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MEETING NOTICE

**THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF THE
LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
AT 6:00 P.M. THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2003
AT THE COMMISSION OFFICE
6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD
PORTAGE, IN**

WORK STUDY SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order by Chairperson Arlene Colvin
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Recognition of Visitors and Guests
4. Approval of Minutes of February 6, 2003
5. Chairperson's Report
 - Appeal to Board members to contact their State legislators
6. Executive Director's Report
 - Permit application form for West Reach submitted to IDNR
 - INDOT letter and letter to COE re: Federal Highway Bridge Credits
7. Standing Committees
 - A. **Land Acquisition/Management Committee – Arlene Colvin, Chairperson**
 - Land Acquisition**
 - Appraisals, offers, acquisitions, recommended actions
 - Presentation by Boy Scout Troop #280
 - Issues for Discussion
 - Land Management**
 - Status of demolition of 3 houses in Black Oak
 - Consideration of bid for 7 acres surplus property in Gary
 - Wolverine right-of-entry given to clear right-of-way
 - Issues for Discussion
 - Operation & Maintenance – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman**
 - Report on O&M committee meeting held February 26

add Gary to
email list
do not send
full agenda to Sean
or Jimmy

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add Phil Gault
to list

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FTP web site
for Huffman

+ Mark G. Ryan

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B. Environmental Committee – Committee Chairman Mark Reshkin

- Update on offers status for Hobart Marsh mitigation
- Issues for Discussion

C. Legislative Committee – Committee Chairman George Carlson

- Report on State legislative session – Budget update
- Federal appropriation for 2003 - \$3.5 million for Little Cal project
- Issues for Discussion

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D. Project Engineering Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman

- Highland/Munster – project impact discussion with potential developers
- INDOT meetings held February 18 & 25 regarding local coordination with INDOT I-80/94 project
- Issues for Discussion

E. Recreational Development Committee – Committee Chairman Emerson Delaney

- Issues for Discussion

F. Marina Development Committee – Committee Chairman Emerson Delaney

- Approval of April 1 marina revenue bond payment
- Issues for Discussion

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G. Finance Committee – Committee Chairman Curt Vosti

- Financial status report
- Approval of claims for February 2003
- Issues for Discussion

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H. Policy Committee – Committee Chairman George Carlson

- Issues for Discussion

I. Public Relations Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Marszalek

- Issues for Discussion

8. Other Issues/New 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, February 6, 2003
6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD
PORTAGE, INDIANA

Chairperson Arlene Colvin called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Nine (9) commissioners were present. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Guests were recognized.

Development Commissioners:

Charlie Ray
Robert Huffman
Mark Reshkin
George Carlson
Steve Davis
Curt Vosti
Emerson Delaney
John Mroczkowski
Arlene Colvin

Visitors:

Jim Flora – R.W. Armstrong Company
Kelsee Waggoner – Congressman's Office
Imad Samara - COE
Bill Petrites – Highland resident
Sandy O'Brien - Hobart
Otho Lyles – Gary Sanitary District

Staff:

Dan Gardner
Sandy Mordus
Lou Casale
Jim Pokrajac
Judy Vamos

The minutes of the January 8 meeting was approved by a motion from George Carlson; motion seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously.

Chairperson's Report – Chairperson Arlene Colvin introduced the Commission's new member, Charlie Ray, appointed by the Porter County Commissioners to replace William Tanke. He has been appointed to a 4-year term on the Commission.

- Ms. Colvin referred to the phone/committee sheet distributed to each member. If there are any corrections or additions, please let staff know.

Executive Director's Report – Executive Director Dan Gardner reported that he, along with Commissioner George Carlson, attended a Highland Town Board meeting on January 13. He referred to a town resolution that the Town Board adopted at the meeting in support of state funding that they have forwarded to numerous government entities. The Board members were very appreciative of the town's efforts in taking the initiative and time to do this. Mr. Gardner went on to say that he had met Mr. Joe Wszolek, a local real estate man on the Highland Plan Commission. The Northwest Indiana realtors also made the Little Calumet River project funding an issue that they took to Indianapolis as part of their slate.

- Mr. Gardner referred to a COE letter from Roy Deda, Deputy for Project Management at the Chicago District, in which he used strong language in regard to the Commission's portion of state funding and expressed great concern if the Commission cannot meet its project cost share, that the project could be put on hold.
- Mr. Gardner stated that he had written a letter to Representative Earl Harris on February 4, 2003 and other legislators serving on pertinent committees, attaching the COE letter, to make them aware of the seriousness of the situation. Mr. Gardner predicts that we probably will not know until the very end if and how much funding is there for the Commission.
- Dr. Reshkin asked for a list of talking points regarding the Commission that he feels would be helpful in talking with legislators/elected officials. Staff will develop such a list and mail it out to Board members.

- Commissioner Bob Huffman stated that NIRPC has a Transportation Enhancement Committee, funded with INDOT funds, which covers the recreation trails in northwest IN. Considering our project will have about 10 miles of trails when completed, Mr. Huffman asked if he could be officially appointed to attend these meetings. He has attended some of them but would like to be able to attend on behalf of the Commission. Commissioner Mark Reshkin made a motion appointing Mr. Huffman as the Commission's representative to attend these meetings; motion seconded by Emerson Delaney, motion passed unanimously. Mr. Gardner will write a letter to NIRPC transportation planner, John Chiabai, naming Mr. Huffman as the Commission's representative.

Land Acquisition/Land Management Committee – Committee Chair Arlene Colvin gave the report. She proceeded to make a motion authorizing condemnation on DC1033 where we need a temporary work area easement; motion seconded by Mark Reshkin; motion passed unanimously.

- Attorney Casale referred to a copy of an agreement and resolution prepared for the Hammond Sanitary District addressing the operation and maintenance of the S.E. Hessville Pump Station. Mr. Huffman made a motion authorizing the Commission to adopt Resolution 03-01, authorizing the Commission to enter into the agreement with HSD.
- A short O&M meeting was held prior to the Work Study Session in which a date was selected for the Committee to meet and address O&M topics.
- Staff has been working with the Gary Redevelopment Commission on the demolition of the 3 structures in the Black Oak area that the Commission owns. The Commission has no insurance to cover demolition.

Environmental Committee – Committee Chairman Mark Reshkin gave an update on the Hobart Marsh mitigation properties. He reported that some offers have been made and some are in the process of being made. Staff is proceeding to acquire the properties. We hope to receive a counter offer on some properties.

Legislative Committee – Committee Chairman George Carlson gave the legislative report. He referred to the letter that Mayor Scott King sent to Representative Earl Harris, seeking his help in securing funds for the project to continue.

- Mr. Carlson also referred to the news article in the agenda packet in which the Governor has proposed a restrained budget. The proposed budget will still spend more than it takes in but it provides a balanced budget with one time budget transfers.
- Mr. Carlson also referred to a letter to Representative John Aguilera transmitting some project information to him and asking him for his support.
- Mr. Carlson also reported that Mr. Gardner went to Indianapolis on January 22. He had the opportunity to talk to several legislators. All commented that this State budget promised to be the most difficult to write in many years.

Project Engineering Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman gave the engineering report. He reported that a meeting was held on January 10 with the town of Highland and North Township regarding the proposed INDOT pump station in Highland near Tri-State. Both Highland and North Township have expressed concern with the proposed delay of construction north from Ridge Road to the Little Calumet River until the levee construction is completed. Staff will send a letter to INDOT transmitting those concerns.

- Mr. Huffman reported that a meeting was held with the COE and the town of Highland on February 6 to do final review of design of Stage VI, between Kennedy & Cline, in which North Grace Street Pump Station will be added to this contract
- A letter was sent to the city of Hammond on February 5 requesting that the Commission be given an opportunity to discuss construction plans with anyone proposing construction in our proposed work limits along the river.
- Mr. Huffman talked about an oil spill near our Burr Street pump station on January 16. Gary Sanitary District engaged a firm to do the clean-up and IDEM has an ongoing investigation to see who was responsible.
- Regarding the termination of Stage VIII contract, Imad Samara will furnish requested information to us as soon as it is available.
- Mr. Huffman questioned the COE progress report in which problems were mentioned with Overstreet Construction. Staff will obtain a little more information and pass onto Mr. Huffman.

1. The first part of the paper is devoted to the study of the properties of the function $f(x)$ defined by the equation

$$f(x) = \int_0^x \frac{1}{1+t^2} dt$$

It is shown that the function $f(x)$ is increasing and concave down on the interval $(-\infty, \infty)$. Moreover, the function $f(x)$ has a horizontal asymptote at $y = \frac{\pi}{2}$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and a vertical asymptote at $x = 0$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$.

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- Mr. Huffman referred back to the minutes where it was stated under "Other Issues" that he was unable to download the COE project maps on their web site. For clarification purposes, he said that he was able to download them but they just took a very long time to do so.

Recreation Committee – Committee Chairman Emerson Delaney stated that no recreation construction is going on at this time. Everything is done that had to be done.

Marina Committee – Dan Gardner gave the marina report. He referred to the letter from the attorney in the packet in which he states that the City would not accept the conditions placed in the Commission's resolution presented to them. We are hopeful that we can get back together and work things out with the City for next year's boating season. Although the Mayor expressed disappointment in our conditions, he did say he would be willing to work again with us.

- Steve Davis added that John Smolar, Portage Port Authority, had called him to say that the lake level was so low that boat trailers would drop off at the end; and inquired whether there was a way to make the ramp longer using some grant money. Mr. Davis had several people investigating and found that there may be some money available if the marina were certified as handicapped accessible. Mark Reshkin added that we, as a Commission, need to move cautiously and not lose our main focus on our real purpose – being a flood control project and not a recreation project.

Finance Committee – Dan Gardner gave the financial report. He stated that the Treasurer was going to ask reconsideration of the NIRPC contract. Mr. Gardner presented the contract for 2003 administrative services. A motion was made by George Carlson to enter into the contract with NIRPC; motion seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously.

- Mr. Gardner presented the year end financial status sheet and the claims for approval. Bob Huffman made a motion to accept the claims as presented; motion seconded by Mark Reshkin; motion passed unanimously. It was stated that approval of the \$691 for CNA insurance would be paid out of LEL funds.

Policy Committee – Committee Chairman George Carlson stated there was no committee report at this time.

Public Relations Committee – In Committee Chairman Bob Marszalek's absence, there was no committee report at this time.

Other Issues – Mr. Gardner referred to an article in the Chesterton Tribune in which a study was performed that shows Indiana will need billions of dollars to clean up sewer problems in the state at the same time the state is facing a huge budget deficit.

- Discussion took place that the usual meeting date of the first Thursday of the month may be looked at to be changed to accommodate Commissioner John Mroczkowski, who has a work conflict with the date.
- There has been no communication from the Lake County Commissioners' Office in regard to the letter sent to them regarding attendance of their appointee.

Statements from the Floor – There were none.

The next scheduled meeting was scheduled for **6:00 p.m. Thursday, March 6, 2003.**



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Writer's Direct Line

December 26, 2002

Mr. Dan Gardner
Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin Development Corporation
8149 Kennedy Avenue
Highland, Indiana 46322

Dear Mr. Gardner:

I am writing to inform you that we have reviewed the project costs for four INDOT projects associated with the Little Calumet River. These projects include the replacement of the US 41 bridge over the Little Calumet River, interchange modifications at SR 912 and I-80, and a road reconstruction project at SR 912 and I-80.

After reviewing the projects, I have found that three of the four were funded with Crossroads 2000 bonding authority considered to be 100% state funds. The remaining project was funded in the more typical manner, with 20% (or \$666,200) of the total project cost provided by state funds.

With all four projects combined, \$19,593,239 is available for the Little Calumet River Basin Development Corporation to use as state credit for the Corps of Engineers federal funding. We have received approval from the Indiana Division of the Federal Highway Administration to allow the use of the funds in this manner, and they are contacting the Corps of Engineers for their approval.

Please let me know if there is any further information we can provide to you, as we continue to work with you and the Federal Highway Administration on this project. Do not hesitate to call Laurie Maudlin at (317) 232-5475 with any questions.

Sincerely,


Richard C. Whitney
Chief Financial Officer

cc: Jeff Viohl, Federal Liaison
Jay Dumontelle, Federal Highway Administration - Indiana Division



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LOU CASALE
Attorney

February 14, 2003

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

Dear Imad:

Following is a letter received from INDOT regarding non-Federal credits for highway projects related to the Little Calumet River flood control/recreation project. In the letter, it is indicated the Federal Highway Administration will be contacting the Corps of Engineers to set up a meeting to discuss the acceptance of these credits. I have followed up with Laurie Maudlin at INDOT and Jay DuMontelle of the Federal Highway Administration and it is Jay's responsibility to contact the COE. When I spoke to him, he was not certain who to contact so I am suggesting a conference call between you, Jay DuMontelle, and myself to identify the COE requirements for crediting and the potential for a face-to-face meeting.

Please call me to confirm your concurrence.

Sincerely,


Dan Gardner
Executive Director

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encl.
cc:

Kelsee Waggoner, Congressman's Office
Jeff Viohl, Governor's Washington Office
Sean Fahey, IDNR
Laurie Maudlin, INDOT
Jay DuMontelle, FHWA

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Companies invest more in lobbying

Casinos, U.S. Steel, SBC among the big spenders in state's \$20-million influence industry

BY MARK JEWELL
Associated Press Writer

INDIANAPOLIS - Lobbyist spending is expected to break the \$20 million mark this year for the first time in Indiana as industries increasingly turn to the General Assembly to resolve turf wars.

Political observers see a link between the rise in lobbyist spending and the growing number of disputes lawmakers are being asked to referee in telecommunications, gambling, horse racing, insurance and other industries. Typically, regulators with specialized expertise tackle such complex issues.

"We're moving from a situation in which experts who are bound by law and precedent are making policy to one in which the decisions are being made in a political or clout-heavy context," said Ed Feigenbaum, publisher of Indiana

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Biggest spenders

■ The 34 companies, cities or organizations that spent more than \$100,000 lobbying the General Assembly during 2002, according to the Indiana Lobby Registration Commission:

1. Eli Lilly & Co., \$680,657
2. Centaur Inc. (minority owner, Hoosier Park race track) \$511,049
3. Indiana Health Care Association (nursing homes, assisted living), \$323,386
4. Empress Casino Hammond Corp. (Hammond), \$308,791
5. Alliance for Indiana's Future (lobbying coalition) \$263,921
6. City of Indianapolis, \$265,324
7. Indiana Gaming Co., (Lawrenceburg casino) \$261,112
8. Cinergy Corp. (energy utility), \$252,611
9. Ameritech Indiana (now SBC Indiana), \$221,583
10. CFC Inc. (Bloomington-based property manager), \$219,087
11. IPALCO Enterprises Inc. (Indianapolis energy utility), \$201,768
12. Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, \$200,029
13. Philip Morris Management Corp. (tobacco company), \$172,130
14. Association of Indiana Counties, \$145,515
15. Vectren Corp. (energy utility), \$144,134
16. Indiana Chamber of Commerce, \$142,576
17. Indiana State Teachers Association (teachers union), \$141,850
18. Verizon Communications (telephone company), \$141,073
19. Central Indiana Corporate Partnership (lobbying coalition), \$140,259
20. United States Steel Corp. (steel maker), \$137,556
21. Indiana Beverage Alliance (wholesale beverage group), \$132,948
22. City of Gary, \$131,114
23. Indiana Association of Realtors, \$122,562
24. American United Life, (insurance company) \$121,965
25. Distilled Spirits Council of the U.S. (liquor industry), \$121,239
26. Grand Victoria Casino & Resort (Rising Sun), \$119,997
27. Indiana Trial Lawyers Association, \$115,267
28. Trump Indiana (Gary casino operator), \$110,825
29. Hoosier Park (Anderson horse racing track), \$107,967
30. Indiana Federation of Teachers (labor organization), \$106,119
31. Blue Chip Casino (Michigan City), \$105,907
32. Board of School Commissioners, Indianapolis \$103,976
33. Indiana Manufacturers Association (industry coalition), \$103,485
34. Indiana Motor Truck Association (trucking industry), \$103,320

Lobby

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Legislative Insight, a weekly newsletter widely read by policymakers.

Rep. Dave Crooks, D-Washington, a sponsor of two failed bills that would tighten lobbying rules, said lobbyists play an important role in helping lawmakers understand the complexities

of issues their clients face. But some matters are so dense they are best left to regulators, he said.

"There is nothing wrong with this body setting policy," Crooks said "But when it comes to the details of complex issues, a part-time legislature is not qualified to pass regulations and set rules."

Sarah Nagy, executive director for the Indiana Lobby Registration Commission, said she expects lobbying spending to exceed \$20 million for the first time.

Last year, more than 1,000 individual lobbyists spent a record \$19.6 million in Indiana, according to expense reports the commission compiled this month.

This year, the SBC bill and competition for scarce resources amid a state budget crunch likely will drive spending higher, Nagy said.

Telecommunications interests, she said, "will definitely be big spenders this year."

About \$12.2 million was spent

in the first six months of last year - when lawmakers held a short legislative session followed by a 41-day special session to address budget, tax and gambling issues - with another \$7.4 million spent in the last half of 2002.

Lobbying spending is typically greater during years when lawmakers hold longer sessions to write two-year budgets. During the last such session in 2001, lobbying spending totaled about \$19.3 million, just below last

year's non-budget session figure.

Lobbying spending has risen steadily in recent years, up from nearly \$14 million in 1997.

The biggest lobbying spender last year was Indianapolis-based drug maker Eli Lilly and Co., records show. Lilly spent \$680,657, and the trade group Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America spent another \$200,029.

Lilly's main concerns last year were Medicaid cuts, drug

price controls and tax restructuring, company spokesman Ed Sagebiel said.

Gambling interests, with more than 100 registered lobbyists in Indiana, spent about \$2.4 million last year, an Associated Press analysis of the data found.

The AP analysis found telecommunications companies reported spending \$674,649, with Ameritech Indiana - now known as SBC Indiana - the leading spender with \$221,583.

Water projects land \$26 million in federal funds

Little Calumet flood control, Dunes erosion to benefit from cash.

BY SUSIE OH
Times Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON - The passage of the 2003 appropriations bill by Congress last week brought a bevy of benefits to Northwest Indiana, including more than \$26 million for 16 water and sewer projects.

Dan Gardner, executive director of the Little Calumet River Basin Commission, which oversees the flood control project for the state, said he was extremely pleased with the \$3.5 million and gave credit to Rep. Pete Visclosky, D-Ind.

The project involves constructing 22 miles of levees and flood walls to protect more than 9,500 homes and businesses in Gary, Griffith, Hammond, Highland and Munster. It is scheduled for completion in 2008.

The \$1 million for the Indiana Dunes will be used to replace lakeshore

Key projects earmarked to receive the federal dollars include:

■ **Little Calumet River Flood Control Project** - \$3.5 million

for ongoing flood-control efforts

■ **Gary Sanitary District** -

\$3.3 million to rehabilitate the head works facility, a sewage treatment plant

■ **Green Acres Sewers** -

\$675,000 to build a city sewer to replace septic systems in this subdivision of Hobart

■ **Indiana Dunes Lakeshore**

Nourishment - \$1 million to mitigate erosion

Water

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sand that has eroded due to Michigan City harbor structures.

The Dunes are an area Visclosky considers "the crown jewel of Northwest Indiana in terms of natural resources" and important to protect, according to his spokesman.

Harbor operating and maintenance costs secured a piece of the pie, with \$3.7 million going to Burns International Harbor, \$1.6 million for Burns Waterway Small Boat Harbor, and \$64,000 for Indiana Harbor in Gary. In addition, Indiana Harbor and Ship Canal received \$7 million for continuing construction of a facility to hold sediment from the planned dredging of the canal.

Environmental projects also picked up funding. Wolf Lake in Hammond collected \$1.2 million for environmental and wetland restoration while Long Lake in Gary and Portage got \$180,000 for ecosystem restoration.

