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JOHN MROCZKOWSKI, Secretary
Governor's Appointment

GEORGE CARLSON
Mayor of Hammond's
Appointment

ARLENE COLVIN
Mayor of Gary's
Appointment

STEVE DAVIS
Dept. of Natural Resources'
Appointment

EMERSON DELANEY
Governor's Appointment

DR. MARK RESHKIN
Governor's Appointment

MARION WILLIAMS
Lake County Commissioners'
Appointment

VACANCY
Governor's Appointment

MEETING NOTICE

**THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF THE
LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
AT 6:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2001
AT THE COMMISSION OFFICE
6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD
PORTAGE, IN**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING LAND ACQUISITION
NEGOTIATIONS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
BOARD MEETING**

WORK STUDY SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

A G E N D A

DAN GARDNER
Executive Director

LOUIS CASALE
Attorney

1. Call to Order by Chairman William Tanke
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Recognition of Visitors and Guests
4. Approval of Minutes of August 2, 2001
5. Chairman's Report
6. Executive Director's Report
 - Project Mitigation Status Update
 - Attorney Casale's letter to Shirley Heinze Environmental Fund
 - Letter from IDNR to Greg Moore re: mitigation requirements
 - Announcement of FEMA and IDNR plan to re-map Lake County Indiana in next Federal fiscal year

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7. Standing Committees

A. Land Acquisition/Management Committee - Arlene Colvin, Chairperson

- Appraisals, offers, acquisitions, recommended actions
- COE Real Estate meeting held on August 21st
- Emergency Response meeting held on August 15th
- Conference call with COE on August 27th to review installation of closure structure
- Miscellaneous lands owned by Commission to be mowed this month
- Newspaper article on Boy Scout clean-up at Little Calumet River
- Other issues

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B. Project Engineering Committee – Bob Huffman, Chairman

- Final inspections were held on August 30th for Stage IV-1N and Burr Street P1
- Harrison Street bridge raising over I-80/94 proposed by INDOT
- Letter was sent to COE on Sept. 6th requesting information for final GSD concerns
- Utility coordination meeting was held on September 10th
- Comments and review on Stage VIII to be completed by October 3rd
- Burr Street Phase 2 review completed on August 7th
- Other issues

C. Legislative Committee – George Carlson, Chairman

- Claims submitted to Budget Agency for first draw-down of 2001-03 BIF on 8/23/01
> Language for COE credit approval
- Article from Indianapolis Star re: State revenue situation
- Report on status of non-federal crediting gap
- Other Issues

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D. Recreational Development Committee – Curtis Vosti, Chairman

- Recreation crossing at EJ&E RR will be part of Burr Street P2
- Other issues

E. Marina Development Committee – Bill Tanke, Chairman

- Report on meeting held with Mayor Olson on August 10th
- Letter of support from Commission for Portage's proposed dredging
- Approval of marina claim for payment
- Other issues

F. Finance/Policy Committee – Curt Vosti, Chairman

- Financial status report
- Approval of claims for September 2001
- Local sponsor cash contribution of \$239,272 paid to COE
- Approval of budget transfer
- Other issues

G. Minority Contracting Committee – Marion Williams, Chairman

- Minority participation in construction contracts
- Other issues

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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, AUGUST 2, 2001
AT THE COMMISSION OFFICE
6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD
PORTAGE, INDIANA**

Chairman William Tanke called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Nine (9) Commissioners were present. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Quorum was declared and guests were recognized.

Development Commissioners:

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

Visitors:

Bill Petrites – Highland resident
Jornary Crary – IDNR, Div. of Water
Malinda Fultz – IDNR.
Beth Tallon - IDNR
Greg Main - IDNR
Dale Gick - IDNR
David Knipe - IDNR
Sandy O'Brien - Hobart
Jim Flora - R.W.Armstrong Company
Louise Karwowski – Sierra Club
Imad Samara - Corps of Engineers

Staff:

Dan Gardner
Sandy Mordus
Jim Pokrajac
Judy Vamos
Lou Casale

Commissioner Curt Vosti made a motion to approve the minutes of July 5, 2001; motion seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously.

Executive Director's Report - Executive Director Dan Gardner reported that a meeting was held earlier today with IDNR, FEMA, ACOE and the LCRBDC to discuss the procedure of removing the city of Gary from floodplain designation. Mayor King is anxious for this procedure to begin. A field visit took place. IDNR & FEMA were shown portions of the completed project area in the east reach and then shown what work will need to be done in the west reach. DNR and FEMA are hoping to schedule a second meeting involving the county. Since the FEMA floodplain maps are outdated, they are looking at county by county map revisions and focusing on the Little Calumet River corridor. Mr. Knipe, section manager at DNR, talked about the physical map changes. They need to see exactly what modeling the COE has available also. Commissioner Arlene Colvin asked if, by looking at a countywide project, that would delay the time for Gary to come out of the floodplain. Commissioner Vosti also expressed his concern regarding the time factor. He asked who at DNR would be making that decision. He was told that the DNR personnel that attended the tour today would be involved in the decision making. Mr. Gardner suggested involving the Lake County Surveyor's office as they are actively working on watershed improvements and stream management.

Mr. Gardner talked about the mitigation issue. Now that the Commission has been approved to draw on the \$3 million allocated to us, we should be able to move forward. Attorney Casale has sent the draft of the third party agreement to the Shirley Heinze Environmental Fund (SHEF) group. They are reviewing it. COE also has the agreement for their review. Mr. Gardner will be calling Ron Trigg from SHEF to talk to him about it. Mr. Gardner has talked to Dale Engquist of IN

Dunes National Lakeshore about the possibility of the National Lakeshore managing the project mitigation lands and they are preliminarily interested. We will meet again with them and inform Congressman Visclosky's office. Mr. Gardner added that in the Hobart Marsh mitigation area, offers will be made on a willing seller-willing buyer basis. Commissioner Huffman asked if SHEF was the only group that we sent the agreement to and he was told that they were the only organization, at this time. Commissioner Mark Reshkin agreed that it is appropriate that SHEF be the only group at this time, even though there are other entities out there that we could approach at a later date. Commissioner Vosti, referring back to the original mitigation meeting we had with the COE, asked whether the matrix that the COE prepared is still the guiding document. Mr. Gardner replied that it is. Jomary Cray stated that the DNR has not yet received the mitigation plan from the COE. Imad Samara, COE project manager, stated that Greg Moore is working on it and it should be completed and submitted to DNR in about 2 weeks.

Land Acquisition/Management Committee – Committee Chairperson Arlene Colvin gave the report. She proceeded to make a motion for an increased offer on DC600 from \$3500 to \$4000 to avoid condemnation; motion seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously.

She reported that appraisals on Woodmar Country Club and Wicker Park are expected to be completed by mid August.

C&H Mowing has completed the mowing on the Burr Street to I-65 levee segments.

We will contact IU Northwest Professor Kenneth Brock (when he returns from vacation) to discuss his request for mud flats for waterfowl in the Chase to Grant 200 acres the Commission owns.

Ms. Colvin informed the Board members that the Charles Agnew Handicapped Park will be featured as the proto-type of a first class handicapped accessible park in the manufacturer's (Playworld Systems Inc.) new 2002 catalog.

Commissioner Curt Vosti requested an Executive Session be scheduled in September so we can talk about some real estate issues.

Project Engineering Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman gave the engineering report. He reported that a final inspection was held on July 23rd for Stage IV Phase 2B (Clark to Chase) and the East Reach Remediation area (surrounding Marshalltown).

Discussion took place on July 19th with North Township and the Town of Munster regarding re-alignment of the levee adjacent to Hart Ditch. It appears that North Township will compromise moving westward for some modified design considerations.

A plan-in-hand meeting was held on July 31st for Burr Street Betterment levee Phase 2. Jim Pokrajac added that the COE has the final specs and staff will be commenting on them shortly. A survey and field visit was done and it appears that much of the construction will be in a very wet swamp-like area so some changes may have to be done to the plans. Commissioner Delaney expressed concern about possible higher costs because of field conditions being so wet.

Commissioner Huffman reported that the COE has substantially completed most of the concerns that the Gary Sanitary District had regarding engineering and hydrology. A meeting needs to be scheduled with Gary Sanitary, city of Gary, WREP and the COE to address any remaining questions/issues and the future operation and maintenance. Commissioner Vosti expressed his concern about the importance of local participation when it comes to operation and maintenance of the pump stations. Commissioner Reshkin asked if this project can reach completion without a shared responsibility; Mr. Gardner answered that he thinks not.

Legislative Committee – Committee Chairman George Carlson referred to the letter in the packet addressed to Dan Novreske at the State Budget Agency. The letter outlines the steps we have taken to continue to pursue that past appropriations are reviewed for additional credit and the release of existing and future appropriations will receive full credit by the COE. Discussion was held about the COE signing off for creditability on the Commission's draws before

their submittal to the State Budget Agency. Staff and the COE are working on language that would be acceptable to both parties. Mr. Gardner emphasized that the Budget Agency has made it clear that more state dollars need to be credited to the project and by the COE first signing off on the Commission's claims creditability is one way to identify the credits up front. Mr. Gardner explained the process. Commissioner Carlson asked about Burr Street Betterment credit. Mr. Gardner replied that the Congressman's Office is reviewing the environmental justice issue in regard to Burr Street construction and it is hoped that they can justify why it should have been made part of the project in the first place, thus eligible for added credit.

Recreational Development Committee – Committee Chairman Curt Vosti gave the Recreation Report. Most of the activity has focused on trail realignments. Mr. Vosti referred to the letter from the city of Gary indicating that our proposal for the recreational trail in the area east of Gilroy Stadium to 32nd Avenue is the best use location from Harrison to Grant. We will be starting survey work, legals, and engineering on August 6th.

Mr. Vosti reported that several meetings were held involving the Highland trail realignment. We have sent to the COE for their review the proposed trail location. Although this may be the best alignment of the trail, it may not be the most cost effective. We need to meet with the COE to discuss it. Commissioner Tanke asked about our liability if we use sidewalks as trails; Attorney Casale responded that the Commission's liability is somewhat limited because we would be using existing public sidewalks.

Commissioner Huffman inquired about several areas of trail. He stated that there are 2 places where the trail is not accessible. Jim Pokrajac responded that the trail crossings would be completed in both of the areas when the levee is completed. There will also be ramps to access the trail when it is on the levee. Mr. Pokrajac also mentioned that it appears that EJ&E has relented somewhat and is willing to let us cross their railroad crossings with a trail.

Marina Committee – Committee Chairman Bill Tanke referred to the COE public notice for the city of Portage's application to dredge material from Burns Ditch.

Mr. Gardner added that he is still hopeful in scheduling a meeting soon with the Mayor to discuss the build-out of the marina to meet our obligation with the Federal government. There are still about 100 slips needed at a cost of approx. \$1.5 million. Commissioner Delaney asked that he be informed of the meeting when it is scheduled.

Finance Committee – Treasurer Curt Vosti gave the monthly financial status report. He presented the claims for approval and proceeded to make a motion to approve the financial status report and claims sheet totaling \$155,164.33; motion seconded by Arlene Colvin; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Vosti referred to the letter whereby we gave the COE \$66,000 for our share of the non-federal cost escrow monies. The COE is requesting an additional non-federal cost share amount in order to keep the contractors working through September. That amount is \$239,272. Mr. Vosti made a motion to approve borrowing the \$239,272 out of the \$316,000 invested note the Commission has and it would be paid back to the note once we are able to draw down from the appropriated \$3 million; motion seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously.

Minority Contracting Committee – There was no report.

Other Business – Commissioner Bob Huffman inquired about the vacancy on the Commission. Mr. Gardner stated that we have notified the Governor's Office and have also notified Jeff Viohl, the federal liaison in Washington to the Governor.

Chairman Bill Tanke read a thank you note from Joyceann Agnew.

Mr. Gardner referred to the thank you letter we sent to Senator Bill Alexa for his assistance in having the State Budget agenda amended to include our \$3 million drawdown request.

Chairman Tanke then announced that when we receive the Woodmar appraisal, an Executive Session would be called. Curt Vosti made a motion to have an Executive Session now - before the appraisal is received; motion seconded by George Carlson. After a lengthy discussion was held on this issue, it was determined that we should wait and have the meeting after the appraisal is received; thereby, eliminating the need to have 2 meetings. Mr. Vosti withdrew his motion.

Mr. Gardner will call the appraiser and tell him we want to receive the appraisal within 2 weeks so we can schedule this meeting. He will be told that completing this appraisal is now his #1 priority. Commission members will be notified, as well as the required media, of the meeting date. There will be no action taken at the next meeting regarding this issue. Chairman Tanke asked George Carlson (Legislative chairman) and Curt Vosti (Finance chairman) to set up a meeting date to jointly talk about funding strategy for the next biennium. Mr. Carlson requested first a meeting with the chairman and staff before a meeting be scheduled with the members of the 2 respective committees. A date will be identified.

Statements to the Board -There was none.

The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, September 12, 2001. Please note that this is not our regularly scheduled first Thursday of the month. Several commission members displayed their displeasure with the date change. They felt that everyone is used to having the meeting on the first Thursday; the public is used to it as well. They encouraged that, in the future, the date not be changed unless it falls within a holiday period or for a very good reason.

/sjm

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August 24, 2001

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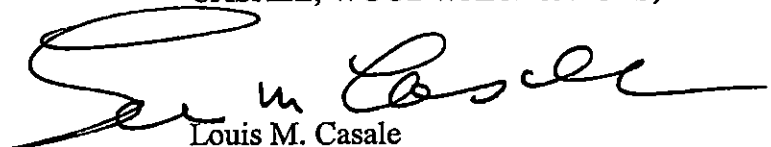
RE: Hobart Marsh Mitigation Project

Dear Ron:

This letter is in reference to our telephone conversation of August 24, 2001. You indicated that the Shirley Heinze Environmental Fund has retained an attorney to review the proposed third party agreement, which was sent to you several weeks ago by myself as attorney for the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission and that you would contact me after said meeting to discuss the agreement. I await hearing from you in the near future in hope that we can move forward with this project. If you have any questions or would like to arrange a meeting, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Dan Gardner.

Sincerely,

CASALE, WOODWARD & BULS, LLP



Louis M. Casale

LMC/amo

cc: Dan Gardner, LCRBDC



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August 10, 2001

Mr. Greg Moore
Corps of Engineers, Chicago District
111 North Canal Street
Chicago, IL 60606

Re: Little Calumet River Levee Project
Habitat Mitigation

Dear Mr. Moore:

This letter is a follow up to the July 9th conference call between you and staff of the Division of Water, Division of Fish and Wildlife, and Division of Nature Preserves regarding the habitat mitigation plan for the Little Calumet River Flood Control and Recreation Project. I would like to reiterate some of the issues that were discussed.

I understand that the COE is finalizing the revisions to the Conceptual Habitat Mitigation Plan that was prepared in 1998. It was discussed in the July 9th conference call that the submitted plan could be general in nature with respect to the specific mitigation tracts that have not yet been purchased. The mitigation plan can simply state that detailed plans for these tracts will be prepared for bid contracts and will be reviewed by our Department.

As a reminder, the approved permit for construction in a floodway for the east reach of the project, FW-16,167, requires in-kind wetland replacement at the following ratios: 1:1 for scrub/shrub wetlands, 2:1 for emergent wetlands, and 3:1 for forested wetlands. In previous meetings it was agreed that the scrub/shrub wetland impacts could be mitigated with emergent wetlands, and up to 25% of the forested wetland impacts could be enhancement, rather than restoration, but at a 5:1 ratio.

As you are aware, DNR requirements for wetland mitigation may differ from IDEM requirements. Please contact IDEM directly to verify their requirements for this project.

In addition, because the local sponsor cannot purchase lands outside the project area, the local sponsor will need to work with a third party to facilitate off site mitigation. DNR would consider acting as the third-party back up for land management on tracts that may fall within DNR's mission.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Jomary Crary, Water Resource Planner, with the Division of Water at 317-232-4160 or the Division's toll free number 877-928-3755 (1-877-WATER55).

Sincerely,

Paul J. Ehret
Deputy Director

PJE/MWN/JC

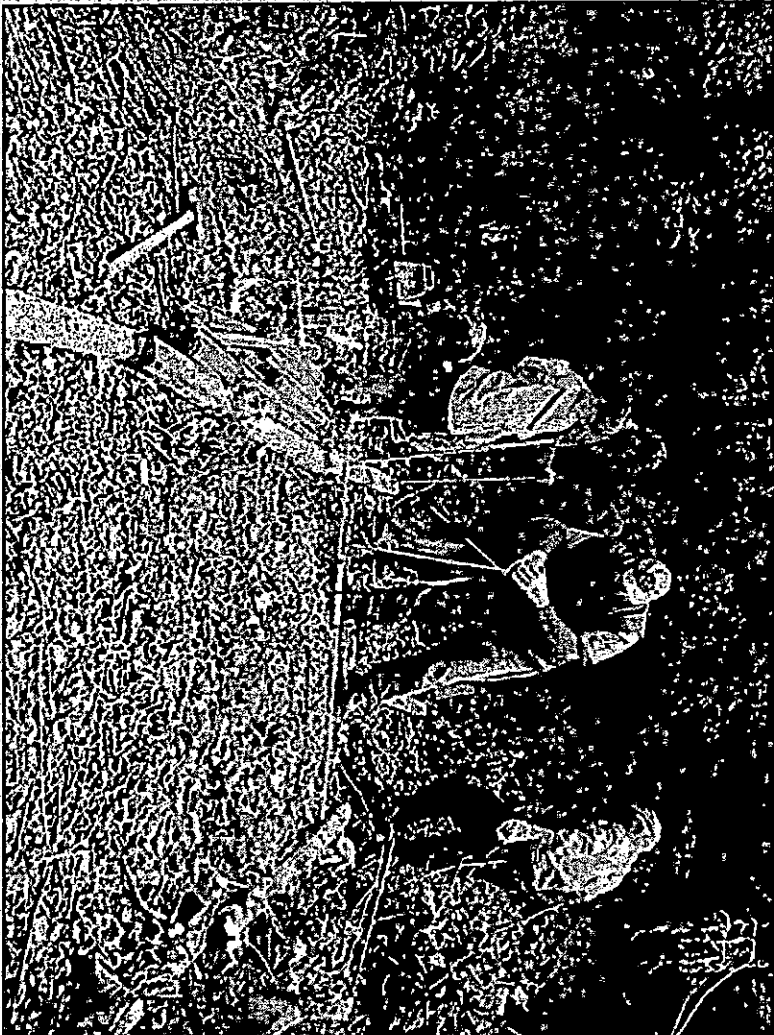
pc: Dan Gardner, LCRBDC

The Times

8/27/01

FOCUS ON BOY SCOUT TROOPS

CLEANING UP: Members of Boy Scout Troops 280, 223 and 268, of the Calumet Council, of Boy Scouts of America spent a summer weekend camped out at James Whitcomb Riley School in Hammond working on the Little Calumet River Conservation Project.



The scouts worked at cleaning away debris, constructing a wood chip walking trail and planting wildflowers along the north bank of the Little Calumet River from Columbia Avenue to Northcote Avenue in Hammond. Trail walkers can view the natural beauty of the river and not disturb wildlife habitats.



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

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

**Planning Programs and Project
Management Division**

State Budget Agency
212 State House
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

To Whom It May Concern:

Re:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has reviewed the following claims incurred by the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission for the Little Calumet River Flood Control/Recreation Project and have determined that these types of costs and expenses are eligible for credit pending proper documentation that is allocable and reasonable, and in accordance with regulations. All costs and expenses are subject to final review.

