questions.**



Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

6100 Southport Road
Portage, Indiana 46368

(219) 763-0696 Fax (219) 762-1653
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MEETING: Recreational Trail Coordination in City of Gary

DATE: Thursday, April 12, 2001

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

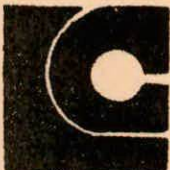
PLACE: Indiana University Northwest
Library/Conference Center
35th Avenue
Room 115
(Map enclosed)

ATTENDEES:

- City of Gary (Spike Peller)
- I.U. Northwest (William Staehle, Rick Hug)
- LCRBDC (Dan Gardner, Jim Pokrajac,
Curt Vosti, Bob Huffman)
- Corps of Engineers (Imad Samara, Tim Kroll,
Jan Plachta)

AGENDA

- Introductions
- Present COE proposal for recreation trail north of I.U.
- I.U. present their comprehensive plan for development
north of 33rd and adjacent to Broadway
- City of Gary present their plans to coordinate with I.U.
- Overall discussion on how LCRBDC/COE can cross
Broadway
- Additional discussion of recreation trail crossing at
Grant Street



WORK STUDY SESSION
ENGINEERING COMMITTEE
April 5, 2001

Bob Huffman, Committee Chairman

1. A meeting was held with the town of Griffith, the COE, Kortenhoven, and the LCRBDC on April 3rd to review impact of new culvert installation west of the EJ&E RR. *miss*
2. A meeting is scheduled with Overstreet Construction on April 9th to review shut down procedure for completely shutting down pump stations one at a time. *Ref. of.*
 - This could minimize the period of time each pump station would be affected by construction.
 - Would eliminate conflicts between existing & new electric
 - Would be coordinated with HSD during low flow periods
 - Need to meet spec for minimum pump capacity during construction
3. Meeting scheduled for April 11th with RANI ENGINEERING and INDOT to review Stage VI-2 plans including Cline Avenue trail crossing. *Sandalwood sub div.*
4. Stage III remediation plan and spec review comments sent to COE on April 6th. Plans were very incomplete. *lengthy disc. Committee mtg to be scheduled.*
5. Information was sent to the COE on March 15th regarding a utility tracking system for over 250 new utility relocations in the west reach.
6. Utility compensability milestones were sent to the COE on March 20th for review & comments.



WORK STUDY SESSION

5 APRIL 2001

LAND ACQUISITION / LAND MANAGEMENT REPORT

CHUCK AGNEW, CHAIRMAN

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- 1.) There are no increased offers.
There are no condemnations.
 - 2.) A meeting was held at Woodmar Country Club on 5 March 2001 with appraiser Dale Kleszynski, golf course architect Tim Nugent of Tim Nugent & Associates, Lou Casale and a representative of the club. Nugent inspected the clubhouse and grounds to gather information for a physical impact and mitigation study. Nugent will have the information to Dale in 4 to 6 weeks.
 - 3.) On 14 March 2001 the LCRBDC mailed 150 seven minute videos to state senators and representatives along with a cover letter asking for their support of the flood project.
 - 4.) On 27 March the Land Acquisition Committee met to discuss the construction of the handicapped-accessible park. Discussion included building the park in two phases. The first phase would be constructed this summer using the equipment already paid for by the school and LCRBDC plus site preparation, ramping, and completion of the two play structures. Monies for funding Phase 1 could be subtracted from the monies already received from the LEL lease-option then re-imbursed after LEL sells mitigation credits, if Commissioners approve. Invoices for construction would not be sent until after July 2001. CD's would mature in July to pay invoices. Discussion.

A presentation to the Lake Ridge School Board to explain LCRBDC plans is scheduled for 24 April at 7 PM.

* NEED A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE 1

Don Walsh & Associates
Consultants of Playgrounds, Shelters and Ground Cover

Judee Roper
Sales Representative
1-866-320-1905 219-374-7911

River Forest Elementary
Hobart, IN
April 2, 2001

Structure	32887.00
3 accessible swing seats	897.00
10 mats	1548.00
Roof and post for ECD structure	657.00
1410 6' bench	n/c
Border timbers	6620.00
Wood carpet	3200.00
Freight	1000.00
Equipment previously purchased	19210.00
Payment for previously purchased equipment	(19210.00)
Installation	25923.00
Removal of existing equipment	<u>1000.00</u>
Total	\$73732.00



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
CHICAGO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
111 NORTH CANAL STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606-7206
April 5, 2001

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

Planning, Programs and Project
Management Division

Mr. Bill Tanke
Chairman, Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission
6100 Southport Road
Portage, Indiana 46368

Dear Mr. Tanke

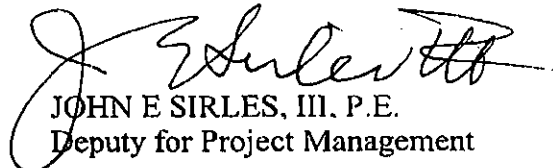
This is to confirm discussions in our meeting of February 20, 2001 and subsequent staff discussions related to financial analyses of expenditures for the Little Calumet River Flood Reduction Project.

The Local Cooperation Agreement (LCA), in Article VI-1, states that the Government shall notify the Commission by 30 April of each year of the estimated funds required from the Commission to meet its share of the total cost for the upcoming fiscal year.

We will provide a final estimate this month. At this time the preliminary estimated requirement is \$9.8M. for your share of costs for the next two years (through FY 03). This includes the cash requirement, estimated LERRDS and the Burr Street Betterment.

We plan to continue construction on the on-going contracts. No new construction can begin until all real estate associated with the new work is acquired.

I request your assurance that you can deliver the funding required to continue work on this project.


JOHN E SIRLES, III, P.E.
Deputy for Project Management

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ATTENDANCE ROSTER

NAME OF MEETING: LCRBDC DATE: APRIL 5

LOCATION: 6100 Southport Rd. Portage CHAIRMAN: BILL TANKE

PLEASE SIGN IN

	NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	ORGANIZATION, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER
1	RUTH MORES	HAMMOND (234 Southmoor Rd)
2	Don Kwoledt	LAKE ERIE LAND
3	Sandy O'Brien	
4	Dale Gick	IDNR - Div. of Water
5	JIM FLORA	R.W. ARMSTRONG
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TOTAL OF ALL PURCHASES		PURCHASES WITHIN LAKE COUNTY, IN		PURCHASES WITHIN GARY, INDIANA	
THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE
AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
\$1,006,891	\$1,006,891	\$46,839	\$46,839	\$85,691	\$85,691
% of TOTAL	% of TOTAL	% of TOTAL	% of TOTAL	% of TOTAL	% of TOTAL
4.6%	4.6%	4.6%	4.6%	4.7%	4.7%

3. SUBCONTRACTS STATUS:

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AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	% of TOTAL	AMOUNT	% of TOTAL	AMOUNT	% of TOTAL	AMOUNT	% of TOTAL
	1,450,983.99			1,450,983.99	100%			1,450,983.99	5%

SUBCONTRACTS (AT ANY TIER) AWARDED UNDER THIS CONTRACT:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>LARGE BUSINESS</u>	<u>SMALL BUSINESS</u>	<u>SMALL DISADV. BUSINESS</u>	<u>AWARD AMOUNT</u>	<u>TOTAL PAYMENT TO DATE</u>
SEE ATTACHED						

SUBCONTRACTING PLAN COMPARISON:

	PLAN		ACTUAL TO DATE	
	\$	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL SUBCONTRACTING		1,450,983.99		
LARGE BUSINESS		1,240,589.100		
SMALL BUSINESS		15,513.22		
NON-DISADVANTAGED SMALL		12,332.17		
DISADVANTAGED SMALL				

4. ACTIONS TAKEN TO PROMOTE MINORITY PARTICIPATION (WORKFORCE AND SUBCONTRACTING):

(As a minimum, the Contractor shall address the items listed in subparagraphs (g) (1) through (16) found in Contract Clause entitled AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION in Section 00700 of the contract. The Contractor shall attach all necessary documentation to this report in support of it's claimed efforts and actions to comply with the referenced subparagraphs.)