Visclosky, the ranking Democrat on the Energy and Water Development Subcommittee in the House Appropriations Committee, is pleased with the funding for his district.

"The federal funding I have secured for these projects will help residents all over Northwest Indiana enjoy a better quality of life," he said.

16 area water, sewer projects to share \$26.5 million

Post Tribune staff report

Sixteen local water and sewer projects will share \$26,557,000 in federal funding, U.S. Rep. Peter Visclosky, D-Merrillville, announced Thursday.

"My work on these projects is not done," Visclosky said in a news release.

The projects include:

Gary Sanitary District: \$3.3 million to rehabilitate the head works facility. The funding will

go toward engineering work and construction of the first phase.

Little Calumet River Flood Control Project: \$3,562,000 toward this project, which began in 1990 and is scheduled for completion in 2008.

Green Acres sewers (Hobart): \$675,000 to replace septic systems in the Green Acres subdivision with sanitary sewers.

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore nourishment:



Visclosky

\$1 million to mitigate erosion.

Burns International Harbor: \$3,727,000 for operating and maintenance costs, including \$327,000 to

study shoaling.

Burns Waterway small boat harbor: \$1,606,000 for operating and maintenance costs.

Cady Marsh Ditch (Griffith): \$2 million toward flood control along the ditch and the Little Calumet River.

Grand Calumet River: \$500,000 to study environmental restoration and cleanup.

Grand Calumet river remedial action plan: \$250,000 to continue water quality studies in the area of the Grand Calumet River.

Indiana Harbor (East Chicago): \$64,000 for annual operating and maintenance costs.

Indiana Harbor and Ship Canal: \$7 million toward continuing construction of facility to hold sediment from the planned dredging of the East Chicago canal.

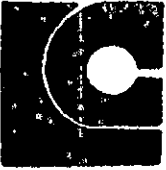
Kankakee Sands ecosystem restoration: \$700,000 for ecosystem restoration being done in cooperation with Newton County and The Nature Conservancy.

Long Lake restoration project (Gary and Portage): \$180,000 for ecosystem restoration.

Sumava Resorts Flood Control (Newton County): \$499,000 for a levee to protect the unincorporated community along the south bank of the Kankakee River.

Whiting shoreline projects: \$300,000, of which \$200,000 will be used for dredging of the navigational channel, and \$100,000 toward shoreline protection.

Wolf Lake restoration (Hammond): \$1.2 million toward environmental and wetlands restoration.



**LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

**MARINA REVENUE BOND CLAIM
MARCH 6, 2003**

Marina Sinking Account #185018027630

001-03

BANK ONE

\$ 28,643.84
(Due April 1, 2003)

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
JANUARY 1, 2002 - JANUARY 31, 2003

CASH POSITION - JANUARY 1, 2003

CHECKING ACCOUNT		
LAND ACQUISITION	134,776.87	
GENERAL FUND	43,780.09	
TAX FUND	0.00	
INVESTMENTS	958,000.00	?
SAVINGS	315,341.09	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	1,015.16	
	<u>1,452,913.21</u>	

RECEIPTS - JANUARY 1, 2003 - JANUARY 31, 2003

LEASE RENTS	10,676.10	
LEL MONIES (SAVINGS)		
INTEREST INCOME(FROM CHECKING & FIRST NATL)	97.51	
LAND ACQUISITION	30,538.60	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	39.72	
MISC. RECEIPTS	385.00	
CASALE, WOODWARD, BULS LLP	385.00	
KRBC REIMBURSEMENT RE: TELEPHONE CHARGE	253.70	
PROCEEDS FROM VOIDED CHECKS		
TOTAL RECEIPTS		41,990.63

DISBURSEMENTS - JANUARY 1, 2002 - JANUARY 31, 2003

ADMINISTRATIVE		
2001 EXPENSES PAID IN 2002	107,050.97	
PER DIEM	4,650.00	
LEGAL SERVICES	0.00	
NIRPC	23,203.94	
TRAVEL & MILEAGE	612.68	
PRINTING & ADVERTISING	0.00	
BONDS & INSURANCE	0.00	
TELEPHONE EXPENSE	0.00	
MEETING EXPENSE	109.90	
LAND ACQUISITION	0.00	
LEGAL SERVICES	5,449.16	
APPRAISAL SERVICES	5,500.00	
ENGINEERING SERVICES	631.62	
LAND PURCHASE CONTRACTUAL	7,640.00	
FACILITIES/PROJECT MAINTENANCE SERVICES	0.00	
OPERATIONS SERVICES	0.00	
LAND MANGEMENT SERVICES	16,713.76	
SURVEYING SERVICES	0.00	
MISCELANEOUS EXPENSES	0.00	
ECONOMIC/MARKETING SOURCES	0.00	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURE COSTS	90.06	
MOVING ALLOCATION	0.00	
TAXES	0.00	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURES INSURANCE	691.00	
UTILITY RELOCATION SERVICES	0.00	
LAND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	0.00	
STRUCTURAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	0.00	
BANK CHARGES MERCANTILE	8.00	
PASS THROUGH FOR SAVINGS	42,486.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		107,786.12

CASH POSITION - JANUARY 31, 2003

CHECKING ACCOUNT		
LAND ACQUISITION	86,498.87	
GENERAL FUND	26,222.88	
TAX FUND	0.00	
TOTAL FUNDS IN CHECKING ACCOUNT	112,721.75	
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	958,000.00	
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	700,000.00	4/26/2003
(BASE CAPITAL INVESTMENT)		
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	258,000.00	4/26/2003
(MISC INTEREST/RENTAL INVESTMENT)		
BANK ONE SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE	315,915.01	
(LEL MONEY)	152,857.80	
(MARINA SAND MONEY)	133,721.49	
+		
(STATE DRAW MONIES)	2,829.51	
(GARY PARKS & REC MONIES)	-	
SAVINGS INTEREST	26,506.21	
TOTAL INVESTMENTS & SAVINGS	1,273,915.01	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST AVAILABLE	1,054.88	

TOTAL OF ALL ACCOUNTS 1,387,691.64

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LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT, FEBRUARY 2003

	2003							6 MONTH ALLOCATED	UNALLOCATED BUDGETED
	BUDGET	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	8,000.00	200.00	0.00					200.00	7,800.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	4,250.00	593.66	283.33					876.99	3,373.01
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	62,500.00	10,210.39	10,747.62					20,958.01	41,541.99
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	5,000.00	91.42	13.44					104.86	4,895.14
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	2,500.00	0.00	203.88					203.88	2,296.12
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	3,750.00	0.00	77.00					77.00	3,673.00
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	3,500.00	115.61	384.39					500.00	3,000.00
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	3,000.00	109.90	68.65					178.55	2,821.45
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	175,000.00	22,062.06	27,986.54					50,048.60	124,951.40
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	588,121.00	1,300.00	1,650.00					2,950.00	585,171.00
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	12,500.00	691.00	0.00					691.00	11,809.00
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	100,000.00	0.00	0.00					0.00	100,000.00
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	125,000.00	0.00	0.00					0.00	125,000.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	12,500.00	2,484.00	0.00					2,484.00	10,016.00
	1,105,621.00	37,858.04	41,414.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	79,272.89	1,026,348.11

	2003							12 MONTH ALLOCATED	UNALLOCATED BUDGETED
	BUDGET	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	8,000.00							200.00	7,800.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	4,250.00							876.99	3,373.01
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	62,500.00							20,958.01	41,541.99
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	5,000.00							104.86	4,895.14
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	2,500.00							203.88	2,296.12
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	3,750.00							77.00	3,673.00
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	3,500.00							500.00	3,000.00
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	3,000.00							178.55	2,821.45
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	175,000.00							50,048.60	124,951.40
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	588,121.00							2,950.00	585,171.00
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	12,500.00							691.00	11,809.00
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	100,000.00							0.00	100,000.00
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	125,000.00							0.00	125,000.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	12,500.00							2,484.00	10,016.00
	1,105,621.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	79,272.89	1,026,348.11

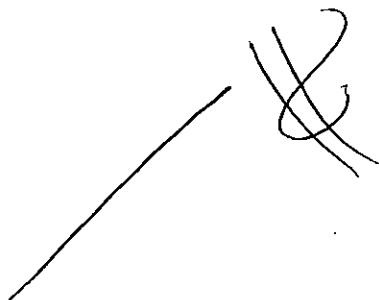
CLAIMS PAYABLE FOR FEBRUARY 2003

ACCT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
5811	CASALE, WOODWARD & BULS LLP	283.33	MONTHLY RETAINER FOR FEBRUARY 2003
5812	NIRPC	10,747.62	SERVICES PERFORMED JANUARY 2003
5821	SANDY MORDUS	13.44	FEBRUARY MILEAGE
5822	THE TIMES	51.56	PRINTING OF LEGAL NOTICE
5822	POST TRIBUNE	50.06	PRINTING OF LEGAL NOTICE
5822	POST TRIBUNE	102.26	COST INCURRED IN PUBLICATION OF PUBLIC NOTICE FOR NOTICE FOR IDNR PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT IN FLOODPLAIN
5823	DALY INSURANCE	77.00	TREASURER BOND FOR CURT VOSTI
5824	AT & T	384.39	BILLING PERIOD 1/16/03-2/16/03 (TOTAL BILL 395.47, KRBC 11.08)
5825	SAND RIDGE BANK	68.65	EXPENSES INCURRED AT 2/21/03 MEETING
5841	JANET O'TOOLE & ASSOCIATES	3,000.00	APPRAISAL FOR M-2 MITIGATION-HOBART MARSH
5842	R. W. ARMSTRONG	615.81	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED 2/14/03
5843	TICOR TITLE NETOWRK COMPANY	910.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-701
5843	TICOR TITLE NETOWRK COMPANY	650.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-705
5843	TICOR TITLE NETOWRK COMPANY	385.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-589
5843	TICOR TITLE NETOWRK COMPANY	910.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-704
5843	TICOR TITLE NETOWRK COMPANY	100.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-740
5843	TICOR TITLE NETOWRK COMPANY	100.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-739
5843	TICOR TITLE NETOWRK COMPANY	100.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-755
5843	TICOR TITLE NETOWRK COMPANY	100.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-741
5843	TICOR TITLE NETOWRK COMPANY	285.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DC-108
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	285.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DNR 15
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	285.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DNR 17
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	285.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DNR 6
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	285.00	TITLE WORK PERFORMED FOR DNR 21
5844	JAMES E. POKRAJAC	1,776.50	ENGINEERING SERVICES 1/16/03-1/31/03
5844	JAMES E. POKRAJAC	114.80	JANUARY MILEAGE
5844	JAMES E. POKRAJAC	4,389.00	ENGINEERING SERVICES 2/3/03-2/14/03
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	2,970.40	LAND ACQUISITION SERVICES 1/16/03-1/31/03
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	19.32	JANUARY MILEAGE
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	2,895.20	LAND ACQUISITION SERVICES 2/3/03-2/14/03
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	470.00	CREDITING TECHNICIAN/LAND ACQUISITION ASST 1/27/03-1/30/03
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	836.60	CREDITING TECHNICIAN/LAND ACQUISITION ASST 2/4/03-2/13/03
5844	SANDY MORDUS	281.75	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 1/16/03-1/30/03
5844	SANDY MORDUS	269.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 2/3/03-2/13/03
5849	CASALE, WOODWARD & BULS LLP	5,667.66	LAND ACQUISITION/LEGAL SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED 2/24/03
5861	DIANN L. & LORNE R. KIMMEL	1,650.00	UNIFORM EASEMENT ACQUISITION OFFER FOR DC-1033

TOTAL

41,414.85

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Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

WORK STUDY SESSION **ENGINEERING COMMITTEE**

March 6, 2003

Bob Huffman, Committee Chairman

- Main to Ridge this year 2005 - Main South*
- 484 total 225 referred*
1. Highland/Munster - Impact review request
 - Letters sent out on February 20, 2003 (Refer to Attachments 19-20 Engineering Report)
 - LCRBDC requested communities allow us to meet with potential developers/property owners to discuss impacts of our project relative to their proposed construction in our proposed work limits.
 2. INDOT coordination meetings held February 18 & 25 with communities/agencies affected by the I-80/94 expansion.
 - Public hearing meeting held on February 18 for them to be in compliance with permit requirements
 - COE/LCRBDC/INDOT meeting held on February 25 to discuss review of design and impacts to our project (Information available upon request)
 3. Potential cost savings on Stage VI Phase 1 project (Cline to Kennedy)
 - E-mail sent to COE on February 25 requesting cost savings investigation to install sheet piling into existing levees in some areas rather than installing new levee. (See page 10 Engineering Report)
 4. Request to COE regarding Overstreet Construction performance on Pump Station 1A contract.
 - Received information from the COE on February 18 (See Attachments 13 & 14 General Comments in Engineering Report)
 5. A draft summary regarding outstanding 8 GSD issues and their current status was completed by LCRBDC on March 5, 2003. (Refer to handout)
 6. Received spill cleanup report from WREP on February 26, 2003 for the discharge at the North Burr Street pump station. (Available to Commissioners upon request)
 - Will do geo-probe in the spring to check river contamination.
 - Investigation ongoing - WREP to send us letter of status

GARY SANITARY DISTRICT ISSUES
SUMMARY OF CURRENT STATUS

(March 6, 2003)

1. **Issue:** Installation of telemetry at pump stations constructed in Gary.

GSD Position:

GSD has requested a radio telemetry system be installed at the Gary Pump Stations.

COE Position:

COE has determined that radio telemetry systems are not project – funded items.

LCRBDC Comment/Recommendation:

- a. Because the cost of a radio telemetry system is not within the scope of the federally funded project, it would be a non-creditable expenditure for the LCRBDC. The State currently forbids the LCRBDC from making non-creditable expenditures.
- b. While the LCRBDC agrees that radio telemetry is needed, it appears that the only means of obtaining it is for either the City of Gary or the Gary Sanitary District to fund the installation of such a system. It should be noted that telemetry systems in the west reach pump stations are being funded by the community it services. As a means of reducing cost, Gary may wish to investigate the use of dialer systems for the smaller pump stations.

2. **Issue:** Whether the levee project has a significant impact on GSD sewer outfalls due to higher river levels.

GSD Position:

- a. GSD has heard that the increased level of the Little Calumet River due to the project could be anywhere from 1-2" to 6 to 12". While the 1-2" increase in the level of the Little Calumet River might not be a problem, a 6 to 12" or more causes significant impact.
- b. GSD also expressed concern that the existing combined sewer system in the Ironwood subdivision would backup into basements.

COE Position:

The COE is still in the process of reviewing this issue. This includes coordinating with Earth Tech, the consultant that ran the SWIM Model for GSD.

LCRBDC Comment and Recommendation:

The COE should complete its review of this issue as soon as possible. This issue has been around for years. Imad Samara's letter of 2-7-02 shows an impact of 0.8' (10") for the 100-year event at Martin Luther King Drive.

3. **Issue:** Access to the Ironwood Pump Station

GSD Position:

Access to the Ironwood Pump Station is inadequate during 100 or 200 year flood events. GSD has indicated that they would not be able to bring in a portable generator to restore power or get a crane in that area to replace a pump during a flood event.

COE Position:

During a flood event access to the pump station will be from the top of the levee.

LCRBDC Comment and Recommendation:

The COE's position ignores the fact that there are railroad tracks between the levee and the pump station and the fact that there is neither an easement across the railroad property nor a crossing for vehicles to get across the tracks. Even if vehicles and portable equipment were to cross the tracks, there is no place for them to park that would not be in 2 to 3 feet of water.

A mock drill has been suggested, we are not sure one is necessary until the following concerns are addressed:

- a. How do we legally get across the railroad right-of-way without an easement and appropriate crossing? What happens if a train is parked on the tracks?
- b. Once vehicles and equipment cross the tracks, how and where will the vehicles and equipment be maneuvered and parked so that they are not flooded.

The COE needs to address these concerns as soon as possible. Once these issues are addressed, then we suggest that the COE arrange a mock drill to demonstrate how emergency operation personnel, and equipment can access the pump station.

4. **Issue:** USEPA and IDEM correspondence regarding Gary projects.

GSD Position:

GSD currently has a number of permitted combined sewer overflows (CSO's). These are currently allowed to discharge to the Little Calumet River. During flood events with the levee in place, GSD's concern is that the combined sewers will surcharge and overflow on the landside of the levee creating ponds containing raw sewage and stormwater. GSD has requested copies of correspondence with U.S. EPA and IDEM confirming that this issue has been discussed, acknowledged and is allowed.

COE Position:

COE did not comment on this issue in their Nov. 6, 2002 letter.

LCRBDC Position:

COE needs to address this issue as soon as possible. The findings from Issue 2 above may impact the resolution of this issue.

5. **Issue:** Documentation that contractors practiced soil and erosion control measures during construction.

GSD Position:

GSD needs documentation to assure that the necessary soil and erosion control methods were done.

COE Position:

COE suggested a meeting be set up at the COE's Calumet Area Office to review the request.

LCRBDC Comment and Recommendation:

COE should provide a copy of the relevant specification section for each contract in Gary. The COE should then provide a certification or affidavit that indicates that the specification section was either fully complied with by the contractor or list what exception or deviations occurred.

6. **Issue:** O/M Manual

GSD Position:

GSD wants an opportunity to review and comment on O/M Manual before it is finalized.

COE Position:

The COE was to have the O/M Manual complete by December 2002 and indicated at the June 6, 2002 meeting that GSD would have the opportunity to review and comment on it.

LCRBDC Comment and Recommendation:

COE should complete a draft O/M Manual as soon as possible. The COE should anticipate comments from the local community (including GSD) and the LCRBDC.

7. **Issue:** Drainage ditch at the 27th and Chase Street Pump Station.

GSD Position:

GSD has determined from COE record drawings that the culvert (gatewell) through the I-wall on the east side of Chase Street is about 2' higher than the ditch culvert. This is a concern to GSD because the 27th and Chase Pump Station's combined sewer overflow utilizes the ditch. The higher elevation of this culvert prohibits effective drainage and causes standing water to be retained in the ditch on the landside of the levee.

COE Position:

The COE is currently evaluating GSD's concern.

LCRBDC Comment and Recommendation:

COE needs to complete their review of issue as soon as possible.

8. **Issue:** Is an EPA discharge permit necessary for our project? (As per request from Jim Meyer, GSD attorney)

GSD Position:

GSD requested a definitive response as to whether or not such a permit is necessary. If so, they requested the COE move forward and obtain the

permit before the city of Gary accepts the finished product. A recent EPA Appeals Board decision cited (NPDES Appeal Nos. 00-14 and 01-09, issued February 20, 2002) has heightened the concern regarding the necessity of an EPA permit.

COE position:

The COE suggests that Jim Meyer provide any information he has that requires the project to obtain an EPA discharge permit. According to the November 6, 2002 letter from the COE to the Development Commission, this permit is not necessary.

LCRBDC Comment/Recommendation:

COE should provide a written, definitive response to the GSD regarding this permit. When the COE originally obtained all the necessary permits, it was prior to February 20, 2002. Is it necessary now?

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Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

WORK-STUDY SESSION

6 March 2003

LAND ACQUISITION / LAND MANAGEMENT

Arlene Colvin, Chairperson

LAND ACQUISITION:

- 1.) There are no condemnations or increased offers.
- 2.) Kennedy Industrial Park Appraisal:
The first nine offers for the Kennedy Industrial Park are prepared. Six are in the mail to private landowners, two will be hand-delivered to the City of Hammond, and one will be hand-delivered to INDOT.