Sincerely,

Imad N. Samara
Project Management

Cc: Dan Gardner

Budget cuts just a preview of pain to come

Indiana's state revenues tumbled in July.

While one month does not a recession make, Indiana has had a slew of bad economic news for a half-year, and that's depressing an awful lot of folks.

In June, Indiana took in \$104.5 million less than expected.

In July, the first month of a new fiscal year, Indiana took in \$83.2 million less than expected.

A hundred million here, 80 million there. Now, we're talking real money.

Gov. Frank O'Bannon has ordered 7 percent spending cuts in everything except education and property tax relief, but it isn't enough, and he knows it.

State Budget Director Betty Cockrum spoke carefully when asked what comes next.

"If the objective was to balance the budget so expenditures don't exceed the revenue, we could not accomplish that without cutting education," she said. "This is not a situation that can be cured just on the expenditure side without damaging results to all the progress that's been made."

That's bureaucrat-speak for "you ain't seen nothin' yet."

Cockrum is saying that Indiana may have to face some tough choices — as tough as cutting important programs or raising taxes.

Asked if a tax hike is in the offing, Cockrum said: "We're looking at everything."

Economist William Styring said he's never seen things this bad, and he's been watching the rise and fall of Indiana's economy for 30 years. He watched when Gov. Otis Bowen raised sales taxes in the 1970s to cut property taxes. He watched when Gov. Robert Orr raised sales and income taxes in the 1980s to deal with that decade's economic crisis.

But this is worse, Styring said, because O'Bannon has to deal with both problems at once. It is the perfect storm.

Indiana has to change how it assesses property taxes, a shift that is widely expected to hammer homeowners unless the state rejiggers its tax structure. That's a problem that was hard to fix when the state had a surplus; it's a nightmare to fix without one.

And the legislature handed O'Bannon a budget dripping in red ink despite being based on an optimistic view of the next two years' economy. July's revenue figures may be the canary in the fiscal coal mine.

Lt. Gov. Joe Kernan is leading the administration's efforts at tax restructuring and says it must be revenue neutral. Kernan is expected to run for governor in 2004, and his acceptance of this sure-to-make-somebody-mad job shows a lot of political moxie.

Some say O'Bannon handed his lieutenant a political cross to bear. Kernan, though, says there was no Gethsemane in his dealings with the governor — no asking that this cup be taken from him.

"The governor asked me to do this," Kernan said. "But he didn't ask me until he knew I was willing to do it."

Part of dealing with this fiscal storm involves just watching the radar. Cockrum and House Ways and Means Chairman B. Patrick Bauer, D-South Bend, both say the state needs revenue information from a couple more months before hitting the panic button.

But it also may mean calling the legislature into special session.

"We hope to be in a position to be able to do that," Kernan said.

"Ideally, we want to have some kind of consensus. If there isn't, what do we do? I don't know."

O'Bannon said consensus is crucial — and right now there is none.

Bauer said it's looking more likely that the legislature may be asked to take some kind of action — on the budget morass, tax restructuring or both — when it meets for its organizational session in November.

"I think we'll probably be asked to stay a few extra days," he said.

But to do what?

Styring, who fears a special session will result in a tax increase, says: "To get anything major done takes two things: a crisis and consensus. We have the crisis. We don't have the consensus."

In short, we're in a mess.

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
JANUARY 1, 2001 - JULY 31, 2001

CASH POSITION - JANUARY 1, 2001

CHECKING ACCOUNT		
LAND ACQUISITION		541,026.11
GENERAL FUND		49,902.51
TAX FUND		0.00
INVESTMENTS		2,595,370.26
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST		21,476.77
		<hr/> 3,208,775.65

RECEIPTS - JANUARY 1, 2001 - JULY 31, 2001

LEASE RENTS		26,200.00
INTEREST INCOME(FROM CHECKING & CALUMET BANK)		2,698.32
LAND ACQUISITION		803,397.90
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST (YEAR TO DATE)	269.75	35.75 Available
MISC. INCOME		219,059.93
AMERITECH	16,746.91	
EMERSON DELANEY	100.00	
MERIDIAN TITLE	406.89	
MERIDIAN TITLE	495.36	
TICOR	540.00	
CALUMET BANK	167,859.35	LEL MONEY
BANK ONE	12,911.42	MARINA BOND FUND
L. C. AUDITOR	20,000.00	
INTEREST FROM ESCROW CHECKING(DEC 5/16/01)		33,510.86
KRBC REIMBURSEMENT RE: TELEPHONE CHARGE		1,187.04
PROCEEDS FROM VOIDED CHECKS		0.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<hr/> 1,086,089.80

DISBURSEMENTS - JANUARY 1, 2001 - JULY 31, 2001

ADMINISTRATIVE		
2000 EXPENSES PAID IN 2001	179,730.72	
PER DIEM		7,250.00
LEGAL SERVICES		5,434.31
NTRPC		74,695.79
TRAVEL & MILEAGE		1,086.04
PRINTING & ADVERTISING		2,341.00
BONDS & INSURANCE		5,642.63
TELEPHONE EXPENSE		4,104.06
MEETING EXPENSE		2,882.51
LAND ACQUISITION		
LEGAL SERVICES		36,021.12
APPRAISAL SERVICES		117,550.00
ENGINEERING SERVICES		51,097.26
LAND PURCHASE CONTRACTUAL		29,680.00
FACILITIES/PROJECT MAINTENANCE SERVICES		48,004.50
OPERATIONS SERVICES		0.00
LAND MANGEMENT SERVICES		101,758.05
SURVEYING SERVICES		37,331.72
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES		
ECONOMIC/MARKETING SOURCES		11,282.50
PROPERTY & STRUCTURE COSTS		304,202.27
MOVING ALLOCATION		13,650.00
TAXES		3,114.53
PROPERTY & STRUCTURES INSURANCE		21,061.50
UTILITY RELOCATION SERVICES	\$	23,949.32
LAND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT		128,097.75
STRUCTURAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS		2,503.30
PURCHASE CERTIFICATE CALUMET BANK		21,500.00
PURCHASE MONEY MARKET BANK ONE		393,040.41
PURCHASE MONEY MARKET BANK ONE		167,859.35
PURCHASE MONEY MARKET BANK ONE		12,911.42
DEPOSIT INTO BANKONE MONEYMARKET		1,500.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		<hr/> 1,619,551.34

CASH POSITION - JULY 31, 2001

CHECKING ACCOUNT		
LAND ACQUISITION		40,862.66
GENERAL FUND		16,557.47
TAX FUND		
INVESTMENTS		
BANK CALUMET	700,000.00	10/30/2001
(BASE CAPITAL INVESTMENT)		
BANK CALUMET	316,000.00	10/30/2001
(MISC INTEREST/RENTAL INVESTMENT)		
BANK ONE	105,116.15	10/04/2001
(CONSTRUCTION ESCROW INTEREST)		
BANK ONE	168,117.57	MONEY MARKET
(LEL MONEY)		
BANK ONE	139,147.48	MONEY MARKET
(MARINA SAND MONEY)		
BANK ONE	53,375.79	MONEY MARKET
(STATE DRAW MONIES)		
BANK ONE	337,454.95	MONEY MARKET
(GARY PARKS & REC MONIES)		
TOTAL INVESTMENTS		1,819,211.94
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST		35.75
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LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT, AUGUST 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	0.00	3,450.00	3,450.00	12,550.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500.00	903.83	368.33	988.83	1,770.83	436.33	283.33	4,751.48	3,748.52
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	125,000.00	8,860.29	9,620.29	9,773.09	9,377.53	9,186.52	9,401.36	56,219.08	68,780.92
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	14,000.00	0.00	24.08	150.92	8.68	131.04	299.88	614.60	13,385.40
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	5,000.00	2,306.00	0.00	0.00	702.50	0.00	0.00	3,008.50	1,991.50
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	7,500.00	0.00	77.00	0.00	5,565.63	0.00	0.00	5,642.63	1,857.37
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	7,000.00	113.26	244.35	677.99	0.00	589.17	594.67	2,219.44	4,780.56
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	8,000.00	137.05	609.24	163.60	253.44	63.90	309.54	1,536.77	6,463.23
5838 LEGAL SERVICES	125,000.00	3,907.48	5,670.91	6,963.27	4,430.48	6,606.06	6,315.06	33,893.26	91,106.74
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	500,000.00	43,899.76	33,497.23	92,147.57	34,758.31	45,927.63	54,106.39	304,336.89	195,663.11
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	1,809,850.00	0.00	9,888.56	186,152.00	1,975.97	12,600.00	104,564.51	315,181.04	1,494,668.96
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	25,000.00	550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,192.50	319.00	21,061.50	3,938.50
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	375,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,307.50	202.50	6,492.25	237,326.52	245,328.77	129,671.23
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	250,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	93,352.75	0.00	98,352.75	151,647.25
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.00	13.00	24,987.00
	3,300,850.00	60,677.67	59,999.99	303,324.77	59,045.87	195,578.15	416,983.26	1,095,609.71	2,205,240.29

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	BUDGET	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	ALLOCATED	BUDGETED
								TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	16,000.00	0.00	100.00					3,550.00	16,200.00 12,450
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500.00	419.33	495.83					5,666.64	2,833.36
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	125,000.00	9,254.18	9,273.55					74,746.81	50,253.19
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	14,000.00	129.92	66.08					810.60	13,189.40
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	5,000.00	35.00	56.07					3,099.57	1,900.43
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	7,500.00	0.00	0.00					5,642.63	1,857.37
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	7,000.00	311.62	492.43					3,023.49	3,976.51
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	8,000.00	86.85	63.83					1,687.45	6,312.55
5838 LEGAL SERVICES	125,000.00	3,965.73	7,949.28					45,808.27	79,191.73
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	500,000.00	27,518.69	46,614.22					378,469.80	121,530.20
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	1,809,850.00	104.76	5,531.59					320,817.39	1,489,032.61
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	25,000.00	0.00	0.00					21,061.50	3,938.50
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	375,000.00	40,606.25	25,884.13					311,819.15	63,180.85
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	250,000.00	72,732.00	6,900.00					177,984.75	72,015.25
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	25,000.00		0.00					13.00	24,987.00
	3,300,850.00	155,164.33	103,427.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,354,201.05	1,950,398.95

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CLAIMS PAYABLE FOR AUGUST 2001

ACCT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
5801	WILLIAM TANKE	100.00	ADDITIONAL PER DIEM FOR 2/20/01 & 6/1/01
5811	CASALE, WOODWARD & BULS, LLP	283.33	RETAINER FEE BILLED THROUGH 8/30/01
5811	CASALE, WOODWARD & BULS, LLP	212.50	ADD'L LEAGAL SERVICES THROUGH 8/30/01
5812	NIRPC	9,241.72	SERVICES PERFORMED JULY 2001
5812	UPS	12.40	OVERNIGHT MAIL
5812	UPS	19.43	OVERNIGHT MAIL
5821	WILLIAM TANKE	20.72	MILEAGE FOR 2/20/01 & 6/1/01
5821	DAN GARDNER	45.36	MILEAGE 8/7/01-8/27/01
5822	JIM POKRAJAC	13.53	REIMBURSEMENT FOR FILM
5822	JIM POKRAJAC	42.54	FILM DEVELOPING OF PROJECT AREA
5824	VERIZON	116.37	BILLING PERIOD 8/16/01-9/15/01(TOTAL BILL 244.88 ,KRBC 128.51)
5824	MCI	258.95	BILLING PERIOD 7/15/01-8/14/01(TOTAL BILL 308.91,KRBC 49.96)
5824	A T & T	117.11	CONFERENCE CALL
5825	SAND RIDGE BANK	6.28	PURCHASE OF POST-IT NOTES FOR OFFICE USE
5825	SAND RIDGE BANK	45.38	EXPENSES INCURRED FOR LCRBDC MEETING 8/1/01
5825	SAND RIDGE BANK	12.17	EXPENSES INCURRED FOR LCRBDC MEETING 8/2/01
5838	CASALE, WOODWARD & BULS, LLP	7,949.28	LAND ACQUISITION/LEGAL SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED 8/30/01
5842	R. W. ARMSTRONG	6,422.57	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED AUGUST 17,2001
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK FOR DC-129
5843	INDIANA TITLE NETWORK COMPANY	270.00	TITLE WORK FOR DC-793
5843	INDIANA TITLE NETWORK COMPANY	270.00	TITLE WORK FOR DC-753 & DC-756
5843	INDIANA TITLE NETWORK COMPANY	270.00	TITLE WORK FOR DC-107
5843	INDIANA TITLE NETWORK COMPANY	284.00	TITLE WORK FOR DC-170A
5843	INDIANA TITLE NETWORK COMPANY	284.00	TITLE WORK FOR DC-170B
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	4,600.00	ENGINEERING/LAND MANAGEMENT SERVICES 7/16/01-7/31/01
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	207.76	JULY MILEAGE
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	4,324.00	ENGINEERING/LAND MANAGEMENT SERVICES 8/1/01-8/15/01
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	4,600.00	ENGINEERING/LAND MANAGEMENT SERVICES 8/16/01-8/31/01
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	208.04	AUGUST MILEAGE
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	3,151.50	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT SERVICES 7/16/01-7/31/01
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	24.36	JULY MILEAGE
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	2,722.50	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT SERVICES 8/1/01-8/15/01
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	2,458.50	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT SERVICES 8/16/01-8/31/01
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	37.24	AUGUST MILEAGE
5844	SANDY MORDUS	612.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 7/16/01-7/31/01
5844	SANDY MORDUS	183.75	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 8/7/01-8/14/01
5844	SANDY MORDUS	379.75	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 8/16/01-8/31/01
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	701.25	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 7/16/01-7/31/01
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	808.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 8/01/01-8/15/01
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	429.00	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 8/16/01-8/31/01
5845	DLZ	440.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SVI-I INV#506125
5845	DLZ	1,150.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SVI-I INV#505902
5847	ATLAS DAYLIGHTING LLC	11,500.00	SURVEYING SERVICES SV-P2
5860	STAR SHOPPING NEWS	31.59	COST INCURRED OF LEGAL NOTICE PUBLICATION FOR DC-574
5861	ERVIN RHODES	4,000.00	WORK EASEMENT FOR DC-600
5861	NANCY K. NIMETZ	1,500.00	WORK EASEMENT FOR DC-577
5882	ELGIN JOLIET & EASTERN RWY	4,435.00	UTILITY RELOCATION EASEMENT FOR DC-597 (BURR ST BETTERMENT)
5882	ELGIN JOLIET & EASTERN RWY	20,545.00	UTILITY RELOCATION EASEMENT FOR DC-601(SIV-1S)
5882	ELGIN JOLIET & EASTERN RWY	904.13	UTILITY RELOCATION EASEMENT FOR SIV-1S
5883	C & H MOWING INC	6,900.00	MOWING LEVEE SEGMENTS ON COMMISSION OWNED PROPERTY

TOTAL

103,427.01

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August 3, 2001

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

Dear Imad:

With this letter, I am transmitting two checks made payable to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the non-federal cost escrow share we are responsible for. These amounts of monies are per your email request dated today, August 3, 2001.

The first check is in the amount of \$58,000 for the Burr Street Betterment Fund and the second check is in the amount of \$181,272 for the Construction Fund, for a total amount of \$239,272.

This amount should fulfil our requirement for this Federal fiscal year. If you have any questions, please call me at the above number.

Sincerely,

Dan Gardner
Executive Director

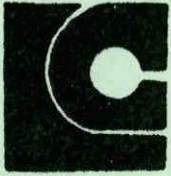
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BUDGET TRANSFER

Transfer of \$175,000 from Budget Line 5860 (Project Land Purchase Expense) to Budget Line 5882 (Utility Relocation Expense)

Reason: To cover negative balance caused by a large claim of \$234,379 incurred by Marathon Pipeline



Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

***LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION***

***MARINA REVENUE BOND CLAIM
SEPTEMBER, 2001***

Marina Sinking Account #185018027630

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Payable to BANK ONE

\$ 28,643.84



WORK STUDY SESSION
ENGINEERING COMMITTEE
September 12, 2001

Bob Huffman, Committee Chairman

1. Final inspections held for Stage IV-1 North (Colfax to Burr, North of NSRR) drainage system, and Burr Street Phase 1 (EJ&E RR to Colfax along NIPSCO R/W) was held on August 30th.
 - ◆ Construction in compliance with plans & specifications. - awaiting miscellaneous paperwork
2. Harrison bridge over I-80/94 proposed to be raised approximately 7' will be coordinated with COE.
 - ◆ Our existing levees need to be raised, guardrails extended, and gate re-located
3. Letter to COE on September 6th requesting responses to Gary Sanitary District concerns
 - ◆ Upon receipt, we will have a meeting with the city of Gary and GSD to review their concerns and to discuss their participation in O&M.
4. Utility coordination meeting held with the COE on September 10th.
 - ◆ We agreed to concentrate on completing all agreements and re-locations east of Cline, then work our way westward from Cline to Northcote.
 - ◆ Based upon available funding
5. Stage VIII review (Columbia to Illinois State line) for engineering due to COE by October 9th. October 3-4 will be preliminary review and field investigation.
 - ◆ A community (public) meeting will be held shortly thereafter
6. Burr Street Phase II (Colfax past Burr Street 1/2 mi. to Clark). Review completed and comments to the COE on August 7th.
 - ◆ These comments will be reviewed by the COE and incorporated into the final plans.



WORK STUDY SESSION 12 SEPTEMBER 2001

**LAND ACQUISITION / LAND MANAGEMENT
ARLENE COLVIN, CHAIRPERSON**

- 1.) **OFFERS:** There are no increased offers.
CONDEMNATIONS: There are no condemnations.

2.) Wicker Park update:

The Wicker Park appraisal is late. Appraiser John Snell needs Wicker Park hydrology information from the Corps and a decision as to the language of the flowage easement. The flowage easement states that the LCRBDC has "right, title, and interest in and to the structures and improvements now situate on the land...." This means that if the Wicker Park 6th green is located on the LCRBDC easement we have the power to move, change, reconfigure, even to collect the club's profits from the 6th green. The Corps has agreed to issue a "non- standard" flowage easement with language more acceptable to Wicker Park. Mr. Snell will submit the appraisal once he has all the information.

3.) Operation and Maintenance update:

Final inspections with positive results were completed on the following:

- a. Stage IV-1 North drainage system (Colfax to Burr, North of N. & S. RR).
- b. Burr St. Betterment Levee Phase 1 ditches and levees (NIPSCO R/W from E.J. & E. RR to Colfax).
- c. Stage IV-2B levees (Clark to Chase) and the East Reach Remediation Area levee (surrounding Marshalltown subdivision).

Gary still has general concerns about their participation in operation and maintenance with the LCRBDC. We've submitted their concerns to the Corps.

4.) Emergency Management update:

reschedule early Oct.
A meeting was held on 15 August with Gary Civil Defense, Lake County Emergency Management, and White River Environmental to discuss Gary's flood protection procedures. The closure installation, emergency response, and closure structure locations were discussed.

A conference call was then held with the Corps on 27 August to discuss the closure structure on 35th Street. Gary will coordinate the installation to be scheduled for early October. An industrial-type video will be made for future use by Gary Emergency Management and Civil Defense. LCRBDC has contacted a video firm.