I declare under penalty of perjury, pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 1746, that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Signature

[illegible]

Dyer Construction Company, Inc.

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LITTLE CALUMET RIVER FLOOD PROJECT - LEVEE CONSTRUCTION PHASE I, SOUTH FEBRUARY 2001 MINORITY UTILIZATION UPDATE

Contract No.: DACW27-00-C-0015

Location: Gary, Lake County, Indiana

Contractor: DYER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.

Contract Amount: \$3,862,736.65

1. LABOR UTILIZATION STATUS:

CONSTRUCTION TRADE	TOTAL HOURS ALL EMPLOYEES BY TRADE		TOTAL HOURS BLACK		TOTAL HOURS HISPANIC		TOTAL HOURS PACIFIC ISLANDER		TOTAL HOURS NATIVE AMERICAN		MINORITY PERCENTAGE		FEMALE PERCENTAGE	
	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE
Operating Engineers	284.00	4,174.00	0.00	101.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.00	0.00%	2.53%	0.00%	11.51%
Labors	12.00	1,118.50	0.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	460.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	41.57%	0.00%	8.76%
Survey	80.00	748.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80.00	748.50	0.00	0.00	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Tenasters	0.00	201.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Carpenters	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Cement Finishers	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Pile Drivers	0.00	2,285.50	0.00	189.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	361.00	0.00%	24.06%	0.00%	20.24%
ACTUAL TOTAL	376.00	8,527.50	0.00	295.50	0.00	0.00	80.00	1,208.50	0.00	365.00	21.28%	21.92%	0.00%	8.67%
CONTRACT GOALS												40.00%		6.90%

1. SUBCONTRACTOR LABOR UTILIZATION STATUS:

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	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE
Operating Engineers	43.00	380.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Labors	93.00	134.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Engineering	0.00	122.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Carpenters	195.50	195.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%		
Cement Masons	46.00	46.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
ACTUAL TOTAL	377.50	877.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
CONTRACT GOALS												40.00%		6.90%

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THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH		TOTAL TO DATE		THIS MONTH		TOTAL TO DATE	
		AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL
\$5,737.07	\$1,174,657.70	\$3,852.99	67.16%	\$229,748.06	19.56%	\$153.00	2.67%	\$288,540.28	24.86%

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\$0.00	\$88,200.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$30,000.00	34.01%	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%

SUBCONTRACTS (AT ANY TIER) AWARDED UNDER THIS CONTRACT:

VENDOR	LOCATION	LARGE BUSINESS	SMALL BUSINESS	SMALL W.B.B.	SMALL M.B.E.	CONTRACT AMOUNT	COMPLETED TO DATE
GREAT LAKES SOIL	BURR RIDGE, IL				X	\$30,000.00	\$8,661.00
TIMBERMASTERS, INC.	SCHERERVILLE, IN		X			\$30,000.00	\$28,500.00
DRAINAGE & GROUND IMPROVEMENT	BRIDGEVIEW, PA		X			\$28,200.00	\$26,325.20

SUBCONTRACTING PLAN COMPARISON:

	PLAN		ACTUAL TO DATE	
	\$	%	\$	%
TOTAL SUBCONTRACTING	\$345,500.00	8.94%	\$88,200.00	2.28%
LARGE BUSINESS	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%
SMALL BUSINESS	\$345,500.00	8.94%	\$88,200.00	2.28%
NON-DISADVANTAGED SMALL	\$315,500.00	8.17%	\$30,000.00	0.78%
DISADVANTAGED SMALL	\$30,000.00	0.78%	\$30,000.00	0.78%

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I declare under penalty of perjury, pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 1746, that the foregoing is true and Correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Harold Mayfield
NAME

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FEBRUARY 2001
DATE

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LITTLE CALUMET RIVER FLOOD PROJECT - LEVEE CONSTRUCTION BURR BETTERMENT FEBRUARY 2001 MINORITY UTILIZATION UPDATE

Contract No.: DACW27-00-C-0021

Location: Gary, Lake County, Indiana

Contractor: DYER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.

Contract Amount: \$1,603,199.00

1. LABOR UTILIZATION STATUS:

CONSTRUCTION TRADE	TOTAL HOURS ALL EMPLOYEES BY TRADE		TOTAL HOURS BLACK		TOTAL HOURS HISPANIC		TOTAL HOURS PACIFIC ISLANDER		TOTAL HOURS NATIVE AMERICAN		MINORITY PERCENTAGE		FEMALE PERCENTAGE	
	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE
Operating Engineers	187.50	2,575.50	0.00	513.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	147.00	0.00%	25.65%	17.87%	4.27%
Laborers	130.50	1,303.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	569.50	0.00	0.00	0.00%	43.71%	0.00%	10.86%
Survey	6.50	671.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.50	671.50	0.00	0.00	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Teamsters	0.00	149.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Carpenters	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Cement Finishers	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Pile Drivers	0.00	706.00	0.00	21.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	ERR	19.12%
ACTUAL TOTAL	324.50	5,405.50	0.00	534.50	0.00	0.00	6.50	1,241.00	0.00	147.00	2.00%	35.57%	36.21%	2.89%
CONTRACT GOALS												48.00%		6.90%

1. LABOR UTILIZATION STATUS: SUBCONTRACTORS

CONSTRUCTION TRADE	TOTAL HOURS ALL EMPLOYEES BY TRADE		TOTAL HOURS BLACK		TOTAL HOURS HISPANIC		TOTAL HOURS PACIFIC ISLANDER		TOTAL HOURS NATIVE AMERICAN		MINORITY PERCENTAGE		FEMALE PERCENTAGE	
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Operating Engineers	101.00	335.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	111.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	33.26%	0.00%	0.00%
Laborers	278.50	305.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Teamsters	3.00	9.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Engineering	0.00	66.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Carpenter	885.50	885.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Cement Finisher	384.50	384.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

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LITTLE CALUMET RIVER FLOOD PROJECT - LEVEE CONSTRUCTION BURR BETTERMENT FEBRUARY 2001 MINORITY UTILIZATION UPDATE

ACTUAL TOTAL	1,652.50	1,985.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	111.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	5.62%	0.00%	0.00%
CONTRACT GOALS												40.00%		6.90%

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\$4,748.05	\$435,169.62	\$1,222.31	25.74%	\$131,316.69	30.18%	\$607.00	0.14%	\$174,250.48	40.04%

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AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL
\$257,183.00		\$360,283.00		\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%

SUBCONTRACTS (AT ANY TIER) AWARDED UNDER THIS CONTRACT:

VENDOR	LOCATION	LARGE BUSINESS	SMALL BUSINESS	SMALL WBE	SMALL MBE	CONTRACT AMOUNT	COMPLETED TO DATE
Hammer Tree Service	Lockport, IL		X			\$30,000.00	\$29,000.00
Drainage & Ground Improvements	Bridgeville, PA	X				\$17,000.00	\$12,434.96
Central Landscaping	Pricville, IL		X			\$20,000.00	\$5,725.00
James H. Drew Corporation	Indianapolis, IN		X			\$31,100.00	
Great Lakes Soil & Testing	Burr Ridge, IL		X		X	\$5,000.00	\$518.35
R. Harker Construction	Crown Point, IN		X			\$257,183.00	\$180,039.00

SUBCONTRACTING PLAN COMPARISON:

	PLAN		ACTUAL TO DATE	
	\$	%	\$	%
TOTAL SUBCONTRACTING	\$429,600.00	25.91%	\$360,283.00	21.73%
LARGE BUSINESS	\$76,500.00	4.61%	\$17,000.00	1.03%
SMALL BUSINESS	\$353,100.00	21.30%	\$343,183.00	20.70%
NON-DISADVANTAGED SMALL	\$348,100.00	21.00%	\$81,000.00	4.89%
DISADVANTAGED SMALL	\$5,000.00	0.30%	\$5,000.00	0.30%