LAND MANAGEMENT:

- ✓ 1.) We need a motion to approve the low bid of \$35,101 submitted by Berkheimer on 27 February 2003 for the seven acre surplus property site on 35th Street in Gary.
- 2.) FYI:
The first work session of the Operation and Maintenance Committee was held on 26 February 2003. The committee reviewed the LCA and Corps Operation and Maintenance Manual and also discussed funding options and coordination with communities and agencies for eventual turnover. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, 18 March, 5 pm.
- ✓ 3.) FYI: *Scheduled for next Wed*
Gary will demolish the three vandalized houses in the Burr Betterment Levee Area (in Black Oak). Demolition anticipated in next month.
- 4.) FYI:
Tenants at the 3120 Gerry Street house (rental unit) have moved. A gas leak shut-off caused water pipes to burst in cold weather. Repairs are under way. We have several leads for renters to occupy the house to prevent vandalism while we dispose of the property as per state procedure.
- 5.) FYI:
Landowners between Colfax and Calhoun have visited LCRBDC complaining of high vegetation on our ditch easements. Wolverine Pipeline has a "Damage Prevention Program" which addresses problem areas on their easements. LCRBDC easements are on Wolverine easements; therefore, LCRBDC granted Wolverine Pipeline a right-of-entry to clean, clear, and mulch all overgrowth on the Colfax to Calhoun ditch easements.

Doesn't contribute?

PROPOSED PRIORITIES FOR USE OF 2001-03 STATE BUDGET DOLLARS

15 MONTH SCHEDULE (May, 2002 thru August, 2003)

Revised: March 6, 2003

\$1,761,439	Cash to draw upon currently available from the \$3 million State Budget funds
- 400,000	Administration costs (Jim Pokrajac, Judy Vamos, Lorraine Kray, Sandy Mordus, Lou Casale, Jim Flora) <u>Expended to date \$285,419</u>
\$1,361,439	
- 266,000	COE escrow payment due October, 2002 (7% Cash contribution) <u>Expended to date \$266,000</u>
\$1,095,439	
- 250,000	Estimate for mitigation costs (Figure ½ of \$500,000 earlier committed. Needed for "good faith effort") <u>Expended to date \$17,079</u>
\$ 845,439	
- 25,000	Burr Street acquisition committed. Offers in process. <u>Expended to date \$4,585.61</u>
\$ 820,439	
- 700,000	Kennedy Industrial Park property acquisition (VI-1) – (20 parcels) <u>Expended to date \$85,958</u>
\$ 120,439	
- 75,000	Utility relocation engineering money (VI-1 & VI-2) – (approx. 16 relocates) <u>Expended to date \$6,932</u>
\$ 45,439	
- 45,439	Estimate of ongoing title work costs for crediting purposes <u>Expended to date \$75,370</u>
-0-	Items not included in budget <u>Expended to date \$114,340.88</u>

Total expenditures to date as of 3/06/03 \$855,684.07

Remaining monies available for drawdown as of 3/06/03 \$924,500.20

REMAINING \$2.5 MILLION CURRENTLY RECISED BY GOVERNOR O'BANNON
FROM BUILD INDIANA FUNDS FOR DEFICIT REDUCTION

(-378,000)	Estimate of actual utility relocation work (VI-1 & VI-2)
(- 70,000)	Clean-up ^{to purchase} remaining properties in East Reach & East Reach Remediation area
(- 50,000)	Burr Street property acquisition costs (Not creditable. Needs State consensus)
(- 100,000)	Burr Street utility relocation costs (Not creditable. Needs State consensus)
(-1,900,000)	Burr Street Phase 2 construction cost (Not creditable. Needs State consensus)
(-2,498,000)	Total commitments from \$2.5 million in budget recision

LAND MANAGEMENT REPORT
For meeting on Thursday, March 6, 2003
(Information in this report is from January 31 – February 26, 2003)

A. NON-PROJECT LAND MANAGEMENT

A. Phase II of Agnew Park at River Forest Elementary is completed and a dedication is tentatively planned for Spring of 2003.

B. Lease Agreements

1. VILLAGE SHOPPING CENTER

LCRBDC received title work for the Village Shopping Center on September 18, 2002. Review ongoing.

- **Staff will assemble all paperwork available and submit our substantiating data to the current owner to enter into a new agreement.**

2. CHASE STREET FARM STAND

- The modified business license agreement was sent to the lessees on December 23rd, 2002, requesting their signatures.
- As of January 28, no signed agreement has been received. The check received for January payment did not reflect the increased rent.
- **A follow-up letter was sent to the Witvoets on February 5, 2003 reminding them of our request for agreement.**

C. Disposition of Property

1. A letter was sent to Berkheimer's (Dale Cobble) on July 24th, 2002, informing him that we are now able to sell surplus property and asking him if he is still interested in purchasing additional property adjacent to their existing facilities so that they would be able to expand their business.
 - **Advertised seven (7) acres of adjacent land on February 6, 2003. Second advertising on February 13, 2003. Bid opening on February 27.**
2. The executed farm leases for the area outside the levees between Chase & Grant were sent to the Bult brothers for the 2003 season on January 10th, 2003.

PROJECT RELATED LAND MANAGEMENT

A. O&M Committee (ongoing issues)

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

1. At the November 13th, 2002 Board meeting, we received positive responses from Arlene Colvin, Steve Davis, Emerson Delaney, Bob Huffman, Bill Tanke and Bob Marszalek to be on the newly formed O&M Committee.
 - **The first O&M committee meeting was held on February 26, 2003 to discuss LCRBDC responsibilities, set up format, discuss funding, and review turnover.**
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. (COE is currently working on this procedure.)

3. A letter was sent to the COE on October 3rd, 2002, reminding them of the importance of getting these issues resolved as well as to address a new question of whether an EPA discharge permit may be necessary for the project.
 - We received a response from the COE dated November 6th, 2002, regarding the outstanding Gary Sanitary District issues to be resolved and sent it to the City of Gary, and Greeley and Hansen on November 27th, 2002.
4. LCRBDC is currently working on O&M responsibility tables to establish each task and who will do each item.
 - A spreadsheet for Gary has been completed that shows all tasks, frequency of tasks, and locations. Costs and quantities for (5) completed segments have been completed for the East Reach. (This will be used as a format for all future O&M summaries.)
5. **Executed agreements were sent to the USGS on February 10, 2003 through September 30, 2003.**

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B. Emergency Management/River Monitoring

1. 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 has been obtained by the LCRBDC and submitted to the COE to be incorporated into the final O&M submittal.
2. An e-mail was sent to the COE on October 16th, 2002, requesting they investigate information on elevations for sandbagging requirements at the Clark St. bridge.
 - It was brought to our attention by the Lake County Highway Dept. that this bridge will be rehabilitated. Scheduled Fall, 2003, advertising & Spring, 2004, construction. They may be able to raise the deck to eliminate sandbagging during a flood. (ongoing)
 - **We received a response from the COE on February 4, 2003 providing us with FTP site info on the internet. This will be provided to Lake County Highway for design considerations.**

check it out for Hoffman

- C. Portions of West Reach pump stations in Hammond and Highland have been turned over to their respective communities. Representatives of the Hammond and Highland Sanitary Districts have inspected these facilities with the COE and contractor and signed off as completed.
 1. LCRBDC Attorney sent resolution and agreement for O&M of the pumping station to Joseph Allegretti, attorney for HSD, on January 24, 2003 for their approval and signature.

General Items

- A. **City of Gary has agreed to demolish the three vacant Burr Street levee houses. "Consent to Demolish" forms will be completed and returned to Vanessa Dabney, Interim Gary Redevelopment Executive Director.**
- B. An oil spill occurred at the Burr St. stormwater lift station. Gary Sanitary District has had area cleaned up and held a status meeting on Friday, January 24th, 2003.
 - LCRBDC staff met with IDEM and WREP on January 29 and discussed the ongoing investigation as to who the responsible party is for the oil contamination. **(Ongoing – awaiting report from GSD on type of discharge into the river)**

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- C. Outstanding railroad easements will be needed by the LCRBDC to do O&M and have access for flood fighting. A list was comprised and additional information was forwarded to LCRBDC attorney on February 21, 2003. 8-9
1. All necessary permanent easement agreements with the EJ&E RR have been completed for the Betterment Levee Phase 1 and for Stage IV-Phase 1 South (DC-597 and DC-601)
 2. Easement agreements with the Norfolk Southern Corporation will be needed for Stage IV Phase 1 South and for Stage II -4 west of MLK Drive. Rights to construct were completed, but easement agreements are now needed for these completed construction segments. (DC-602 and DC-593)
 - A letter was sent to the COE on February 27, 2003 requesting information/clarification of what will be required for a permanent easement west of MLK Drive (DC-593) 10
 3. DC-598 – Burr Street II Norfolk Southern easements will be needed in (2) areas at Burr Street & approximately ½ mile east of Burr Street. These cannot be done because they are not creditable.
- D. A letter was sent to the Lake County Highway Department on February 20, 2003 requesting that they replace a staff gauge they removed when they did the Hohman Avenue Bridge project. 11
- E. LCRBDC granted a right-of-entry to the Wolverine Pipeline Company on our property adjacent to the NIPSCO R/W from Burr Street to I-65 to clear and grub on their easements for maintenance purposes. 12



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February 5, 2003

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Bert and Wayne Witvoet
Village Farm Stand
1 West Sibley
South Holland, Illinois 60473

Dear Bert & Wayne:

We recently received your monthly rental check in the amount of \$1700 for the month of January, 2003. As per our letter to you dated October 21 and my recent phone conversation with you requesting an increase of \$300 additional monies per month, it was not reflected in this monthly payment. We are still awaiting the signed lease agreement that was sent to you on December 23, 2002 or a letter of response indicating your rejection of this proposal. As we mentioned in our letter of October 21, the Board members felt that your rent has been \$1,700/month since June of 1997 and that all of our other leases have been increased since that time based upon the Metropolitan Chicago Consumer Price Index.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac Agent
Land Management/Engineering

/sjm

cc: Dan Gardner, LCRBDC Executive Director
Arlene Colvin, LCRBDC Chairperson
Lou Casale, LCRBDC attorney



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Mr. James A. Stewart
District Chief
U.S. Dept. of the Interior
U.S. Geological Survey
Water Resources division
5957 Lakeside Blvd.
Indianapolis, Indiana 46278-1996

Dear Mr. Stewart:

Enclosed please find two (2) copies of the fully executed agreement between the USGS and the Development Commission for the operation and maintenance of the gaging station at Hart Ditch in Munster IN. We have retained one (1) signed copy for our file.

I'm sorry for the misunderstanding in which we thought the agreement would be on an annual basis. The monies are earmarked for this project and we will expect billing the end of September.

Thank you for your patience in this matter.

Sincerely,


Dan Gardner
Executive Director

/s/m
encl.
cc: Sue Davis, COE

U.S. Department of the Interior
U.S. Geological Survey
Joint Funding Agreement
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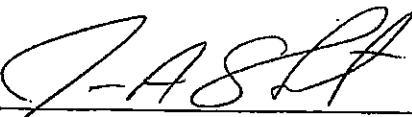
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THIS AGREEMENT is entered into as of the 20th day of December, 2002 by the U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, party of the first part, and the **LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN COMMISSION**, party of the second part.

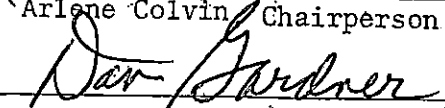
1. The parties hereto agree that subject to the availability of appropriations and in accordance with their respective authorities there shall be maintained in cooperation **a program to operate a streamflow gaging station on Hart Ditch at Munster,** hereinafter called the program.
2. The following amounts shall be contributed to cover all of the cost of the necessary field and analytical work directly related to this program.
 - (a) **\$0.00** by the party of the first part during the period
October 1, 2002 to September 30, 2003
 - (b) **\$5,470.00*** by the party of the second part during the period
October 1, 2002 to September 30, 2003
***\$5,470.00 unmatched.**
 - (c) Additional or reduced amounts by each party during the above period or succeeding periods as may be determined by mutual agreement and set forth in an exchange of letters between the parties.
3. The costs of this program may be paid by either party in conformity with the laws and regulations respectively governing each party.
4. The field and analytical work pertaining to this program shall be under the direction of or subject to periodic review by an authorized representative of the party of the first part.
5. The areas to be included in the program shall be determined by mutual agreement between the parties hereto or their authorized representatives. The methods employed in the field and office shall be those adopted by the party of the first part to insure the required standards of accuracy subject to modification by mutual agreement.
6. During the course of this program, all field and analytical work of either party pertaining to this program shall be open to the inspection of the other party, and if the work is not being carried on in a mutually satisfactory manner, either party may terminate this agreement upon 60 days written notice to the other party.
7. The original records resulting from this program will be deposited in the office of origin of those records. Upon request, copies of the original records will be provided to the office of the other party.
8. The maps, records or reports resulting from this program shall be made available to the public as promptly as possible. The maps, records or reports normally will be published by the party of the first part. However, the party of the second part reserves the right to publish the results of this program and, if already published by the party of the first part shall, upon request, be furnished by the party of the first part, at cost, impressions suitable for purposes of reproduction similar to that for which the original copy was prepared. The maps, records or reports published by either party shall contain a statement of the cooperative relations between the parties.
9. Billing for this agreement will be rendered on September 30, 2003. Payments of bills are due within 60 days after the billing date. If not paid by the due date, interest will be charged at the current Treasury rate for each 30 day period, or portion thereof, that the payment is delayed beyond the due date. (31 USC 3717; Comptroller General File B-212222, August 23, 1983.).
Little Calumet River Basin Commission

U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

By 
(SIGNATURE & TITLE)

James A. Stewart, District Chief

By 
Arlene Colvin, Chairperson

By 
Dan Gardner, Executive Director

By _____

(USE REVERSE SIDE IF ADDITIONAL SIGNATURES ARE REQUIRED)



United States Department of the Interior

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U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Water Resources Division

5957 Lakeside Blvd.

Indianapolis, IN 46278

(317) 290-3333

January 22, 2003

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

Dear Mr. Gardner:

We received the copy of the signed Joint Funding Agreement you forwarded to our office. There seems to be a misunderstanding of what the first sentence in Item #9 means. This refers to when you should expect to see a billing for the \$5,470 you agreed to fund on this particular agreement. It in no way implies that the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission will indefinitely fund the streamflow gaging station on Hart Ditch at Munster.

We have revised the agreement to indicate that the bill for this agreement which covers the period October 1, 2002 to September 30, 2003 will be billed on September 30, 2003. I would appreciate it if this issue could be explained to your Board and the new version of the agreement signed. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (317) 290-3333, extension 175. Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

James A. Stewart
District Chief

Enclosures



CITY OF GARY

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SUZETTE RAGGS
Deputy Mayor

DEPARTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT GARY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

100 West 4th Avenue
Gary, Indiana 46402
(219) 886-1531 / FAX (219) 886-1537

Geraldine B. Tousant
Executive Director

February 21, 2003

*Received
2/25/03
JW*

Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission
6100 Southport Road
Portage, Indiana 46368
Attention: Judy Vamos

Dear Ms Vamos:

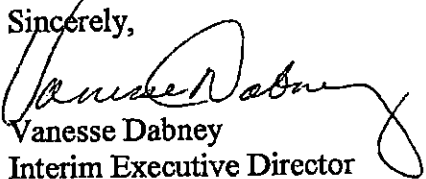
This letter is to inform you that the City of Gary has agreed to demolish the following list of property addresses:

<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>KEY NUMBER</u>
3339 Calhoun Street	41-49-0042-0040
3300 Burr Street	41-49-0121-0001
3308 Burr Street	41-49-0121-0002

Please find attached a document, "Form A", which gives us consent to demolish. If you agree to the terms therein, please return the documents with your signature and also notarized.

If you have any question regarding said information please contact me at 886-1531.

Sincerely,


Vanesse Dabney
Interim Executive Director

Enclosures (3) "Form A's"

cc: Geraldine B. Tousant, Deputy Mayor
Arlene Colvin, COS
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"FORM A"

CONSENT TO DEMOLISH, WAIVER OF RIGHT TO SUE, AND CERTIFICATION OF ABILITY TO PAY DEMOLITION COSTS

I/We the undersigned acknowledge that I/we am/are the legal title holder(s) of the following described real estate:

Legal Description:
Burr Acres (1.06AC) Lot 1

Common Address:
3300 Burr Street Gary, Indiana 46406

I/We had notice of and did/did not participate in the demolition hearing on the _____ and acknowledge that the structure(s) on said real estate is/are in an unsafe and hazardous condition.

I/We have been informed of my/our rights regarding said real estate and hereby knowingly consent to the demolition of said structure(s) by the City of Gary, acting pursuant to the Unsafe Building Ordinance of the City of Gary, Indiana.

I/We agree to reimburse the City of Gary any and all expenses incurred in the demolition of the above described real estate. Reimbursement shall be made by the following method: - (Check One)

_____ Payment in full.

_____ Monthly installments of \$_____ due on the _____ day

☒ Other agreement by the parties which shall be attached.

The City of Gary estimates the cost of demolition to be \$-0-. If the actual cost of demolition exceeds the estimated cost above, the owner will be notified in writing of the actual cost.

Reimbursement arrangements must be made within ten (10) days of notification of the costs of demolition.

I/We acknowledge that if I/we fail to pay the cost of demolition, the City of Gary may sue to recover the cost of demolition litigation and attorney's fees.

I/WE FURTHER SPECIFICALLY AND KNOWINGLY WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO SUE THE CITY OF GARY AND HOLD IT HARMLESS FOR ANY RIGHT OF ACTION THAT MAY ACCRUE BY REASON OF SAID DEMOLITION.

Little Calumet River Basin Dev. Comm.
REAL ESTATE OWNER

REAL ESTATE OWNER

State of Indiana)
)
County of Lake) SS:

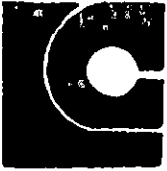
SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me, a Notary Public in and for
said county and state this _____ day of _____.

NOTARY PUBLIC

PRINTED SIGNATURE

Resident of Lake County

My Commission Expires:



Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

TO: Lou Casale, Attorney-at-Law
FROM: Jim Pokrajac, Agent, Land Management/Engineering
SUBJECT: Railroad Easements
DATE: February 21, 2003

As per our discussion of February 20 regarding the outstanding railroad easements, I am enclosing a modified list of the railroad easement summarization sheet. The first 2 items includes ongoing easement agreement for DC593, located west of Martin Luther King Drive near the Ironwood Pump Station and DC602 which includes a series of miscellaneous easements in the Colfax to Burr Street area as part of the Stage IV Phase 1 South project. Please refer to the enclosed information to proceed with preliminary work with the Norfolk Southern RR for obtaining the necessary easements. It is my understanding that new appraisals will be ordered for each of these 2 areas and will cost us in the neighborhood of \$3,500 apiece. It may take several months to get these appraisals completed but in the meantime, in order to expedite these agreements, please proceed as we have discussed.

We have enclosed the following information for each DC number:

- DC593 – • A copy of the Right-to-Construct dated September 7, 1995
- DC602 – • A copy of the Right-to-Construct dated April 7, 2002.
- Uniform easement acquisition offer submitted to them on November 15, 1999 with correct legals (was never signed by NSRR)
- Norfolk Southern Railroad easement key map (for your information)

If you need any additional information to proceed with the actual easement language, please contact me.

/encl.

RAILROAD EASEMENT AGREEMENTS ONGOING

1. **DC 593** (NSRR) – Stage II Phase 4
 - This is located west of Martin Luther King Drive near the Ironwood pump station.
 - We completed the right-to-construct agreement on September 7, 1995
 - We need to submit a Uniform Land Offer in order that we can proceed.
 - Appraisal completed 10/15/98 in the amount of \$11,590
 - Construction in this area has been completed and it is critical to get a signed easement agreement to allow us to use the right-of-way to do maintenance and emergency response during a flood event
2. **DC 602** (NSRR) – Stage IV Phase 1 South
 - These are miscellaneous easements adjacent to Colfax Avenue running eastward past Calhoun Street.
 - We completed the right-to-construct agreement on April 7, 2000
 - Uniform Land Offer signed by Dan Gardner on November 15, 1999 (we have not received a signed response to this offer)
 - Appraised value of this easement was \$41,100 dated 10/11/99 - Can we still use this value without re-appraising?