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LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

MITIGATION TIMETABLE

<u>ACTION</u>	<u>TIME</u>
1.) Sign contract with 3rd party (SHEF or other entity)	1 October 2001 (estimate)

PHASE I:

2.) Initial Interagency Mitigation Team Meeting (IMT) (Attendees include COE, LCRBDC, SHEF, DNR, IDEM, and National Lakeshore. Acquisition target is 3 landowners owning 4 specific properties totaling 173 acres adjacent to the National Lakeshore properties. Discuss the SHEF 200 acres.)	2 weeks
3.) Land Acquisition Procedure: (Commission to perform survey, title work, appraisal, etc.)	4 months
4.) Offer made to landowner based on fair market appraisal. (Landowner has 25 days to respond. Negotiated price needs team final review and approval.)	4 weeks
5.) Closing with landowner at title company	4 weeks
6.) Meeting of MIT to assess and evaluate mitigation progress (Is plan successful? Use alternate plan? Target next properties, as needed.)	2 weeks

TOTAL TIME FOR ACQUISITION PHASE I = 24 WEEKS = 6 MONTHS

PHASE II:

7.) COE writes contract specs and awards construction bids.	90 days
8.) Actual wetlands construction	(?)

TOTAL TIME FOR IMPLEMENTATION PHASE II = (?)

IMPLEMENTATION SEQUENCE FOR THE HOBART MARSH
MITIGATION AREA

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER FLOOD CONTROL/
RECREATION PROJECT

<u>Item</u>	<u>Time Frame</u>
"Advertisement for Proposals to Design and Develop Restoration and Environmental Enhancement in Conjunction with the Little Calumet River Flood Control/Recreation Project in Lake County, Indiana" developed by Development Commission and sent out for solicitation.	June 11 & 18, 1999
Army Corps of Engineers, IDNR, and IDEM develop the matrix, which identifies properties in the Hobart Marsh area that could be used for enhancement/restoration to fulfill IDNR requirements for mitigation and their relative values.	December 11, 2000
Shirley Heinze Environmental Fund writes to the Army Corps of Engineers expressing their interest in entering into discussions to serve as the local sponsor of the Hobart Marsh mitigation lands acquisition.	May 23, 2000
Letter received from the Army Corps Of Engineers defining what lands are suitable for wetland mitigation.	January 30, 2001
Development Commission attorney prepares draft of "Agreement to Provide Real Property for the Construction and Maintenance of a Wetlands Mitigation Area for the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission" and sends to Don Valk, ACOE, for his review and approval.	July 11, 2001

Development Commission sends to Ron Trigg of the Shirley Heinze Environmental Fund, a preliminary draft of the third party agreement for consideration to enable acquisition of the Hobart Marsh properties. July 16, 2001

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LAND ACQUISITION REPORT

For meeting on Wednesday, September 12, 2001

(Information in this report is from July 26, 2001 – September 5, 2001)

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

1. Project completed July 10, 1992.

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

1. Project completed December 1, 1993

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

1. Project completed January 13, 1995.

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

1. Project completed September 15, 1998.

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

1. Project currently 98% complete.
2. Additional land will be required to temporarily extend a recreation trail along both the sidewalks east and west of Broadway to allow recreation trail continuation. (Refer to Recreation Report.)
 - Upon completion of I.U. Northwest modifications on, and adjacent to, Broadway, we will install a permanent trail crossing south of the river and along the line of flood protection, as originally proposed by the COE.

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

1. Completion and turnover of O&M manuals was done on November 21, 2000.
2. The re-location of the recreation trail would require agreements with the city of Gary to be able to cross Grant St. at the light at 32nd Ave.
 - A meeting was held on April 12, 2001, to review our proposals for trails at Broadway & East of Grant. (See Recreation Report)
 - We received a response from the city of Gary on July 11 (From Roland Elvambuena, City Engineer) indicating their concurrence to our proposed re-location. (Refer to Recreation Report).

STATUS (Stage III) – Chase to Grant:

1. Levee construction completed on May 6, 1994.
2. Final acquisitions for flowage easements east of Chase and north of the river are ongoing (DC209 to DC213). Appraisals are being reviewed by COE.
3. A letter was sent to Otho Lyles on May 24th, 2001 (along with stipulated court order) instructing them to clean up illegally dumped materials from the property.

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

1. Construction is 95% complete. Anticipated completion of project is September 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 . Project currently 85% complete.

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

1. Construction is complete.

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

1. Construction is complete.

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

1. Project completed September 14, 1995

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

1. Wicker Park appraiser John Snell is waiting on hydrology information from the COE. He expects to have the appraisal finished in time for the 9/12/01 Commission meeting.
2. North Township owns the property west of Hart Ditch to Hawthorne Street. North Township has mentioned a possible relocation of the levee onto this parcel.
 - Meeting was held on 7/19/01 with COE, Munster, and North Township trustee Greg Cvitkovich. COE is reluctant to relocate the levee due to re-design costs. However, other changes inside the park may be considered: a retention pond, roadway relocation, and clay use from the pond.

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

1. Woodmar appraiser Dale Kleszynski met with Attorney Casale on 8/13/01. He submitted figures for land values and damages to the country club. Woodmar will be discussed further at the 9/12/01 Executive Session.
2. The appraisal has been put on hold three times for re-design by the COE, inadequate funding by LCRBDC to make an offer, and LCRBDC's concerns of including Woodmar in the project or eliminating the levee in favor of an alternative ring levee around the Club.
3. The appraisal must still be reviewed and approved by the COE Cincinnati District for compliance to the Federal land acquisition laws.

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

1. The COE is modifying their levee in the Kennedy Industrial Park area to accommodate the construction of the new Krosan building.
2. Dale is continuing to work on the feasibility report for land values on the 18 corporate landowners in the Kennedy Industrial Park. COE has decided to make Stage VI P1&2 a priority. Deadline is June 2002. These acquisitions are creditable. A new acquisition schedule based on "creditable" and "not creditable" items has been agreed to. See Real Estate meeting results #1.

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

1. We had a recreation coordination meeting with Highland and Griffith to determine trail relocation which allow us to cross at Cline Avenue at Highway Avenue.(Refer to Recreation Report)

- A field meeting was held with Griffith on June 27th, 2001, to review possible routes East of Cline. Information will be provided to the COE to review and implement.

STATUS (Stage VII) – Northcote to Columbia:

1. The COE submitted Stage VII real estate drawings for us to review on April 11th with a request to complete by April 23rd.
 - We submitted comments to the COE on April 24th.

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

- GLE is sending out introduction letters to residents who will be surveyed.

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)
Anticipated completion is August, 2001 – Approx. 90% completed.

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. Acquisition deadline of October 2001 has been extended to summer of 2002. COE has been instructed to construct only "creditable" items. Burr Street levee is a betterment; therefore, not creditable. Problem is that Burr Street area is already experiencing damage. LCRBDC will attempt to have Burr Street levee creditable.
2. A letter was sent to the COE on August 15th requesting credit for demolition of (3) structures that need to be completed prior to the contract due to safety and vandalism issues. COE has refused credit and will send a written response. See #6 in Real Estate Meeting results. 5
3. Memo was sent to Attorney Casale on August 3, along with EJ&E correspondence, requesting we proceed with agreement to allow us an at-grade recreation crossing. (See Recreation Report).
4. We received a memo from GLE on August 2 indicating swampy conditions on I-80 Auto Parts and that 12-20 cars will need to be moved. This will require a modified appraisal. 6

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

1. Twenty-Seven (27) flowage easements still need to be acquired. Fifteen (15) properties are on tax sale. Staff will petition Lake County Commissioners to transfer the lots to Commission.

MITIGATION

1. Shirley Heinze Environmental Foundation (SHEF) is reviewing the third party agreement to acquire land in the Hobart Marsh for mitigation. **No response from SHEF as yet. See #5 in Real Estate Meeting results.**

RESULTS OF REAL ESTATE MEETING HELD 21 AUGUST 2001
WITH THE ARMY CORPS and
LITTLE CALUMET RIVER FLOOD CONTROL & RECREATION PROJECT

IN ATTENDANCE:

LCRBDC

Dan Gardner

Lou Casale

Sandy Mordus

Angela Ogrentz

Jim Pokrajac

Judy Vamos

COE

Imad Samara

Chrystal Spokane

1. HOT ISSUES: ACQUISITION & CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE REVISION

Discussion centered on which stage/phase to complete first with the \$3 million coming from the state, if the state budget committee agrees to the pre-crediting letter. Dan and Imad both are concerned that state money must be spent wisely so Indiana legislators will feel confident in sending future funds to LCRBDC.

Imad reported that the Corps is seriously reviewing the "gap" between available Federal dollars and "hard-to-acquire" State monies. (LCRBDC can't keep up with federal monies and land acquisition must come before construction.) Likewise Dan is concerned about the "gap" between monies received from the State (\$24 million) and monies credited to the project (\$13 million) from the Corps. He said the state budget committee definitely wants the gap eliminated and wants LCRBDC to spend only on creditable items.

Imad also mentioned that the Corps, like the State, wants to build only creditable items - and that leaves out the Burr Street Betterment Levee Phase II. Burr Street is no longer a priority, however, citizens in the Burr Street area are already experiencing flooding from already constructed levees. The solution here is to "get Burr Street creditable" and "construct it." Dan stated that he is working on a crediting strategy of:

- 1.) scrutinizing all crediting submissions and submitting as many creditable items as possible,
- 2.) getting more participation from the locals in the West Reach so "uncreditable" items will not be a burden,
- 3.) getting credit for the bridges and Burr Street.

Imad reported that the Corps has researched and found a precedent for crediting the (four) bridges construction. It was done congressionally. Dan said LCRBDC should start the process. Imad also mentioned that the crediting gap is quite large. Corps has calculated that LCRBDC is 40% behind and even if LCRBDC receives credit for all that is creditable (title work, surveys, appraisals, legal, technical) in Stages VI, Stage V-2, and Stage V-3, LCRBDC will still be 29% behind in credits. Receiving credit for the bridges is crucial.

Results of 8/21/01 Real Estate Meeting – page 2

COE and LCRBDC agreed to the following *very preliminary* allocation of monies and acquisition schedule for the next biennium:

LCRBDC income = \$5,500,000.

Acquire East Reach Remediation (27 properties)	\$ 91,000
Acquire Remaining East Reach (25 properties)	\$ 411,000
Acquire Remaining Burr Street (12 properties)	\$ 250,000
Construct Pump Stations	\$ 676,000
Corps Administration	\$ 100,000
LCRBDC technical/administration	\$1,000,000
Continue acquiring VI & V-2	\$ 650,000

Construct Burr Street Phase II
(This is the LCRBD cash contribution) \$1,900,000

Relocate Burr Street Utilities \$ 150,000

Total expenditures = \$5,228,000

(ACTION: COE and LCRBDC)

2. ACQUISITIONS & APPRAISALS UPDATE

a. Stage VI-1:

Judy reported that appraisals are continuing and Dale Kleszynski is working on the feasibility report for the corporate acquisitions in the Kennedy Industrial Park.

b. Stage V-2:

Judy reported that appraiser John Snell will have a draft of Wicker Park to LCRBDC by the end of August. He's making one last visit to Wicker Park and Greg Cvitkovich around 8/22.

c. Stage V-3:

Judy reported that Dale met with Lou and has submitted preliminary appraisal figures on the Woodmar Country Club. As in all appraisals the Woodmar Country Club appraisal must be approved by the Corps to meet Federal Land Acquisition Act standards. The Corps may require Dale to make changes and consequently the appraisal amount may change, therefore, the appraisal *must* be considered a draft, a preliminary appraisal.

(ACTION: Judy/LCRBDC)

3. REAL ESTATE TRACKING SYSTEM

a. Status of comments to Corps IM (Information Manager) - Judy reported that she and Lorraine Kray met with Corps Computer Manager Mary Martin and Corps Computer Programmer John Hernandez on 15 August to discuss the failings of the computer dBase tracking system. Mary and John will work with the Corps computer contractor in Las Vegas to improve the program.

(ACTION: Mary and John/COE)

b. Utility Relocations for the West Reach will not be entered into the tracking system until it is improved. John said that he thinks the program can be divided into three categories: Land acquisition numbers, utility relocation numbers, and mitigation land acquisition numbers. Corps will work on the program and give LCRBDC a chance to make comments.

(ACTION: Mary and John/COE)

4. STATE BUDGET "PRE-REVIEWED" CREDITING LANGUAGE

The Corps and Indiana state budget committee want only creditable items submitted for LCRBDC funding. To comply, a new procedure of approving pre-credit for the monthly state draw has been accepted by the Corps. The system is as follows:

1.) Sandy prepares the state draw, attaches monthly bills and invoices.

2.) She submits the draw first to the Corps with a letter stating in pre-reviewed language that the "attached costs for credit are eligible pending proper documentation that is allocable and reasonable. Costs and expenses are subject to final review."

(This "pre-reviewed" language allows the Corps to pre-review the bills and comply with the federal regulations on crediting.)

3.) Imad and Chrystal both sign the letter and mail/fax back to Sandy.

4.) Sandy then submits the draw to the state budget committee who reviews it, approves it, and releases LCRBDC funds so LCRBDC can pay bills.

(ACTION: Imad, Chrystal/COE and Sandy/LCRBDC)

5. MITIGATION

- a. Status of 3rd Party Agreement sent to Shirley Heinze Environmental Fund (SHEF) - Dan reported that he has spoken with SHEF President Ron Trigg and SHEF is reviewing the 3rd party contract sent to them. The contract covers acquisition and maintenance for the wetlands that will be created in the Hobart Marsh area. Mr. Trigg thinks the contract is too one-sided in favor of the LCRBDC. SHEF attorney is also reviewing the document and will get back to us. LCRBDC will follow-up
(ACTION: LCRBDC)
- b. Status of Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore Meeting on 8/21/01 – Dan reported that LCRBDC staff met with Indiana National Lakeshore Superintendent Dale Engquist and his staff at the Dunes on 9 August 2001 to discuss the Lakeshore's possible participation in the operation and maintenance of the created wetlands in the Hobart Marsh area. The Lakeshore owns and is acquiring land in the marsh area and they are receptive to our idea. Imad will set up a meeting with the Congressman's office to start the discussion of the Lakeshore participation.
(ACTION: Imad/COE)

6. CREDIT FOR DEMOLITIONS IN BURR STREET LEVEE AREA

Judy has requested in a letter dated 8/7/01 to Imad that the COE approve the cost of demolition for three (3) vacant buildings in the Burr Street Betterment Area. The three properties were tenant relocations and now the houses are vacant. Vacant buildings in the past have been an invitation to gangs, fires, and general vandalism. For safety reasons LCRBDC is planning to have them demolished. Imad said the Burr Street Levee is a betterment and until that changes no costs can be credited, even if it's for safety reasons. Imad will send Judy a written response refusing credit.
(ACTION: Imad/COE)

7. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 18 September 2001, 9:30 am, LCRBDC office

JV 8/27/01



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15 August 2001

Mr. Imad Samara, Project Manager
Army Corps of Engineers
111 North Canal Street
Chicago, IL 60606

Dear Imad,

RE: Credit for structure demolitions on three (3) Burr Street Betterment
Levee Relocations DC 576, DC 578, DC 595

My letter today respectfully requests that you approve LCRBDC costs incurred to demolish three (3) houses, two (2) garages, and several outbuildings located in the Burr Street Betterment Levee area. The legal descriptions are as follows:

DC 576 Mauger N. 90 ft. of W. 280 ft. of NE SW S24,T36,R9 (.597 ac.)

DC 578 Stoffregen Burr Acres Lot 1 (1.06 ac.)

DC 595 Moshinsky Burr Acres Lot 2 (.94 ac.)

The owners were relocations and the buildings are now vacant, an invitation to gangs and vandalism. These structures will be vacant over the coming year before construction on Burr Street Phase 2 begins in the summer of 2002. With past relocations that left empty buildings we've had problems: fires, vandalism, unsafe conditions, neighbor complaints on the vacated properties. To protect and prevent harm to the public from these vacated sites, we would like to demolish the structures soon.

As of now the "betterment" classification is not creditable, but I ask you to consider my request as in the public interest for the safety of Gary citizens.

I respectfully ask that you give LCRBDC credit for the demolitions and remove them as project costs from your construction contractor specifications. Please respond in writing as soon as possible (an e-mail is sufficient). Thank you.

Respectfully,

Judith (Judy) Vamos
Land Acquisition

cc: Chrystal Spokane, USACE
Jim Pokrajac, LCRBDC

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Garcia LE & Associates, L.L.C.
Consulting Engineers

PROJECT MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Jim Pokrajac

Date: 8/2/2001

From: Jeff Yatsko *gy*

Project: I-80/94 Auto Parts

GLE File No.: LIT12

Re: Project Status

Jim,

As of 8/1/01 the limits for the Temporary Easements through the I-80/94 parcel (DC69A) has been completed. Per our phone conversation we contacted Ed Karwatka with the Army Corps of Engineers while our survey crew was on site so he could review the location of the levee. Most of the property where the levee is to be located was very swampy conditions which made it impossible to set the southern corners of the easements. We also contacted the owners representative while on site to show them which area of the parcel would be affected by the proposed levee easements. This resulted in about 12-20 cars that would need to be moved before construction started. We also placed marks near the railroad to show the location of the easements and the direction that the levee proceeds south from the railroad. If you have any questions please call.

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RECREATION REPORT

For meeting on Wednesday, September 12, 2001

(Information in this report is from July 26, 2001 – September 5, 2001)

GENERAL STATEMENT:

Currently, the joint recreation venture with the Army Corps is completed; 90% of the completed east reach levees have stoned trails completed; the remainder of east reach trails should be completed by the fall 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. Recreation trail re-alignments will be required in the east reach due to conflicting land use plans with City of Gary, I.U. Northwest, or other regulatory groups.

1. Broadway to Harrison Crossing:

- 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.
- We will be making application with the City of Gary to use the Broadway r/w (the existing sidewalks) on both sides to go South to 33rd Avenue to cross at the light.
- Upon completion of I.U. Northwest modifications on, and adjacent to, Broadway, we will install a permanent trail crossing south of the river and along the line of flood protection as originally proposed, and the temporary trails on the sidewalks on the Broadway right of way will be abandoned.

2. Harrison to Grant Street Crossing:

- We received a letter from the City of Gary on July 11th, 2001, indicating that our proposal East of Gilroy Stadium to 32nd Avenue is the best use location from Harrison to Grant.
- We sent a letter to Gary on July 20th, 2001 indicating that we would be doing survey work, legals, and engineering starting on August 6th, 2001 and that if anyone had any final suggestions, they should let us know by August 3rd.
- 3 We submitted a request to Attorney Casale on August 3rd, along with a letter from the EJ&E RR to proceed with an agreement to allow us to install an at-grade recreation trail crossing. 1-2
- The scope of this work will be done as part of the Burr Street Phase 2 project instead of Stage VI-2, which moves up the date.

WEST REACH RECREATION

A. Cline Avenue Crossing:

1. We had recreation coordination meetings with Highland and Griffith to determine trail re-locations which allow us to cross at Cline Avenue at Highway Avenue
 - A field meeting was held with Griffith on June 27th, 2001 to walk and review potential recreational trail adjustments east of Cline.
 - A meeting was held with Highland on July 5th, 2001, to review the recreation trail location west of Cline Ave. A follow-up meeting was held with the Cline Avenue Baptist Church on July 16th, 2001, to review the possibility of getting an easement across their property adjacent to Cline Ave.
2. A letter was sent to the COE on July 23rd, 2001 along with sketches showing the proposals and suggesting a meeting to review and discuss these locations.
 - **We have not received a response as of September 6, 2001.**

B. Tri-State recreational trail tie-in for the Highland/Wicker Park/Erie Lackawanna Trail Systems.

1. The COE modified the engineering and real estate drawings and submitted them to us at the Real Estate meeting on July 19th, 2001. 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)
 - We had a meeting with Highland to discuss Highland/INDOT plans for drainage in this area (See Engineering Report).

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.

