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ALL 10
WILLIAM BILLER, Chairman
Governor's Appointment ✓

ROBERT HUFFMAN, Vice Chairman
Governor's Appointment ✓

ARLENE COLVIN, Treasurer
Mayor of Gary's
Appointment ✓

DR. MARK RESHKIN, Secretary
Governor's Appointment ✓

GEORGE CARLSON
Mayor's of Hammond
Appointment ✓

STEVE DAVIS
Dept. of Natural Resources
Appointment ✓

R. KENT GURLEY
Lake County Commissioners'
Appointment ✓

ROBERT MARSZALEK
Governor's Appointment ✓

JOHN MROCZKOWSKI
Governor's Appointment ✓

CHARLIE RAY
Porter County Commissioners'
Appointment ✓

VACANCY
Governor's Appointment

DAN GARDNER ✓
Executive Director

LOU CASALE ✓
Attorney

MEETING NOTICE

THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF THE
LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
AT 6:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2007
AT THE COMMISSION OFFICE
6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD
PORTAGE, IN

ONE-HALF HOUR WORK STUDY SESSION – 5:30 P.M.

AGENDA

1. Call to order by Chairman Bill Biller
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Recognition of Visitors and Guests
4. Approval of Minutes of December 6, 2006 1-5
5. Chairman's Report
 - 2006 Year End Report
 - Report of Nominating Committee (Arlene Colvin-Chair, Steve Davis, and Mark Reshkin) – 2007 Officers Slate - Action
6. Action Required:
 - Finance: Approval of claims for December 2006
 - Approval of O&M claims for December 2006
 - Report of Finance Committee recommended action:
 - Adoption of 2007 Operating Budget
 - Approval of NIRPC contract for administrative services
 - Approval of legal services for 2007
 - Approval of Independent Contractors' contracts
 - Engineering/Land Management Agent contract
 - Land Acquisition Agent contract ✓
 - Crediting Technician Services contracts

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E. Johnson, Com. Office

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7. Executive Director's Report

- Status of Burr Street-Gary contract completion and financial reconciliation
- State of IN funding commitment of \$2,142,583 for Burr Street Little Cal contract/continued critical path non-Federal items

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8. Standing Committees

A. Legislative Committee – Committee Chair George Carlson

- Budget request for \$8 million submitted to State Budget Agency for 2007-09 biennial budget - Update

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B. Finance Committee – Report by Treasurer Arlene Colvin

- Financial status report
- Issues for discussion

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C. Land Acquisition/Land Management Committee – Committee Chair Bob Marszalek

Land Acquisition

- Appraisals, offers, acquisitions
- Status of activity for Stage V-2, VII, and VIII

Land Management

- Status of VIEW OUTDOOR; LEL option termination; 3120 Gerry Street
- Farm leases renewed at higher rates
- Log jam removed west of MLK
- Current leases for 2007
- Issues for discussion

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D. Project Engineering Committee – Committee Chair Bob Huffman

- Updated status of Griffith levee
- Meeting scheduled for January 10 for Cabela's site layout coordination
- Issues for discussion

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X E. Operation & Maintenance – Committee Chair Bob Huffman

- Status of North 5th pump station turnover to Highland
- December 14 final sluice gates & flap gates inspection
- Fencing repairs completed
- Issues for discussion

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F. Environmental Committee – Committee Chair Mark Reshkin

- Issues for discussion

G. Recreational Development Committee – Committee Chair Bob Huffman

- Issues for discussion

H. Policy Committee – Committee Chair Bob Marszalek

9. Other Issues / New Business

10. Statements to the Board from the Floor

11. Set date for next meeting; adjournment

MINUTES OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION HELD AT 6:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2006
6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD
PORTAGE, INDIANA

Chairman William Biller called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. Seven (7) Commissioners were present. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The guests were recognized.

Development Commissioners:

William Biller
Robert Huffman
Arlene Colvin
Dr. Mark Reshkin
George Carlson
Steve Davis
Robert Marszalek

Visitors:

Jomary Baller – IDNR, Div. of Water
Traci Powell, IDNR, Div. of Water
Bill Petrites – Highland Resident
Ronald Albin – Munster Resident

Staff:

Dan Gardner
Sandy Mordus
Lou Casale
Jim Pokrajac

The minutes of the November 1, 2006 meeting were approved by a motion from Bob Huffman; motion seconded by Arlene Colvin; motion passed unanimously. It was stated, for record purposes, that members of the Nominating Committee announced at the November meeting were Arlene Colvin, Steve Davis, and Mark Reshkin. They will report back at the January meeting.

Action Required – Treasurer Arlene Colvin presented the claims for approval in the amount of \$182,001.18; motion seconded by Steve Davis; motion passed unanimously. Ms. Colvin then presented the O&M claims for approval in the amount of \$5,733.86; motion seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously.