RAILROAD EASEMENT ON HOLD

1. **DC 598** (NSRR) – Burr Street Phase 2
 - Uniform Land Offer signed by Dan Gardner on November 15, 1999 (we have not received a signed response to this offer)
 - Appraised value of this easement was \$3,470 dated 2/1/99 – Can we still use this value without re-appraising?
 - This agreement should be on hold because it is a non-creditable item due to it being a part of the betterment levee.
 - This should be pursued after coordination for funding is completed with either the city of Gary or through Rep. Earl Harris

RAILROAD EASEMENTS EXECUTED AND COMPLETED

1. **DC 597** (EJ&E RR) - Burr Street Phase 1
 - This is located at the west end of Burr Street Phase 1
 - Construction has been completed and the necessary easement agreements (both levee and temporary) have been executed.
2. **DC 601** (EJ&E RR) – Stage IV Phase 1 South
 - These are located at the intersection of the EJ&E RR and Black Oak Road and including the spur at the north end of the WIND property. The necessary easement agreements (both levee and temporary) have been executed.



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LOU CASALE
Attorney

February 27, 2003

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

Dear Imad:

Enclosed is a copy of the legal description for the Norfolk Southern Railway easement (DC-593) that was required for our Stage II Phase 4 construction. This easement is located west of Martin Luther King Drive and is directly south of the Ironwood pump station. As you may notice on the legal, the temporary easement went away 6 months after completion of construction. This project was completed several years back and therefore, we do not have any land rights on the temporary easement shown on this legal description. Dale Kleszynski did the appraisal for this property in 1997. We never obtained a permanent easement on this property although we did obtain a right-to-construct as part of the right-of-entry for the Stage II Phase 4 project. Will you please review this and let me know if you want to modify the original permanent easement that was originally requested as part of your real estate requirements. Upon receipt of your request for permanent easement, we will then order a new appraisal that will indicate the amount we will offer to the NSRR for this permanent easement.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

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cc: Lou Casale
Judy Vamos

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February 20, 2003

Mr. Duane Alverson, P.E.
Engineer
Lake County Highway Department
1100 E. Monitor Street
Crown Point, Indiana 46307

Dear Duane:

I am enclosing a copy of information I received from Sue Davis from the Army Corps of Engineers regarding staff gage information for our project that was installed on various bridges and/or abutments throughout our project area. We installed these gages to be able to allow the communities the ability to monitor river levels during various phases of flood conditions that will help us in our emergency response plan.

During your construction of the Hohman Avenue bridge, the staff gage that we had installed was removed and needs to be replaced. Will you please coordinate this with either me or Sue Davis to get this gage re-installed. Sue may be reached at the Chicago Army Corps of Engineers office at 312/846-5510. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

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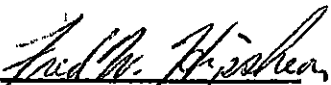
cc: Imad Samara, ACOE
Sue Davis, ACOE

RIGHT-OF-ENTRY (Onto property owned by LCRBDC)


Wolverine Pipeline Company (*Applicant*) shall have the right to enter upon lands owned by the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission (*LCRBDC*) to clear trees and brush from Burr Street to I-65 on a 75' strip adjacent to the north and south NIPSCO R/W lines, in the city of Gary, county of Lake, and the State of Indiana.

The following shall apply to this agreement:

1. This agreement will be as per the *Applicant* job description and location dated February 26, 2003 for a period from February 26 to April 1, 2003.
2. The boundary of lands to be cleared is limited only to the following:
 - East of Burr Street and West of I-65
3. The *Applicant* will not affect the natural drainage flow or water retention in this area by adding fill or creating any earthen barriers.
4. There will be no reimbursement to the *LCRBDC* for use of this land by the *Applicant*.
5. The *Applicant* hereby agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the *LCRBDC* from any suit, damage, claim, liability or action caused as the direct result of clearing by the *Applicant* that is the subject of this right-of-entry.
6. The *Applicant* will be responsible for maintaining the security of the property by locking the gates during and after the time he is on these lands.
 - The *Applicant* will be permitted to use the *LCRBDC* project key. They will not duplicate this key or provide it to any other party.
7. The *Applicant* will notify the *LCRBDC* upon completion of his need to access these lands.
8. This right-of-entry can be terminated upon 24 hours notice by the *LCRBDC*.


FRED HIPSHIRE, *Applicant*
Wolverine Pipeline Company
8105 Valleywood
Portage, Michigan 49024

Accepted by:


Dan Gardner, *Owner*
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission
(*LCRBDC*)

Dated this 26th day of February, 2003.

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**CALUMET AREA OFFICE
CONTRACT STATUS REPORT**

06 FEB - 06 MAR 2003

CONTRACT NO: DACW23-95-C-0071		CONTRACTOR: RAUSCH	
DESCRIPTION: STAGE II - PHASE 3B		PR & C NO. 959776	

	CONTRACT AMOUNT	CONTRACT COMPLETION	% COMPLETE
C-S MGR: GARCES	ORIGINAL: \$3,293,968.00	ORIGINAL: -	SCH ACT
C-S QA REP: KARWATKA	CURRENT: \$3,288,101.88	CURRENT: 05 DEC 98	100 100
C-C MGR: TURNER	OBLIGATED: \$3,288,101.88	SUBSTANTIAL: 05 DEC 98	
	EARNED: \$3,288,101.88	FINAL W/O D. 18 DEC 02	

COMMENTS:
Initiating contract closeout.

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

A) Submitted red line as-builts to ED-DT for preparation of As-Builts in September 2001. Awaiting final as-builts from ED-DT. TS-C-S reviewed prepared as-builts, and provided comments.

CONTRACT NO: DACW23-95-C-0073		CONTRACTOR: DYER CONSTRUCTION	
DESCRIPTION: STAGE IV - PHASE 2A		PR & C NO. 759328	

	CONTRACT AMOUNT	CONTRACT COMPLETION	% COMPLETE
C-S MGR: GARCES	ORIGINAL: \$2,473,311.50	ORIGINAL: -	SCH ACT
C-S QA REP: RUNDZAITIS	CURRENT: \$3,329,463.66	CURRENT: 29 SEP 01	100 100
C-C MGR: TURNER	OBLIGATED: \$3,329,463.66	SUBSTANTIAL: 29 SEP 01	
	EARNED: \$3,329,463.66	FINAL W/O D. 01 JUN 02	

COMMENTS:
Local Sponsor requesting phase indicator system for generator plug-in. Will be incorporated via modification to Stage III Remediation. Awaiting action on other field changes that will be incorporated with the phase indication system for generator plug-in.

Initiating Contract Closeout.

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

A) TS-C-S has As-Builts for Chief TS-C to sign. However, holding pending upcoming modification for generator phase indicator system. Once modification for generator phase indicator system is completed, appropriate sheets will be revised by TS-DC. returned to TS-C-S for incorporation into complete as-built set. TS-C-S will then obtain TS-C chief signature.

CONTRACT NO: DACW27-01-C-0001		CONTRACTOR: OVERSTREET ELEC. CO.	
DESCRIPTION: PUMP STA. 1A		PR & C NO. 015179	

	CONTRACT AMOUNT	CONTRACT COMPLETION	% COMPLETE
C-S MGR: ANDERSON	ORIGINAL: \$4,638,400.00	ORIGINAL: 03 DEC 02	SCH ACT
C-S QA REP: CRAIB	CURRENT: \$4,810,824.79	CURRENT: 24 APR 03	59 59
C-C MGR: TURNER	OBLIGATED: \$2,987,512.29	SUBSTANTIAL: -	
	EARNED: \$2,842,190.05	FINAL W/O D.	

COMMENTS:
Contractor is continuing with submittals.

Baring – Installation of SWP-1 has stopped. KTR attempting to determine how to install discharge elbow in available space.

Hohman – Installation of DWP-2 has stopped. KTR attempting to determine cause of drive shaft wobble and circuit breaker tripping.

Rebuilt Fairbanks Morse pumps from Walnut Avenue pump station are awaiting factory testing.

Removal of old and installation of new electrical equipment at Baring has stopped due to installation problems of SWP-1 pump discharge elbow.

One (1) pump for refurbishment from South Kennedy has been rebuilt and has been tested. NPSH results have not yet been determined.

Portable pumping units are located at Baring Ave. for removal of SWP-1&2.

A000XX (SSXXX) – Pump Impellers. Negotiations completed. Preparing modification for \$38,915.30, and 90 calendar days.

Awaiting PM-M/ED-D responses to the following: None

CONTRACT NO: DACW27-00-C-0015		CONTRACTOR: DYER CONSTRUCTION	
DESCRIPTION: STAGE IV – PHASE 1 SOUTH		PR & C NO. 476674	

	CONTRACT AMOUNT	CONTRACT COMPLETION	% COMPLETE
C-S MGR: ANDERSON	ORIGINAL: \$3,862,736.65	ORIGINAL: 09 AUG 01	SCH ACT
C-S QA REP: KARWATKA	CURRENT: \$4,285,344.70	CURRENT: 16 NOV 01	100 100
C-C MGR: TURNER	OBLIGATED: \$4,285,344.70	SUBSTANTIAL: 16 NOV 01	
	EARNED: \$4,285,344.70	FINAL W/O D.	

COMMENTS:

Initiating contract closeout activities.

Final inspection completed 18 DEC 2002. Transferred O&M Manuals to LCRBDC.

Received TS-C-S and Local Sponsor copies of as-builts. Provided Local Sponsor their copies.

Awaiting PM-PM/TS-D responses to the following items: None

CONTRACT NO: DACW27-01-C-0008		CONTRACTOR: OVERSTREET CONST. CO.	
DESCRIPTION: PUMP NORTH 5 TH AVE.		PR & C NO. 115055	

	CONTRACT AMOUNT	CONTRACT COMPLETION	% COMPLETE
C-S MGR: ANDERSON	ORIGINAL: \$2,387,500.00	ORIGINAL: 17 MAR 03	SCH ACT
C-S QA REP: CRAIB	CURRENT: \$2,402,775.06	CURRENT: 07 MAY 03	78 78
C-C MGR: TURNER	OBLIGATED: \$1,933,034.93	SUBSTANTIAL:	
	EARNED: \$1,875,798.72	FINAL W/O D.	

COMMENTS:

Contractor preparing and submitting submittals.

Removal of old and installation of new electrical equipment is ongoing.

NIPSCO power switch over complete.

New pumps have been delivered and are in storage.

DWP-1 and DWP-2 installation is about complete. Pump #6 & #7 have been set in place.

Comminutor has been removed. May require a modification for disposal due to containment of mercury.

Concrete work, in the south wet well, to facilitate new mechanical trash rack continues.

FC-08.11 – Replacing corroded piping into wall on Pump Nos. 6 and 7. Negotiated; Preparing Modification

FC-08.13 – Passive vent relocation in wet well. Negotiated; Preparing Modification

FC-08.14 – Upgrade power panel. Evaluating Contractors proposal.

Awaiting PM-PM/TS-D responses to the following items: None at this time.

CONTRACT NO: DACW23-95-C-0076		CONTRACTOR: RAUSCH	
DESCRIPTION: STAGE II – PHASE 4		PR & C NO. 608714	

	CONTRACT AMOUNT	CONTRACT COMPLETION	% COMPLETE
C-S MGR: GARCES	ORIGINAL: \$3,089,692.00	ORIGINAL: -	SCH ACT
C-S QA REP: KARWATKA	CURRENT: \$4,268,270.55	CURRENT: 22 SEP 98	100 100
C-C MGR: TURNER	OBLIGATED: \$4,268,270.55	SUBSTANTIAL: 22 SEP 98	
	EARNED: \$4,268,270.55	FINAL W/O D. 18 DEC 02	

COMMENTS:

Final acceptance letter mailed to Rausch 5 MAR 03.

Only item remaining for contract closeout: (1) Distribute closeout files.
(2) Send contract files to District

CONTRACT NO: DACWXX-XX-C-00XX		CONTRACTOR: -	
DESCRIPTION: LITTLE CAL STAGE IV-PHASE 2		PR & C NO. -	
CONTRACT AMOUNT		CONTRACT COMPLETION	% COMPLETE
C-S MGR: -	ORIGINAL: -	ORIGINAL: -	SCH ACT
C-S QA REP: -	CURRENT: -	CURRENT: -	- -
C-C MGR: -	OBLIGATED: -	SUBSTANTIAL: -	
	EARNED: -	FINAL W/O D. -	
COMMENTS:			
Performed 100% BCOE. ED/PM/ A/E responding.			

CONTRACT NO: DACWXX-XX-C-00XX		CONTRACTOR: -	
DESCRIPTION: LITTLE CAL STG. VIII		PR & C NO. -	
CONTRACT AMOUNT		CONTRACT COMPLETION	% COMPLETE
C-S MGR: -	ORIGINAL: -	ORIGINAL: -	SCH ACT
C-S QA REP: -	CURRENT: -	CURRENT: -	- -
C-C MGR: -	OBLIGATED: -	SUBSTANTIAL: -	
	EARNED: -	FINAL W/O D.	
COMMENTS:			
Design Ongoing.			

CONTRACT NO: DACW23-02-C-0010		CONTRACTOR: DYER CONSTR. CO., INC.	
DESCRIPTION: STAGE III REMEDIATION		PR&C NO. %774112	
CONTRACT AMOUNT		CONTRACT COMPLETION	% COMPLETE
C-S MGR: GARCES	ORIGINAL: \$1,231,848.50	ORIGINAL 9 NOV 03	SCH ACT
C-S QA REP: KARWATKA	CURRENT: \$1,231,848.50	CURRENT: -	- -
C-C MGR: -	OBLIGATED: 20,000.00	SUBSTANTIAL: -	
	EARNED: -	FINAL W/O D.	
COMMENTS:			
Pre-Construction Conference conducted 20 NOV 2002. Contractor preparing submittals.			
QA/QC Mutual Understanding Conference conducted 2 FEB 2003. Physical work started.			

CONTRACT NO: DACW23-02-C-0011		CONTRACTOR: RENEWABLE RESOURCES	
DESCRIPTION: MITIGATION		PR & C NO. %250858	
CONTRACT AMOUNT		CONTRACT COMPLETION	% COMPLETE
C-S MGR: GARCES	ORIGINAL: \$921,102.68	ORIGINAL: 11 JAN 04*	SCH ACT
C-S QA REP: LEE	CURRENT: \$921,102.68	CURRENT: -	- -
C-C MGR:	OBLIGATED: \$ 50,000.00	SUBSTANTIAL: -	
	EARNED: -	FINAL W/O D. -	
COMMENTS:			
* Reflects installation completion date; 2 year maintenance period not included.			
Contractor preparing submittals.			



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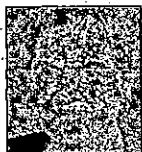
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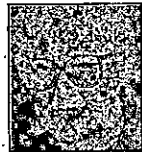
**Rose Ann Antich,
D-Merrillville
(4th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** First elected in 1990. District includes northern Porter County and a portion of central Lake County.
■ **Personal:** A lecturer on parapsychology and Positive Mental Attitude Stress Control, estrologer.
■ **Committee assignments:** Judiciary, Probate Code and Trusts Subcommittee; Pensions and Labor Committee; ranking minority member of Transportation and Homeland Security; Insurance and Financial Institutions, Insurance Subcommittee.



**Nancy Dembowski,
D-Knox
(5th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** Tapped by Democratic caucus to serve the final two years of the term of William Alexa of Valparaiso. District includes parts of Porter, LaPorte, Marshall, St. Joseph, Jasper and Pulaski counties.
■ **Personal:** Former mayor of Knox.
■ **Committee assignments:** Judiciary, Courts and Juvenile Justice Subcommittee; Elections and Civil Affairs, Civil Affairs Subcommittee; Governmental Affairs and Interstate Cooperation, Governmental Affairs Subcommittee.



**Dorothy Sue Landske, R-Cedar Lake
(6th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** Appointed in 1984, elected in 1986. District covers Newton and parts of Jasper and Lake counties.
■ **Personal:** President of All Golf Car Inc.
■ **Committee assignments:** Ranking member, Appointments and Claims; Finance, Taxation Subcommittee; ranking member, Transportation and Homeland Security; Elections and Civil Affairs; Elections Subcommittee chairwoman; Health and Provider Services, Provider Services Subcommittee; Rules and Legislative Procedure.



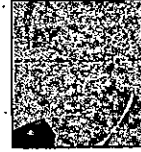
**Frank Mrvan Jr.,
D-Hammond
(1st District)**

■ **Legislative background:** First elected in 1978, re-elected through 1990. Defeated in 1994; recaptured his seat in 1998. District covers a portion of Lake County.
■ **Personal:** Retired assistant vice president at National City Bank.
■ **Committee assignments:** Appointments and Claims; Commerce and Consumer Affairs; Economic Development and Technology, Economic Development Subcommittee; Utility and Regulatory Affairs, Regulatory Affairs Subcommittee; Finance, Taxation Subcommittee.



**Earline Rogers,
D-Gary
(3rd District)**

■ **Legislative background:** Appointed in 1990 after serving several terms in the Indiana House. Elected to her first full Senate term in 1992. Assistant minority floor leader. District covers a portion of Lake County.
■ **Personal:** Retired teacher and education consultant.
■ **Committee assignments:** Ranking minority member, Appointments and Claims; Criminal, Civil and Public Policy, Public Affairs Subcommittee; Education and Career Development; Rules and Legislative Procedure.



**Samuel Smith Jr.,
D-East Chicago
(2nd District)**

■ **Legislative background:** Appointed in 1996, first elected to a full term in 2000. District covers a portion of Lake County.
■ **Personal:** Funeral director at Divinity Funeral Home.
■ **Committee assignments:** Criminal, Civil and Public Policy, Corrections Subcommittee; Environmental Affairs; ranking minority member of Governmental Affairs and Interstate Cooperation; Insurance and Financial Institutions Subcommittee.

Transportation and Homeland Security; Insurance and Financial Institutions; Insurance Subcommittee.

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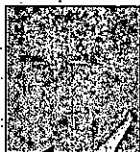
Cooperation; Insurance and Financial Institutions; Financial Institutions Subcommittee.

INDIANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



**John Aguilera,
D-East Chicago
(12th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** Appointed in 1996; elected in 2000. District covers a portion of Lake County.
■ **Personal:** Served six years on the Lake County Council. Information technology staff analyst with Ispat Inland Steel Co.
■ **Committee assignments:** Vice chairman, Local Government; Roads and Transportation; Ways and Means.



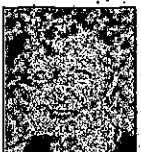
**Ralph Ayres,
R-Chesterton
(4th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** First elected in 1980. District covers portions of Porter and LaPorte counties.
■ **Personal:** Served on the Porter County Council from 1978-1980. Social studies teacher at Chesterton High School.
■ **Committee assignments:** Courts and Criminal Code; Ways and Means.



**Charlie Brown,
D-Gary
(3rd District)**

■ **Legislative background:** First elected in 1982. District covers portions of Lake and Porter counties. Co-chairman, Black Legislative Caucus.
■ **Personal:** Consultant.
■ **Committee assignments:** Chairman, Public Health; Insurance, Corporations and Small Business; Interstate and International Cooperation.



**Mary K. Budak,
R-LaPorte
(20th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** First elected in 1980. District covers portions of Porter, LaPorte and St. Joseph counties.
■ **Personal:** Retired businesswoman.
■ **Committee assignments:** Ranking minority member, Human Affairs; Elections; Public Health.



**Duane Cheney,
D-Portage
(10th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** First elected in 1998. District covers a portion of Porter County.
■ **Personal:** Retired Uniserv director for the Indiana State Teachers Association.
■ **Committee assignments:** Appointment and Claims; Education committee; vice chairman of Human Affairs; Ways and Means.



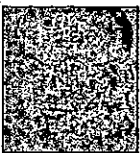
**Chester Dobis,
D-Merrillville
(13th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** The region's ranking lawyer, he was first elected to the House in 1970. He also serves as speaker pro-tempore, the second-ranking post in the House. District covers a portion of Lake County.
■ **Personal:** Retired vice president of government services at Bank One.
■ **Committee assignments:** Vice chairman, Appointment and Claims.