- R.W. Armstrong (Indianapolis) made a presentation at our April 5, 2001 Board Meeting. We will have a discussion with the Engineering/Recreation Committee to review the different options. (Ongoing)
- It is our intent to include this construction as part of the Stage VI – Phase 1 contract.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Lou Casale, Attorney

FROM: Jim Pokrajac

SUBJECT: At-Grade Recreation Trail Crossing

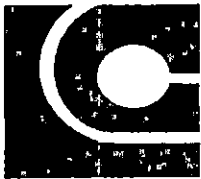
DATE: August 3, 2001

I enclosed a copy of correspondence from the EJ&E RR dated September 1, 1999 indicating that the EJ&E RR will permit us to construct an at-grade crossing that will be done in conjunction with our Burr Street Betterment levee. Along with this letter, Mark Paull sent 2 sheets of plans and sections of their pre-cast concrete crossings and signage that we must be in compliance with. Contrary to their previous comment regarding lighting, gates, "bells and whistles", they will provide us with modified safety requirements that we must be in compliance with to enter into an agreement allowing us to install this crossing.

If you have any questions regarding this information or how to proceed with easement agreements allowing us to do this construction, please call me.

/sjm
encl.

cc: Imad Samara
Jan Plachta
Curt Vosti
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Attorney

TO: Lou Casale
FROM: Jim Pokrajac
SUBJECT: Agreement with EJ&E RR for trail crossing
DATE: September 4, 2001

Previously, we have sent you information regarding a recreational trail crossing over the EJ&E RR east of Cline Avenue. We need to get together an agreement with the EJ&E to allow us to cross at this intersection. It has recently been brought to our attention by the Corps that this work will be done as part of our Burr Street Betterment Phase 2 construction project rather than as part of the Stage VI Phase 2 project, as we had previously discussed. Accordingly, I would request that you proceed with the necessary agreements with the EJ&E in order that we may include this as part of the bid documents which we anticipate to advertise early next year. If you have any questions, please call me.

/sjm



WORK STUDY SESSION
ENGINEERING COMMITTEE
September 12, 2001

Bob Huffman, Committee Chairman

1. Final inspections held for Stage IV-1 North (Colfax to Burr, North of NSRR) drainage system, and Burr Street Phase 1 (EJ&E RR to Colfax along NIPSCO R/W) was held on August 30th.
 - ◆ Construction in compliance with plans & specifications. - awaiting miscellaneous paperwork
2. Harrison bridge over I-80/94 proposed to be raised approximately 7' will be coordinated with COE.
 - ◆ Our existing levees need to be raised, guardrails extended, and gate re-located
3. Letter to COE on September 6th requesting responses to Gary Sanitary District concerns
 - ◆ Upon receipt, we will have a meeting with the city of Gary and GSD to review their concerns and to discuss their participation in O&M.
4. Utility coordination meeting held with the COE on September 10th.
 - ◆ We agreed to concentrate on completing all agreements and re-locations east of Cline, then work our way westward from Cline to Northcote.
 - ◆ Based upon available funding
5. Stage VIII review (Columbia to Illinois State line) for engineering due to COE by October 9th. October 3-4 will be preliminary review and field investigation.
 - ◆ A community (public) meeting will be held shortly thereafter
6. Burr Street Phase II (Colfax past Burr Street 1/2 mi. to Clark). Review completed and comments to the COE on August 7th.
 - ◆ These comments will be reviewed by the COE and incorporated into the final plans.

*all 3
copy of design
drawings
by Gary
to get
to
Huffman*

LAND MANAGEMENT REPORT

For meeting on Wednesday, September 12, 2001

(Information in this report is from July 26, 2001 – September 5, 2001)

NON-PROJECT LAND MANAGEMENT

A. Handicapped-Accessible Park

1. Phase I of the Charles Agnew Handicapped Park is complete.

- **Playground Systems Equipment took pictures of the park in August for its cover and/or centerfold piece for their 2002 catalog.**

B. Gleason Park-Driving Range

1. A meeting was held with Gary Parks and Recreation on June 19th, 2001, to review and discuss scheduling, funding, and scope of work for a driving range North of 30th Ave., West of Broadway.
2. A letter was submitted to them at the meeting indicating that \$394,540.41 is available to them for lands that were needed for our project.

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 **October 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)
 - A. Final inspections for Stage IV Phase 2B (Clark to Chase – south levee) and the East Reach Remediation area (surrounding Marshalltown) were made by the LCRBDC, COE, and Dyer Construction on July 23rd.
 - B. **Final inspections for Stage IV-1 North (Colfax to Burr, north of NSRR) drainage system and Burr Street Phase 1 (NIPSCO R/W from EJ&E RR to Colfax) were made by the LCRBDC, COE, and Dyer Construction/Dillon Contractors on August 30, 2001.**
3. LCRBDC is currently working on O&M responsibility tables to establish each task and who will do each item.**(Ongoing)**

B. Mitigation (entire project area)

1. **See #5 of Real Estate Meeting results (in Land Acquisition Report)**

C. Emergency Management/River Monitoring

1. It is our understanding that the GSD will expect compensation for monitoring river levels as part of the emergency response participation plan. This will be discussed at the upcoming coordination meeting with Gary/GSD/and WREP. (See Engineering Report)
 - Currently, the LCRBDC has completed review of GSD/WREP concerns that have not been addressed and will incorporate these as an item of discussion on the agenda. We intend on having this meeting no later than the end of **September**.
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. (Ongoing)
 - **This information will be forwarded to the city of Gary, Gary Civil Defense, and the Lake County Emergency Management.**
3. A meeting was held with the Gary Civil Defense, Lake County Emergency Management, WREP, and the LCRBDC on August 15th to review flood control responsibilities.
 - An email was sent to the COE on August 20th informing them of our August 25th meeting with the Gary Civil Defense and the need to coordinate an installation of a closure structure at 35th Street. /
 - After review, and response, from attendees minutes of this meeting were distributed on September 4, 2001. 2-5
4. A conference call was held with the LCRBDC and the COE on August 27th to review and coordinate the installation of the closure structures on Chase Street and on 35th Street east of Chase.
 - Results of the conference call were submitted to all participants for comments on August 28th. 6-9
 - We intend to schedule an initial installation by representatives of Gary Civil Defense on September 14, 2001.

D. Lake Erie Land Company (The Great Konomick)

1. No next meeting date has been scheduled.

E. LAMAR Advertising Company

1. Beginning January 1st, 2003, we will begin receiving approximately \$3,300 annually each for two new signs at 80/94 and I/65 intersection
 - **LAMAR provided lease agreements for the 2 previously approved signs to Attorney Casale for his review and approval.**
 - Arlene Colvin agreed to check with the city of Gary to see if they had any future plans for development in the same area for two (2) proposed sign locations.

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

1. **LCRBDC has gathered information from the COE to address both engineering and maintenance questions raised by GSD/WREP. We completed a current status sheet that will be reviewed & forwarded to them for discussion as part of an agenda to turn over O&M to them.**

- A letter was sent to the COE on September 6th requesting information on five (5) remaining issues we feel have not been addressed. 10-11

G. The Griffith levee west of the EJ&E RR to Cline Avenue has been completed as well as the Colfax road raise. We will be scheduling a meeting with Griffith to discuss their participation in maintaining and operating these items in the future no later than mid-September (See Engineering Report)

- The final inspection for this area was held on August 30th. We are awaiting materials and paper work from the COE prior to turning this over.

H. Portions of west reach pump stations in Hammond and Highland are being turned over to their respective communities. Representatives of the Hammond and Highland Sanitary Districts are inspecting with the COE and Contractor and signing off as owner.

1. A letter was sent to the COE on September 6th requesting information, materials, warranties, as-built drawings, and copies of all previously signed documents from the communities that will be incorporated into our final turnover and sign-off. 12-13
2. Currently working with Highland (John Bach/Mike Griffin) to put together an agreement whereby the community/LCRBDC/COE can mutually sign off for construction acceptance, but the community assumes O&M responsibility. (Ongoing)

General Information

A. We met with Jerry Holcomb (Precision lawn Care) on August 14th to review miscellaneous areas to be mowed that we own other than levees. We sent him a letter on August 17th requesting costs for each area. 14

- We received a proposal on August 31st with pricing as follows: 15

Area 1 - \$1500 (Stan Stann Tower)

Area 2 - \$400 (30th Avenue north of NSRR)

Area 3 - \$800 (North of I.U., west of Broadway)

\$600 (if we do east levee face)

Area 4 - \$400 (Mr. Halford property - East of I-65, North of I-80/94)

Total Cost - \$3,700

B. The Times printed a picture of the Boy Scouts conservation project on 8/27/01. 16

Sandy Mordus

From: "Samara, Imad LRC" <Imad.Samara@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
To: "Sandy Mordus" <smordus@nirpc.org>; "Samara, Imad LRC" <Imad.Samara@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
Cc: "Davis, Susanne J LRC" <Susanne.J.Davis@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; "Plachta, Jan S LRC" <Jan.S.Plachta@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; "Deja, Tom LRC" <Tom.Deja@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2001 2:49 PM
Subject: RE: Emergency Response Coord. meeting
 We can discuss this tomorrow at our RE meeting.

*Imad Samara
 Project Manager
 111 N. Canal Street
 Chicago, IL 60606*

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

From: Sandy Mordus [mailto:smordus@nirpc.org]
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2001 2:50 PM
To: Samara, Imad
Cc: Davis, Susanne J; Plachta, Jan S; Deja, Tom
Subject: Emergency Response Coord. meeting

Imad:

At our August 15th Emergency Response Coordination meeting, we were requested by Lake County and the city of Gary to perform an installation of the closure structure on 35th Street & Chase Street. This will serve as an instructional training session for both the Lake County Emergency Management and the Gary Civil Defense. We would like to schedule this practice installation no later than September 14, 2001. Will you please check your files and provide us with all pertinent information for the installation of this structure. We will coordinate this meeting with Lake County, the city of Gary, Gary Civil Defense, LCRBDC, and the Army Corps. We will incorporate the information for the installation of this closure into a "proposed schedule for installation" to be used on that day.

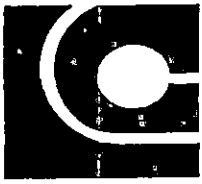
It has been brought to our attention that Mayor Scott King (city of Gary) has instructed appropriate personnel representing the city of Gary to attend this instructional and that we conduct it at our earliest convenience.

Please contact me in order that we may facilitate this meeting in a timely manner.

Jim Pokrajac

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08/20/2001



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TO: Jeff Kumorek, Deputy Director, Gary Civil Defense
Dean Button, White River Environmental Partnership
Jim Flora, R. W. Armstrong Company

FROM: Jim Pokrajac, Agent, Land Management/Engineering

SUBJECT: Final minutes of the August 15th emergency response meeting

DATE: September 4, 2001

Enclosed are the final copies of the minutes from our August 15th emergency response meeting. Thank you for taking the time to review and comment on these minutes. It is our intention, at this point in time, to schedule the installation of the closure structure on 35th Avenue east of Chase Street at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, September 14th. We will meet in the south parking lot adjacent to the Chase Street Produce. Further coordination will be required and I will keep you informed as to who has what responsibility.

If you have any questions regarding these enclosed minutes or of this installation of the closure structure, please contact me at the above number.

/sjm
encl.

Cc: Imad Samara, COE
Sue Davis, COE
Tom Deja, COE

Minutes of the August 15th **Emergency Response meeting**

Attendees:

Jeff Miller, Director, Lake County Emergency Management
Jeff Kumorek, Deputy Director, Gary Civil Defense
Dean Button, White River Environmental Partnership
Dan Gardner, Executive Director, LCRBDC
Jim Pokrajac, Agent, Land Management/Engineering, LCRBDC

It was the intent of this meeting to discuss the current status of any plans, problems, training, and information to be provided by the Army Corps of Engineers, in order that we may all be currently brought up to speed. Following are the minutes of this meeting. Both Jeff Kumorek and Dean Button are relatively new in their positions and we needed to share current information.

1. All attendees concurred that we would need to schedule a trial installation of a closure structure in the area of 35th and Chase.
 - We will schedule this no later than September 14, 2001.
 - We will contract out to provide a video tape of this installation that may be used in the future as a training film.
 - We will do the closure panel installation on 35th Avenue adjacent to the Chase Street Produce because of a lesser traffic impact than installing further north on Chase Street and also because of the proximity of the material stored in the Chase Street Produce building.
 - Jeff Miller will coordinate the traffic control for this installation and we anticipate that it will take approximately 4 hours. Gary City Police will provide the traffic control.
 - Jeff Kumorek will coordinate with the city of Gary to see who should attend representing the city.
 - We will color code all of the closure panel components in order that we can distinguish the materials between the 2 separate closure installations.
 - We will request that the Army Corps will check their files and records to see if any installation instructions are available.
2. We reviewed a project map that was marked up by the Army Corps indicating community boundaries, outfall gates, and road closures. It was also indicated on this map the closure references with each outfall gate to the FDM5, and some designations indicated the size of the culverts or closure structures.
 - Lake County and Gary Civil Defense requested that the Development Commission provide them with copies of this mapping with more detail and information than was shown on this particular drawing.

- LCRBDC will gather additional information from the Army Corps that will indicate all road closures (type of closures) and sizes of culverts.
 - In areas where sand bagging is currently required, it was suggested by the Development Commission that we may be able to stockpile closure materials (sand, jersey barriers, and any other necessary materials needed to provide adequate closures) at these locations.
 - It was mentioned that stockpiled material would be provided for some of the segments west of Cline Avenue and that it would be a good idea because it would be less labor intensive and could be implemented much quicker than by sand bagging.
 - The Development Commission will investigate with the Army Corps to see if this is possible being that flood protection in these areas has already been completed.
 - Jeff Miller and Jeff Kumorek requested that the Development Commission and Army Corps provide a field visit to physically see those items that would need to be tended to during a flood event.
 - Jeff Miller suggested that a possibility existed to provide assistance to the Gary Civil Defense by using the Lake County Highway Department.
 - Upon submitting the mapping along with what needs to be closed, installed, or operated during a flood event, the Gary Civil Defense will present this information to the city showing the importance of an emergency response plan for the Little Calumet River.
 - It was the intent of this meeting to incorporate this information as a supplement to the existing emergency plan for the city of Gary.
3. We discussed the computer hookup at the Gary Sanitary District that will be monitored 24 hours a day 7 days a week by the White River Environmental Protection (WREP).
- Our understanding is that this was installed several months back and that according to Dean Button, adequate training was not provided by the Army Corps.
 - WREP understands the data but does not know how to use the information, nor do they know when to notify the city of Gary as when to mobilize or take action during a coming flood event.
 - Dean Button also mentioned that this information could be used by Gary for other operations.
 - Jeff Miller mentioned that the current procedure regarding interaction between the city of Hammond and the Lake County Emergency Management operates similar to the way Gary Sanitary District will interact when this plan is fully implemented.

- Jeff Miller stated that when Gary Civil Defense receives warning flood level elevations at a level that has been determined by the Army Corps that they will call 911 which will begin the process to mobilize for an emergency operation with the city of Gary.
 - Jeff Miller mentioned that his computer was set up to print out at certain increments with each rise in the level of the river and that Gary's and Hammond's computers should be set up the same way.
 - Jeff Miller mentioned that over the last 5 years that they have had this computer equipment, that it has been very helpful to provide information about upstream river levels that would also indicate what elevations will be coming to the Little Calumet River area.
4. General discussion:
- Dan Gardner discussed the potential of using NIRPC resources to provide the mapping information (Jim Pokrajac will investigate this further).
 - We will try to get the existing map in its entirety to Jeff Miller and get the Gary portion of this map to both Jeff Kumorek and Dean Button.
 - Each closure will be assigned a number on the map and information regarding each closure regarding sizes, types, and locations will be cross-referenced separately from the mapping.
 - All members concurred that another meeting will be needed that will involve the Army Corps office.

/sjm



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TO: To all participants

FROM: Jim Pokrajac

SUBJECT: Closure Structure Coordination - August 27th Conference Call

DATE: August 28, 2001

Enclosed is a copy of the results of our conference call on August 27th, regarding the installation of a closure structure on 35th Avenue in Gary, IN. Will you please review this enclosure and make any changes, additions, revisions, or corrections and return them to me no later than September 5th. Upon compilation of all responses, I will thereby release final results for distribution to all participants as well as to those representatives from the city of Gary that will be involved during emergency procedures.

/sjm
encl.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CONFERENCE CALL **REGARDING CLOSURE STRUCTURE COORDINATION**

On August 27, 2001 we had a conference call regarding the installation and coordination for the closure structure to be installed on 35th Street east of Chase. The following people participated in this call: Tom Deja, Ed Kawatka, Brad Waldron, Imad Samara, Sue Davis and Jim Pokrajac. The agenda for this conference call was based upon an email from Tom Deja to Imad Samara dated August 20, 2001, which included 7 items. Following are results of that conference call:

1. Jim Pokrajac agreed to facilitate the cleaning of the covers and trenches at both locations of the closures prior to any practice installations.
 - Jeff Miller, Lake County Emergency Management, has previously been contacted and agreed to coordinate with the Gary Sanitary District to do the above mentioned work prior to the installations.
 - It was also discussed that as part of the emergency response that the Emergency Management people will include some type of portable equipment on their vehicle that will allow them to open the trenches and pump out any water or debris in the trenches during an event.
2. On August 27th, Jim Pokrajac, Ed Kawatka and Brad Waldron met at the storage area for the materials to review the plans, material list, and field conditions for the closure structure. All material needed for both closures appears to be in the storeroom. The only differences in materials for the (2) closure structures were that the posts varied in length by approximately 2".
 - The plans indicated that both structures will require two 3' panels and one 1' panel (vertically) that will be recessed approximately 1' into the trench. The lengths of the closure on Chase Street will be wider than the closure structure on 35th.
 - Previous COE plans indicated a 70' horizontal distance on Chase Street, and a 40' horizontal distance on 35th Street.
 - Imad Samara will provide ten (10) half sized sets of pertinent as-built drawings, to be distributed, to all involved parties from the Stage III drawings.
 - It was discussed to color code the materials for each structure and to separate the material into two separate areas.

3. We discussed who would install these structures for the preliminary installation practice. It was agreed that Jim Pokrajac would check with Jeff Miller and Jeff Kumorek to suggest that they provide the manpower to do this installation.
 - The people installing these panels should be representative of the personnel that would install these panels during a flood event.
 - It was agreed that we would do this installation on Friday, September 14th (Jim Pokrajac will check with the Lake County Emergency Management and Gary Civil Defense to assure that they can make this date).
 - It was discussed that all panels and columns will be installed loose, then tightened after the entire structure is in place.
 - We agreed on doing the installation on 35th Street because the material is adjacent to the installation and that traffic control could more easily be coordinated at this location than on Chase Street.
 - Traffic control and road closure will be coordinated with the city of Gary by the Lake County Emergency Management.
4. As previously discussed, it was agreed that the installation would only be on 35th Street and not on Chase Street.
5. We discussed the producing of an instructional video for this installation that could be distributed to all involved parties to serve as a training film for future closure installations.
 - Imad Samara said he would get the original video that we could use for installation reference.
 - Jim Pokrajac suggested providing a new video that would have a "voice-over" filming during pertinent portions of the installation that would serve as an instructional for these closure installations. Jim Pokrajac also agreed that he would coordinate the filming of this video.
6. All parties agreed that Arthur Rundzaitis was the original QA representative for the Army Corps for the Stage III construction project. Ed Kawatka was also a field representative on this project and accordingly, will be involved in the coordination and planning of this exercise.
7. Sue Davis discussed the possibility of modifying these closures to provide a better system of flood protection, with less response, during an event.
 - The Corps of Engineers mentioned that if road raises were to be installed at these locations that it would be a cost to either the local sponsor or the community to do this work.
 - All parties agreed that the exercise should include the installation of all panels, both vertical and horizontal.
 - Imad Samara suggested that Roland Elvambuena (Gary City Engineer) should be in attendance at this practice installation. Jim Pokrajac will contact Roland to inform him of the date of this installation.
 - Ed Kawatka will put together a preliminary list of "step by step" installation instructions which will be distributed prior to our meeting on the 14th.