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LITTLE CALUMET RIVER FLOOD PROJECT - LEVEE CONSTRUCTION BURR BETTERMENT FEBRUARY 2001 MINORITY UTILIZATION UPDATE

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Harold Mayfield
NAME

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DATE

**LITTLE CALUMET RIVER FLOOD PROTECTION & RECREATION PROJECT
MINORITY UTILIZATION UPDATE**

February, 2001

CONTRACT NO. DACW27-00-C-0035
LOCATION Highland and Hammond Sanitary Districts, Lake County, Indiana
CONTRACTOR Thiesman Construction, Inc.
CONTRACT AMOUNT \$1,983,400.00

Pump Sta. 1A

1. LABOR UTILIZATION STATUS:

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	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE
Laborer	267	362	0	0	88.5	92.5	0	0	0	0	32.40%	25.55%	0	0
Carpenter	320	521.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.125	0.076702
Operator	0	9.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0
Electrician	76	299	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Pipefitter	270	270	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Mason	7.5	7.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
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	405871	0	0	398479	97.7	0	0	0	0

SUBCONTRACTS (AT ANY TIER) AWARDED UNDER THIS CONTRACT

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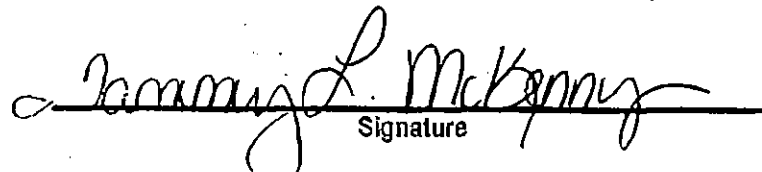
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DISADVANTAGED SMALL				

ACTIONS TAKEN TO PROMOTE MINORITY PARTICIPATION (WORKFORCE AND SUBCONTRACTING)

(As a minimum, the Contractor shall address the items listed in subparagraphs (g) (1) through (16) found in Contract Clause entitled AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION in Section 00700 of the contract. The Contractor shall attach all necessary documentation to this report in support of it's claimed efforts and actions to comply with the referenced subparagraphs.)

I declare under penalty of perjury, pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 1746, that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Signature

MINORITY UTILIZATION UPDATE

February, 2001

CONTRACTOR: THIENEMAN CONSTRUCTION, INC.

ADDRESS: 320 E. INDUSTRIAL DRIVE, GRIFFITH, IN 46319

PHONE: 219/922-7295

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER PUMP STATIONS REHAB. PHASE 1B, HIGHLAND AND HAMMOND SAINTARY DISTRICTS, LAKE CO. INDIANA

CONTRACT # DACW27-00-C-0036

N. 5th Pump Sta.

VENDOR	LOCATION	LARGE BUSINESS	SMALL BUSINESS	WBE	MBE	AWARD AMOUNT	PAYMENT TO DATE
Austgen Electric	801 East Main Street Griffith, IN		X			\$318,779.00	
Prism Painting	388 Kennedy Avenue Schererville, IN		X			\$31,800.00	
Area Sheet Metal	409 Shelby Street Hobart, IN		X			\$37,200.00	
Diamond Concrete Cutting	10640 S. Buffalo Avenue Chicago, IL		X			\$9,192.00	
Lazzaro	5880 Broadway Merrillville, In		X			\$4,900.00	
JM Argenta	5713 Harrison Street Merrilville, In		X			\$3,800.00	
Gateway Erectors	1530 Huntington Drive Calumet City, IL		X			59.00/hour	

LAND MANAGEMENT REPORT
For meeting on Thursday, April 5, 2001

(Information in this report is from February 27, 2001 – March 23, 2001))

*Check w/ Ewen
with 10da. to see
if he can advance
funds*

NON-PROJECT LAND MANAGEMENT

A. Handicapped-Accessible Park

1. A meeting was held March 27th with LCRBDC and LEL to discuss the park. It was agreed to recommend to the Board members to construct the park in 2 phases. Phase I will use the existing equipment already purchased by the School and complete site preparation with additional playground equipment ramps. LCRBDC will attend River Forest School Board meeting on April 24th at 7 p.m. LEL will work with LCRBDC attorney on new agreement to reimburse us for cost. More to discuss at Board meeting.

B. Chase Street to Grant Street land management issues

1. LCRBDC confirmed that we own the land (Don Ewen parcel DC83), and have an easement agreement with INDOT for the property necessary to construct a new pump station west of Grant and south of the Little Calumet River.
 - Refer to Engineering Report for engineering/land acquisition information

PROJECT RELATED LAND MANAGEMENT

A. O&M (Project manual review/accepting completed segments)

1. It is anticipated to start accepting levee segments (after inspections are completed and found acceptable) as early as **July 2001**.
2. The LCRBDC agreed that we would initially inspect and accept the projects on an individual basis to relieve the contractor of his obligations. However, we will require a procedure to mutually sign off with the COE to accept O & M responsibility. (Ongoing)
3. We sent a letter to the COE on February 14, 2001 enclosing information from IDEM on controlled burns dated January 31, 2001. We have been awaiting written response from the COE on this issue for over 2 years. (No response as of March 30, 2001.)

B. Mitigation (entire project area)

1. Shirley Heinze Foundation president Ron Trigg has spoken with Dan. SHEF has two concerns: Would SHEF have a certain input as to the COE/Contractor's construction of the wetlands, how would SHEF fund maintenance of Hobart Marsh lands after construction. No action, however, can be taken on mitigation until funding crisis is resolved.

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C. Emergency Management/River Monitoring

1. It is our intent to update the current computer equipment for the city of Hammond and to install the new equipment for monitoring for Gary at the Gary Sanitary District no later than **July, 2001**. COE will provide equipment, hook-up, and training at their cost.
 - It is our understanding that the GSD will expect compensation for monitoring river levels as part of the emergency response participation plan.
 - The LCRBDC will approach the city of Gary to discuss this situation, and the overall participation by the city of Gary and GSD to help with O&M responsibilities **in summer of 2001**.
2. LCRBDC has reviewed COE mapping which shows locations of road closings, sandbagging, and emergency response locations. A plan to coordinate each community flood event response needs to be formulated.
 - LCRBDC will break this down by community and then have a coordination meeting.

D. Lake Erie Land Company

1. Northwest Indiana River Corridor Partnership is still working on a map of mitigation areas. No meeting in February 2001.

E. A meeting was held with Ed Marcin of the Lamar Advertising Company (formerly WHITECO) on January 28, 2000 to review turnover of WHITECO signs to LAMAR Advertising.

1. **LCRBDC is accountable for costs incurred by LAMAR to remove signs on previously acquired properties. The amount of \$124,825 needs to be re-calculated. LAMAR agreed to complete this. As of March 30th, we've had no response.**
2. **We are now closing on two properties (DC816 & DC707) that have LAMAR signs. They want new leases on these signs. To end this long-standing financial obligation, LCRBDC has told LAMAR we will not sign new leases until a correct new balance is submitted on the old leases.**

F. Gary Sanitary District (White River Environmental Partners (WREP)) O&M

1. A field meeting was held with Dean Button (WREP) on August 24th to review security for all (4) east reach pump stations. The LCRBDC has agreed to install fencing and locks as necessary to secure the stations and their equipment.
 - Agreements were signed with the Hammond Fence Company for \$5,000 to provide security for the Broadway, Burr and Grant Streets pump stations.
 - **Work started on March 1st, 2001. Work completed on March 21, 2001 – inspection scheduled for April 3, 2001.**

LAND ACQUISITION REPORT

For meeting on Thursday, April 5, 2001

(Information in this report is from February 27, 2001 – March 23, 2001)

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

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

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

1. 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:

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

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

1. Project completed September 15, 1998.
Rausch Construction – Contract price \$4,186,071

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.)
3. University Park Medical Center (DC-538)
 - Wrote a letter to the COE on December 29, 2000 enclosing the new location & topographical survey. The Med Center added approximately 2' of fill to expand their parking facilities that would also raise it above the 100-year event. We requested eliminating this acquisition. (Awaiting response from COE as of **March 30**)

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

1. The final inspection was made on May 18th, 2000 – completion and turnover of O&M manuals was done on November 21, 2000.
2. The re-location of the recreation trail due to the crossing at Grant St. would require agreements with the city of Gary to be able to cross Grant St. at the light at 32nd Ave.
 - A meeting with Gas City was held on January 23, 2001 to review their re-consideration to installing a trail east of their truck stop (Refer to Recreation Report).
 - If this is agreed upon, we will need to pursue additional acquisition for the trail from the city of Gary and the work may be done as part of the Stage III Remediation project scheduled for Spring 2001.
 - **A meeting is scheduled on April 12, 2001, to review our proposals for trails at Broadway & East of Grant. (See Recreation Report)**

STATUS (Stage III) – Chase to Grant:

1. Levee construction completed on May 6, 1994.
Kiewit Construction – Contract price \$6,564,520
2. Final acquisitions for flowage easements east of Chase and north of the river are ongoing (DC209 to DC213)

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 substantial completion of project is **June 2001**.