**Earl Harris,
D-East Chicago
(2nd District)**

■ **Legislative background:** First elected in 1982. District covers a portion of Lake County.
■ **Personal:** Fixed asset manager for the School City of East Chicago.
■ **Committee assignments:** Chairman of Appointments and Claims; Courts and Criminal Code; Rules and Legislative Procedures.



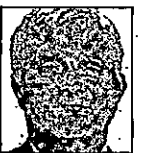
**Robert Kuzman,
D-Crown Point
(19th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** First elected in 1996. District covers a portion of Lake and Porter counties. He is the first Democrat to hold the seat in nearly 100 years.
■ **Personal:** Attorney.
■ **Committee assignments:** Vice chairman of Judiciary; Public Policy, Ethics and Veterans Affairs.



**Linda Lawson,
D-Hammond
(1st District)**

■ **Legislative background:** First elected in 1998. District covers a portion of Lake County.
■ **Personal:** Retired Hammond police lieutenant. Spent 24 years on the force.
■ **Committee assignments:** Chairwoman, Judiciary; vice chairwoman, Courts and Criminal Code; Labor and Employment.



**Don Lehe,
R-Brookston
(15th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** Elected in 2002 to replace Rep. Dan Oumetzch, R-Schererville. Victor in a recount. District covers Benton County and portion of Lake, Newton and White counties.
■ **Personal:** Farmer.
■ **Committee assignments:** Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development; Labor and Employment; Public Health.



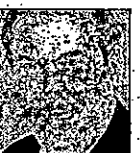
**Scott Pelath,
D-Michigan City
(9th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** First elected in 1998. District covers the northeastern portion of LaPorte County.
■ **Personal:** Human resources manager.
■ **Committee assignments:** Chairman of Rules and Legislative Procedures; Commerce and Economic Development; Elections; Insurance, Corporations and Small Business.



**Vernon Smith,
D-Gary
(14th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** Appointed in 1990; elected later that year. Assistant majority floor leader. District covers portion of Lake County.
■ **Personal:** Gary City Council member for 18 years. Assistant professor at Indiana University-Northwest.
■ **Committee assignments:** Vice chairman of Education; Elections; Human Affairs.



**Dan Stevenson,
D-Highland
(11th District)**

■ **Legislative background:** First elected in 1994. District covers a portion of Lake County.
■ **Personal:** Steelworker for Ispat Inland Steel Co.
■ **Committee assignments:** Chairman of Commerce and Economic Development; Local Government; Roads and Transportation.

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LAND ACQUISITION REPORT

For meeting on Thursday, March 6, 2003

(Information in this report is from January 31, 2003 – February 26, 2003)

STATUS (Stage III) – Chase to Grant:

1. Final acquisitions for flowage easements east of Chase and north of the river are on hold due to our ongoing funding crisis.

STATUS (Stage III) – REMEDIATION

Pumping west of Grant Street

1. Status of Right-of-Entry:

- ROE was signed by the LCRBDC on April 4th, 2002.
- Contract awarded – construction to start Spring, 2003.

STATUS (Stage IV – Phase 1 South) EJ&E RR to Burr St – South Levee:

1. WIND permanent easement needs to be signed.
 - Construction on WIND property is complete; however, WIND did not sign the easement offer. A right-to-construct agreement allowed construction. A new appraisal will be completed and reviewed by COE for a new easement offer to be made.
2. Construction on railroad properties was completed through right-to-construct agreement. Appraisals will be completed and reviewed by COE so easement offers can be made. Easements are necessary for O&M access.

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

1. The tentative schedule for this project is for advertisement in December 2005, construction start in spring 2006, and completion in the fall of 2007.
2. Wicker Park appraisal is **on hold**. Additional appraisal and a tree survey **will be needed**.

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

1. Construction is currently projected to start in the summer of 2006 due to lack of State funds.
2. Boy Scout Troop #280 of Christ Lutheran Church has received another grant to beautify the levees. Senior Patrol Leader Tom Warn and Scoutmaster Walter Church will make a presentation at the March 6 Board meeting. They will request that LCRBDC again treat the Scouts with pizza for the Saturday lunch.

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

1. We received an appraisal for the Burger King property west of Cline Avenue in the amount of \$90,000. This was sent to the COE chief appraiser to review on August 7, 2002.
 - The appraisal is still under review.
2. Offers for 9 Kennedy Industrial Park property owners are being prepared. Appraiser Dale Keszynski is completing the balance of 11. COE reviewer Gred Dorward has been transferred and a new reviewer, Chris Borton of the Huntington, WV District will now review appraisals. He will visit Northwest IN the first week of March.

Chris was the LCRBDC review appraiser from 19999 to 2001 and is familiar with the project.

3. At the February 12 Real Estate Meeting, it was agreed that the Todd Dust property (DC-1032) could have a modified easement to take only that portion of land necessary for ingress/egress to the North Grace Pump Station.
 - LCRBDC currently working with DLZ surveyors to modify.
 - Town of Highland has an existing access roadway across this property. They are currently investigating to see if they have an easement.

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

1. LCRBDC received real estate drawings to review on November 13. We sent our comments, along with comments from the Town of Highland to the COE on December 6th, 2002. (Ongoing) **Waiting for 100% BCOE real estate drawings for our final review and comments.**
 - Note that the COE has not completed engineering and that the LCRBDC, utilities, and the town of Highland need to comment once they receive these drawings
2. **The transfer of the appraiser reviewer and the assignment of a new one puts Stage VI-1 and VI-2 behind schedule, especially in the Kennedy Industrial Park. Deadline is October 1, 2003.**

STATUS (Stage VII) – Northcote to Columbia:

1. COE Real Estate is requesting approval of Division Headquarters in Cincinnati to approve a LCRBDC request to acquire 10' strips of land on top of the levees as easement acquisitions. Recreation trails are required to be in fee and this is a deviation from the Federal regulations.

STATUS (Stage VIII – Columbia to State Line (Both sides of river)

1. The Corps has put Stage VIII on hold.
2. Regarding the 4 houses west of Hohman Avenue, Diane and Jon Gleason of 21 River Drive, desire to construct an addition. Their contractor, Dave Miller, President of New Day Construction, is having problems obtaining permission from town of Munster Building & Planning Depts. LCRBDC has contacted Mr. Miller and agreed to confirm any flood project information he may need to present to Munster.

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

1. Acquisition deadline is currently on hold. Existing offers will be paid, however, no new offers will be sent. Burr Betterment levee is not creditable.
2. Dan has had several meetings with Mayor King and State Representative Earl Harris, and a strategy is being developed to fund completion of the Burr Street Betterment Levee.
3. **The Gary Redevelopment demolition Task Force will demolish the LCRBDC vacant homes on Colfax and Burr Streets. Interim Redevelopment Executive Director Vaness Dabney has sent the owners permission forms to for LCRBDC to complete.**
4. Railroad easements will be required with the NSRR to complete our ROE to construct.
 - Refer to Land Management Report – “General Items” C-3.

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

1. Clean-up acquisition continues for those offers already sent. Properties available on tax sales are being purchased.

IN-PROJECT MITIGATION:

1. Acquisition on in-project mitigation is complete. Construction will start in spring of 2003.

HOBART MARSH MITIGATION:

1. We have not heard from Dr. Kim about a counter-offer as yet.
2. Trust for Public Lands will contact Mrs. Fadell (M-3) the first week of March.
3. The Nozrik appraisal (M-2) is under review by the new COE reviewer in Huntington, West Virginia.

Sandy Mordus

From: "Samara, Imad LRC" <Imad.Samara@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
To: "Sandy Mordus" <smordus@nirpc.org>
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2003 11:17 AM
Subject: RE: Todd Dust property - roadway easement

Jim are you sure that this area was not intended for a staging area? If you have what Khalid have and it shows a total take then are you going to ask for a change? I was under the impression that it was an access easement. I will talk to Khalid.

Imad N. Samara
Project Manager
111 N Canal Street
Chicago, IL 60606
312-353-6400 Ext 1809
Note: As of Feb. 14 312-846-5560.
Fax: 312-353-4256

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Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2003 10:42 AM
To: Samara, Imad LRC
Subject: Todd Dust property - roadway easement

Imad:

In our real estate meeting on February 12, we discussed a modification of the easement on the Todd Dust property located on North Drive in Highland adjacent to the new proposed North Grace Street Pump Station. I checked the final real estate drawings you submitted to us and the engineering drawings and can't find any drawing showing just that roadway easement. Both engineering and real estate drawings reflect a total take of that parcel. I talked with Judy this morning and we both recall seeing previous drawings showing just that roadway easement. We checked through all of our files and cannot find that. Chrystal is gone for several day - should I check with Khalid or can you help me out in order that we can modify that particular real estate segment for Stage VI Phase 1?

Thanks,
Jim Pokrajac

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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
CHICAGO DISTRICT, U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
111 NORTH CANAL STREET
CHICAGO IL 60606-7206

February 19, 2003

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Project Management Division
Real Estate Branch

Subject: Little Calumet River Flood Control and Recreation Project; Request to Amend
Standard Estate To Include Recreation Features

Mr. Mike Davis
Chief, Real Estate Acquisition
Lakes and Ohio River Division
P.O. Box 1159
Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-1159

Dear Mr. Davis:

I have enclosed a request from the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission (LCRBDC) to amend the above referenced project's Flood Protection Levee Easement Estate to include recreation features. Currently, the sponsor obtains all recreation features for this project by a fee simple estate.

Please forward this request to the appropriate parties. Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you should have any questions please call me at 312-846-5577.

Respectfully,

LS/

Chrystal Spokane
Realty Specialist

Enclosures

cf (w/ encs):
Dan Gardner, LCRBDC
Louis Casale, Esq.
✓ Judy Vamos, LCRBDC
Donald Valk, PM-RE
Imad Samara, PM-PM

*This letter is from the
Chicago Real Estate - Chrystal Spokane -
asking us to approve LCRBDC request
to acquire recreation trails on top of
the levee as an easement instead
of a fee take.*

PROJECT ENGINEERING MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

For meeting on Thursday, March 6, 2003

(Information in this report is from January 31 – February 26, 2003)

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

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

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

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

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

1. WEBB Construction was the contractor.
 - Currently, \$3,915,178.36 has been spent on this project.
 - Overrun (over original bid) \$463,196

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

1. Project completed June 11, 1999
Dyer Construction – Final contract cost: \$1,292,066

Landscaping Contract – Phase II (This contract includes all completed levee segments in the East Reach not landscaped):

1. Projected date to advertise – August, 2003.
2. Projected construction start – Spring, 2004.
3. Anticipated construction cost \$1,787,000.
4. Kickoff meeting held with Chicago COE & A/E (St. Paul Army Corps District) on December 5th, 2002.
 - Anticipate controlled burns of completed segments to be included.

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

1. Rausch Construction started on November 20th, 1995. (Construction is now completed)
 - Current contract amount - \$3,288,101.88
 - Original contract amount - \$3,293,968.00
 - Amount overrun – current contract is under COE estimate.

2. A final inspection with the LCRBDC and the COE was held on December 18th, 2002. LCRBDC received O&M Manuals & inspection was found to be completed as per plans & specifications.
 - Awaiting "as-built" drawings.
 - Contractor is relieved from any further contractual responsibilities.

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

1. Project is completed.
 - Current contract amount - \$4,186,070.75
 - Original contract amount - \$3,089,692.00
 - Amount overrun - \$1,096,378 (36%)
2. A final inspection was held with the LCRBDC and the COE on December 18th, 2002, including the Ironwood stormwater pumping station.
 - The LCRBDC received O&M Manuals and the inspection was found to be completed as per plans and specifications.
 - Contractor has no more legal responsibilities for this contract.
3. LCRBDC received as-built drawings from the COE on January 6, 2003.

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. 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. 7 remainder toward work with the City of Gary.
2. The scope of this project is to include the following:
 - A. Lift stations West of Grant to remediate drainage problems due to Stage III construction.
 - B. East Reach remediation lift station for interior drainage.
 - C. Extending the combination sewer, East of Grant St., North to our line of protection.
3. Bids were opened on September 10th, 2002, and Dyer Construction is the successful bidder. Bonds from the contractor have been received.
 - The government estimate is \$1,695,822 and the low bid came in at \$1,231,845 (this is \$463,977 under estimate).
 - The COE awarded the contract on September 30th, 2002 and **preliminary construction started in February, 2003.**
4. A memo was sent to the COE on September 17th, 2002, asking them to provide pertinent information to NIPSCO in order that they may engineer the electrical services. (see item #1).
5. On December 13th, 2002, we received a request from the City of Gary for a right-of-entry to do pump station construction West of Grant St.
 - N.W. Engineering to provide a ROE format for LCRBDC to sign.
6. Dyer Construction requested that they could modify the culvert elevations across the NIPSCO R/W.
 - LCRBDC submitted an e-mail to the COE on February 25, 2003 indicating the LCRBDC would prefer leaving the culverts as per plans and specifications.

7. LCRBDC requested a modification of the in-ground, removable bollard locking system, to replace them with collapsible bollards. 6
- Investigation ongoing by LCRBDC
 - Recently some of the removable bollards have frozen in the ground and could not be removed for emergency access.

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

1. IV-1 (North) The drainage system from Colfax to Burr St. North of the Norfolk Southern RR.
 - Current contract amount - \$2,956,964.61
 - Original contract amount - \$2,708,720.00
 - Amount overrun - \$248,244.60 (9%)
2. We received “as built” drawings from the COE on March 13th, 2002. The only item needed to be completed is to assure turf growth in all areas.

STATUS (Stage IV Phase 1 – South) South of the Norfolk Southern RR.):

1. Dyer Construction was low bidder. Given 450 days to complete
 - Current contract amount - \$4,285,345
 - Original contract amount – 3,862,737
 - Amount overrun - \$422,608 (11%)
2. An inspection was held with Dyer Construction/COE/LCRBDC on December 18th, 2002.
 - The inspection was found to be satisfactory as per plans and specifications, and the contractor is relieved of any further contractual responsibilities.
 - The LCRBDC received O&M Manuals, “as-built” drawings on the day of inspection.
3. We received a response from the COE on January 7th, 2003, addressing vegetation.
 - Current plantings are for erosion control that will give way to native grasses. Native grasses weren’t planned on this contract, but will be part of the upcoming landscaping II contract.

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

1. Dyer Construction – 100% complete.
 - Current contract amount - \$3,329,463.66
 - Original contract amount - \$2,473,311.50
 - Amount overrun - \$856,152 (34%)
2. The North Burr St. stormwater pumping station has been completed.
 - A. A memo was sent to the COE on September 17th, 2002, requesting their consideration to add some minor items to the contract. This will be incorporated into the Stage III remediation contract.
 - Awaiting as-built drawings.
3. The final inspection was held on December 18th, 2002, with the COE, Dyer & LCRBDC and found to be satisfactory as per plans and specifications.
 - We received O&M Manuals and the hand held programmer on December 18th, 2002

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

1. Project money status:
 - Current contract amount - \$1,948,053.31
 - Original contract amount - \$1,530,357.50
 - Amount overrun - \$417,696 (27%)
2. The COE submitted "as built" drawings to the LCRBDC on October 2nd, 2002.

STATUS (Betterment Levee – Phase 1) EJ & E RR 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 - \$2,228,652.16
 - Original contract amount - \$2,074,072.70
 - Amount overrun - \$113,604.62 (6%)
2. The drainage ditch north of the Mansards is having sloughing problems that should be corrected when Burr St. Phase II is completed.

STATUS (Betterment Levee – Phase 2) Colfax to Burr St., the 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. The projected government estimate for this project is approx. \$3.6 million.
 - A meeting was held with Mayor King on July 19th, 2002, to review current construction status of our overall project in Gary, present the LCRBDC dilemma with crediting and funding, and discuss if Gary could help us in any way.
2. Utility coordination needs to be reviewed (but not money spent) and a letter was sent to NIPSCO on September 27th, 2002, requesting this information.

STATUS (Stage V Phase 1) Wicker Park Manor:

1. Project completed on September 14th, 1995.
Dyer construction – Contract price: \$998,630

STATUS (Stage V Phase 2):

1. This project will be on hold for future utility coordination as well as land acquisition until money is available.
 - Tentative schedule for this project is for advertisement in December, 2005, construction start in Spring of 2006, and completion in the Fall of 2007.
2. INDOT drainage issues at Indianapolis Boulevard and the Little Calumet River.
 - A. An on-site meeting with the COE, LCRBDC, INDOT, Highland, and North Township was held on October 7th, 2002 to review their drainage proposal.
 - B. INDOT anticipates that this project will have a March, 2003 letting, and a construction completion near the end of 2004.
 - As per a conference call with INDOT on January 10th, 2003, they indicated that these dates still apply, but for Phase II construction South of Ridge Rd.
 - C. We received a letter from INDOT on January 6th, 2003, that is a conceptual proposal of costs, responsibilities, and O&M concerns.

- INDOT indicated Phase I (Ridge Rd. to the Little Calumet River) will be handled as a separate project that could be done when we complete our line of protection in that area.
 - INDOT needs local money prior to advertising for bids. Highland has 7.38% (\$18,450), North Township has 89.35% (\$233,375), and INDOT has 3.27% (8,175).
 - O&M for this station (\$40,750) needs to be negotiated.
- D. We received a letter from Greg Cvitkovich, North Township Trustee, on January 22nd, 2003, **and a letter from the town of Highland on January 31, 2003** expressing concern with INDOT's decision to delay the Indianapolis Blvd. segment North of Ridge Rd.

STATUS (Stage V Phase 3) Woodmar Country Club:

1. Refer to Land Acquisition report for status of appraisal process and revised schedule.
 - The current schedule shows a March 2006 advertising date. This date is due to lack of funding. The construction sequence due to hydrology will push construction back in the schedule.
2. This project will be done after all other construction between Cline Ave. and Northcote is completed due to hydrology concerns with installing the control structure as part of the project.

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

1. The COE is currently planning to advertise this project in October, 2003, award in February of 2004, and start construction in April, 2004. this will be advertised at the same time as Stage VI-2. The contract estimate for Stage VI-1 is \$6 million, Stage VI-2 is \$3,650,000, and with the addition of the Grace Street pump station at \$1.5 million, these total contracts are estimated at a cost of \$11,150,000 (local share at 7% would be \$780,500.)
2. **A meeting was held with the COE, town of Highland, and LCRBDC on February 6, 2003 to review North Grace Pump Station and discuss VI-1 construction.**
 - **An e-mail was sent to the COE on February 25, 2003 asking COE status (and opinion) of modifying their design.**
3. **A letter was sent to Lake County Highway Department on February 20, 2003 along with a feasibility study completed by R. W. Armstrong requesting review and comments on a cantilevered walkway on the east side of the existing Kennedy Avenue bridge.**

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STATUS (Stage VI – Phase 2) Liabe 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. It is the intent of the COE to advertise this segment simultaneously and separately from Stage VI-1. The anticipated schedule is to advertise in October, 2003, award in February, 2004, and start construction in April of 2004.

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 sent a letter to the COE on February 1st, 2000 with comments to their 75% submittal indicating a number of concerns and requesting another review opportunity prior to the 100% review. (ongoing)
 - The COE anticipates we should be getting the 100% drawings for review and comment no later than the **Spring of 2003**. (ongoing)

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

1. The A/E award was given to SEH (Short, Elliot & Henderson, Inc.)
 - This project is currently terminated due to funding constraints. We received the notice of termination from the COE on December 23rd, 2002.
 - An email was sent to the COE on December 27th, 2002, requesting money spent on contract & what scope of work remained.