Miscellaneous

- Sue Davis suggested the possibility of practicing a sand bag installation on the same day with the same local personnel
- Jim Pokrajac suggested that, as per our August 15th coordination meeting with the Gary Civil Defense and the Lake County Emergency Management, that we would investigate providing closure material (sand, jersey barriers, and plastics) on the sites currently requiring closure during a flood event in order that installation of these closures could be done quicker than doing sand bag installations. We did this for many locations in the west reach, and Jim Pokrajac will check with Gary Civil Defense and Lake County Emergency Management to see if they would be able to mobilize necessary equipment to complete these closures during a flood event.
- We decided that we would not do a sand bag installation at this time but would to it at some future date.



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September 6, 2001

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

Dear Imad:

We have completed review of the Corps' responses dated July 19, 2001 (copy attached) made to our June 4, 2001 Gary Sanitary District (GSD) Outstanding Issues list. After our review, there appears to still be a number of outstanding issues which we need the Corps to address. These outstanding items are listed in Attachment A.

We recognize that the Corps is anxious to turn over east reach projects to the Commission. Before the Commission can accept projects in Gary, we need to obtain the city of Gary and GSD's agreement to operate and maintain those sections. It is therefore extremely important that we resolve GSD's issues as soon as possible.

One additional concern we have is what will happen should a major flood event occur before agreement has been obtained from GSD to assume operation and maintenance responsibilities. Without agreement from GSD, the LCRBDC does not have the resources and personnel to perform operation and maintenance. Please let us know your thoughts or plans to assure these project segments are properly operated in the event of a flood.

Sincerely,


Dan Gardner
Executive Director

/sjm
attach.
Cc:

Sue Davis
Jan Plachta
Jim Flora
Lou Casale

ATTACHMENT A
OUTSTANDING GARY SANITARY DISTRICT ISSUES
August 13, 2001

1. **Ironwood Circle Pump Station Concerns (Item 9)**
 - a. What is the level of interior flooding anticipated for various flood events?
 - b. Are electrical controls, access road and adjacent homes to the north above this level?
2. **Operation and Maintenance Manual for the Project (Item 11)**

See current status on attached Gary Sanitary District Issues, Updated Status dated 7-19-2001. When will this work be scheduled and completed?
3. **East Reach Remediation Project (Item 12)**
 - a. See comment for Item 12a. Please provide the Corps' response to the water tightness of structures issue.
 - b. Please provide basis for sizing interior pump station. Please provide date when pump station contract will be let.
 - c. Regarding comment for Item 12c, would you provide the LCRBDC with an additional copy of the topographic map with the 200-year flood contour?
4. **Stage III Drainage Remediation**
 - a. Please provide an updated status and anticipated bid date for:
 - (1) Field tile pump station and resolution of flooding around gatewell between Chase and Grant Streets.
 - (2) New pump station at the I-wall west of Grant Street.
 - (3) Gatewell/I-wall modifications east of Grant to accommodate the Johnson Street Pump Station discharge.
5. **Other Issues (Item 14)**
 - a. Regarding current status and comment for Item 14b, when will copies of correspondence to/from USEPA/IDEM regarding Gary projects be provided?
 - b. Regarding current status and comment 14c, when will documentation requested be received?



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September 6, 2001

Mr. Imad Samara
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111 N. Canal Street
Chicago, Illinois 60606-7106

Re: West Reach Pump Station Checklist

Dear Imad:

It is our understanding that final inspections are upcoming for several pump stations in the west reach. To date, Hammond and Highland have signed off on pumps that are currently operational as a partial acceptance. We have been trying to work with the communities to establish a sign-off procedure whereby these documents could be incorporated into a final agreement that would be signed by that community, the COE, and the Development Commission. We would request copies of all of these sign-offs for our records.

In addition, we have developed a checklist for various items to ensure that this process goes as smoothly as possible and the community ends up with everything they need to take over and operate the storm water pump station. Following is a checklist we feel should be incorporated as part of the turnover:

1. O/M Manual
2. Spare parts, including special tools
3. As-built plans
4. Shop drawings
5. Training/Instruction on new equipment
6. Final Inspection Report indicating any outstanding punch list items. This final inspection should include representatives from the COE, LCRBDC, and municipality or Sanitary District. This report should include a statement that the project is complete except for punch list items. The COE should identify any punch list item they consider to be beyond the scope of the current construction contract.

Mr. Imad Samara
September 6, 2001
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Further, those punch list items beyond the scope of the current construction contract should be identified in the following categories:

- Will be added to the current construction contract by change order
- Will be added to a future construction contract. The future contract should be identified
- Is considered a betterment

7. Sign-off report regarding completion of punch list items to be completed under the current contract.

We would appreciate any comments you have on the above list and/or any additional items that should be added to the list.

If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,


Dan Gardner
Executive Director

/sjm

cc: Jan Plachta
Sue Davis
Tim Kroll
Tom Deja
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August 17, 2001

Mr. Jerry Holcomb
Precision Lawn Care & Landscaping
1745 Roosevelt
Gary, Indiana 46404

Dear Jerry:

As per our field meeting on Tuesday, August 14th, I am writing you this letter to describe the areas we need to have mowed in order that you may provide me individual proposals for each of these areas. These areas are as follows:

1. The Stan Stann tower area located south of 35th Avenue and east of Chase Street.
2. The west end of 30th Avenue north of the Norfolk Southern RR
3. The area north of I.U. Northwest located west of Broadway and east of our existing levee
4. The area north of I-80/94, east of I-65, and west of Colorado Street

Please provide me an individual cost for each of the above listed areas as we discussed in the field. I have tried contacting I.U. to see if we can mow the east face of the levee but have received no response at this point in time. Include the cost to mow the levee along with your proposal for that area but list it as an individual cost.

The area at the west end of 30th Avenue, I have not received clarification from the Corps as to whether or not their contractor will mow the area north of the railroad going toward Calhoun Avenue. Please provide a separate cost to include mowing that area north of the railroad.

Upon receipt of your proposals, I will send an agreement back to you, with the description of the work and the total contract amount, for your approval and signature. If you have any questions, please call me at the above number.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

/sjm

PROPOSAL

PROPOSAL NO.

SHEET NO.

DATE

PROPOSAL SUBMITTED TO:

NAME
LITTLE CAL. RIVER BASIN

ADDRESS
6100 Santa Port Road

PHONE NO.
763-0696

WORK TO BE PERFORMED AT:

ADDRESS

DATE OF PLANS

ARCHITECT

We hereby propose to furnish the materials and perform the labor necessary for the completion of I JERRY A
HOLCOMB D/B/A PRECISION LAWN CARE SHALL PROVIDE MOWING
SERVICES IN LITTLE CAL. RIVER BASIN. AREA #1 SHALL BE MOWED
FOR A CHARGE OF \$1500.00. AREA #2 SHALL BE MOWED FOR
A CHARGE OF \$400.00. AREA #3 SHALL BE MOWED FOR CHARGE OF
\$800.00 AND LEVEE FOR \$600.00. AREA #4 SHALL BE MOWED FOR
CHARGE OF \$400.00.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU
PRECISION LAWN CARE

All material is guaranteed to be as specified, and the above work to be performed in accordance with the drawings and specifications submitted for above work and completed in a substantial workmanlike manner for the sum of _____ Dollars (\$ _____)

with payments to be made as follows.

Respectfully submitted _____

Any alteration or deviation from above specifications involving extra costs will be executed only upon written order, and will become an extra charge over and above the estimate. All agreements contingent upon strikes, accidents, or delays beyond our control.

Per _____

Note — This proposal may be withdrawn
 by us if not accepted within _____ days.

ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL

The above prices, specifications, and conditions are satisfactory and are hereby accepted. You are authorized to do the work as specified. Payments will be made as outlined above.

Signature _____

Date _____

Signature _____

**FOCUS ON
BOY SCOUT TROOPS**

*THE
TIMES*
8/27/01

CLEANING UP: Members of Boy Scout Troops 280, 223 and 268 of the Calumet Council of Boy Scouts of America spent a summer weekend camped out at James Whitcomb Riley School in Hammond working on the Little Calumet River Conservation Project.



The scouts worked at cleaning away debris, constructing a wood chip walking trail and planting wildflowers along the north bank of the Little Calumet River from Columbia Avenue to Northcote Avenue in Hammond. Trail walkers can view the natural beauty of the river and not disturb wildlife habitats.

PROJECT ENGINEERING
MONTHLY STATUS REPORT
For meeting on Wednesday, September 12, 2001

(Information in this report is from July 26, 2001 – September 5, 2001)

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

1. Project completed on July 10, 1992.
Dyer Construction – Contract price \$365,524
2. **Harrison Street – INDOT raising of bridge over I-80/94 approx. 7' at the bridge.**
 - A. We received a request from INDOT for a ROE at Harrison Street, South of I-80/94 on August 9th, 2001 to get a field entrance for construction. 1
 - We submitted a letter to INDOT on August 20th, 2001, requesting more detail as to location of this property prior to our issuing a right-of-entry. 2
 - B. We received a request from Earth Exploration to do soil borings in this same area on August 19th, and to park their equipment on our property. 3
 - Earth Exploration sent us a letter on August 24th, 2001, agreeing to repair any damage to our property and a hold harmless from liability.
 - We met with them and the COE on August 27th, 2001, to establish contacts for our inspection of the levee after they complete their work.
 - C. We sent a letter to INDOT on September 4th informing them that all design for any work that would impact our project should be coordinated with the COE (through Imad Samara) in order to comment on engineering. 4

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)
 - **Current contract amount** - \$3,477,249.66
 - **Original contract amount** - \$3,293,968.00
 - **Amount overrun** - \$183,281.66 (5.6%)

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 **October** 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.)
 - Current contract amount - \$4,186,070.75
 - Original contract amount - \$3,089,692.00
 - Amount overrun - \$1,096,378 (36%)
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 **October** 2001.

STATUS (STAGE III) Chase to Grant Street:

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

STAGE III DRAINAGE REMEDIATION PLAN.

1. The LCRBDC submitted comments to the COE on April 12, 2001 for their 50% plans and specifications submittal.
 - These plans were incomplete for 50% review and lacked much detail and information. **We are awaiting a pre-final set to review as of September 6th, 2001.**
2. 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.

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. **(The final inspection was held on August 30th, 2001, and tools & manuals were given to the LCRBDC.)**
 - Current contract amount - \$3,013,910.52
 - Original contract amount - \$2,708,720.00
 - Amount overrun - \$305,109 (11%)

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- B. Will still require "as-built" drawings, and minor punch list items need to be completed.
- 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.
- D. These areas were hydro-mulched on April 2, 2001 and the seed is starting to take. Periodic inspections are being made. Sloughing now is minor, but may still occur.
- E. The COE redlined "as-builts" from the contractor and the COE is now preparing "as-built" final drawings.

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

1. Dyer Construction was low bidder. Given 450 days to complete – Anticipated completion date is September, 2001
 - Current contract amount - \$3,967,668.20
 - Original contract amount - \$3,862,736.65
 - Amount overrun - \$150,381 (3%)
2. Overall construction is approx. 90% complete, approx. all of the clay is placed for all of the levee work, but does not include backfilling with clay around structures (concrete structures still to be constructed). All sheet piling is completed.
 - An inspection is anticipated for Fall, 2001.
3. Minor work to be completed for gates and bollards.
 - Levee work west of WIND to be completed.
4. We received a copy of modification #10 to the contract which includes (15) miscellaneous items for drainage and structural changes for an increase to the contract of \$23,153.43. New total contract cost is \$3,967,668.20

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

1. Dyer Construction-95% complete.
 - Current contract amount - \$3,504,445.80
 - Original contract amount - \$2,473,311.50
 - Amount overrun - \$1,031,134 (42%)
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.
 - We received modification #34 to the contract from the COE on August 15th, 2001 (dated April 27th, 2001 for the cost to install auxiliary power in the amount of \$136,603.16.
 - This will be done as an addendum to the contract with Dyer Construction sub-contracting the work. Anticipated start September of 2001; anticipated completion will be the end of November 2001.
 - A preliminary construction meeting will be held in the field with GSD/WREP to review the scope of work and keep them informed.
 - B. Austgen Electric will be the contractor.
3. A final inspection will be scheduled with the LCRBDC and the COE for this entire project, including the pump station in summer of 2001.

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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 was held on July 23, 2001 with the LCRBDC prior to turnover.
 - A. We received "as-built" drawings from the COE on June 24th, 2001 and distributed them to the City of Gary on June 27th, 2001
 - B. We received a letter to Dyer Construction from the COE dated June 28th, 2001, including the COE area office final inspection punch list.
 - C. The final inspection was held with the COE and Dyer Construction on July 23rd, 2001, and we received the O&M Manuals.
2. Project money status:
 - Current contract amount - \$1,938,357.86
 - Original contract amount - \$1,530,357.50
 - Amount overrun - \$408,000 (27%)

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.
 - Current contract amount - \$2,115,047.54
 - Original contract amount - \$2,074,072.70
 - Amount overrun - \$40,975 (2%)
2. The final inspection was held on August 30th, 2001, with minor punch list items to be completed. Manuals and tools, and "as-built" drawings will be turned over to LCRBDC. 5
 - Staging area compound is currently being used for Stage IV – Phase 1 South
3. The drainage ditch north of the Mansards is having sloughing problems that should be corrected when Burr Street Phase II is completed.

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 final engineering for review by end of August 2001; award contract by October 2001; and a construction start of December 2001 – 360 days to complete.
 - We wrote a letter to the COE on May 21st, 2001, requesting final information for all utility re-locates in order that we may proceed with agreements. Currently have not received as of September 4th, 2001.
 - We received plans and specifications from the COE on July 11th, 2001. A "plan-in-hand" meeting was held on July 31st, 2001, and our final comments were submitted to the COE on August 7th, 2001. (These comments are available upon request). 11
 - A letter was sent to the COE on September 4th, 2001, questioning design of a 36" gatewell structure and how it affects drainage. 12-14
 - Three (3) structures scheduled for demolition will be done by LCRBDC prior to project due to safety & vandalism concerns. Will be deleted from plans (see Land Acq. Report).
2. The projected government estimate for this project is approximately \$2.4 million.

3. LCRBDC needs to review spending through 2003 (this biennium) to establish priorities. The \$5.5 million may not allow this construction if land acquisition and utility re-locates in the West Reach exceed original cost estimates.
 - **We included the Land Acq., utility re-locates, and our portion for construction into this biennium, but are pursuing the possibility of making this project part of the flood control project (not a betterment).**
4. We received a memo from GLE Surveying, that after they did the layout for the I-80/94 Auto Parts that very swampy conditions exist (This will greatly increase the contract cost). 15

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. With the approved \$5.5 million for this biennium and with \$5.5 million assumed for the next biennium, we project a fall, 2003 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 final real estate drawings due to engineering revisions on July 19th, 2001, and **received** modified legals in **mid-August**. (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. A letter was sent to NIPSCO on August 9th enclosing locations and elevations of all pipelines in this corridor for their information. 16
 - C. We made a request to NIPSCO on August 22nd for copies of all subordinated agreements with other pipelines to allow our attorney to review their responsibilities to repair or modify their pipelines.
 - **We received copies of (3) of the (9) different pipelines on August 31st.**
4. We received a letter of request from North Township on July 9th, 2001 to re-align the levees adjacent to Hart Ditch further Westward to allow more room to develop property on the Wicker Park Golf Course.
 - Currently, the design will require 300' between center lines of levees, the layout has the levee on Wicker Park approx. 220' East of Hart Ditch and the levee on the Munster side approx. 80' West of Hart Ditch.
 - This is due, on the Munster side, to the limitations of real estate, and to the proximity of residential dwellings.

- The meeting with Munster and North Township was held on July 19th, 2001. It appears North Township will try to minimize impacts to the Munster side if the COE might do some considerations.
5. We requested an email from Highland/COE regarding drainage concerns with INDOT in the area around and adjacent to the Tri-State Bus terminal.
 - A meeting was held with the COE, INDOT, LCRBD, North Township and Highland on June 14th, 2001, to review these drainage concerns.
 - A potential exists to partner between Highland, North Township and INDOT to build a pump station in the ditch area West of Tri-State.
 - We received a letter from the COE dated May 24th, 2001 (on July 3rd) indicating to INDOT that the ponding in this area is likely to be substantially greater and it would be in the best interest of the community if they would include a pumping unit.

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. This date will be pushed back due to funding restrictions even if we get the \$5.5 million for this biennium. **The construction sequence due to hydrology will push construction back in the schedule.**
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. Legal descriptions North of the river have been completed by GLE, and legals South of the river have been completed by DLZ.
 - A. **Properties owned by Hammond, HSD, and Hammond Parks need legals between the Highlands Apartments and the S.e. Hessville Pump Station.**
 - B. Highland properties were completed (plats & legals) by DLZ and given to Dale Kleszynski (appraiser) at our July 19th, 2001 Real Estate meeting. (Approx. 62 acres.) See Land Acq. 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. We received a letter from INDOT to Rani Engineering on January 8, 2001 indicating their concerns regarding culverts & recreational proposals.
 - A. A meeting was held with RANI, the COE, INDOT, and the LCRBDC on April 11, 2001 to review these and other engineering issues.
 - INDOT agreed we could cross Cline Avenue at the existing light at Highway Avenue. (See Recreation Report).
 - A meeting was held with Griffith to review proposed route for recreation trail east of Cline on June 27th and a preliminary review meeting was held with Highland on July 5th, 2001.
 - A meeting was held with the Cline Avenue Baptist Church on July 16th, 2001, to investigate getting an easement on their property. (See recreation report)

B. We are still not at the 50% level of review – many issues to still be resolved. The COE agreed we would have one more opportunity to review and comment prior to their 100% submittal.

- **Highland submitted a letter to the COE on August 20th requesting re-consideration of design regarding storm sewers and drainage changes & responsibilities to modify and construct.**

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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. (No response as of June 29, 2001).
3. A public meeting will be scheduled with both communities. (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. A meeting was held with SEH, Munster, Hammond, the COE, and the LCRBDC on June 6, 2001 to review hydrology concerns.
 - Minutes of the meeting were finalized and submitted for distribution on June 26th, 2001.
3. We received a letter of concern from Ted Muta, dated June 22nd, 2001, expressing concern for leaning trees, stone finish on walls which will help preserve natural beauty.
 - We received a letter from the COE on June 29th indicating many of his concerns were going to be addressed & that at the 50% level, we could inform him of what is proposed at that time.
4. **We received plans and specs from the COE at our August 21st Real Estate meeting and distributed them to Hammond and Munster on August 22nd.**
 - **Comments are due on October 9, and a "plan-in-hand" meeting will be held on October 3rd to field review areas of question.**

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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. Project cost information
 - Current contract amount - \$1,873,784.68
 - Current contract amount - \$1,657,913.00
 - Amount overrun - \$215,971 (13%)
3. A final inspection was held with the COE and Dyer Construction on July 23rd, 2001 and we received copies of the O&M manuals.
 - We received "as-built" drawings from the COE on June 25th and distributed to the city of Gary on June 27th.