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

1. Bids were reviewed and Dyer Construction is the contractor. Work started on May 23rd, 2000 – 450 days to complete project (see Engineering Report).

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

1. All construction is currently completed. Pump test has been completed. (Refer to Engineering Report)

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

1. Construction is complete. (Refer to Engineering Report)

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

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

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

1. Modified legal descriptions for the Tri-State Bus Terminal are anticipated for completion by March 30, 2001. Appraisal process will begin then.
2. Wicker Park appraisal is ongoing.
3. COE Engineering will move the K-Mart recreation trail as far west as possible to minimize taking of parking spaces and reducing impact to tire center at southwest corner of property.
 - As of **March 30, 2001**, we are awaiting the modifications from the COE.

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

1. A meeting was held with Ted Nugent of The Nugent Golf Associates on March 5, 2001, to present information in order that he can perform a physical impact and mitigation study on Woodmar Country Club.

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

1. Dale Kleszynski has assigned the second batch of appraisals. This Stage, VII-1, has 11 corporate appraisals. Land values are high in this section and could be a future problem. Offers cannot be made due to our funding crisis.
2. Surveys and legal descriptions for properties owned by Highland (parks, public works, and the town) total approximately 66 acres that will be needed for our project.
 - Appraisal process will begin in early to mid April.

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

1. We received a letter from Komark Business Co. on November 17th, 2000, regarding concerns of preliminary real estate design from the COE West of Cline and South of NIPSCO R/W.
2. We are still awaiting final engineering drawings to review.

STATUS (Stage VII) – Northcote to Columbia:

1. Review of the real estate AE drawings was completed on December 8th, 2000, and drawings were found to be totally inadequate.
 - The COE received revised real estate drawings from Earth Tech on February 20. The COE will submit them to the LCRBDC for our review and comments.

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

1. Muta Advertising is concerned about possible project impacts to his property (letter dated 8/22/00). We'll meet with him after COE completes hydrology review in this area (Ongoing)

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.

1. Construction started on July 28, 2000 (Refer to Engineering Report for details)

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 **August** 2001; award contract by September 2001; and a construction start of **November** 2001 – 360 days to complete. (14 acquisitions remaining.)

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

1. Due to the funding crisis and Burr Street levee and in-project mitigation acquisitions being priorities, the 27 flowage acquisitions in the ERR are "On Hold" for now.

WEST REACH PUMP STATIONS – PHASE 1A

1. These stations include Baring, Hohman-Munster, Walnut and South Kennedy.
2. Refer to Engineering Report.

WEST REACH PUMP STATIONS – PHASE 1B

1. These stations include 81st Street (Highland) and S.E. Hessville (Hammond)
2. Refer to Engineering Report.

MITIGATION

1. Conservation Design Forum (CDF) submitted their plans/designs for the in-project mitigation tracts to LCRBDC on 2/23/01. A "plan-in-hand" coordination meeting scheduled for March 6th was cancelled. No new meeting date has been set at this time.

Nugent Golf Associates

March 6, 2001

*Scope of work
for Woodmar
Country Club
"golf course
architect"
Jim Nugent*

for 3/12/01

Mr. Dan Gardner
Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission
6100 South Port Road
Portage, IN 46368

Dear Mr. Gardner:

Thank you for taking the time to meet with me and providing the background information pertaining to Woodmar Country Club and the Little Calumet Flood Control project.

Based on this information, my understanding of the project is that the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission is charged with acquiring land and easements to allow the Army Corps of Engineers to effect a regional flood control project.

The Army Corps of Engineers has prepared plans that will impact the southern section of the Woodmar Country Club. While this section of the Woodmar Club periodically floods in its present condition, the Army Corps of Engineers' plan will cause future flooding to be higher, but for a shorter duration. Therefore, it is the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission's goal to assess the impact that the Corps project will have on Woodmar and to develop a plan to mitigate that impact.

To this end, Nugent Golf Associates will perform a physical impact and mitigation study. This study will contain the following elements:

- A. Collect, review and study the existing site information, including a site visit. This will include, but not be limited to, existing conditions, the Corps flood control plans and how the two interact.
- B. Develop a golf course impact plan which identifies how the present golf course holes will be impacted and what this impact means to the playability of impacted holes.
- C. Develop a golf course mitigation plan which would show how the proposed impact to Woodmar Country Club could be mitigated, striving to not lessen the playability of the affected holes.
- D. Review the mitigation concept plan with the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission staff and the Army Corps of Engineers to ascertain plan viability.

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E. Make any modifications to the Plan stemming from the review.

F. Assemble a cost of remediation and a timeline for the work.

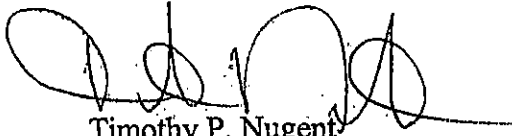
This information will be submitted in report form to the Authority so that it's appraiser can include the findings in his settlement proposal.

Our fee for this work is \$12,500.00. We anticipate that it will take 4-6 weeks to complete, once we have received the base information.

If this is agreeable to you, please sign one copy of this letter and return it to our office. We look forward to assisting you with this project.

Sincerely,

NUGENT GOLF ASSOCIATES


Timothy P. Nugent
President

Agreed to this 27th day of MARCH,
2001.

By 

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Nugent Golf Associates

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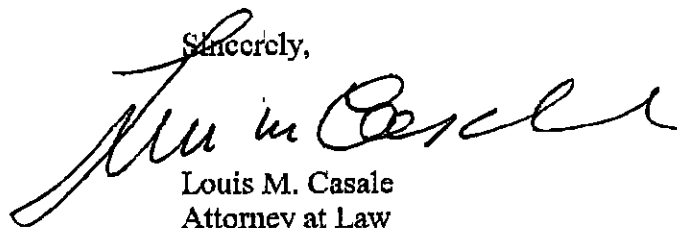
RE: Woodmar Golf Course Appraisal

Dear Ken:

As part of the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission's appraisal process, our appraiser has retained Nugent Golf Associates as a subcontractor to develop a physical impact and mitigation study pertaining to the acquisition and construction at the golf course. Mr. Tim Nugent has requested permission to examine the golf course at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, April 2, 2001. I and/or staff members of the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission will probably accompany Mr. Nugent. If this is acceptable, please contact me so we can make arrangements to rendezvous with Mr. Nugent at the clubhouse at said time and date.