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

1. Project cost information
 - Current contract amount - \$1,873,784.68
 - Original contract amount - \$1,657,913.00
 - Amount overrun - \$215,971 (13%)
2. The lift station at the Southwest corner of the existing levee that will handle interior drainage will be done as part of the Stage III remediation project. (See Stage III remediation in this report for details.)
 - **Demolition in the flowage area will be addressed in a separate contract (probably an 8A contract) at a later date. (see item #2)**

Mitigation (Construction Portion) for “In Project” Lands:

1. Bids were opened on September 17th, 2002, and Renewable Resources, Inc. (from Barnesville, Georgia) is the successful bidder.
 - The government estimate is \$1,017,082 and the low bid came in at \$921, 103 (this is \$95,979 under the estimate).
 - The bid has been reviewed and the COE awarded this contract on September 30th, 2002, with a construction start scheduled for the Spring of 2003.
 - An e-mail was sent to the COE on October 23rd, 2002, questioning the scope of work changes when this project was re-bid. COE said earth work was eliminated as well as the 5 year O&M for the plantings. The O&M will be advertised under a separate contract. (refer to item #2)
2. We received a letter from the COE on May 14th, 2002, requesting that we make our 198 acres between Chase and Grant available for hydric soil to meet IDEM requirements.
 - LCRBDC currently is investigating other properties we own for hydric soils outside the line of flood protection.
3. A pre-construction meeting was held with the COE, LCRBDC, contractor, utilities, and the City of Gary on October 28th, 2002.

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 (Anticipated completion date is April 24th, 2003.)
- Current contract amount - \$4,810,825
 - Original contract amount - \$4,638,400
 - Amount overrun - \$172,425 (3.7%)
 - Modification #7 to contract to extend the number of days to complete contract by 42 days – from March 13th, 2003, to April 24th, 2003.
 - **We received the status report from the COE on February 20, 2003.**

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Baring Pump Station

- 40% complete
- 2 pumps and motors are being installed (ongoing).
- Discharge box modification work is continuing.
- Standby pumps are installed and ready for operation if needed by HSD.
- Underground electric service duct bank has been installed.
- Sump pump is installed – discharge piping needs adjustments.

Walnut Pump Station

- 57% complete
- 3 pumps have been rebuilt and are ready for testing. (These need new impellers.) New impellers have been delivered and once installed, they will be factory tested.
- Concrete discharge box is installed.
- Electric installation ongoing.
- Mechanical trash rack has been installed and tested by the factory representative.

S. Kennedy Pump Station

- 45% complete
- Pump #5 has been rebuilt and is being factory tested. A different impeller has been installed. Re-testing is almost complete.
- Concrete discharge box modifications are completed.
- New flap gates have been installed and part of the 8" discharge pipe has been removed.
- Mechanical trash rack removed. Pad for new hack has been modified and installed. Testing is scheduled soon. (Testing and training will take place once electric is installed.)
- A new motor control center has been set in place.

Hohman/Munster Pump Station

- 74% complete
- Electric installation 90% complete
- New ventilation ductwork has been installed.
- 2 additional pumps received have been installed (can be used as standbys)
- All new pumps and motors have been received and are in storage
- We received the last status report from the COE on December 30th, 2002

3. Engineering Chairman Bob Huffman noticed in the last COE "Construction Status Reports" that it appeared that Overstreet Construction was still having performance and coordination problems.

- Staff submitted an e-mail to the COE addressing our concerns on February 11, 2003 and received a response back from the COE on February 18. It is the understanding of the LCRBDC (verbally) that the Superintendent and Quality Control Representative were laid off.

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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 St. (Highland). Overall contract work is completed.
 - A. A final inspection was held for both stations on September 18th, 2001. We received a letter that day listing key turnover items.
2. 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%)
3. We received the last status report from the COE on November 27th, 2002.

North Fifth Avenue Pump Station:

1. The low bidder was Overstreet Construction
 - Current contract amount - \$2,402,775.06
 - Original contract amount- \$2,387,500.00
 - Amount overrun - \$15,275.06 (0.6%)
 - Project is currently 65% completed
 - Project completion date is May 7th, 2003.
2. There are currently 10 pumps and all of these will be replaced with new and will be coordinated with the Town of Highland.
 - All pumps and motors have been delivered and are currently being stored on the job site.
3. We received the last status report from the COE on **February 20, 2003.**
4. (4) pumps and motors have been removed.
 - Flap gates have been installed.
5. Exterior concrete work is complete, and the concrete for the South wet well and new trash rack are installed.
6. New mechanical trash rack has been delivered and is stored on site.
7. Demolition of old electrical continues and installation of new.
8. LCRBDC received a request from the Town of Highland on December 3rd, 2002, to pay for a pending fence re-location to accommodate electrical substation modifications. We will pay \$2,484 as a creditable re-location cost.
 - **LCRBDC paid Hammond Fencing Co. in the amount of \$2,484 for the fencing installation.** Imad confirmed this is a creditable item.

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GENERAL:

1. FEMA RE-MAPPING:

- A. A second coordination meeting was held with the County Surveyors' Office and the affected communities on November 12th, 2002. FEMA has information gathering ongoing and anticipates completion within 2-3 years. (To re-map the floodplain.)
- B. A letter was sent to Mayor King on November 13th, 2002, re-emphasizing the importance of completing Burr St. II construction to fulfill FEMA requirements to remove Gary from the floodplain.

2. BUSINESS PROCESS TRACKING PLAN

- A. COE & LCRBDC currently completing responsibilities, status, and tasks of ongoing issues.
 - The COE indicated verbally that they feel this will be a useful tool and that they will work with us to update and set it up.
- 3. A letter was sent to Stan Dostatni (Hammond City Engineer) on February 5, 2003 requesting that Hammond refer any applicants for construction adjacent to the river to the LCRBDC to discuss our future construction plans with them. 17
 - A resident in Stage VIII on Southmoor Road in Hammond called on January 21, 2003 indicating clearing had begun north of I-80/94 adjacent to Manor Drive.
 - We received a letter of response from the Zoning and Real Estate Manager from Hammond on February 10, 2003 indicating they would encourage potential builders to contact the LCRBDC to ensure that no conflicts occur.
 - Letters were sent to Highland and Munster on February 20, 2003 requesting they allow us to meet with potential developers/property owners to discuss impacts of our project relative to their proposed construction in our current proposed work limits. 18
- 4. We received a request from the Gary City Planner (David Wright) regarding FEMA re-mapping in Gary and general information regarding our flood control project. 19-20
 - This information was provided on January 31, 2003. 21-22
- 5. Ongoing Utility Coordination 23
 - A letter was sent to Wolverine Pipeline on February 20 informing them of our current schedule and providing a project map in order that they may confirm all west reach impact to their pipelines.
- 6. I-80/94 INDOT Coordination
 - A meeting was held with INDOT, COE, and LCRBDC on February 25, 2003 to review impacts and coordination of the I-80/94 project.

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Technical Services Division
Calumet Area Office (1180-1-1q)

SUBJECT: Contract No. DACW23-95-C-0071
Little Calumet River Flood Protection
Stage II - Phase 3B
Gary, Indiana
Final Inspection

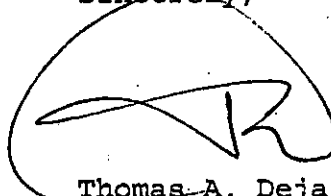
Mr. William Rausch
Rausch Construction Co., Inc.
2717 S. 13th Avenue
Broadview, Illinois 60153-4715

Dear Mr. Rausch:

A final inspection of the subject contract was performed by Messrs. Jim Pokrajac (LCRBDC), Jim Flora (R.W. Armstrong), Ken Kros (Rausch Construction Co., Inc.), Ed Karwatka (USACE) and I on December 18, 2002. No punch list items were identified. This office will proceed with the fiscal closeout of this contract in the near future, including issuance of the final pay estimate and release of claims for your signature and return.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Ed Karwatka or Mr. Ven Garces at 219-923-1763 or 1764.

Sincerely,



Thomas A. Deja P.E.
Contracting Officer's
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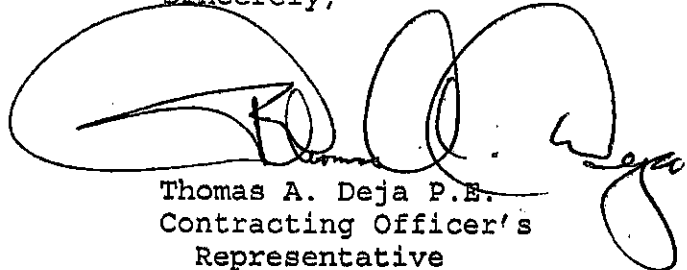
Dear Mr. Pokrajac:

Enclosed are copies of the final As-Built drawings for the subject contract as follows:

- One (1) set of full-scale reproducible drawings
- Three (3) sets of full-scale paper drawings
- Three (3) sets of half-scale paper drawings

If you have any questions, please contact Ven S. Garces at (219) 923-1763 or 923-1764.

Sincerely,



Thomas A. Deja P.E.
Contracting Officer's
Representative

Enclosures

Local Flood Protection
 Little Calumet River, Indiana
 Contract Name: Stage II, Phase 4
 Contract No: DACW23-95-C-0076

CHECK LIST FOR TURNOVER

	DATE	COE SIGN-OFF	SPONSOR SIGN-OFF
• COE Preliminary Inspection for Compliance with Contract Documents	25 AUG 1999	EJX	
• COE and Sponsor Final Inspection	18 DEC 2002	EJX	JEP
• Operational Pump Test and Pump Station Inspection		EJX	JEP
• Operational Pump Test and Pump Station Inspection Results/Punchlist		EJX	JEP
• Instructional Meeting with Station Operators		EJX	JEP
• Turnover 3 Sets of Manufacturer's O&M Manuals For All Items To LCRBDC	18 DEC 2002	EJX	JEP
• Turnover Of Guarantees and Warranties To LCRBDC	18 DEC 2002	EJX	JEP
• Turnover All Spare Parts and Tools for All Items to LCRBDC		EJX	JEP
• Turnover 1 Set of Manufactures O&M Manuals for All Items to CELRC-PM-PM	18 DEC 2002	EJX	
• USACE Received Contractor's Set Of "Red Line" As-Built Drawings	27 SEP 2001	EJX	
• USACE Received Contractor's Final As-Built Drawing Submittal and Reproducible Drawings	N/A	EJX	
• Turnover ³ / ₄ Full and ³ / ₄ Half Size Hard Copy Sets, and 1 Full Size Reproducible Set of As-Built Drawings to LCRBDC	3 FEB. 03	EJX	JEP

Additional "Non-Contract" Items Requested by Local Community

Punchlist Items to be Completed

Edward J. Karmath
 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
 Construction Representative

From: "Little Calumet" <littlecal@nirpc.org>
To: "Karwatka, Edmund J LRC" <Edmund.J.Karwatka@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
Cc: "Samara, Imad LRC" <Imad.Samara@lrc02.usace.army.mil>;
<Douglas.M.Anderson@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2003 12:05 PM
Subject: Re: Little Cal Stage III remediation request to raise culverts across NIPSCO RW

Ed:

We have investigated the possibility of raising the invert elevation of the pipe for the drainage west of Grant Street as per Dyer Construction request. The Development Commission feels that the contractor should install these culverts as per plans & specifications. Without knowing the future use of the 200 acres between Chase Street and Grant, we feel that increasing the amount of water in the area may be detrimental for future plans for mitigation. If there are any questions regarding this decision, please let me know.

Jim Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

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

From: Karwatka, Edmund J LRC
To: 'littlecal@nirpc.org'
Sent: Friday, February 07, 2003 10:28 AM
Subject: FW: Little Cal Stage III remediation request to raise culverts across NIPSCO RW

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

From: Ackerson, Rick D LRC
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2003 10:57 AM
To: Karwatka, Edmund J LRC
Cc: Maali, Khalid J LRC; Samara, Imad LRC; Davis, Susanne J LRC
Subject: Little Cal Stage III remediation request to raise culverts across NIPSCO RW

Ed,

Khallid referred your question to me. From my understanding you are requesting if the pipe invert elevations can be raised especially at the outlet so that construction will be above water on the Little Cal.

I believe our philosophy for these pipes has been the lower the better. I believe we had to raise them to clear the gas and petroleum pipelines. The pipe is currently has a very flat slope (0.005 ft/ft). If we raise the outlet only it would make the slope even flatter which wouldn't be good. It seems if we raise the outlet we would want to raise the inlet the same amount to maintain the slope.

The inlet invert is currently at 588.7 which is already a couple of inches higher than most of the area between the NIPSCO RW and our levee. If we raise the pipe inverts a foot, we will be adding another foot of water in that area that cannot drain by gravity.

Per data from the last 31 days at the Burr Street Gage located upstream the Little Cal was as low as 588.5 so the area landward of the NIPSCO could be drained down to the current invert at low water.

I raised the pipes a foot in our model and it raised the 100 year levels landward of our levee approximately 0.1 foot, which does not seem to be a significant problem.

I talked to Imad, he thinks this is a question for the local sponsor. It depends on what they want to do with the land that would have deeper standing water, if that is acceptable or desirable. We will be meeting with them on Thursday and could bring it up then.

Let us know your thoughts.

Rick

2/25/2003

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Sandy Mordus

From: "Karwatka, Edmund J LRC" <Edmund.J.Karwatka@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
To: "Sandy Mordus" <smordus@nirpc.org>; "Samara, Imad LRC" <Imad.Samara@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
Cc: "Karwatka, Edmund J LRC" <Edmund.J.Karwatka@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; "Garces, Ven S LRC" <Ven.S.Garces@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; "Anderson, Douglas M LRC" <Douglas.M.Anderson@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; "Sampson, Eric LRC" <Eric.Sampson@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2003 3:24 PM
Subject: RE: Collapsible Bollards

Team:

What was not mentioned was that the contractor is very anxious to do the bollards. For two reasons. 1) He is in need of work. 2) The sooner he gets the new bollards in, the sooner he has access to the many areas. The raised latch bollards allow for two locks. Since the Little Cal. does not want any contractor to have their key, I must open the existing bollard whenever they need to enter that area. Also although they are aware that we are looking into an alternate, there is no paperwork directing them to hold. Imad, please respond accordingly.

Jim sent me a copy of the possible alternate bollard. I too question a barrier that is so easily knocked out. A couple of the 6" x 6" wood bollards have already been sheared off by a vehicle.

Edmund

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

From: Sandy Mordus [mailto:smordus@nirpc.org]
Sent: Monday, February 10, 2003 3:15 PM
To: Samara, Imad LRC
Cc: Karwatka, Edmund J
Subject: Collapsible Bollards

Imad:

I am currently investigating different types of collapsible bollards. Some information is being sent to me and may take several days to obtain and evaluate this information after I receive it. I talked with Eric Ehn from the IN Dunes National Lakeshore and he referred to a type of bollard they are currently using. The particular type they use is "vehicle friendly" which means that they are designed to easily fail in order to minimize damage to any vehicles. I have a concern to find something that is more secure and Eric agreed he would also help me investigate other agencies to see what they are using.

This may take a little time to gather the information and I would like you to respond to the Calumet area office that you have no problem with delaying the installation of the wooden bollards as part of the Stage III remediation contract. It is not our intent to slow down their completion date but we feel, as local sponsor, that a different product be used that would allow us easier access anytime of the year without having concerns about the bollards freezing in the ground. If you have any questions regarding this request, please let me know.

Jim Pokrajac

Memorandum

February 7, 2003

To: David Jones, President, Highland Board of Sanitary Commissioners

From: Terrence J. Hodnik, P.E., NIES Engineering, Inc.

Re: Levee System Meeting with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on February 6, 2003

1. This memorandum summarizes a meeting with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers held on February 6, 2003 in the Highland Town Hall concerning levee system improvements in Highland.
2. Attendees: John Bach and Mike Pipta of Highland; Terry Hodnik of NIES Engineering, Inc.; Jim Pokrajac of the Little Calumet River Basin Drainage Commission; and Imad Samara, Bharat Shah, Ed Karwatka, Rick Ackerson, Ernesto Go, Khallid Maali, Eric Sampson, Andrew Montez, and Rajiv Singh of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
3. General topics of discussion included the design of a new storm water pump station to replace the North Grace Street Pump Station and Stage VI of the Levee System Improvements from Kennedy Avenue east to Cline Avenue. Specific discussion items are as follows:
 - a. Several of the representatives present at the meeting were USACE design team members working on the North Grace Storm Water Pump Station design. They had spent time with Mike Pipta in the morning looking at the pump station site.
 - b. Imad Samara advised that the Chicago District was also revising plans previously prepared by the USACE St. Paul, MN District for the Stage VI-1 section of levee from Kennedy Ave to Liable Rd. Rani Engineers is preparing the plans and specifications for Stage VI-2 of the levee, from Liable Rd to Cline Ave.
 - c. The Corps passed out the attached preliminary drawings of the proposed storm water pump station. The Corps expects to be finished with pump station design this summer. Early comments given to the Corps on design are as follows:
 - (1) Preliminary drawings show no building to house electrical equipment. For safety reasons concerning working on equipment on an emergency basis during a storm, the Town asked for a building to house all electrical gear. All agreed that the building could be pre-manufactured. Terry Hodnik pointed out that there are now pre-manufactured concrete buildings. The concrete building would be the Town's preference for long term durability.
 - (2) Preliminary pump planning calls for 3, 15,000 gpm (gallons per minute) pumps plus a fourth smaller pump described as a sump pump. Station pumping capacity is then listed at 45,000 gpm. Terry Hodnik asked if two smaller pumps could be provided to handle low flows with two remaining pumps having a larger capacity. The Corps indicated a willingness to entertain a different pumping capacity allocation request from the Town. The Town agreed to put an alternate request in writing.

- (3) USACE is proposing to change station power voltage to 480 volts from 240 volts at the current pump station facility. The Town concurred. Combining the voltage change with the proposed increase in pumping capacity at the station from 12,650 gpm to 45,000 gpm, will require coordination with NIPSCO for an upgraded electrical service. The Town, through NIES, has previously coordinated electrical service revisions at the 81st and 5th Street Storm Water Pump Stations and the Corps is requesting the same assistance on this new Pump Station.
 - (4) Highland has a 100KW portable engine-generator and would like to be able to run either, or possibly both, of the two smaller pumps in the station. Possible use of solid state soft starters for the smaller pumps was also discussed.
 - (5) The Corps has recommended storm sewer system improvements upstream of the new pump station to allow more water to reach the pump station and relieve upstream ponding problems. Their recommendations were previously listed in their Feature Design Memorandum No. 6 on page A-96. Their recommendations involve construction of about 1180 feet of 54-inch pipe and 200 feet of 60-inch pipe, as shown on the attached copy of the storm sewer atlas. The Town agrees that these improvements are necessary. The Corps would like to see the sewer improvements under construction in the Spring of 2004, when construction on the new storm water pump station is scheduled to start construction.
 - (6) Jim Pokrajac asked if the Town owns enough land to construct the new pump station. USACE agreed to check during design to see if any additional land or construction easements are required.
- d. Concerning the need for checking utility conflicts with the levee, there does not seem to be much for the Town to do. General guidance provided by the Corps is as follows:
- (1) The previous levee system plans prepared by the St. Paul District of USACE for Stage VI-1 would typically indicate where utilities need to be relocated "by others". If it does not say "by others", then the Corps should have already addressed it. The group reviewed Stage VI-1 plans at Kennedy Avenue and found that the Corps was already addressing the two water main crossings and one force main crossing on the east side of the street. Structural Engineer, Eric Sampson, pointed out that the Corps would now be revising how they protect the utilities from the heavier loads imposed by levee construction. Under the new protection system, the Corps will construct concrete lintels over the pipe and support the lintel on either side of the pipe with concrete columns. The Town just needs to review the old plans to see if there are any items for relocation noted "by others".
 - (2) The Corp of Engineers will determine exact locations of pipe crossings utilizing a company that vacuums out the soil above the pipe. Therefore, Highland does not need to do any work in this regard either.
 - (3) If there is any relocation work to be done by Highland, both engineering and relocation are eligible for reimbursement.
- e. John Bach questioned what will happen with two ballfields located east of the North 5th Pump Station that appear to be covered over by the levee. The Corps will not install a sheeting wall in lieu of an earth levee just to protect two ballfields. The Town needs to come up with another plan to replace the function of the two ballfields being covered

over by the levee. The ballfields can either be located in other areas of the same park or relocated to another area of the Town. Reconstruction costs can be paid for by the levee project.