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. Low bidder was Overstreet Construction. Notice to proceed was given on November 7th, 2000 – 700 work days to complete (Oct. 2002)
 - Current contract amount - \$4,638,400.00
 - Original contract amount - \$4,638,400.00
 - Amount overrun - none
3. A pre-construction meeting was held on November 27th, 2000, to discuss scheduling, establish points of contact, and coordination.
 - A. 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.
4. We received a status report from the COE on **August 21, 2001.**

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West Reach Pump Stations – Phase 1B:

1. The Two (2) pump stations included in this contract are S.E. Hessville (Hammond), and 81st Street (Highland).
 - A. The 81st Street Pump Station is approximately 90% complete to date.
 - The drywell pump inspection was held on April 17, 2001 and was found to be acceptable for both pumps and have been placed in service.
 - An agreement will be needed with both Highland and Hammond to allow their respective representatives to sign off, as owners for partial acceptance and turnover of these projects. (Ongoing)
 - All pumps are currently installed and placed in service.
 - B. S.E. Hessville Pump Station is approximately 50% 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.
 - We received an email from the COE on July 11th, 2001, indicating that one of the pits for a drywell pump was filled with silt/sand/debris that needs to be cleaned out to allow us to install a new pump. HSD felt it was our responsibility – we will add this cost to our contract.
 - **We received a modification to the contract #12 that increased the contract by \$9,083.61. Current contract is now \$2,120,730.12.**
3. Thieneman Construction from Griffith, IN was the successful bidder.
 - **Current contract amount - \$2,120,730.12**
 - Original contract amount - \$1,963,400.00
 - **Amount overrun - \$157,330 (9%)**
 - We received modification #9 to the contract in the amount of \$90,742.16 on July 5th, 2001 increasing the total current contract amount to \$2,111,646.51.
4. We received a status report from the COE on **August 21, 2001**

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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.
 - We received a letter from the COE on June 28th, 2001, indicating LCRBDC should enter into an agreement with Highland to compensate them for the unpaid balance based upon their usage.
2. The low bidder was Overstreet Construction
 - Current contract amount - \$2,387,500.0
 - Original contract amount - \$2,387,500.00
 - Amount overrun - none
 3. A pre-construction meeting was held on May 21st with Overstreet Construction, town of Highland, COE, NIPSCO, and the LCRBDC.
 - Some construction may start in late summer, but the pumps are not projected for delivery until December 2001. At that time, the major work will begin (pump replacement & piping).
 - There are currently 10 pumps and all of these will be replaced with new and will be coordinated with the town of Highland.
 - Minutes of the meeting were submitted for review by the COE on June 8th, 2001, and supplemented by the LCRBDC on June 14th, 2001.
 4. We received a status report from the COE on **August 21, 2001**

GENERAL:

1. Utility Re-locations:
 - A. On June 20, 2001, a utility coordination meeting was held with the LCRBDC and the COE to discuss utility status and how to track each relocation.
 - Compensability for utility relocations was discussed and milestones were presented for review to Don Valk and the COE on March 20, 2001.
 - B. **A utility coordination meeting was held with the COE on September 10th to review scheduling, status of relocations, and compensability issues.** 23-24
2. The Gary Sanitary District/White River Environmental Group has had engineering/hydrology and maintenance concerns with our design and installation for flood protection that they feel needs to be addressed prior to them agreeing to any O&M responsibility.
 - A. The COE sent the LCRBDC a letter on September 10th, 1999 (referenced) explaining their intent of design and explaining hydrology issues.
 - B. An updated status report was completed on July 19th, 2001, addressing outstanding issues and concerns from GSD/WREP that will be used as part of an agenda to discuss eventual O&M responsibilities.



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August 9, 2001

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

RE: Authorization for entry for field entrance construction
Harrison St. over I-80/I-94
Lake County
INDOT Contract B-25942

Dear Mr. Pokrajac:

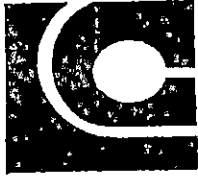
As per our phone conversation on August 7th, INDOT plans to let a Design/Build contract December 2001 to reconstruct the Harrison St. bridge over I-80/I-94. The profile grade of Harrison St. will be raised approximately 7 feet at the bridge. At this location, the levee is located along the south side of I-80/I-94. There are existing field entrances from Harrison St to the levee on both the east and west side. The extended field entrance to the west will fit within the existing Harrison St R/W. The field entrance to the east will extend approximately 53 feet beyond the Harrison St R/W. Please see the enclosed plan sheets for the proposed construction limits. Upon completion of construction, all vegetation will be restored in all disturbed areas.

We are requesting that you sign and return the enclosed Authorization for Entry form. Please feel free to call with any questions or comments. Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Greg Kicinski'.

Greg Kicinski
INDOT Design/Build Project Manager



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August 20, 2001

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Re: Authorization for entry for field entrance construction
Harrison Street over I-80/94, Lake County
INDOT Contract B-25942

Dear Greg:

I received your request dated August 9, 2001 regarding authorization for a field entrance for construction east of Harrison Street and south of I-80/94. As part of your enclosure, I also received your engineering drawing with INDOT stationing showing the location you required for this entrance. I had difficulty in cross relating this information to the property ownerships in this area. I enclosed 2 copies of a "sidwell" drawing from our County indicating the lot and block designations, city rights-of-way, and location of the Tri-State I-80/94 right-of-way. Will you please mark up one of these enclosed maps and return it to me in order that I may more accurately identify ownership of the parcel you requested.

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

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

/sjm



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August 24, 2001

Mr. Jim Pokrajac
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Portage, IN 46368

Re: Right of Entry
Levee at Harrison and I-80/94
EEI Project No. 1-6646

Dear Mr. Pokrajac:

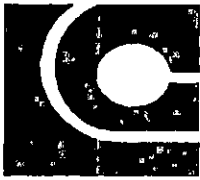
As discussed in our telephone conversation on this date, we understand that you will allow us to enter the levee area at the referenced location to temporarily store our drilling equipment. We understand that if any damage is done by our equipment, we will be responsible to repair the area in-kind. In addition, we will hold your organization harmless from any liability while on your property such as vandalism or personal injury.

If you have any questions about this information, please call myself or Chuck McGee of our company.

Sincerely,

EARTH EXPLORATION, INC.

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September 4, 2001

Mr. Greg Kicinski
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Dear Greg:

This letter is in reference to the information you provided to us regarding the raising of the Harrison Street bridge by 7' over I-80/94. Will you please coordinate any design information you have with Imad Samara, who is the Project Manager for the flood control project on the Little Calumet River. He can be reached at 111 North Canal Street, Suite 600, Chicago, Illinois 60606-7206; Phone number 312/353-6400 Ext. 1809; Fax number 312/353-4256; Email address is Imad.samara@usace.army.mil.

Your raising of this bridge will affect both of our levees that have previously been installed that run east and west from Harrison Street south of I-80/94. Regrading will be required along with the reinstallation of security gates. In addition, I am looking forward to working with you to give you a right-of-entry to do preliminary work and/or construction in this area. I still need to have a sketch or drawing from you showing the exact locations that you plan to build in order that we can identify property ownership.

If you have any other projects regarding road raises, bridges, or any other construction that may impact the flood protection system for the Little Calumet River, will you please let me know in advance in order that we may coordinate any design, or real estate that may be needed for you to complete your work. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call me at the above number.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

/sjm
cc:

Imad Samara, COE
Tom Deja, COE
Tim Kroll, COE

Sandy Mordus

From: "Sandy Mordus" <smordus@nirpc.org>
To: <relvambu@ci.gary.in.us>
Cc: <lmad.samara@usace.army.mil>; + Arlene Colvin
Sent: Monday, August 27, 2001 3:08 PM
Subject: Levee inspections
Roland:

As a reminder, we are having inspections for the Stage IV Phase 1 North project and for our Betterment levee Phase 1 on Thursday, August 30th. We will meet at the construction trailer located on Arbogast Street north of the NIPSCO right-of-way over the levee at 9:00 a.m.. Our initial inspection will be for the Stage IV-1N project which includes the drainage north of the Norfolk Southern RR from Colfax to Burr Street. The following inspection will be at 11:00 for the Burr Street levee which extends from the EJ&E RR to east of Colfax Avenue. We would hope that you could attend both inspections and notify any other representatives from the city of Gary that you think need to attend. Please let me know whether you will be able to attend this inspection or not. If you cannot attend, will you please arrange to have another representative from the city attend. If you have any questions regarding these inspections, please contact me at 763-0696.

Jim Pokrajac

CELRC-CO-S (1180-1-1q)

III-1 SOUTH - DYER CONST. - MOD. #10
• ADD \$23,153.43 FOR (15) MISC. ITEMS
FOR DRAINAGE & STRUCTURAL CHANGES.

15 AUG 2001

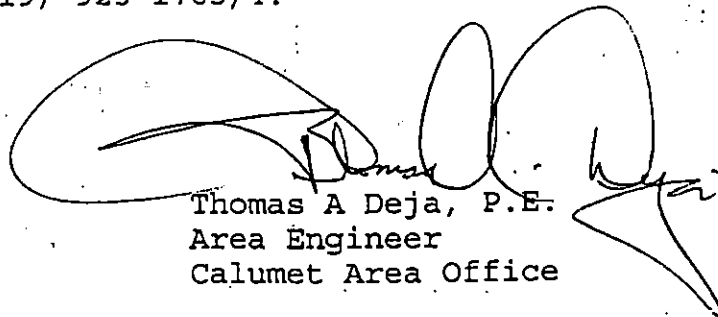
MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE DISTRIBUTION

• CURRENT TOTAL CONTRACT - \$3,967,668.20
• PREVIOUS TOTAL CONTRACT - \$3,944,514.77

SUBJECT: Contract No. DACW27-00-C-0015
Local Flood Protection
Little Calumet River, Indiana
Stage IV; Phase 1-South
Modification No. P00010 - Executed

1. Enclosed for your file is a copy of all pertinent information related to executed Modification No. P00010, under the subject contract.

2. Any questions concerning the enclosed items shall be directed to Douglas Anderson at (219) 923-1763/4.



Thomas A Deja, P.E.
Area Engineer
Calumet Area Office

Enclosures

DISTRIBUTION:

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Modification No. P00010 (FC-15.10)
 Miscellaneous changes to the Wind Radio
 Station, Road Guardrails, 24" RCP Culvert,
 42" CMP Culvert, Calhoun St. Concrete I-Wall,
 Calhoun St. Sandbag Closure, Delete Sand Bedding,
 Additional Survey/Shaping, Delete Joint Sealant
 Contract No. DACW27-00-C-0015
 Dyer Construction Company, Inc.
 SF30, Block 14. Continued

A. While reviewing the Contract Drawings and Specifications during construction it was determined that:

1. The Concrete I-Wall at Calhoun St. was not included on the Bidding Schedule and, therefore, should be added for payment.
2. The Wind Radio Drainage System needs to be revised to include a catch basin and 6" ductile iron drainage pipe.
3. The installation of the 42" CMP W/Flared End Section needs to be revised to install 22 lineal feet of 48" CMP culvert.
4. The installation of 110 lineal feet of 42" CMP culvert needs to be revised to install 93 lineal feet of 36" CMP culvert.
5. The existing abandoned 24" RCP Culvert needs to be plugged in accordance with INDOT Standards.
6. The Sand Bedding in Items 0018AA through 0018AM needs to be deleted.
7. The Removal/Replacement of the Wind Radio Fence shall be revised to reflect the revised drawings.
8. The Road Guardrails shall be changed from a Thrie-Beam System to a W-Beam System.
9. The Bid Item for the 24" RCP Culvert shall be revised to include an additional 8 feet of RCP culvert and delete the Preload Embankment.
10. The Embankment Preloading: Vertical Prefabricated Wick Drains shall be deleted.
11. The Flapgate (24" X 24" W/Thimble) shall be added to the Bid Schedule.
12. The Calhoun St. Sandbag Closure shall be added to the Bid Schedule.
13. The miscellaneous changes to the alignment of the levee and access ramps will require additional Bid Items for survey and shaping, and realignment of the twin 42" culvert.
14. The miscellaneous changes for the surface preparation at the Wind Radio Station shall be modified as shown on the revised drawing.
15. The joint sealant used for the installation of the sheet pile wall shall be reduced to 4 foot below ground to the top of the wall.

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Dyer Construction Company, Inc.
SF30, Block 14. Continued.

- B. It is understood and agreed, that pursuant to the above, the time for completion of the work is INCREASED by 21 calendar days from 471 calendar days (with a completion date of 30 AUGUST 2001), as established by Modification P00009, to 492 calendar days (with a completion date of 20 September 2001), and the total estimated amount of the contract is INCREASED \$23,153.43, from \$3,944,514.77 as established by Modification P00009 to \$3,967,668.20.
- C. It is further understood and agreed that this modification constitutes compensation in full on behalf of the Contractor, and its subcontractors and suppliers for all cost and markups directly or indirectly attributable to the changes ordered herein, for all delays related thereto, and for performance of the changes within the time frame stated.
- D. In accordance with Section 00800- SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS; Paragraph 1.7, CONTINUING CONTRACTS, funds are available only to the extent of specific amounts in formal notice to the Contractor. Current funds available through and including this modification are \$3,520,381.13.

STAGE IV-2A (LEVEE ETTA) MOD. 1
ADD AUX. POWER - (ADD) \$ 136,603.16
ORIG. CONTRACT - \$ 3,367,842.64 (to date)
+THIS MOD. - \$ 136,603.16
NEW total Contract - 3,504,445.80

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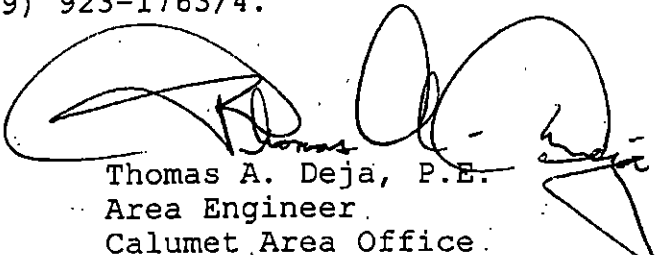
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Contract No. DACW23-95-C-0073
 Stage IV; Phase 2A, Levee Construction
 Little Calumet River, Indiana
 Modification No. P00034 - Executed

1. Enclosed for your file is a copy of all pertinent information related to executed Modification No. P00034, under the subject contract.

2. Any questions concerning the enclosed items shall be directed to Mr. Doug Anderson at (219) 923-1763/4.


 Thomas A. Deja, P.E.
 Area Engineer
 Calumet Area Office

ENCLOSURES

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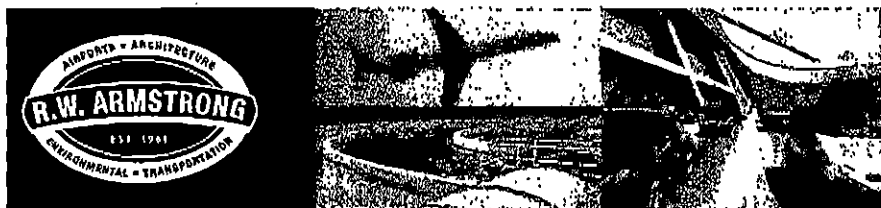
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 CELRC-CO-S (Mod. Only) V. Garces
 LCRBDC (Mod. Only) J. Pokrajac ✓

Modification No. P00034 (FC-73.35)
External Electrical Connection
Contract No. DACW27-95-C-0073
Dyer Construction Company, Inc.
SF30, Block 14. Continued

B. It is understood and agreed, that pursuant to the above, time for completion of the work is EXTENDED 1,178 calendar days from 9 July, 1998, as established by Modification No. P00033 to 29 September 2001, and the total estimated amount of the contract is INCREASED \$136,603.16, from \$3,367,842.64 as established by Modification No. P00033 to \$3,504,445.80.

C. It is further understood and agreed that this modification constitutes compensation in full on behalf of the Contractor, and its subcontractors and suppliers for all cost and markups directly or indirectly attributable to the changes ordered herein, for all delays related thereto, and for performance of the changes within the time frame stated.

D. In accordance with Section 00800- SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS; Paragraph 1.7, CONTINUING CONTRACTS, funds are available only to the extent of specific amounts in formal notice to the Contractor. Current funds available through and including this modification are \$3,503,778.04.



August 7, 2001

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

Re: Little Calumet River Levee
Burr Street Betterment Levee System - Phase 2

Dear Mr. Samara:

With this letter we are transmitting our comments along with those of James Pokrajac of the LCRBDC for the referenced project. Even though some of our comments were addressed at the July 31, 2001 plan-in-hand meeting, we request a written response to all our comments.

One other issue discussed at the plan-in-hand meeting was the Corps of Engineers' schedule. It is our understanding that this project will not be bid as per your schedule until fall 2002. Please confirm this.

If you have any questions, please call.

Very truly yours,

R. W. ARMSTRONG & ASSOCIATES, INC.

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

JJF:kf
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cc: Dan Gardner, LCRBDC
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August 15, 2001

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

Re: Burr Street Betterment Levee
Gatewell at Station 82+65

Dear Mr. Samara:

We have had a chance to further review and discuss the 36-inch gatewell at Station 82+65. Our concern regarding this gatewell is the lack of a flap valve or any other automatic closure device. This means that in the event of a flood event someone must manually close the sluice gate or flood waters will flow to the landside through this gatewell. Because of the remoteness of this gatewell and the great number of other tasks which must be accomplished during a flood event, the lack of a flap valve on a 36-inch pipe is not acceptable. We therefore request that you explore other options to deal with this situation.

As a minimum we request that you explore at least the following two options:

1. Redirect and improve drainage east of the levee so that it flows northerly under the railroad to the Little Calumet River. This would allow installation of a flap gate on the riverside end of the gatewell system.
2. If the size of pipe needed to handle normal east to west flows from the area east of the levee is relatively small (12 or 15 inches), then redesign the riverside headwall to accommodate the 36-inch pipe with a flap valve on the riverside and a second pipe to handle the normal east to west flows. This second pipe would then be connected to the 36-inch pipe just west of the riverside headwall. See attached sketch.

Mr. Imad Samara
Corps of Engineers
August 15, 2001
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If the Corps has any other ideas on how to resolve our concern they should also be explored.
Please keep us informed of what is being done to resolve our concern.