I await hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Louis M. Casale
Attorney at Law

LMC/amo

cc: Judy Vamos, LCRBDC (via facsimile)

PROJECT ENGINEERING
MONTHLY STATUS REPORT
For meeting on Thursday, April 5, 2001

(Information in this report is from February 27, 2001 – March 23, 2001)

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

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

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

1. 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

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

1. Dyer Construction – Final contract cost \$1,292,066
 - Overrun (over original bid) \$200,016Project 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 **July of 2001.**

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

1. The final inspection, and punch list items have been completed. We received a letter from the COE on November 22nd, 2000, indicating Webb Construction has completed this work in accordance with the provisions of the plans and specs.
 - 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. (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 **July, 2001.**

STATUS (STAGE III) Chase to Grant Street:

1. Project completed on May 6th, 1994.
Kiewit Construction – Contract price \$6,564,520.
2. **STAGE III DRAINAGE REMEDIATION PLAN.**
 - A. The COE has agreed to engineer and design the stormwater pump station West of Grant and South of the line of protection.
 1. **The COE submitted the 50% review plans and specs on March 12, 2001 with a request to complete this by March 30, 2001.**
 2. A meeting **was held** on February 6th at the Gary City Engineers Office to coordinate a utility field check.
 - B. Technical review meeting discussed remediation plan on November 1st, 2000.
 - COE estimates approx. \$1 million to do this work. \$800,000 for ditches and pumps, \$50,000 to engineer an 18,500 GPM pump station West of Grant St. & Remainder toward work with the City of Gary.
 - **A letter was sent to the COE on March 23, 2001, requesting cost/budget information on remaining money for this work and whether it will be enough to complete the “East Reach Construction Clean-Up Project.”**

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 3rd, 1999, was awarded to Dillon Contractors on November 30th, 1999, and received the notice to proceed on January 14th, 2000. (Project currently approx. **95%** complete.) Projected completion **by May 1, 2001**, when the weather permits.
 - The contractor is currently working on clean-up and minor punch list items.
 - Fine grading and seeding **has been completed.**
 - Anticipate a **June** inspection.
 - **Contractor responsible for removing unsuitable material from overburden storage area at 35th & Chase as part of the final inspection.**
 - B. The low bidder was Dillon Contractors, Inc. 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. **On March 6, 2001, it was brought to our attention by the COE, that we were having erosion problems in the drainage ditch (sloughing) and we would try seeding to cure this problem.**

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

1. The pre-bid meeting was held on February 23rd, 2000. Bid due date is March 7th, 2000, price range \$5 - \$10 million – small business set aside
 - A. Dyer Construction was low bidder at approximately \$3.8 million. The COE estimate for this project was \$4.2 million.
 - B. Overall construction is approx. 70% complete, approx. all of the clay is placed, sheet piling is approx. 80% completed. Colfax to Calhoun Streets piling is approx. 95% complete.
 - An inspection is anticipated for Fall, 2001.
2. 450 days to complete (September 2001 completion of landscaping.)
3. We received a cost estimate from the EJ & E RR on July 8th, 2000, in the amount of \$22,758. (This is anticipated to be done in the spring 2001)
 - We are awaiting a cost estimate from the N.S.RR to do the work on their adjacent spur, and a letter of authorization allowing the EJ&E to do the work with their labor.
 - This work is anticipated to start in early Summer, 2001.
 - **An additional request to the NSRR was sent out on March 22, 2001 to get their authorization.**

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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. A meeting was held on February 8th, 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 **summer** of 2001; anticipated completion **summer** of 2001.
3. A final inspection will be scheduled with the LCRBDC and the COE for this entire project, including the pump station in spring of 2001.

STATUS (Stage IV Phase 2B) Clark to Chase

1. 100% of levee construction has been completed, and the projected overall completion is for the **summer** of 2001. A final inspection will be held approximately **mid-July** with the LCRBDC prior to turnover.
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. **A meeting was held with the COE and Dyer Construction on March 8, 2001, to turn over equipment for operating the sluice gates.**

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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 9th, 2000
 - The low bidder is Dyer Construction.
 - Government estimate is \$2,108,500 and Dyer bid \$2,078,523.
2. Overall construction is approx. **80%** complete, and the overall construction is expected to be completed in August 2001.
 - The clay base plate is installed and approx. 90% overall of the clay is placed.
 - **The road raise at Colfax started on March 14, 2001 and all stockpiled material has been installed and graded.**
 - The cutoff wall for the EJ&E embankment started in mid-October and is completed on both sides. Cutoff work has been done on the Griffith side. Earthwork on both sides is scheduled to start **March 28, 2001**.
3. **A meeting was held with NIPSCO and Ameritech on March 21, 2001 to review the pole line relocations on both sides of Colfax due to the road raising.**
4. We received a copy of a letter from the engineering firm representing Richard Kortenhoven to the DNR dated January 16, 2001 requesting a permit to install a culvert west of the EJ&E RR
 - A meeting is scheduled for **April 3, 2001** with the COE, Dyer Construction, and town of Griffith to discuss impacts to our contract and construction costs – **on April 3, 2001**.

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 complete 50% engineering by **May** of 2001; award contract by **September** 2001; and a construction start of **November** 2001 – 360 days to complete.
2. The projected government estimate for this project is approximately \$2.4 million.

STATUS (Stage V Phase 1) Wicker Park Manor:

1. Project completed on September 14, 1995.
Dyer Construction – Contract price \$998,630
2. Phillips Pipeline directional bore under the existing levee is currently being engineered by Phillips. Awaiting their design and cost by **June**, 2001.
 - **As of March 23, 2001, a temporary hold has been put on this engineering request due to current funding restrictions.**

STATUS (Stage V Phase 2):

1. At the June 7th, 2000 partnering meeting, the current schedule shows a March 2002 advertising date.
2. A letter was sent to the COE on June 21st enclosing the location survey work for the Tri-State bus terminal. Asked for engineering re-considerations for the location of the I-wall.
 - We received modified real estate requirements due to engineering revisions in December 2000 and will have modified legals by **April**. **(This will include Tri-State and K-Mart Properties.)**

3. A utility coordination meeting was held on November 16th, 2000 with all pipelines, utilities, etc. that will be impacted in the NIPSCO corridor West of Kennedy Ave.
 - A. We have received cost information from the pipeline companies to do the work necessary to accommodate I-walls. The total cost in this corridor and for 2 directional bores west of the RR will total approximately \$1.1 million.
 - B. We had a field meeting with Badger Daylighting on February 14, 2001 to review the scope of work and anticipate a cost estimate no later than **April 2**.

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 7th, 2000 partnering meeting, the schedule shows a March 2002 advertising date.
2. Appraisal work ongoing (refer to Land Acquisition report).

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

1. A utility coordination meeting was held with the Town of Highland and City of Hammond on September 12th, 2000, to update original Stage VI – plans from 1996 and gather information on new or proposed utilities.
2. Legal descriptions North of the river have been completed by GLE, and legals South of the river have been completed by DLZ.
 - Some modifications to real estate are ongoing (Refer to Land Acquisition Report)

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. **LCRBDC wrote a letter to the COE on March 8, 2001, regarding the inadequacy of the 50% BCOE responses to our 50% review.** **6**
3. We received a letter from INDOT to Rani Engineering on January 8, 2001 indicating their concerns regarding culverts & recreational proposals.
 - **A meeting is scheduled with Rani, the COE, INDOT, and the LCRBDC on April 11, 2001 to review these and other engineering issues.** **7**
4. **A letter was sent to the COE on March 22, 2001, responding to a request regarding engineering information on the Hartsdale Pond.** **8**

STATUS (Stage VII) Northcote to Columbia:

1. The final contract with Earth Tech to do the A/E work for this stage/phase of construction was signed and submitted by the COE on December 21st, 1999.
2. We received a request for a 75% review from the COE on January 16, 2001 along with their comments and responses to our 50% review.
 - We sent a letter to the COE on February 1 with comments to their 75% submittal indicating a number of concerns and requesting another review opportunity prior to the 100% review.
3. A public meeting will be scheduled with both communities around the middle of **May**. (This will be after the **75% BCOE** review process).

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 a letter from SEH to the COE (dated January 31, 2001) on February 5, 2001 along with utility responses indicating additional follow-up and coordination will be required.