- f. Stage VI-2, being designed by Rani Engineering, is close to being completed (3 months to 100% drawings). The plan is to start construction of this phase in 2004 as well.
- (1) NIES Engineering, Inc.'s comments on Stage VI-2 are being implemented, except for an overflow drainage relief connection of two ditches south and west of the levee extension for storage. Rick Ackerson agreed to review this and implement a relief connection if feasible.

Lawrence J. Haden

Cc: Mr. Imad Samara, USACE
Mr. John Bach, Highland Public Works Dept
Mr. Jim Pokrajac, LCRBDC
Mr. Alex Brown, Highland Parks Dept
Highland Board of Sanitary Commissioners

Sandy Mordus

From: "Samara, Imad LRC" <Imad.Samara@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
To: "Sandy Mordus" <smordus@nirpc.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2003 12:09 PM
Subject: RE: Field meeting on Feb. 6

The team is taking that suggestion and will evaluate the conditions, and when the evaluation is complete I will advise you of the results.

Imad N. Samara
Project Manager
111 N Canal Street
Chicago, IL 60606
Tel: 312-846-5560.
Fax: 312-353-4256

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

From: Sandy Mordus [mailto:smordus@nirpc.org]
Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2003 11:45 AM
To: Samara, Imad LRC
Subject: Field meeting on Feb. 6

Imad:

On February 6, we had a coordination meeting with the town of Highland and the COE regarding the North Grace Street pump station, as well as some general discussion regarding Stage VI Phase 1. When we were in the field and walked the existing levee north of the pump station, as we approached the river, I suggested the possibility of installing sheet piling into the existing levee similarly as we are proposing to do in Stage VII from Northcote to Columbia. We briefly discussed this in the field and it appeared that we may be able to save some significant money by modifying the current Stage VI Phase 1 plans. Will you please investigate this possibility and get back to me as soon as you possibly can. Thanks.

Jim Pokrajac



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February 20, 2003

Mr. Duane Alverson, P.E.
Engineer
Lake County Highway Department
1100 E. Monitor Street
Crown Point, Indiana 46307

RE: Kennedy Avenue Bridge Cantilever Walkway

Dear Duane:

I have enclosed miscellaneous correspondence and design information regarding the installation of a cantilever walkway that would extend out from the eastern side of the existing Kennedy Avenue bridge that will accommodate pedestrian traffic. The current Army Corps of Engineers schedule is to advertise this project in October 2003. They are currently in the process of reviewing existing plans and specifications between Cline Avenue and Kennedy Avenue that do not include any information on this walkway system. Before they proceed, we need a written response from the Lake County Highway Department with any comments, concerns, or suggestions prior to their finalizing their design. Once this information has been incorporated in their plans and specifications, we will forward a set to you for your final review and comments prior to completing the final set that we use to submit for bids.

For your information, I am enclosing a copy of the feasibility study that was done by R. W. Armstrong Company in April of 2001. Will you please review all of this information and call us if you have any questions regarding this request. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

/sjm
encl.
cc:

Imad Samara, COE
Jim Flora, R. W. Armstrong Co.
George Carlson, LCRBDC
Bob Huffman, LCRBDC
Curt Vosti, LCRBDC

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Project Progress Update: 2-20-03

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

Current contract completion date: April 24, 2003.

Baring Ave Pump Station - 45%+- Complete.

1. The SWP-1 pump and motor has been previously removed and installation of the new pump has been discontinued for the time being. Overstreet is researching various methods of how to install the discharge piping at this station. Overstreet failed to field measure the width of the drywell prior to purchasing this large pump.
2. Concrete discharge box modification and trash rack access area work has not progressed for during the last few weeks.
3. Two standby pumps are installed are ready for operation, by Hammond SD, if needed.
4. Various electrical equipment continues to be installed by Austgen Electric.
5. Other than electrical work, very little construction activity this month.

South Kennedy Ave Pump Station - 47%+- Complete.

1. Viking Engineering continues to resolve issues regarding pump performance of rebuilt pump #5. A different impeller has been installed to meet the contract's pump performance requirements. Factory re-testing of this pump is complete. Viking Engineering, through Overstreet, requested the COE to wave the required NPSH test for the Johnston pumps. COE required Overstreet to provide NPSH test results for these pumps. All required pump testing (pump #5) is complete, test results reviewed and approved by the COE. Installation of this Johnston pump #5 begin soon. Removal and rebuilding of Johnston pump #4 will begin after installation of pump #5.
2. New motor control center (MCC) was previously set in place. Demolition of old and installation of new electrical equipment is complete until a new pump and motor is completely installed.
3. The new mechanical trash was previously set in place. Testing and Hammond employee training is complete. Turnover will take place in the future. (March is target date).
4. No other construction activity observed this month.

Hohman/Munster Pump Station- 74%+- Complete.

1. Startup and turnover of the new SWP-1 and SWP-2 pumps and motors has been previously completed.
2. DWP-2 startup/testing was recently performed. Numerous adjustments need to be made prior to training and turnover to Hammond SD. Determination of the proper dip switch settings, on electrical breaker, are being reviewed by Cutler-Hammer. Overstreet and Yoemans Pump Co are reviewing miss-alignment problems associated with the motor drive shaft. Removal of DWP-1 will occur after DWP-2 is commissioned.
3. Some new ventilation ductwork has been previously installed.
4. The existing spiral stairway has been removed.
5. Previously, a new comminutor was delivered to the site, which has an incorrect rotation. A new comminutor that rotates in the correct direction is still on order.
6. No other construction activity observed this month.

Walnut Ave. Pump Station - 57%+- Complete.

1. Viking Engineering has removed and rebuilt three pumps (#1, #2, and #3). It has been determined that the incorrect impellers were previously installed. These impellers were removed and the correct impellers installed in order to meet the contracts pump performance requirements. Viking is still preparing to factory test these pumps to ensure the specified performance criteria is achieved.
2. New mechanical trash rack startup, training and turn over is scheduled for March.
3. No other construction activity observed this month.

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

N.5th. Pump Station - 80%+- Complete. Current contract completion date: May 7, 2003.

1. Sub contractor "Piping Technologies" has previously removed various pumps & motors. New pump #1 and #2 have been installed. The drive shaft of pump #2 was not the proper size (too long). New drive shaft has been delivered and awaiting installation.
2. New mechanical trash rack has been delivered and is stored on site.
3. Concrete work in the inlet area of the south wet well is about complete. This concrete work must be complete prior the installation of the new mechanical trash rack.
4. Demolition of old and installation of new electrical equipment continues.
5. New electrical duct bank has been installed on the north side of this station (Credit Mod.). NIPSCO has upgraded their transformer. Currently, station has 240 volt and 480 volt current is now available.
6. Installation of new pump #6 and #7 is about complete. Overstreet forgot/failed to purchase the pump's bearing heat sensor digital display panel. This panel may take 6-8 weeks to manufacture and install. Due to the required station pumping capacity to remain during the construction period, no other pumps can be removed until pumps #6 and #7 are fully operational.
7. Sump pump #2 has been previously installed in the south wet well. Overstreet has failed to purchase the float switches. Therefore, this pump is not yet operational.

General comment on both Phase 1A and the N. 5th Ave. contracts:

Overstreet has fired their construction Superintendent (Dan Armes) and their construction Project Manager (Don Teston). A replacement for the superintendent is now in place, a new Quality Control System Manager has been hired, and a new Project Manager is now in place.

Sandy Mordus

From: "Craib, Robert A LRC" <Robert.A.Craib@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
To: "Sandy Mordus" <smordus@nirpc.org>; <littlecal@nirpc.org>
Cc: "Samara, Imad LRC" <Imad.Samara@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; "Robert Huffman" <huffmun@msn.com>; "Stebens, Rick L LRC" <Rick.L.Stebens@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; "Anderson, Douglas M LRC" <Douglas.M.Anderson@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2003 3:42 PM
Subject: RE: Sandy here (Questions on Monthly Status Report)

Hi Jim,

I am sorry that my monthly status report to you did not define the acronym "KTR". I utilize KTR to abbreviate "Prime Contractor", Overstreet in this case, for the two pump station contracts. KTR = Overstreet.

1. Regarding the Baring Ave pump station question - During the pump submittal phase, Overstreet proposed to purchase new Yeoman/Morris pumps, rather than new Fairbanks Morse (same manufacturer as the existing pumps) pumps mentioned/suggested in the specifications. The specifications allowed "or equal". Our comments on the submittal returned to Overstreet stated that the submitted Yeoman/Morris pumps were acceptable, as long as they met all the contract requirements. However, due to limited space at the Baring Ave. station, the COE provided the following comment, "The contractor (Overstreet) shall field verify all dimensions prior to pump purchase". In this same submittal, Yeoman/Morris asked Overstreet to field measure the width of the drywell to ensure the submitted pump and it's discharge piping would fit. It appears that Overstreet purchased new Yeoman/Morris pumps and associated piping without field measuring the space available, since the equipment they purchased does not fit in the space available. Overstreet has indicated that they have a solution to their problem and will provide the "fix" to the COE for approval, in the near future. It is likely that Overstreet's proposed solution will include purchasing new discharge piping or various custom made flange fillers.

2. Regarding the Baring Ave pump station question - The DWP-2 drive shaft wobble is probably due to a misaligned coupling located between the motor shaft and the top of the pump drive shaft. Overstreet has contacted Yeoman/Morris, the manufacturer/supplier of the pump, drive shaft, and motor. Overstreet stated today, that Yeoman/Morris will provide Overstreet the "fix" for their problem soon. Regarding, the circuit breaker tripping, Overstreet stated that they are in contact with Cutler-Hammer (Manufacturer of breaker and motor control center) to obtain the necessary dip switch settings and/or to verify if the new breaker is defective. Per Overstreet they should receive an explanation for the "fix" soon.

I'll keep you informed of the status of these issues in my future status reports.

If you have any further questions, please contact me.
 Bob Craib

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

From: Sandy Mordus [mailto:smordus@nirpc.org]
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2003 12:42 PM
To: Craib, Robert A
Cc: Samara, Imad LRC; Robert Huffman
Subject: Fw: Sandy here

Bob:

Upon reviewing your January contract status report, our Engineering Committee Chairman, Bob Huffman, had questions regarding comments on the Pump Station 1A contract.

We, as the local sponsor, were concerned several months back with ongoing problems with Overstreet Construction regarding scheduling and performance. Accordingly, we had a meeting with the town of Highland, Overstreet, COE, and ourselves to discuss what these problems were and hoped that, in the future, coordination would improve as well as performance.

I have been requested by Mr. Huffman to get a response from you addressing some of the concerns with the Baring and Hohman/Munster pump stations. We are under the impression that there are still installation and coordination problems. Will you please respond to these concerns?

Jim Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

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

From: Bob Huffman
To: Sandy Mordus
Sent: Friday, February 07, 2003 10:44 PM
Subject: Re: Sandy here

In the COE Calumet Area Office Contract Status Report, page 2 of 4, Overstreet ---

Baring - "KTR is trying to determine how to install discharge elbow in available space". Clearly this is something that should have occurred in the engineering stage. Something went wrong somewhere.

Hohman - "KTR attempting to determine the cause of drive shaft wobble and circuit breaker tripping." This certainly sounds to me like something has gone wrong.

I don't know who KTR is and how they relate to Overstreet.

Bob

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

From: Sandy Mordus
To: Huffman
Sent: Friday, February 07, 2003 2:31 PM
Subject: Sandy here

Bob:

At last night's meeting, you mentioned several times some concerns with Overstreet Construction regarding their performance on the ongoing pump stations contracts. Could you e-mail back to me to be more specific what your concerns are and I will contact the COE to follow up to see if we are still having ongoing problems with Overstreet.

We are currently receiving e-mails regarding our O&M meeting on the 26th and it appears, at this point in time, that date would be good for all other members. When we get all the responses back, we will let you know accordingly.

Jim Pokrajac



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February 26, 2003

Hammond Fence Company
5720 Columbia Avenue
Hammond, Indiana 46320
Attn. Accounting Dept.

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$2,484.00 for the work you did at the North 5th Avenue Pump Station located on 5th Street adjacent to the Little Calumet River. This payment acknowledges that the job was completed as per your proposal and is in compliance with the request from the town of Highland and the Army Corps of Engineers. We appreciate your cooperation in working with us to secure this area as part of our flood control project to the Little Calumet River.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

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cc: John Bach, Town of Highland
Imad Samara, ACOE
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Mr. Stan Dostatni
City Engineer
Hammond City Hall
5925 Calumet Avenue
Hammond, Indiana 46320

Dear Stan:


On Tuesday January 21, 2003, we received a call from Mr. Kevin Bialas who is a resident at 256 Southmoor Road in Hammond with regard to ongoing construction in his neighborhood. We returned his call and he made us aware that the southern and eastern most lots of Southmoor Road adjacent to the railroad right-of-way and directly north of I-80/94 are currently being cleared and new homes are planned to be constructed.

We would request from you, although the Development Commission has no authority to regulate construction in these areas, that we have the opportunity to discuss our flood control project with the developer. Currently, SEH Engineering has completed the 50% level of plans and specifications for our flood protection project in that area. If you refer to the plans we have given you, you will notice that we are currently proposing to construct an earthen levee adjacent to the river in that area. We would like to assure that the developer does not construct to the level of development that would prohibit us from even constructing a concrete I-wall or to do sheet piling work in that area.

Similarly, as in the past with Krosan Development in the Industrial Park area, Jim Pokrajac and I appreciated the opportunity to discuss our future construction plans with the developer. We would hope that all future requests for construction in Hammond adjacent to the river would be referred to the Development Commission, not to restrict them from building but to inform them of what we are proposing for our flood control project construction.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call me at any time.

Sincerely,



Dan Gardner
Executive Director

Cc: Brian Poland, City of Hammond
Imad Samara, Chrystal Spokane, COE
Curt Vosti, Bob Huffman, LCRBDC
Lou Casale, LCRBDC attorney



Duane W. Dedelow, Jr.
Mayor

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
CITY OF HAMMOND

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING
DONALD NOVAK
Zoning and Real Estate Manager

February 10, 2003

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

Dear Mr. Gardner,

Brian Poland provided me a copy of your February 5, 2003 letter to Stan Dostatni, City Engineer. I wanted to respond by advising you that it has been my policy to direct any potential construction projects adjacent to your levee project to you. As I did with Krozan several years ago, we will continue to encourage that contact be made with the Commission to ensure that no conflicts occur. Please be assured of the City of Hammond's cooperation with your request.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact me at 219/853-6318.

Thank you,

Don Novak,
Zoning & Real Estate Mgr.

DN/ap

Cc: Brian Poland, City Planner
Stan Dostatni, City Engineer

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February 20, 2003

Mr. John Bach
Director, Public Works Dept.
Town of Highland
Highland Town Hall
3333 Ridge Road
Highland, Indiana 46322

Dear John:

The Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission has coordinated with the town of Highland over the last 5-10 years regarding upcoming construction of the flood protection for the Little Calumet River in your community. Some of this coordination has involved utility relocations, real estate requirements, or engineering review. Currently, the schedule for the project has been slowed down due to lack of state funding but we intend to continue as best we can with money available to proceed with real estate, utility and design concerns.

Our overall construction in Highland extends from Cline Avenue westward to Northcote Avenue. Our first phase of construction in Highland will be from Cline Avenue to Kennedy. We appreciate the cooperation your community has given us in the past and look forward to working with you to complete all of our commitments with the Army Corps of Engineers to get a right-of-entry signed for each of these separate phases.

Although the Development Commission has no authority to regulate or restrict any construction in the proposed easements, we request that you allow us to meet with any potential developers/property owners to discuss the impact of our project. These easements (work limits) are indicated on the Army Corps prints we have previously submitted to you.

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

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

/sjm
cc:

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Mr. Jim Mandon
Town Engineer
Town of Munster
Munster Town Hall
1005 Ridge Road
Munster, Indiana 46321

Dear Jim:

The Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission has coordinated with the town of Munster over the last 5-10 years regarding upcoming construction of the flood protection for the Little Calumet River in your community. Some of this coordination has involved utility relocations, real estate requirements, or engineering review. Currently, the schedule for the project has been slowed down due to lack of state funding but we intend to continue as best we can with money available to proceed with real estate, utility and design concerns.

Our overall construction in Munster extends from Northcote Avenue westward to the Illinois State Line. We do not anticipate any construction in this area for at least 5 years. We appreciate the cooperation your community has given us in the past and look forward to working with you to complete all of our commitments with the Army Corps of Engineers to get a right-of-entry signed for each of these separate phases.

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TO: David Wright, City Planner, City of Gary
FROM: James E. Pokrajac, Agent, Land Management/Engineering
SUBJECT: Gary floodplain
DATE: January 31, 2003

As per our telephone conversation of January 30, I am enclosing a map showing the current flood zone for the city of Gary from Burr Street to I-65. The completed levee segments are indicated in orange and the area that is in the flood zone is indicated in blue. Our flood control project for the Little Calumet River has been completed from Cline Avenue to I-65 with the exception of the Burr Street (betterment) levee. This uncompleted segment extends from Colfax to Burr Street and then eastward from Burr Street halfway to Clark Street. Once this uncompleted segment has been constructed, all of Gary can come out of the floodplain based upon revised FEMA mapping. This would mean that all the area outside of the completed levee segments will be removed from the floodplain.

FEMA is currently beginning a two year map revision program for Lake County. It is their intent to remove Gary from the floodplain on their mapping but this cannot be done until the betterment portion is completed, so timing of the funding commitment to Burr Street is critical. Dan Gardner, the Commission's Executive Director, has met with Mayor King, along with Arlene Colvin, and they are aware of the need to find funding for Burr Street levee completion.

I have also enclosed a copy of our project map showing the location of this uncompleted segment relative to the Little Calumet River.

You also requested information on the ownership of properties by the Little Calumet River from Harrison Street to Georgia Street. I enclosed a map showing the properties that the Development Commission currently either owns or has easement rights to from Grant Street to Martin Luther King Drive. The areas colored on this map indicates properties that we have easement agreements upon with both the city of Gary and the Gary Parks & Recreation Department. We are required by the Federal government to get a right-of-entry prior to releasing any contracts for construction. Accordingly, we have also obtained all other lands not colored in this area through our land acquisition process. The areas cross-hatched indicate those

David Wright
January 31, 2003
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portions of our project that we have permanent easements on which allowed us to construct flood protection from the Little Calumet River that entitles us to permanent access for operation and maintenance and inspections. Those segments between the levees are flowage easements which prohibit any permanent structures from being built due to potential flooding that will be contained by our levees.

I hope these enclosures provide you with the necessary information you are seeking regarding our flood control project. If you would like to meet with us at any time to familiarize yourself more with our flood control/recreation project, please call me and we can schedule a meeting. If you have any questions regarding these maps, please call.

Thank you for your interest.

/sjm
encl.

cc: Scott King, Mayor of Gary
Arlene Colvin, LCRBDC Chairperson
Imad Samara, COE



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February 20, 2003

Mr. Fred Hipshire
Wolverine Pipeline company
8105 Valleywood
Portage, Michigan 49024

Dear Fred:

As per our conversation of February 18, I am enclosing a project map that shows our proposed construction from Cline Avenue westward to the Illinois State Line. Our construction will basically be adjacent to both sides of the river for this entire length. I need to coordinate all utility relocations in this area with Wolverine. My current understanding is that the only Wolverine pipelines in our west reach of construction run north and south west of Kennedy Avenue on the NIPSCO right-of-way. Will you please let me know if there are any other impacts to any of your pipelines in any other area between Cline and the Illinois State Line?

I will need to coordinate specifics with you for costs and relocations as well as coordinating new utility easement agreements as required.