Very truly yours,

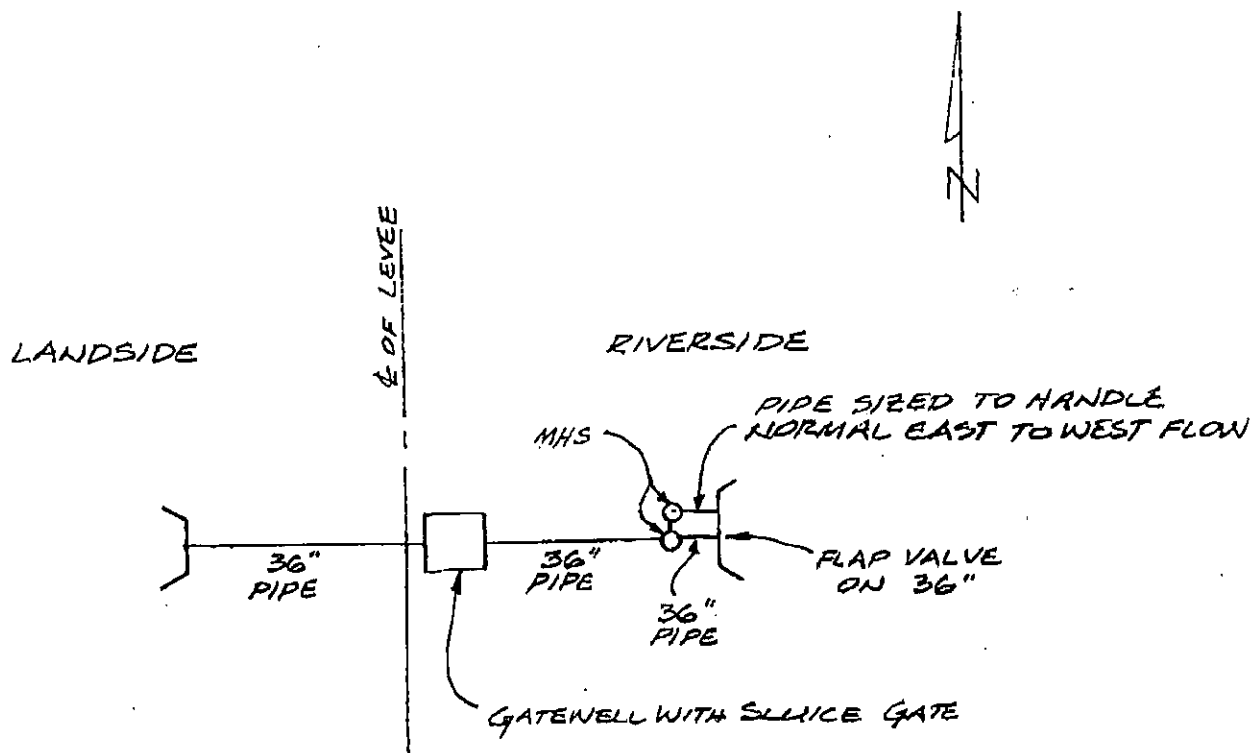
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cc: Dan Gardner, LCRBDC
Jim Pokrajac, LCRBDC

GATEWELL AT STATION B2+65
SKETCH FOR OPTION 2



Garcia LE & Associates, L.L.C.
Consulting Engineers

PROJECT MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Jim Pokrajac

Date: 8/2/2001

From: Jeff Yatsko *gy*

Project: I-80/94 Auto Parts

GLE File No.: LIT12

Re: Project Status

Jim,

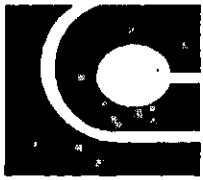
As of 8/1/01 the limits for the Temporary Easements through the I-80/94 parcel (DC69A) has been completed. Per our phone conversation we contacted Ed Karwatka with the Army Corps of Engineers while our survey crew was on site so he could review the location of the levee. Most of the property where the levee is to be located was very swampy conditions which made it impossible to set the southern corners of the easements. We also contacted the owners representative while on site to show them which area of the parcel would be affected by the proposed levee easements. This resulted in about 12-20 cars that would need to be moved before construction started. We also placed marks near the railroad to show the location of the easements and the direction that the levee proceeds south from the railroad. If you have any questions please call.

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LOUIS CASALE
Attorney

August 9, 2001

Mr. Jim Fitzer
NIPSCO
801 E. 86th Avenue
Merrillville, Indiana 46410

Dear Jim:

As per our phone conversation of August 7th, I am enclosing a drawing of the location of the pipelines on your utility corridor located west of Kennedy Avenue and east of ConRail adjacent to the Little Calumet River. This drawing indicates the location and elevations of 14 pipelines, several of which are owned and operated by pipelines other than NIPSCO. If you need pipeline locations, it is available upon disc and I could help you coordinate this if you want this information. This work was done in July, 2001. I have been requested to investigate, with NIPSCO, the subordinated agreements from those pipelines for their operation, maintenance, and inspections with NIPSCO. Would it be possible to provide me with copies of these agreements in order that we may work out our own agreements to do construction across their lines.

I've also enclosed a copy of our points of contact for each of these pipelines for your use. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at the above number.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

/sjm
encl.

cc: Imad Samara, COE
Jan Plachta, COE
Jim Flora, R. W. Armstrong Co.
Lou Casale, LCRBDC attorney



TOWN OF HIGHLAND

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August 20, 2001

Mr. Imad Samara
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Chicago District
111 N. Canal Street, Suite 600
Chicago, IL 60606-7206

RE: Highland, Indiana
Little Calumet River Flood Protection Stage VI, Phase II
Request for Reconsideration of USACE Response

Dear Mr. Samara:

Reference is made to correspondence dated May 8, 2001 from Rani Engineering, Inc., which forwarded USACE responses to 50% Review Comments by the Town of Highland for the subject levee improvements. The Town requests reconsideration of the USACE response to Comments A3 and A6.

Concerning Comment A3, the Town recently agreed to consider storm sewer improvements immediately upstream of the proposed new North Grace Street Pump Station. It was not our understanding, however, that the Town would make improvements all the way back to the intersection of Johnston Street and 81st Street. Our general understanding was that storm sewer improvements indicated on Figure 1 would be provided by the Town. We request that the Stage VI, Phase II project incorporate a larger sewer constructed along 81st Street from Johnston Street to Manhole 5009, as shown on the attached Figure 2. We do not feel that it is reasonable for USACE to expect to connect a 24-inch outlet sewer from the levee project to a 24-inch Town sewer and not have to make any improvements to the 24-inch downstream sewer. The Town would also like to request that additional drainage inlets be added by USACE to resolve existing stormwater ponding problems shown on Figure 2.

During a meeting on September 26, 1994, the Town was advised that "internal drainage" issues would be addressed when the levee system was extended down to the NIPSCO easement. We do not believe the USACE response to Comment A6 adequately addresses the internal drainage issue. Suggesting that the Town excavate a connection ditch between the upstream ends of Ditch 1 and Ditch 2, during a flood fight is what we object to. During a flood fight, it is expected that

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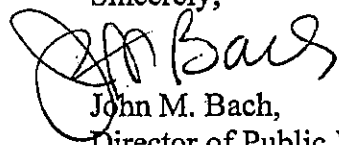
MICHAEL W. GRIFFIN

Town Public Works resources will already be heavily tasked. It is requested that a storm sewer pipe connection or improved ditch be established between the upstream ends of Ditch 1 and Ditch 2. The connection system would have a control gate that is normally closed, but which could be opened by the Town to control flow to the North Grace Street Pump Station during an emergency.

We do not completely understand the early warning system options outlined in the response to Comment A7, and would like to meet to discuss the options and their implications to the Town of Highland.

We would be pleased to discuss these requests with you once you have had time to review them.

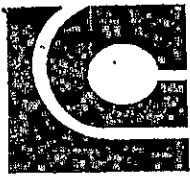
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John M. Bach", is written over the typed name.

John M. Bach,
Director of Public Works

cc: Highland Town Council
Highland Board of Sanitary Commissioners
Mr. Jim Pokrajac
Mr. Jim Flora, P.E.
Rani Engineering, Inc.

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TO: Jim Mandon, Town of Munster
Stan Dostatni, City of Hammond

FROM: Jim Pokrajac, Agent, Land Management/Engineering

SUBJECT: Stage VIII 50% review

DATE: August 22, 2001

Enclosed are 3 sets of plans from the Army Corps of Engineers that show their proposal for construction for the Stage VIII flood control system (Columbia Avenue to IN/IL State Line). These are the 50% submittals that need to be reviewed by your communities, then submit your comments to the Army Corps no later than Tuesday, October 9th. It is the intent of the Army Corps of Engineers to have a "plan-in-hand" meeting, in which you will be invited, on Wednesday and/or Thursday, October 3rd and 4th. The intent of this meeting is to preliminarily review these plans in the office and answer questions you may have in order that you can finalize your comments for submittal by October 9th. Upon completion of office review, we intend to do a field visit.

If you have any questions regarding this review, please call me.

/sjm
encl.

Cc: Jim Flora, R.W. Armstrong Company

Sandy Mordus

From: "Craib, Robert A LRC" <Robert.A.Craib@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
To: <littlecal@nirpc.org>
Cc: "Samara, Imad LRC" <Imad.Samara@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; "Deja, Tom LRC" <Tom.Deja@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; "Albert, Dick LRC" <Dick.Albert@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; "Turner, Leon B LRC" <Leon.B.Turner@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; "Anderson, Douglas M LRC" <Douglas.M.Anderson@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
Sent: Tuesday, August 21, 2001 11:05 AM
Subject: Progress of Pump Station Contracts - August 23, 2001.

Jim, as you have requested.....

Pump Rehab 1B Contract C-0035 (Thieneman Const.)

81st Station - 99%+- complete to date.

1. Only punch list items remain.
2. It is expected that a final walk through/project acceptance will be held near the end of this month. I will provide the date when known.

3. Final O&M manuals and as built drawings, are expected in September.

S.E. Hessville Station - 99%+- complete to date.

1. Only punch list items remain.
2. It is expected that a final walk through/project acceptance will be held near the end of this month. I will provide the date when known.

3. Final O&M manuals and as built drawings, are expected in September.

Pump Rehab 1A Contract C-0001 (Overstreet Electric Co.)

Coordination/progress meeting, held on August 8, 2001 went well. Next meeting is scheduled on August 23, 2001 in Overstreet's construction trailer at the N. 5th. Ave pump station.

Baring Ave Pump Station - 0%+- Complete.

1. No activity.

South Kennedy Ave Pump Station - 0%+- Complete.

1. No activity.

Hohman/Munster Pump Station- 0%+- Complete.

1. No activity.

Walnut Ave. Pump Station - 1%+- Complete.

1. Viking Engineering is on site (Walnut Avenue Pump Station), and is removing #1, #2, and #3 pumps and motors. This equipment is to be rebuilt and reinstalled.

North 5th Pump Station Rehab Contract C-0008 (Overstreet Engineering & Const.)

N.5th. Pump Station - 1%+- Complete.

1. Sub contractor "Piping Technologies" has not been on site this month.
2. No other site activity.
3. Coordination/progress meeting will be held on August 23, 2001.
4. A construction office trailer and a tool trailer was mobilized to the N. 5th station. These trailers will be utilized for both of Overstreet's contracts (N. 5th and 1A). Power and phone to their office trailer has been installed.

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INCREASE - 9,083.61

10 AUG 2001

CELRC-CO-S (1180-1-1q)

MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Contract No. DACW27-00-C-0035
Pump Stations Rehabilitation
Phase IB, SE Hessville Pumping Station
Highland and Hammond Sanitary Districts
Little Calumet River, Indiana
Modification No. P00012 - Executed

• Pump Sta. IB - S.E. HESSVILLE - MOD. #12

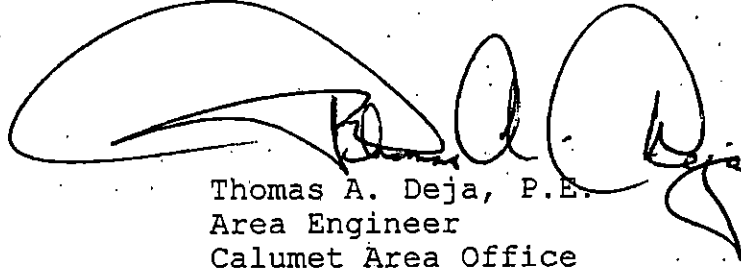
• CLEAN OUT DWP Sump Pit

• CONTRACT PRIOR - \$2,111,646.51

• CURRENT @ MOD. #12 - \$2,120,730.12

1. Enclosed for your file is a copy of all pertinent information related to executed Modification No. P00012, under the subject contract.

2. Any questions concerning the enclosed items shall be directed to Douglas Anderson at (219) 923-1763/4.



Thomas A. Deja, P.E.
Area Engineer
Calumet Area Office

Enclosures

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CELRC-CO-S (Mod. Only) R. Craib

CELRC-CO-S (Mod. Only) D. Anderson

✓ LCRBDC (Mod. Only) J. Pokrajac

MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

DATE SIGNED

PAGE OF PAGES

See Block 16C

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Reference No. R00012

Contract No: DACW27-00-C-0035 NA
Modification No: P00012
Contractor: Thieneman Construction, Inc.
Contract Title: Pump Stations Rehabilitation, Phase 1B
Location: Little Calumet River, Indiana

D. CHANGE IN CONTRACT TIME

The contract completion date shall remain unchanged by this modification. The current Contract completion date, as established by Modification P0009, is 18 September 2001.

E. CLOSING STATEMENT

It is further understood and agreed that this modification constitutes compensation in full on behalf of the Contractor, and its subcontractors and suppliers, for all cost and markups directly or indirectly attributable to the changes ordered herein, for all delays related thereto, and for performance of the changes within the time frame stated. The total estimated amount of the contract is INCREASED \$9,083.61 from \$2,111,646.51 to \$2,120,730.12.

In accordance with the special contract requirements clause "CONTINUING CONTRACTS," funds are available only to the extent of specific amounts in formal notice to the Contractor. Funds available through and including this modification equal \$1,948,246.51.

Sandy Mordus

From: "Sandy Mordus" <smordus@nirpc.org>
To: <Imad.samara@usace.army.mil>
Cc: <Jan.S.Plachta@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; <tim.kroll@usace.army.mil>; <LCasale@swblaw.com>;
<jmflora@netnitco.net>
Sent: Tuesday, August 28, 2001 1:59 PM
Subject: Meeting scheduled for September 10
Dear Imad:

As per our conversation of August 27th, this is to confirm that all necessary members of the Little Cal Development Commission will be able to attend a utility coordination meeting on September 10th at 10:00 a.m. at the Commission office in Portage. This will include myself, Jim Flora, Lou Casale and Dan Gardner. Will you please inform appropriate representatives from the Army Corps to attend this meeting. It is our intent to discuss scheduling, status of existing utility relocations (including costs) and compensability issues. We will follow up with a proposed agenda prior to the meeting. Please confirm that yourself, Jan, and Tim Kroll will be able to attend.

Jim Pokrajac

AGENDA
UTILITY COORDINATION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 10, 2001
10:00 A.M. at Commission Office

Attendees: Dan Gardner, Lou Casale, Jim Pokrajac, Jim Flora, Imad Samara, Jan Plachta, Tim Kroll

1. Status of the following utility coordination:
 - Betterment Levee Phase 2 (It is our understanding that we intend to advertise this project early in 2002, and to date, we have not received utility relocation design drawings, costs to do these relocations, nor the locations of these relocations.)
 - Stage VI Phase 1 (This will be our first construction segment in the west reach and we have not received final utility relocation drawings nor costs for any of these items)
 - Stage VI Phase 2 (Has RANI ENGINEERING provided the Corps with the lists of all utilities to be relocated, costs for relocations, or utility relocation drawings, as agreed upon in their contract, with each of the utilities?)
 - Stage V Phase 2 (We have recently received some information from the utilities, but we feel that we should not proceed with relocation agreements at this point in time because construction is at least 3-5 years away)
 - > We feel that if we put agreements together now, they would have to be redone because costs would change and new personnel may come into the utility company that will require changes in design.
2. Compensability issue
 - For Burr Street Phase 2, we need information as soon as possible in order that our attorney can coordinate with the Corps legal representatives to determine who is going to pay for any utility relocations.
3. Has any progress been made regarding the tracking system for utility relocations?
 - We feel that with the remaining utilities in the east reach and over 250 relocations coming up in the west reach, that this needs to be addressed as soon as possible.
4. Army Corps utility coordination representative
 - It is our understanding that with the money available in the upcoming budget for the Army Corps, the current utility coordination representative will no longer be available for coordination for the Little Calumet River project. Who will represent the Corps in the future and will this person be allowed enough time to facilitate the remaining 250+ individual agreements in order that we may keep up with our time schedule?
5. Coordination of utility relocation efforts with project scheduling and budget constraints.
6. Other Issues

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August 15, 2001

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

**RE: Woodmar Country Club
Hammond, Indiana**

Dear Mr. Gardner:

At your request, I inspected and appraised the above referenced property to estimate the Market Value of the fee simple interest before and after the taking as outlined in the provided drawings. April 2, 2001 is the effective date of the appraisal. The final appraisal report, to be submitted to the Army Corps of Engineers as part of their formal review process, is being completed and will be submitted shortly. I am, however, awaiting the Army Corps of Engineers review of the Nugent cost estimates.

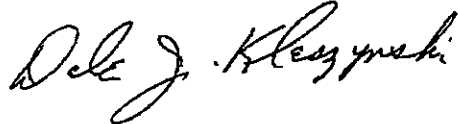
In summary, I conclude that the Highest and Best Use of the property before and after the taking is as a daily fee (public) golf course. I further conclude that the property will be enhanced by the project and the implementation of the recommended changes set forth in the Nugent report.

It should be clearly understood that I reserve the right to amend these conclusions as the formal report is completed, reviewed and examined by the Army Corps of Engineers. I also reserve the right to revise the presented conclusions after the review of the Nugent report is completed by the Army Corps of Engineers. The following is a summary of my preliminary conclusions to date.

Based on the comparable data, analysis and information analyzed, to date, I estimate that the Value of the part taken as of April 2, 2001 is \$450,000 and damages to the remainder are \$1,300,000. Total compensation, as of April 2, 2001 is estimated at \$1,750,000.

All conclusions related to the evaluation of the whole property, perpetual easements, temporary easements, flowage easements and damages will be presented in the formal report. In addition, the report will describe our valuation methodology and contain pertinent data. This document will be a complete appraisal of the subject that is communicated in a self-contained document. The report will comply with the Uniform Standards of Professional Practice of the Appraisal Institute and the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisitions. If you have any questions, please contact my office.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dale J. Kleszynski". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the text "Respectfully submitted,".

Dale J. Kleszynski, MAI, SRA
President



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
CHICAGO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
111 NORTH CANAL STREET
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August 22, 2001

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:
Planning Programs and Project
Management Division

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

Subject: Little Calumet River, Construction Staging for West Reach

Dear Mr. Gardner,

The attached Memorandum dated 14 July, 1992 shows the recommended staging sequence of construction in the West Reach. The Memorandum states the following:

Memorandum Staging

Stage V - Phase I - Levee Kennedy to Cline
- Phase I - Raise Indianapolis Boulevard Bridge
- Phase II - East Reach Landscaping

Present Staging

Stage VI -1 and 2
Completed by InDOT
Phase 1 completed, Phase 2 to be completed

Stage VI- Phase I - Levee Northcote to Kennedy
- Phase II- Hart Ditch Control Structure

Stage V -2 and 3
This will be included in Stage V-3

As I stated in yesterday's Real Estate meeting the sequencing of the West Reach Construction Contracts are as follows

Sage VI-1
Stage VI-2
Stage V-2
Stage V-3 including the Hart Ditch Control Structure.

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 the word "Sincerely,".

Imad N. Samara
Project Manager

14 JUL 1992

CENCC-ED-HF (1110-2-1150A)

MEMORANDUM FOR CENCC-ED-P

SUBJECT: Little Calumet River, FDM 5
Construction Staging for West Reach

1. The construction sequence, contained in Phase II GDM, appendix D page D-55, was reviewed at the request of ED-DC, and in regards to the completion of FDM 5. Recommended changes in the sequencing are detailed below.
2. It is suggested that the levee reaches from Cline to Kennedy and Kennedy to Northcote be completed before the control structure at Hart Ditch is constructed. The levee reach from Kennedy to Northcote includes the Wicker Park Manor subdivision.
3. The staging, therefore, should be as follows:
 - STAGE V - Phase I - Levee Kennedy to Cline
Phase I - Raise Indianapolis Boulevard Bridge
Phase II - East Reach landscaping
 - STAGE VI - Phase I - Levee Northcote to Kennedy
Phase II - Hart Ditch Control Structure
4. This schedule will provide continuous protection to the east of Northcote, prior to the construction of the control structure.
5. Please direct questions concerning this memorandum to Jim Mazanec or Sue Davis at 3-6471.