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

1. Dyer Construction is the contractor. Construction was started on September 13th, 1999, and was completed in December, 2000 excluding minor punch list items.
2. Contract price - \$1,657,913
Extras - \$145,483
Balance (to be paid to contractor) - \$287,950
3. The entire project is completed with the exception of minor gate and sign installations. Anticipated inspection should be scheduled for May 2001 when the weather permits and the signage & seeding are done..
 - We received a copy of a letter from the COE to Dyer Construction dated March 22, 2001 including the remaining punch list items.
4. A meeting was held with the COE and Dyer Construction on March 8, 2001 to turn over equipment for operating the sluice gates.

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). Notice to proceed issued November 7th, 2000 – 700 days to complete – October 2002. Successful bidder was Overstreet Construction.
 - A. A pre-construction meeting was held on November 27th, 2000, to discuss scheduling, establish points of contact, and coordination.
 1. Anticipated start for Baring is July 2001, Hohman/Munster in August 2001, and S. Kennedy and Walnut in September 2001. Anticipated completion is October 2002.
3. A partnering meeting was held with the COE, Overstreet, LCRBDC, and the HSD on March 7, 2001.

West Reach Pump Stations – Phase 1B:

1. The Two (2) pump stations included in this contract are S.E. Hessville (Hammond), and 81st Street (Highland).
 - The 81st Street Pump Station is approximately 45% complete.
 - The S.E. Hessville Pump Station approximately 10% complete.
2. The current COE schedule, as per our January 26th, 2000 coordination meeting, is to start construction by late September – 350 days to complete.
 - Pumps have been ordered and are expected for delivery in the late spring of 2001.
3. Thieneman Construction (from Griffith, IN) was the successful bidder.
 - The government estimate was \$2,092,000
The low bid was \$1,963,400, which was under estimated by \$128,600

4. We received a status report from the COE for S.E. Hessville and 81st Street on **March 21, 2001. (See W. Reach Pumps – General)**

West Reach Pump Stations – General

1. We received an e-mail from the COE on January 2, 2001 with a breakdown of pump disposal for each project (who keeps the existing pumps after removal- the contractor or the community).
2. **We received a monthly update from the COE on March 21, 2001, for all (3) existing West Reach Pump Station contracts.**

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North Fifth Avenue Pump Station:

1. The Town of Highland submitted a letter to the COE dated December 8th, 2000, requesting that the electric transformer cost of \$120,000 be part of the project.
 - The LCRBDC wrote a letter to the COE on January 23 requesting that rather than us entering into an agreement with Highland (as a utility re-locate) the costs be treated as a project cost. (No response as of **March 23, 2001.**)
 - **A fax was sent to the COE on March 8, 2001, again requesting this information and also enclosing information from Highland (Nies engineering) providing a status report with NIPSCO.**
2. The bid opening for North 5th was on February 6, 2001. The government estimate without profit is \$2,662,000. The low bid was Overstreet Construction at \$2,387,500. This was \$274,500 under the government estimate (Not including profit).

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GENERAL:

1. Utility Re-locations:
 - A. **On March 13, 2001, a utility coordination meeting was held with the LCRBDC and the COE to discuss utility status and how to track each relocation.**
 - **This procedure was submitted to the COE for review on March 15, 2001.**
 - **Compensability for utility relocations was also discussed and milestones were presented for review to Don Valk and the COE on March 20, 2001.**

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
CHICAGO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
111 NORTH CANAL STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606-7206
March 12, 2001

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

Planning Programs and Project
Management Division

Mr. Jim Pokrajac
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission
6100 Southport Road
Portage, Indiana 46368

Subject: Little Calumet River, Stage III Drainage Remediation, 50% BOCE
Submittal

Dear Mr. Pokrajac:

Enclosed with this letter is the Stage III Drainage Remediation 50% Biddability, constructability, operability and Environmental (BCOE) set of plans and specifications. Please review this set and provide us your written comments no later than 30 March 2001. We do anticipate to hold a meeting on the third week of April to discuss these comments and our responses to them. I will contact you to set a date mutually agreeable to everyone. I just want to note that this set does not include the Grant Street Pump Station. An earlier submittal of the pump station was provided.

If you have any questions please contact me at 312-353-6400 ext. 1809.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Imad N. Samara", is written over a large, stylized "X" or "Z" mark.

Imad N. Samara
Project Manager

CF: Jim Flora, R W Armstrong
Jay Niec, Greeley and Hansen
Aravind Muzumdar, North West Engineering



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March 23, 2001

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

Dear Imad:

Currently, the Army Corps is completing the engineering and design for the Stage III remediation area pump station for the city of Gary. In addition, we have received your plans for installing additional lift stations and ditch work in the same area to remediate local drainage problems caused by our project. My understanding, at this point in time, is that our ditch and pump work is currently estimated to be approximately \$800,000, and the engineering for the Gary pump station will be \$50,000. How much money will be left to complete the "miscellaneous clean-up" project we have discussed in the past, and will the LCRBDC be responsible to financially participate in this work?

Referring to my letter to you dated December 28, 2000 (copy attached), we would be including 10 miscellaneous items that would include paving of recreational trail ramps, recreational trail access ramps, fencing, removal of settlement gauges, additional signage, and security to prevent people from entering completed levee segments in addition to other items. Do you feel we have enough money left to complete the above mentioned "miscellaneous clean-up" project?

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

/sjm
attach.

cc: Jan Plachta
Tom Deja
Jim Flora

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FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

To: DAVE ORRISON Date: MARCH 22, 2001
Company: N.S.R.R. From: JIM DOKRAJAC
Fax # (404) 658-1335 Subject: LETTER TO ALLOW E.J. & E.
TO WORK ON TRACKS

Total number of pages including
this cover sheet: (1)

(Sent)

Comments:

DAVE,
WE ANTICIPATE THE DRIVING OF SHEET PILING IN THE
AREA WEST OF THE WIND RADIO TOWERS BY AS EARLY
AS MID-APRIL. WE REALLY NEED A LETTER FROM YOU
A.S.A.P. THAT WOULD ALLOW THE E.J. & E. TO MOVE YOUR
SECTION OF RAILS (AND REPLACE THEM) TO ALLOW US TO
DO OUR WORK. I'LL BE GONE DURING THE WEEK OF
MARCH 26-30 & BE BACK ON APRIL 2. I APPRECIATE
ALL YOU CAN DO TO HELP US.

THANKS,
JIM

PLEASE DELIVER PROMPTLY

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

8 March 2001

SUBJECT: Transfer of Spare Parts and Tools

PROJECT: Local Flood Protection
Little Calumet River, IN.
Stage 4 Phase 2B
DACW27-97-0026

The contractor has provided in accordance with the contract Plans and Specifications one set wrenches and special tools required for the operation and maintenance of the sluice gates installed. The following list of tools will be turned-over to the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission, for the above reference project.

1 each 1 1/4" Drill Motor with mechanical torque limiting device.

1 each Side handle for drill motor

1 each Drill support tripod

3 each Hand cranks

1 each Hatch cover key with plug

1 each Electric Cord on Reel

I have conducted a joint inventory of the items listed above with Mr. James Pokrajac and have verified all of the items are in compliance with the contract plans and specifications and ready for turn over.

Edmund J. Karwatka
Construction Representative

SIGNATURE: Edmund J. Karwatka DATE: 8 MAR. 01

I have conducted a 100% inventory of the items listed above and except full responsibility for the items.

James E. Pokrajac
Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

SIGNATURE: James E. Pokrajac DATE: 3/8/01

From: Gary L Hanten <glhante@ppco.com>
To: Manuel H Cortez <mhcorte@ppco.com>; Robert L Hardt <rlhardt@ppco.com>
Cc: littlecal@nirpc.org <littlecal@nirpc.org>; Craig K Diekroeger
<ckdiekr@ppco.com>; Clarence A Hill <cahill@ppco.com>
Date: Friday, March 23, 2001 11:09 AM
Subject: Little Calumet River Cost Estimate

Fyi

Window of opportunity has closed on short term funding of cost
estimating/pre engineering work.

Per Jim Pokrajac, please hold off further activity until we are contacted
again by

Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission. They are in funding
crunk with the projects
presently authorized.