We are currently on hold with our upcoming construction east of Burr Street that will cross your pipeline on the NIPSCO right-of-way. This project may begin within the next 18 months. We received information from you in the past as to elevations and locations and need to confirm that none of your standards for penetration through an I-wall have changed.

Will you please review the enclosed project map and contact me for further discussion in order that we may proceed in a timely manner.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

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Cc:

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Robert Vanoer, COE
Jim Flora, R. W. Armstrong Co.
Lou Casale, LCRBDC attorney

RESULTS OF REAL ESTATE MEETING
12 February 2003
ARMY CORPS and LCRBDC

IN ATTENDANCE:

LCRBDC

Dan Gardner
Lou Casale
Lorraine Kray
Sandy Mordus
Jim Pokrajac
Judy Vamos

COE

Imad Samara
Chrystal Spokane

CORPS ANNOUNCEMENTS: Realty Specialist Chrystal Spokane has accepted a position in the Memphis Tennessee District. Her last day will be 7 March 2003. Appraiser Reviewer Greg Dorward has been transferred to Turkey to acquire land for Corps staging areas in the War on Terrorism. Chris Borton, Appraiser Reviewer who has worked with the LCRBDC in the past, is now re-assigned to LCRBDC. LCRBDC wishes everyone well in their new assignments.

LAND ACQUISITION

1.) ACQUISITION / APPRAISAL UPDATES

Stage VI-1 and VI-2: Jim reported that the maps for Kennedy Industrial Park need only fine tuning to be correct. Dan explained that Hammond is late in writing the letter to Greg that explains the reason there are no levee easements on the existing Kennedy Industrial Park Levees. Curt Vosti is working on it but has been out of the state for two weeks. He'll resume his search in the Hammond archives. Also, Judy explained that LCRBDC needs a letter or e-mail for DC 1032 approving the relocation of an easement from the center of the lot to the north side to avoid a fee take. Chrystal said she will e-mail Judy this afternoon. (ACTION: Curt, Jim, Judy/LCRBDC and Chrystal/COE)

Mitigation (Hobart Marsh): Judy reported that Janet O'Toole has finished the Nozrik appraisal (M-2) and is starting the Bundalo (M-4) and Price (M-9) appraisals. The Sykes property (M-12 and M-14) are on hold for probate court proceedings. Judy has received an e-mail from John Bacone stating that DNR lands can't be used for LCRBDC mitigation because they were purchased with NACWA funds.

East Reach: On hold

East Reach Remediation Area: on hold

Burr Betterment Levee: Funding remains a problem and Dan explained that Earl Harris is "carrying the ball in Indianapolis." If that strategy doesn't work out Gary Mayor King has agreed to help with a possible \$3.2 million to finish Burr Street.

Imad mentioned that there is a great possibility that the flood project will be shut down. He stated that the Congressman hopes to start work on the Grand Cal after the Little Cal project. Chrystal mentioned that the Corps is now focused on military projects instead of civil works projects. Imad restated that the Corps may not ever shut down the Little Cal project but there is a great possibility and there could be court action.

2.) MITIGATION

Judy reported that Dr. Kim has refused the offer of \$220,600 for 63 acres (\$3,500 @ acre). He has verbally counter-offered for 30 acres for \$220,600 (\$7,500 @ acre). He said he will have his attorney write the counter-offer. The \$7,500 per acre value is double what the Corps has approved as fair market value. Dan thinks a conference call with the team of the LCRBDC, Corps, and DNR may be in order to discuss it. LCRBDC will arrange a call for Friday 2/14/03.

(ACTION: Judy, Dan/LCRBDC)

3.) 75 FOOT EASEMENT

The 75 foot drainage easement must be considered in all future appraisals according to the Corps Appraisal Reviewer. Judy said that acquisition costs for lesser valued land that already has our 75 ft. easement on it would be welcome, however, some landowners are expecting more money. LCRBDC could have more condemnations. Condemnations are creditable.

4.) CREDITING STATUS

Sandy distributed the latest crediting update.

Chrystal reported that LCRBDC has credited to date \$4.6 million for land acquisition.

Dan reported that he has a letter from INDOT which possibly approves \$19 million for bridge-building credit. He gave a copy of the letter to Imad who will forward it to Corps attorney Don Valk for review.

(ACTION: LCRBDC/COE)

5.) WEST REACH PERMIT UPDATE

The DNR still needs a hydrology map for the West Reach. Imad will mail it ASAP. Dan will sign the transmittal letter.

(ACTION: Imad/COE and Dan/LCRBDC)

ENGINEERING

1.) *CORPS RESPONSE FOR GSD CONCERNS ON PUMP STATIONS*

Imad stated once again that the Corps has gone as far as it will go in considering or changing Gary Sanitary District concerns. Jim explained that LCRBDC has the responsibility to deal with Gary and he will contact Gary Attorney Jim Meyer to discuss the situation.

(ACTION: Jim/LCRBDC)

2.) *STATUS OF "BUSINESS TRACKING PROGRESS PLAN"*

Imad and Jim both agreed that the Business Tracking Progress Plan is not a priority at this time and will be put on a back burner.

3.) *LITTLE CAL/INDOT COORDINATION FOR I-80/94*

Jim reported that he will attend an INDOT coordination meeting with the Corps on 2/18. The future widening of I- 80/94 from 394 to the Indiana Toll Road will be discussed.

4.) *NEXT MEETING*

To be decided

JV 12/19/03

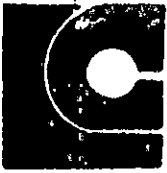
LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ATTENDANCE ROSTER

NAME OF MEETING: LCRBDC **DATE:** 3-6-03

LOCATION: 6100 Southport Rd, Portage **CHAIRMAN:** Arlene Colvin

PLEASE SIGN IN

	NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	ORGANIZATION, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER
1	JIM FLORA	R.W. ARMSTRONG
2	Don Ewoldt	LEL
3	Walter Church	Boy Scouts Troop 280
4	Spike Peller	Gary Storm Water Mgmt Dist (GSAO)
5	Kelise Waggoner	Vischovsky
6	Imad Samara	COE
7	Sandy O'Brien	
8	Jomary Gary	IDNR
9	Sean Fahy	IDNR
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WORK STUDY SESSION

6 March 2003

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

Dr. Mark Reshkin, Chairperson

1.) Hobart Marsh Update:

Attached is an update of the recent actions on all the 14 Hobart Marsh properties. Since last month's report we have received two (2) more refusals:

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- DC M-4 has refused to allow the appraiser on his property to complete an appraisal.

MITIGATION - HOBART MARSH UPDATE

DC LIST UPDATE (as of 03/06/03)

<u>DC #</u>	<u>OWNER / UPDATE</u>
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| M-1 | Howard Hee Han Kim, et. al
Offer refused on 02/20/03. Dr. Kim will send a written counter-offer (verbal 30 acres for \$220,600 which is \$7,353 per acre) through his attorney. No response as yet. |
| M-2 | Lake County Trust #1935 (Nozrik)
Appraisal sent to Army Corps Reviewer on 02/20/03. Should take 30 days for approval. |
| M-3 | Barbara Fadell
Mike McCurdy of Trust for Public Land called Mrs. Fadell on 02/27/03 to schedule an appointment with her to discuss TPL options on her land. She has changed her mind. Mike said she does not want an "option on" or "to sell" her land. She said it "firmly." Mike will write LCRBDC a letter explaining the conversation. |
| M-4 | Milan and Violette Bundalo
Appraiser Janet O'Toole called Mr. Bundalo on 03/04/03 to schedule an appraisal appointment to inspect the property. He "firmly" stated he has changed his mind and does not want an appraisal or offer on his property. Janet will write a letter explaining the conversation. |
| M-5 | Norman & Lorraine Berndt
Verbal refusal. R/E appraisal refusal form of 11/05/02 not returned. Follow-up letter 12/05/02. No response as of 01/06/03. No further contact with landowner. |
| M-6 | Norman & Loraine Berndt
Verbal refusal. R/E appraisal refusal form of 11/05/02 not returned. Follow-up letter 12/05/02. No response as of 01/06/03. No further contact with landowner. |
| M-7 | Ralph & Betty Julian (both deceased)
Appraiser recommended by the Corps has not returned six (6) phone calls at both of his offices. Will assign a different appraiser. |

HOBART MARSH UPDATE

03/6/03

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DC # OWNER / UPDATE

M-8 George Froman
Owner refused (written) offer to appraise the land 11/28/02. No further contact.

M-9 Kathryn Price (deceased)
Appraiser Janet O'Toole will mail appraisal week of 03/10/03 to LCRBDC.

M-10 Morris Mueller (was New Bethel Church)
Received permission to appraise. Appraisal not assigned as yet.

M-11 New tracts (including DNR).
Appraisals will be assigned.

M-12 Sarah Dorman Bailey as Successor Trustee (Hayward Land Company)
Several owners in this parcel. Property still in court. Acquisition on hold.

M-13 Robert Chorak and Gladys Crossk
Contacted landowner on 03/03/03. Property for sale for \$124,900 for 14.8 acres (\$8,439 per acre). Landowner will not discuss a sale or an option with anyone. We must go through her broker, Gore Realty. Intro letter and permission to appraise form mailed to Realtor Mark Gore on 03/04/05.

M-14 Sarah Dorman Bailey (successor) (Hayward Land Company)
Several owners in this parcel. Property still in court. Acquisition on hold.



Sandy

MEETING NOTICE
COUNTRY LOUNGE
HOBART
12:00 NOON MONDAY
MARCH 31, 2003

FINANCE COMMITTEE ISSUES

- Financial Status
- Status of Hobart Marsh Mitigation
- Other Financial Issues

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ISSUES

- Status of Contacts regarding State Budget Inclusion

~~Amendment 1~~
~~ask SC about it~~
~~make sure member~~

KEH
Only 1 payment for
Sept. 2. This all-
no Dec. payment 2.

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
JANUARY 1, 2002 - FEBRUARY 28, 2003

CASH POSITION - JANUARY 1, 2003

CHECKING ACCOUNT		
LAND ACQUISITION	134,776.87	
GENERAL FUND	43,780.09	
TAX FUND	0.00	
INVESTMENTS	958,000.00	?
SAVINGS	315,341.09	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	1,015.16	
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RECEIPTS - JANUARY 1, 2003 - FEBRUARY 28, 2003

LEASE RENTS	14,752.20	
LEL MONIES (SAVINGS)		
INTEREST INCOME (FROM CHECKING & FIRST NATL)	154.54	
LAND ACQUISITION	44,721.85	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	75.61	
MISC. RECEIPTS	870.00	
KRBC REIMBURSEMENT RE: TELEPHONE CHARGE	253.70	
TRANSFERRED FROM SAVINGS	691.00	
PROCEEDS FROM VOIDED CHECKS		
TOTAL RECEIPTS		61,518.90

DISBURSEMENTS - JANUARY 1, 2002 - FEBRUARY 28, 2003

ADMINISTRATIVE		
2001 EXPENSES PAID IN 2002	119,002.99	
PER DIEM	4,850.00	
LEGAL SERVICES	593.66	
NIRPC	33,378.18	
TRAVEL & MILEAGE	704.10	
PRINTING & ADVERTISING	51.56	
BONDS & INSURANCE	77.00	
TELEPHONE EXPENSE	855.48	
MEETING EXPENSE	109.90	
LAND ACQUISITION	0.00	
LEGAL SERVICES	11,265.46	
APPRAISAL SERVICES	5,500.00	
ENGINEERING SERVICES	631.62	
LAND PURCHASE CONTRACTUAL	9,075.00	
FACILITIES/PROJECT MAINTENANCE SERVICES	0.00	
OPERATIONS SERVICES	0.00	
LAND MANAGEMENT SERVICES	31,210.78	
SURVEYING SERVICES	0.00	
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	0.00	
ECONOMIC/MARKETING SOURCES	0.00	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURE COSTS	2,340.06	
MOVING ALLOCATION	0.00	
TAXES	0.00	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURES INSURANCE		
UTILITY RELOCATION SERVICES	0.00	
LAND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	0.00	
STRUCTURAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	2,484.00	
BANK CHARGES MERCANTILE	12.40	
PASS THROUGH FOR SAVINGS	43,177.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		146,316.20

CASH POSITION - FEBRUARY 28, 2003

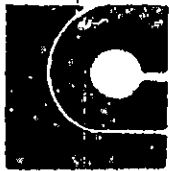
CHECKING ACCOUNT		
LAND ACQUISITION	75,375.80	
GENERAL FUND	18,308.25	
TAX FUND	0.00	
TOTAL FUNDS IN CHECKING ACCOUNT		93,684.05
TOTAL INVESTMENTS		958,000.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	700,000.00	4/26/2003
(BASE CAPITAL INVESTMENT)		
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	258,000.00	4/26/2003
(MISC INTEREST/RENTAL INVESTMENT)		
BANK ONE SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE		315,714.54
(LEL MONEY)	152,166.80	
(MARINA SAND MONEY)	133,721.49	
+ (STATE DRAW MONIES)	2,829.51	
(GARY PARKS & REC MONIES)	-	
SAVINGS INTEREST	26,996.74	
TOTAL INVESTMENTS & SAVINGS		1,273,714.54
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST AVAILABLE		1,090.77
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TOTAL OF ALL ACCOUNTS

1,368,489.36

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| M-4 | Milan and Violette Bundalo
Appraiser Janet O'Toole called Mr. Bundalo on 03/04/03 to schedule an appraisal appointment to inspect the property. He "firmly" stated he has changed his mind and does not want an appraisal or offer on his property. Janet will write a letter explaining the conversation. |
| M-5 | Norman & Lorraine Berndt
Verbal refusal. R/E appraisal refusal form of 11/05/02 not returned. Follow-up letter 12/05/02. No response as of 01/06/03. No further contact with landowner. |
| M-6 | Norman & Loraine Berndt
Verbal refusal. R/E appraisal refusal form of 11/05/02 not returned. Follow-up letter 12/05/02. No response as of 01/06/03. No further contact with landowner. |
| M-7 | Ralph & Betty Julian (both deceased)
Appraiser recommended by the Corps has not returned six (6) phone calls at both of his offices. Will assign a different appraiser. |

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- M-8 George Froman
Owner refused (written) offer to appraise the land 11/28/02. No further contact.
- M-9 Kathryn Price (deceased)
Appraiser Janet O'Toole will mail appraisal week of 03/10/03 to LCRBDC.
- M-10 Morris Mueller (was New Bethel Church)
Received permission to appraise. Appraisal not assigned as yet.
- M-11 New tracts (including DNR).
Appraisals will be assigned.
- M-12 Sarah Dorman Bailey as Successor Trustee (Hayward Land Company)
Several owners in this parcel. Property still in court. Acquisition on hold.
- M-13 Robert Chorak and Gladys Crossk
Contacted landowner on 03/03/03. Property for sale for \$124,900 for 14.8 acres (\$8,439 per acre). Landowner will not discuss a sale or an option with anyone. We must go through her broker, Gore Realty. Intro letter and permission to appraise form mailed to Realtor Mark Gore on 03/04/05.
- M-14 Sarah Dorman Bailey (successor) (Hayward Land Company)
Several owners in this parcel. Property still in court. Acquisition on hold.

March 25, 2003

Mr. Sean Fahey
Division of Water
IN Dept. Natural Resources
402 West Washington
Indianapolis IN 46204

Dear Sean:

Re: Recent Initiatives in Support of State funding in the 2003-05 Budget

In response to your telephone call, I am writing to brief you on our most recent initiatives. Subsequent to the Commission meeting, I met with Mark Savinski and Kelsee Waggoner from Congressman Visclosky's Office to outline increased communication in support of project funding, and on March 17-18 I was in Washington D.C. with a group of elected officials and spoke directly with Congressman Visclosky, which included about 10 minutes regarding "local share funding" for the Little Calumet River project. Two of the officials present were East Chicago Mayor Robert Pastrick and Hammond Mayor Duane Dedelow and both committed to discuss with their legislators support for funding in the conference committee. Mayor Dedelow will also write a letter to the key budget conferees.

On Thursday, March 20, at the Executive Board of the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission meeting, I made a brief presentation regarding the funding crisis and was able to obtain a resolution of support that authorized the Chairman, Mayor Doug Olson of Portage, to write a letter on behalf of the 37 elected officials that comprise the NIRPC Board in Lake, Porter and LaPorte Counties in support of the Development Commission's funding request as a high regional priority. This letter is now in preparation and will be submitted to the area delegation as well as the Governor of Indiana and key members of the House Ways & Means Committee and Senate Finance Committee.

We've also made contact with the Munster Town Council and they will be sending a letter of support for the project funding from the town to be sent to the above legislators and the Governor's Office.

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I've also contacted Mr. Dewey Pearman, the Director of the Northwest Indiana Construction Advancement Foundation, and we are jointly preparing a letter for support from the construction trades industry and operating engineers in northwest Indiana in support of the project.

Similarly, I will be communicating with Representative Earl Harris as the point person in the budget discussions to coordinate with Congressman Visclosky's initiatives to personally contact key legislators in seeking commitments for funding inclusion.

Additionally, I am speaking with Dave Rozmanich, Senator Evan Bayh's area representative, and Tim Sanders, Senator Lugar's area staff representative appealing for direct contact by the senators in support of Congressman Visclosky's request and project funding in the State budget.

We will copy you on all correspondence generated from these contacts and please feel free to call me if you have any questions or wish to discuss any of these initiatives. I hope to see you at our April 3 Board meeting.

By the way, I was just informed that Mark Lopez has been successful in obtaining the Lake County Commissioners' appointment to the Commission (replacing Marion Williams) so that should increase that participation significantly.

Sincerely,

Dan Gardner
Executive Director

/sjm



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March 26, 2003

This letter was sent to:

**Representative William Crawford, House Ways & Means Chairman
Representative Pat Bauer, Speaker of the House
Senator Lawrence Borst, Chairman, Senate Finance Committee
Senator Robert Garton, President Pro Tempore**

I write to you on behalf of the 36 local elected municipal and county officials in Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties that comprise the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission. The Commission, at its March 20 board meeting, voted unanimously to authorize me, as the Commission Chairman, to write to urge in the strongest fashion the inclusion of a capital appropriation for the non-federal match funds for the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission in the State's 2003-05 Biennial Budget. The \$7 million requested new funds are critical to keeping this Federal/State/Local Flood Control and Recreation Project active. We write this appeal fully appreciative of the budget crisis facing Indiana. We believe, however, that the continued State support for the Little Calumet River Project must be viewed as a State commitment that is in the middle of its Federal construction program, and lack of State support could cause Federal shutdown or default. Being some 45% construction complete, the flood control benefits of over \$7 million annually are not yet in place. None of the areas to be benefited have been removed from floodplain designation, and over 7,500 homes, businesses, and public facilities in Hammond, Highland, and Munster have yet to be protected.

These negative circumstances are contrasted with the priority Congressman Visclosky has placed upon Federal support. With the project yielding 3 federal dollars for every 1 state dollar invested, and given the fact that significant federal appropriation could not be even requested due to lack of matching dollars available, it makes economic sense to highly prioritize this state appropriation.

The project enjoys a better than 1.6 to 1 benefit to cost ratio, will provide flood protection to over 8,700 structures, and will help revitalize stretches along I-80/94 in the heart of northwest Indiana. It is an economic development project supported strongly by Congressman Visclosky, Senators Lugar and Bayh, local elected officials, and area effected residents. Also, business leaders and local construction trades are supportive.

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In consideration of all of these positives, we urge your support to include the requested \$7 million appropriation for the Little Calumet River Project and thereby leverage over \$21 million of Federal construction funds over the Biennial Period.

Thank you for your consideration of this extremely important request for all of northwest Indiana.

Sincerely,



Doug Olson
NIRPC Chairman and
Mayor of Portage, Indiana

C: Congressman Visclosky
Senator Lugar
Senator Bayh
Representative Earl Harris
Senator Earline Rogers
Representative Charlie Brown
Representative Chester Dobis
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