Thomas J. Fogarty, P.E.
Chief, Hydrology & Hydraulics

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LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

SPENDING SEQUENCE PRIORITIES: 2001-2003 BIENNium (Report dated 9/4/01)

AVAILABLE MONIES: \$5,500,000 COMMENTS

OBLIGATIONS:

1.) TO COMPLETE THE ENTIRE EAST REACH (Cline to I-65 in 2 sections):

Land Acquisition for East Reach	\$ 91,000	
Land Acquisition for East Reach Remediation	\$ 411,000	
Total	\$ 502,000	\$ 502,000

2.) TO COMPLETE THE BURR STREET BETTERMENT LEVEE PHASE 2 * Currently Not-Creditable

Land Acquisition	\$ 250,000	
Construction	\$1,900,000	
Utility Relocations	\$ 150,000	
Total	\$2,300,000	\$2,300,000

3.) TO CONSTRUCT THE PUMP STATIONS AND NEW CONSTRUCTION:

North 5th Avenue	\$ 160,000	
Pump Station 1A (4 stations)	\$ 320,000	
Stage IV-1 South	\$ 116,000	
Burr Street Phase I	\$ 80,000	
Stage III Remediation	\$ 70,000	
Total	\$ 746,000	\$ 746,000

4.) TO CONTINUE STAGES VI-1 AND VI-2 (includes Kennedy Industrial Park)

Land Acquisition Total	\$ 650,000	
Utility Relocations	\$ 378,000	
Total	\$1,028,000	\$1,028,000

5.) TO CONTINUE STAGE V-2:

Land Acquisition includes Wicker Park	\$ 750,000	
Utility Relocations	\$2,000,000	
Total	\$2,750,000	\$2,750,000

6.) FOR INITIAL OFF-CORRIDOR MITIGATION:

Land Acquisition Total	\$ 500,000	
		\$ 500,000

** For 173 acres @ \$2890 acre for 3 landowners (Kim, Nozrik, Frohman).
If land valued at \$5000 acre = \$865,000.*

7.) FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

Corps (considered as "hired help")	\$ 100,000	
Technical/legal/title work/surveys/appraisals, etc.	\$1,000,000	
Total	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000

Grand Total of Monies Needed: \$8,926,000

Woodmar Country Club (Stage V-3) = preliminary appraisal value = add \$1,750,000.

Governor slams on spending brakes



JOHN LUKE / THE TIMES

Carl McElwain of Portage packages tap hole materials Monday at Vesuvius USA in Crown Point. The company, which makes tap hole materials for blast furnaces at steel mills in the region, is among many manufacturers feeling the effects of a recent economic downturn.

State has \$124 million shortfall in first two months of fiscal year

BY TERRY BURNS
Times Statehouse Bureau Chief

Claiming that action needs to be taken before Indiana's state budget careens out of control, Gov. Frank O'Bannon on Monday ordered an immediate freeze on state hiring, a moratorium on many state-funded building projects and other cost-saving initiatives.

The move came on the same day that State Budget Agency officials released figures showing that sales and income tax revenues in August fell more than \$41 million short of projections, bringing the state's revenue shortfall in the first two months of the fiscal year to \$124 million.

In July, state revenue—which includes individual, corporate and sales taxes—were \$83 million off projections.

The growing revenue gap is only made worse by an anticipated \$500 million deficit contained in the state's recently enacted two-year budget plan.

"In nine out of the last 14 months, our revenues have not met our expectations, and there's little reason to think they're going to start climbing very soon. This is a big deal folks," O'Bannon said in announcing the new spending cuts, which also impose a 50 percent reduction in out-of-state travel.



TIMES FILE PHOTO

Local economists say the region has been hit hard by a recent economic downturn, largely because of the sensitivity of the steel industry to the global economy.

Local projects affected

The governor's freeze on capital spending includes \$3 million earmarked for the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission and a \$21 million construction project at Ivy Tech State College in Valparaiso.

Inside

Congress considers a payroll tax cut. D1

Global economic problems are hitting Northwest Indiana

BY KIM CHIEVRUE
Times Business Writer

If the country ends up sliding into recession, some local economists say this region will get there first.

The devastating local effects of the recent manufacturing downturn are evident to Indiana University Northwest economics professor Don Coffin during his regular checks of unemployment figures. He attributes the region's economic vulnerability to its heavy dependence on manufacturing.

"While the rest of the country has slowed down, we have turned down—largely because of the sensitivity of the steel industry to the global economy," Coffin said.

In June, the area that includes Lake and Porter counties employed 268,000 people, down about 1,100 jobs from June 2000. Service-producing industries like retail and wholesale trade, finance and personal services actually gained about 2,500 jobs since last year, but manufacturing industries lost 3,600 jobs—about 6 percent.

Cindy Monnier, who compiles statistics for the Indiana Chamber of Commerce, is more optimistic. She said the Purchasing Managers Index she has been tracking shows that people are now ordering new goods at the same

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► CONSUMER CONFIDENCE

What it is: The Consumer Confidence Survey measures the level of confidence individual households have in the performance of the economy. The number is derived from a 3,500-households survey asking five questions: rating of business conditions in the household's area; rating of business conditions in six months; job availability in the area; job availability in six months; family income in six months.

► EMPLOYMENT INDEX

What it is: An estimate of the number of payroll jobs at all nonfarm business establishments and government agencies. Information is also provided on the average number of hours worked per week and average hourly and weekly earnings. Compiled by the U.S. Department of Labor and Bureau of Labor Statistics.

► GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

What it is: Gross Domestic Product is a quarterly measure of the total production and consumption of goods and services in the U.S. GDP is measured on the product side by adding up the labor, capital, and tax costs of producing the output. On the consumption side, GDP is measured by adding up expenditures by households, businesses, government and net foreign purchases.

Brakes

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This latest effort at fiscal austerity comes several months after O'Bannon ordered a 7 percent across-the-board spending cut for all state agencies, a measure that budget officials expect will save at least \$100 million during the next two years.

"If we keep driving at the pace our budget has us on, we're going to hit the wall and won't be able to avoid a further fiscal crisis," the governor warned, "but if we step on the brakes ... we'll be able to stay a good course."

"As governor, I have to operate the state according to the budget and the revenue the Legislature has given us," he added. "That puts me in the driver's seat, of course, and I'm here to tell you that I'm stepping hard on the brakes."

Despite the state's increasing fiscal woes, O'Bannon stopped short of saying Indiana was in the midst of a full-blown recession.

"But if we're not," he cautioned, "we're awful close."

O'Bannon conceded that the latest spending cuts won't be enough to completely address the revenue shortfall, and he will propose other measures in the coming weeks. He also called on officials in the legislative and judicial branches of government to follow suit.

If all those cost-cutting initiatives still aren't enough, O'Bannon added, the state may have little choice but to start cutting some big-ticket items in the budget, including

Economic forecast: Uncertainty is the only certainty

NEW YORK — Many economic forecasters remain cautiously upbeat about the prospects for a modest U.S. economic recovery late this year, but their recent predictions do not inspire confidence.

A survey of 31 forecasters released Monday concluded that the economy, which slowed from 4.1 percent growth last year to nearly zero in the spring, should bounce back to 2.7 percent growth in 2002.

But over the past year, many of these same forecasters and others have consistently underestimated how bad the economic slowdown would get. A year ago, the same survey group expected 3.3 percent growth this year. Now, after eight worse-than-expected months, the analysts see just 1.6 percent growth through the end of the year.

"A year ago, most economists did not see this coming," said Harvey Rosenblum, incoming president of the National Association for Business Economics, which conducts the survey. "It took me a few months to wake up and see the situation had changed and changed fairly dramatically."

The latest projections are probably even more uncertain, he added. "We should not be more confident about the forecast this time around," he said. "It's everybody's best hunch and hope."

— Knight Ridder News Service

funding for education.

"That's possible," he said of cutting state support for elementary, secondary and higher education.

State Budget Agency Director Betty Cockrum said the hiring freeze ordered by O'Bannon would apply to any of the current 1,000 job vacancies in state government and any future openings that aren't considered crucial to providing services to Hoosiers.

At this point, it is impossible to determine exactly how much money a "strategic" hiring freeze might save the state, she said, while adding that the figure is expected to be in the millions of dollars.

Earlier, O'Bannon pointed out that the state has 699 few-

er full-time employees on the payroll than when he took office in 1997.

The moratorium on spending state money for construction, however, potentially affects \$167 million worth of projects, Cockrum said. The only exception to the ban, she added, are projects deemed critical to health and safety.

"It's my job to say 'no,' and it's my job to know when I shouldn't say 'no,'" Cockrum said.

The third prong in the governor's plan — a sharp reduction in out-of-state travel — is expected to save about \$2 million during the next two years.

Ironically, O'Bannon's call for further spending cuts came nearly 11 years to the day after his predecessor, former Demo-

cratic Gov. Evan Bayh, who was confronting a similar economic downturn, unveiled a nearly identical package of cost-cutting initiatives.

Then as now, many Republicans legislative leaders dismissed the cost-cutting efforts as too little, too late.

On Monday, House Minority Leader Brian Bosma, R-Indianapolis, accused the O'Bannon administration of leading Indiana down the path to a massive tax increase.

"I believe that's the governor's plan," he insisted. "During the session, we said now is not the time for a tax increase, and it still isn't. Some of the modest (cost-cutting) measures being suggested by the governor are appropriate ... but more measures need to be taken."

Bosma, however, declined to say what additional measure Republicans might propose or be willing to support.

"The governor is calling this a fiscal crisis, but instead I would say it's a leadership crisis," he added. "Republicans have been calling for these types of actions for at least five or six months."

Although O'Bannon refused to sign the budget passed by lawmakers in April because it spent more than the state took in, Bosma said the governor and his Democratic allies in the General Assembly were the ones who crafted the spending plan "and he can't walk away from it."

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Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

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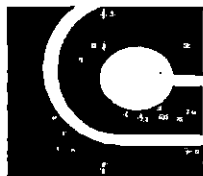
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September 10, 2001

Mr. John Konik
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Dear John:

Ref. File No. 89-075-007-2

The Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission is writing in support of the city of Portage's application to dredge approximately 2.2 miles of the Burns Ditch within the city limits. The Development Commission is a state created development authority to publicly sponsor with the Corps of Engineers flood control and recreation improvements along the Little Calumet River system. The Development Commission is involved with the city as a joint sponsor of the public marina and public launch ramps as the result of the Development Commission and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers building twin breakwaters at the mouth of the Portage Burns Waterway entering Lake Michigan. Over 550 boats are moored within the waterway and a significant number of public launchings are made by users of the public marina and several of the private marinas. The project to dredge the waterway is needed to maintain public use of the waterway, which has become a growing safety problem made worse by the lower level of Lake Michigan.

We believe the proposed project to be responsibly designed to protect the river environment and clearly in the public interest. We, therefore, urge your expeditious approval of the application.

Sincerely,

William S. Tanke
Chairman, LCRBDC

Dan Gardner
Executive Director

Cc: Mayor Doug Olson, Portage
Craig Hendricks, Portage City Engineer
John Smolar, Portage Port Authority
Mark Lopez, Congressman Visclosky's Office
Tim Sanders, Senator Lugar's Office
Dave Rozmanich, Senator Bayh's Office

State projects placed on hold

8/26/01

The following projects are on hold because of the state's budget crisis.

Department of Natural Resources

Parks and Reservoir Inn Repair	\$4,461,800
Parks and Reservoir Campground Reservation System	\$2,500,000
Parks and Reservoir General Repair and Rehabilitation	\$1,775,000
Parks and Reservoir Fort Harrison Development	\$1,310,500
Parks and Reservoir Prophetstown Development	\$1,299,226
Parks and Reservoir Restroom Rehabilitation	\$435,000
Elkhart St. Joe River Debris Removal	\$351,000
State Museum Exhibit Rehabilitation	\$200,000
Historic Site Mansfield Mill Repair	\$151,000

Indiana State Department of Health

Network Room Upgrade	\$118,375
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Indiana School for the Blind

Replace Tile Floor	\$400,000
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Indiana War Memorials Commission

Remodel American Legion Building	\$2,754,503
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Adjutant General of Indiana

Greenfield National Guard Armory Building Renovation	\$444,800
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Logansport State Hospital

Repaint Water Tower	\$150,000
Repair Closed Circuit TV System	\$130,000

TOTAL

\$16,481,204

NOTE: This budget year, two university projects have been approved: the second phase of the University of Southern Indiana's Science Education Building, costing \$19.8 million, and the second phase of Vincennes University's Technology Building, costing \$8.7 million. All other projects are being reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

State agencies tackling cuts

Here's how some agencies are dealing with Gov. Frank O'Bannon's order to cut state agency spending across the board by 7 percent, or \$50 million, for each of the next two budget years.



Family and Social Services Administration: The agency will save \$29 million a year through such steps as reducing Step Ahead early childhood services, filling only critical positions, replacing contract employees with state personnel, tapping reserve funds and slowing the expansion of the CHOICE home health care program. In addition, the agency is trying to cut total Medicaid spending by about \$300 million during the biennium.

Department of Correction: The prison system will save \$36 million by cutting back to 30-day supplies of food, clothing and other items at all prisons, reducing overtime and leaving positions open longer, a 20 percent cut in equipment such as vehicles and a 10 percent cut in travel.

Indiana State Police: The agency will save \$8 million by reducing overtime and encouraging troopers to take compensatory time off instead, leaving vacancies unfilled, slowing the processing of lab work and restricting equipment and materials purchases.

Sources: State Budget Agency and individual agencies

Staff Graphic

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INDIANA/ILLINOIS

Lawmakers exercise budgetary restraint

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Lawmakers on the State Budget Committee agreed Friday to take a tougher stand on approving expenditures for local and state projects — at least for next month.

The decision came after the committee approved more than \$7 million from the Build Indiana Fund for local projects and bonding authority for millions of additional dollars for various capital projects.

Although the General Assembly makes appropriations in the two-year budget, many of the line items must still be approved by the Budget Committee before the actual expenditures are made. The committee includes the state budget director and one fiscal leader from each of the four caucuses in the Legislature.

The four lawmakers agreed to limit expenditures on the October agenda to those things

“of an emergency nature only or are so distinctive they will cause a future fiscal impact on either the state or local unit of government if not approved.”

Members agreed to take future projects on a case-by-case, month-by-month basis until they get better projections on the state's revenue stream.

Because of a sharp decline in tax revenues and past tax cuts and spending, the state faces its most pressing financial crunch in two decades. The two-year budget the General Assembly approved last April spends nearly \$600 million more than the state expects to take in through June 2003.

The committee approved a statement saying it was appropriate to be cautious in order to address “this serious issue.”

“We want to take a leadership role in helping guide the state out of the financial problem it is in,” said Rep. Jeff Espich, R-Uniondale.

9/10/01

THE TIMES

State Budget Agency suffers brain drain

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The agency that oversees the state's strapped budget is facing another challenge — a brain drain.

Key officials and analysts at the State Budget Agency are leaving as Indiana confronts a \$600 million deficit and the governor orders spending cuts, The Indianapolis Star reported in a story in its Sunday editions.

"I don't know that there will be anybody left who could put together a surplus statement," said Dan Novreske, referring to the state's balance sheet.

Novreske, one of State Budget Director Betty Cockrum's two top deputies, left to work as a budget and tax analyst for Republicans in the Indiana Senate, taking another budget analyst with him.

The other top deputy, Democrat Mark Brown, has said he is looking for work outside state government now that the two-year budget for 2001-03 is in place, The Star said.

Other analysts already have left for jobs in other agencies or the private sector, and more may depart.

That leaves the 34-person agency with few seasoned hands to guide Gov. Frank O'Bannon's administration through the complicated financial decisions ahead.

The budget agency is without anyone who can write a school funding formula, The Star said, and it has lost the staffers best versed in human services, capital project funding and debt financing.

Cockrum said some turnover is natural, and the openings give her a chance to assemble a new team after 18 months as director.

Mike Landwer, chief budget analyst for House Ways and Means Chairman B. Patrick Bauer, D-South Bend, begins work as a top aide on Oct. 1. This week, she hopes to find a replacement for Novreske.

Some of those who have left, including Novreske, have offered to assist the agency during the transition, she said.

Even so, with state officials looking for ways to trim spending and generate new revenue, the agency faces a formidable task.

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LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT, AUGUST 2001

	2001							6 MONTH ALLOCATED	UNALLOCATED BUDGETED
	BUDGET	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	16,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,450.00	3,450.00	12,550.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500.00	903.83	368.33	988.83	1,770.83	436.33	283.33	4,751.48	3,748.52
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	125,000.00	8,860.29	9,620.29	9,773.09	9,377.53	9,186.52	9,401.36	56,219.08	68,780.92
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	14,000.00	0.00	24.08	150.92	8.68	131.04	299.88	614.60	13,385.40
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	5,000.00	2,306.00	0.00	0.00	702.50	0.00	0.00	3,008.50	1,991.50
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	7,500.00	0.00	77.00	0.00	5,565.63	0.00	0.00	5,642.63	1,857.37
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	7,000.00	113.26	244.35	677.99	0.00	589.17	594.67	2,219.44	4,780.56
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	8,000.00	137.05	609.24	163.60	253.44	63.90	309.54	1,536.77	6,463.23
5838 LEGAL SERVICES	125,000.00	3,907.48	5,670.91	6,963.27	4,430.48	6,606.06	6,315.06	33,893.26	91,106.74
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	500,000.00	43,899.76	33,497.23	92,147.57	34,758.31	45,927.63	54,106.39	304,336.89	195,663.11
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	1,809,850.00	0.00	9,888.56	186,152.00	1,975.97	12,600.00	104,564.51	315,181.04	1,494,668.96
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	25,000.00	550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,192.50	319.00	21,061.50	3,938.50
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	375,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,307.50	202.50	6,492.25	237,326.52	245,328.77	129,671.23
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	250,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	93,352.75	0.00	98,352.75	151,647.25
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.00	13.00	24,987.00
	3,300,850.00	60,677.67	59,999.99	303,324.77	59,045.87	195,578.15	416,983.26	1,095,609.71	2,205,240.29

	2001							12 MONTH ALLOCATED	UNALLOCATED BUDGETED
	BUDGET	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	16,000.00	0.00	100.00					3,550.00	12,450.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500.00	419.33	495.83					5,666.64	2,833.36
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	125,000.00	9,254.18	9,273.55					74,746.81	50,253.19
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	14,000.00	129.92	66.08					810.60	13,189.40
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	5,000.00	35.00	56.07					3,099.57	1,900.43
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	7,500.00	0.00	0.00					5,642.63	1,857.37
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	7,000.00	311.62	492.43					3,023.49	3,976.51
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	8,000.00	86.85	63.83					1,687.45	6,312.55
5838 LEGAL SERVICES	125,000.00	3,965.73	7,949.28					45,808.27	79,191.73
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	500,000.00	27,518.69	46,614.22					378,469.80	121,530.20
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	1,809,850.00	104.76	5,531.59					320,817.39	1,489,032.61
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	25,000.00	0.00	0.00					21,061.50	3,938.50
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	375,000.00	40,606.25	25,884.13					311,819.15	63,180.85
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	250,000.00	72,732.00	6,900.00					177,984.75	72,015.25
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	25,000.00		0.00					13.00	24,987.00
	3,300,850.00	155,164.33	103,427.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,354,201.05	1,946,648.95

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ATTENDANCE ROSTER

NAME OF MEETING: LCRBDC

DATE: 9-12-01

LOCATION: 6100 Southport Rd. Portage CHAIRMAN: William Tanke

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