Gary Hanten
East Chicago Terminal
219-397-6666 ext. 304 (fax) 219-397-0706



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

Dear Imad:

On February 27, 2001 we received your responses to our comments for the 50% plans and specifications for Stage VI Phase 2 (as engineered by RANI ENGINEERING). Upon reviewing these responses, we feel that of the 50 comments we submitted, 29 of these were responded to with "Discuss" or "Discuss with the Corps". We feel that many of these issues need to be addressed prior to proceeding to the 100% BCOE stage of design. In addition, there are several specific items that did not adequately address our comments as follows:

- Item 1.c. - Utility relocation will require more than just notifying the utility about the project.
- Item 2.a. - The question was about adequate capacity in the 24" storm sewer, not the pump station.
- Item 8 - Slopes flatter than 1V to 2.5H need to be discussed.
- Item 17.c. - We requested a minimum of 18 months to obtain the ROE. Your response was "Corps" (what does that mean?)

We have also been copied on email regarding the coordination with INDOT regarding the recreational trail crossing at Cline Avenue and the recreational trail coordination in the area between Cline Avenue and the EJ&E. None of these items have been adequately addressed, nor have any meetings been held.

In summary, we feel that a meeting should be held with the appropriate parties and RANI ENGINEERING to resolve these issues prior to proceeding any further with engineering. We feel that a conference call would not adequately address these concerns. Please contact me in order that we may proceed in a timely manner and facilitate this meeting. Any questions you may have, please contact me.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

/sjm

cc: William White
Jan Plachta
Tim Kroll
Jim Flora

From: Little Calument <littlecal@nirpc.org>
To: Imad Samara <Imad.samara@usace.army.mil>;
Chrystal.L.Spokane@usace.army.mil <Chrystal.L.Spokane@usace.army.mil>;
Jan.S.Plachta@lrc02.usace.army.mil <Jan.S.Plachta@lrc02.usace.army.mil>;
Tim.Kroll@usace.army.mil <Tim.Kroll@usace.army.mil>
Date: Tuesday, March 20, 2001 2:10 PM
Subject: Fw: Engineering Coordination Meeting

Imad:

As per your request, we have moved the meeting for Stage VI Phase 2 from the 9th to the 11th of April. We received confirmation that Don Abraham can attend and will be at the meeting at 9:30 a.m. Will you please pass this information onto whomever else, in addition to whom we've copied, should attend this meeting. Will you also provide an agenda and directions to the Griffith COE office to Mr. Abraham.

Thanks,
Jim Pokrajac

-----Original Message-----

From: ABRAHAM, DON <DABRAHAM@indot.state.in.us>
To: 'Little Calument' <littlecal@nirpc.org>
Date: Monday, March 19, 2001 4:23 PM
Subject: RE: Engineering Coordination Meeting

Jim,

April 11, 2001, 9:30 AM is okay with me.

Please do send directions to the COE office and an agenda.

Thank you,
Don Abraham
Development Engineer
LaPorte District

-----Original Message-----

From: Little Calument [mailto:littlecal@nirpc.org]
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2001 4:12 PM
To: dabraham@indot.state.in.us
Subject: Engineering Coordination Meeting

Dear Don:

Our originally scheduled meeting for Monday, April 9th at 9:30 a.m. has been moved to Wednesday, April 11th at 9:30 a.m. at the Griffith Army Corps of Engineers office. If this change meets your schedule, please contact me and I will provide you with an agenda and directions to get to the COE office. Either email us back or call me at 219/763-0696.

Jim Pokrajac



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March 23, 2001

Mr. Imad Samara
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
111 N. Canal Street
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Dear Imad:

I received an email from Tim Kroll on March 20, 2001 regarding the Kennedy Avenue borrow site topo drawing for Stage VI Phase 2. I am writing this letter to provide you with the most current information regarding this request. This site is currently referred to as the Hartsdale Pond, not the Kennedy Avenue borrow site, and the town of Highland is not executing a contract to construct the pump station but the Lake County Surveyor's Office is coordinating this project and the land is currently owned by the Lake County Board of Commissioners.

It is my understanding, in a conversation with the Lake County Surveyor's Office, that the pumps should be in place this year and the water will be pumped down and kept down as much as possible to allow detention storage during major storm events. When adjacent water levels go down, this pond will be pumped down into these tributaries as soon as possible. When the pond is dry enough, it is the intent of the County to take additional soil borings and obtain topographical data that could be made available for our use. Currently, the available topographical data may not be totally accurate. The Surveyor's Office also indicated that the data you requested is not available in a computerized format adaptable for CAD.

If you have any additional questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

/sjm

cc: George Van Til, Lake County Surveyor
Jan Plachta, COE
Leslie Bush, COE
Tim Kroll, COE



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
CHICAGO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606-7206

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

MAR 22 2001

SUBJECT: Contract No. DACW27-99-C-0040
Local Flood Protection
Little Calumet River, Indiana
East Reach Remediation; Preliminary Punch-list

Ms. Janet Furman
Dyer Construction Company, Inc.
1716 Sheffield Avenue
Dyer, Indiana 46311

Dear Ms. Furman:

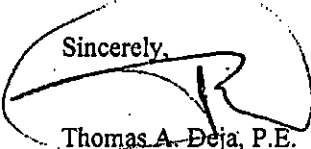
The following are the remaining punch-list items identified by Mr. Curtis Lee under the subject contract, that must be completed before scheduling a final inspection by representatives of USACE, LCRBDC and Dyer Construction Company, Inc.

1. Complete As-Built Drawing.
2. Furnish and Install Missing Stem Cover at Gate Well Structure in accordance with contract specification (Section 15050-8 para. 2.4.2.6 Stem Cover).
3. Furnish and Install Missing Pedestal Lift Indicator at the Gate Well Structure and Inlet Box Structure in accordance with contract specifications (Section 15050-8 para. 2.4.3.1).
4. Fill in ruts and low spots throughout the crest of the levee.
5. Some miscellaneous metal items (Post and Mounting Brackets at the Gate Well Structure and Swing Gates) that were field welded and galvanized have developed rust spots. Remove the rust, correctly prepare the metal, and re-galvanize these items.

It is requested that you complete these items as soon as possible, so that the final inspection maybe accomplished, the project turned over to the LCRBDC, and the contract financially closed out.

If you have any questions concerning this punch-list, please contact Mr. Curtis Lee at (219) 923-1763/4.

Sincerely,


Thomas A. Deja, P.E.
Authorized Representative
of the Contracting Officer

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CELRC-CO-C (Closing File)
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CELRC-CO-S (Misc. Corr. - Closing File)
CELRC-CO-S (C. Lee)
LCRBDC (J. Pokrajac)

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

8 March 2001

SUBJECT: Transfer of Spare Parts and Tools

PROJECT: Local Flood Protection
Little Calumet River, IN.
East Reach Remediation
DACW27-99-C-0040

The contractor has provided in accordance with the contract Plans and Specifications one set wrenches and special tools required for the operation and maintenance of the sluice gates installed. The following list of tools will be turned-over to the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission, for the above reference project.

- 1 each 1 1/4" Milwaukee Drill with Mechanical Torque Limiting Device
- 1 each Drill Support TRI POD
- 2 each Hand Cranks
- 1 each Tool Box
- 1 set Allen Wrench's 1/16" thru 3/8"
- 2 each 8" Crescent Wrench's
- 1 each 18" Crescent Wrench's
- 1 each Master Lock with 2 keys
- 1 each 24oz Ball Pein Hammer
- 1 each 1" Round 12" Long Steel Pin
- 1 each Electric Cord on Reel

I have conducted a joint inventory of the items listed above with Mr. James Pokrajac and have verified all of the items are in compliance with the contract plans and specifications and ready for turn over.

Curtis A. Lee
Construction Representative

SIGNATURE: 

DATE: 3/8/01

I have conducted a 100% inventory of the items listed above and except full responsibility for the items.

James E. Pokrajac
Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

SIGNATURE: 

DATE: 3/8/01

From: Craib, Robert A LRC <Robert.A.Craib@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
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Date: Wednesday, March 21, 2001 4:04 PM
Subject: RE: Pump Station Rehab Status 3/21/01

Hi Jim,

Pump Rehab 1B Contract

81st Station - 45%+- complete to date.

1. Both dry weather pumps and 100%+- of their discharge piping have been installed.
2. No Change... Wet well access cover installation (concrete work) is 95%+- complete.
3. No Change... Discharge box modifications (concrete work) is 20%+- complete.
4. Storm water pump delivery is being delayed. Their discharge piping is currently stored on site.
5. Standby pumps are site and installation is being delayed.
6. Delay in the installation of SWP pump and motor removal and installation. Delay due to DWP motor rotating in the wrong direction. Solution is being reviewed by contractor and will be provided to the COE soon.
7. Startup of DWP pumps and motors delayed.
8. Various other electrical items are continuing to be installed.
9. Heating and Ventilation installation has begun.

S.E. Hessville Station - 10%+- complete to date.

1. Discharge box modifications (concrete work) is 95%+- complete.
2. New pumps are being manufactured and will be tested at the factory on April 2, 2001.
3. Electricians are making required changes to the existing MCC and new station lighting is being installed.
4. Existing mechanical trash rack has been inspected by manufacturer and required repairs are being compiled.

Pump Rehab 1A Contract Overstreet Electric

1. Various submittals are in review.
2. No on-site construction activity.
2. Coordination meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2001, to discuss possible CS bypass of two stations.

North 5th Pump Station Rehab Overstreet Electric

1. No activity.

See ya,
Bob

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
6100 Southport Road, Portage, Indiana 46368
Phone 219/763-0696 Fax 219/762-1653

FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

To: IMAD SAMARA Date: MARCH 8, 2001
Company: COE From: JIM POKRAJAC
Fax # 312-353-4256 Subject: N. 5TH Pump STA.

Total number of pages including
this cover sheet: (4)

Comments:

IMAD,

I ENCLOSED A COPY OF OUR LETTER TO YOU DATED
JAN. 25, 2001, ALONG WITH A FAX FROM NIES ENGR.

(REPRESENTING THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND) REGARDING THE
ELECTRIC UPGRADE AND PAYBACK TO NIPSCO. WILL YOU
PLS. RESPOND IN WRITING SO WE, AND HIGHLAND, KNOW
WHERE WE STAND.

THANKS,
Jim

PLEASE DELIVER PROMPTLY

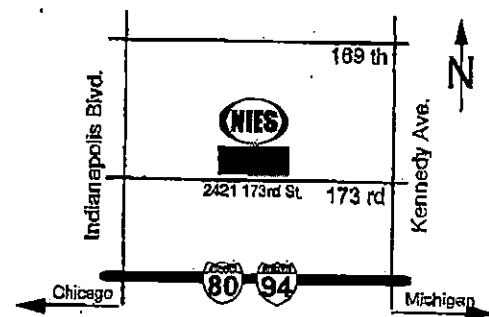

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From: Terrence J. Hodnik, P.E.

No. of pages:
Response Required:
Subject: Highland, IN 5th St Stormwater Pump Station Electrical Service Upgrade

Message:

1. Just to summarize elements of our telephone conversation and update you on the status of the Contract between NIPSCO and the Town of Highland.

A. The Highland Board of Sanitary Commissioners has signed the Contract for NIPSCO to upgrade the electrical service to the 5th St Pump Station and a check in the amount of \$114,000 has been cut. Both should be in the mail to NIPSCO before the end of this week.

B. Concerning electrical shutdown of the station. The Town's preference would be to do the shutdown during the work week rather than on a weekend. The most critical criteria for deciding exactly when to shutdown is the weather. We want a dry, sunny day with little or no chance of rainfall and certainly no prediction for rainfall. Any previous drainage from rainfalls should be pretty well gone such that the stormwater pump station has finished pumping any prior event. NIPSCO will need to coordinate the shutdown with the Resident Engineer for the Pump Station Rehabilitation Project, Mr. Bob Craib of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 923-1764 or 1763, as well as with the Town's Water and Wastewater Operations Superintendent, Mr. Mike Pipta, pager 792-0680.

Sincerely

 Terrence J. Hodnik, P.E.
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TO: Chrystal Spokane, COE office
Jan Plachta, COE office

FROM: Jim Pokrajac

SUBJECT: Utility Tracking System

DATE: March 15, 2001

As per our March 13th utility relocation meeting regarding the utility tracking system, I am enclosing preliminary milestones regarding the utility relocation as well as the general information that needs to be provided. The format, as we discussed at this meeting, will be similar to the real estate tracking system, which can be entered on the DC base.

Will you please review these enclosures; make any comments, suggestions, or revisions, and contact me in order that we may mutually develop the format necessary to do the utility tracking.

/sjm
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cc: Imad Samara
Jim Flora

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UTILITY TRACKING SYSTEM
GENERAL INFORMATION

1. **Project I.D. – LITCAL**
2. **Tract I.D. (Utility Number)**
3. **Compensable – (Yes/No)**
4. **Relocation Cost – (Amount of cost to LCRBDC)**
5. **OWNER (Utility Company or Community)**
6. **Description (Size of pipeline or utility)**
7. **Length (Amount affected)**
8. **Stage/Phase**
9. **Location (Stationing – Location relative to nearest street)**
10. **FDM Plate (Reference to FDM 5)**
11. **Remedial Action (Reference to FDM 5)**

UTILITY RELOCATION MILESTONES

1. Initial meeting with utility by A/E.
2. Relocation Plan and Cost Estimate received by A/E from utility.
3. Revisions in Relocation Plan and Cost Estimate requested by A/E from utility.
4. Revisions in Relocation Plan and Cost Estimate received by A/E from utility.
5. Relocation Plan and Cost Estimate approved by A/E and submitted to COE.
6. Relocation Plan and Cost Estimate approved by COE and submitted to LCRBDC.
7. Relocation Plan accepted by LCRBDC Engineer and submitted to LCRBDC Attorney.
8. Utility Agreement prepared by LCRBDC Attorney and submitted to utility.
9. Comments on Agreement received from utility.
10. Utility Agreement revised by LCRBDC Attorney and resubmitted to utility.
11. Utility Agreement executed by utility.
12. Utility Agreement executed by LCRBDC.
13. Notice to Proceed with work given by LCRBDC.
14. Utility completes utility relocation work.
15. LCRBDC pays for utility relocation work.
16. LCRBDC submits cost for utility relocation work for credit.
17. COE takes action of request for credit.



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March 20, 2001

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

Dear Don:

As per our Utility Coordination meeting of March 13th, the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission has put together a preliminary Utility Relocation Compensability Milestones document. Will you please review and comment on these 9 milestones. If these milestones are acceptable to you, please contact me and this will be the procedure used in the future to determine compensability for all upcoming utility relocations. If you have any questions regarding any of these items, please let me know.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

/sjm

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cc: Bill White
Imad Samara
Jan Plachta
Chyrstal Spokane
Jim Flora, R. W. Armstrong Co.
Lou Casale, LCRBDC attorney

UTILITY RELOCATION COMPENSABILITY MILESTONES

1. COE or COE's A/E identifies owner of utility.
2. COE or COE's A/E contacts owner of utility and request copies of easements, license agreements, etc. with property owner of underlying property. Request copy of deed if utility owns underlying property.
3. COE/COE's A/E prepares plans showing location and identity (POC, address, phone number) of utility and provides same to LCRBDC.
4. If requested by COE, the LCRBDC will provide information on utility location to title company and orders title work.
5. COE or COE's A/E receives copies of easements, license agreements, deeds, etc. from utility company and provides copy of same to the LCRBDC.
6. If requested by COE, the LCRBDC will receive title work identifying property owner and any recorded easements, license agreements, etc.
7. LCRBDC Attorney reviews documents received in items 5 and 6, and makes initial compensability determination.
8. COE reviews LCRBDC Attorney's determination and issues approval, rejection or request for further documentation.
9. COE and the LCRBDC will jointly make final determination of compensability.