- Land Acquisition/Management Committee Chairman Bob Marszalek presented several items for action. He proceeded to make a motion to approve the low bidder, South Shore Marina, to clean out the log jam at Martin Luther King Drive in Gary in the amount of \$8,950; motion seconded by Arlene Colvin; motion passed unanimously. Work will be initiated in a day or two.
- Mr. Marszalek then made a motion authorizing the attorney to write a letter to LEL and ask them to terminate the option we have with them on the 32 acre parcel east of Clay Street in Lake Station, outside the project area. Once the agreement option is terminated, staff will publicly advertise the property for a land management proposal. The property is suitable for wetland mitigation. As it now stands, we are receiving no income on the property and we need to be able to generate some income from the property. Motion was seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously.
- Mr. Marszalek made a motion to approve the existing 2006 farm license agreements for the farming season of 2007 at a per-tillable-acre increase for each of the three agreements; motion seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously.
- Mr. Marszalek made a motion to authorize the attorney to file condemnation on Dc-1175; motion seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report – Chairman Bill Biller announced that he, as well as Dan Gardner, Bob Huffman, and Jim Pokrajac, attended a public open house held by Cabela's on November 13, 2006. The meeting was held to answer questions from the area residents regarding their business, design, layout plans, and impacts to the community. He stated the open house went very well and the general public in attendance seemed supportive. Approximately 40 people attended. Mr. Gardner added that staff has been in communication with Brian Poland, Hammond city planner, to keep up-to-date on plans as the Cabela's project moves forward. He also added that it is expected that Cabela's will donate the needed project easements to us.

- Chairman Biller added that we have received the approved easements from North Township, who also donated the easements. WHITECO has recently donated easements to us that we needed from them also.
- Mr. Biller added that we continue to meet with any area residents who request information regarding our project.

Executive Director's Report – Executive Director Dan Gardner stated that he attended a joint meeting held by Hammond and Highland Redevelopment Commissions on November 16. The communities are working together toward a coordinated plan to develop the acreage where the Kennedy Park apartments stood (they were demolished) on Kennedy Avenue. The redevelopment districts were expanded to both sides of Kennedy Avenue to allow for future development. Hammond and Highland have developed a MOU to maximize the flood control project enhancements, including recreation. They will keep us informed as they move forward.

- Chairman Biller talked about the newly-constructed Kennedy Avenue bridge over the Little Calumet River. Originally, when the Lake County Highway Dept. announced reconstruction of the bridge, the Corps of Engineers was going to coordinate with the contractor to construct new cantilevered walkways onto the existing bridge structure as well as to install the concrete closure slabs on Kennedy Avenue to avoid closing Kennedy Avenue twice for construction. Since that time, the Corps did not follow through on plans to construct the walkways or closure structures in conjunction with the County contract, but will do these items as part of Stage V-2 construction. Because of that, bridge was built with no walkways. Mr. Biller expressed concern about the safety factor and talked to city/town officials about installing signs alerting pedestrians that there are no sidewalks at the bridge. Commissioner Mark Reshkin asked the attorney if there would be any legal actions brought against the Commission if an accident happened; the attorney answered that we would have no legal jeopardy. Jim Pokrajac added that he has coordinated with the Corps person who will be doing the design work for Stage V-2. Mr. Gardner will write a letter to the Corps emphasizing the safety problem and that the walkways should be included as part of the Stage V-2 project, and not at a later date as part of a separate recreation contract.

Legislative Committee – Committee Chairman George Carlson referred to Dan Gardner for an update on any forthcoming state funds. Mr. Gardner stated that he has been on numerous phone calls with the State Budget Agency and IDNR. He has expressed his concern regarding the time factor and has emphasized the immediate need for the \$1,442,583 in order to award the Corps contract for the Burr Street levee completion. The low bidder has already extended his bid past the 30-day extension to allow time for the Commission to get the funds in place. If the Corps has to re-bid the project, time and money will be lost. Mr. Gardner informed the members that he will keep pressing for a specific release mechanism and date.

Finance Committee – Treasurer Arlene Colvin stated that a finance committee meeting will be scheduled before the next meeting. Members will be notified.

Land Acquisition/Land Management Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Marszalek stated that the majority of easements are acquired for Stage V-2. The easements left to acquire are those that have problems or are in condemnation. He stated that Stage VII easements north of the river are ready to be sent out but we are waiting to make sure we receive state funds to cover those offers before we make them; appraisals south of the river are ongoing and being coordinated with the appraiser reviewer. In Stage VIII, surveys are ongoing and being reviewed by both the Buffalo and Chicago COE Districts. Attorney Casale added that NIPSCO, the Norfolk Southern railroad, and the pipeline corridor are three big problems in V-2. Jim Pokrajac added that there are 16 pipelines in the corridor on NIPSCO property. NIPSCO, the railroad, and the pipelines all want to see the design plans before approving any easements or signing agreements. The Corps has said that the pipeline corridor plans should be ready by January 15.

- Mr. Marszalek stated that a Land Management committee meeting was held on November 29. It was a very positive meeting and ongoing issues were discussed whereby future potential income may be found. Attorney Casale stated that we are looking at nine additional locations for billboards for VIEW OUTDOOR. We have given them approval to pursue permitting with the city for these nine locations; VIEW is awaiting a letter from the Corps as requested by the city, which states that they have no objection to the installation of the signs and that they are compatible with the project and do not impact any of our project features. Chairman Biller asked staff for a map showing the locations we have made available.
- It was discussed that a meeting was scheduled for November 30 with LAMAR to discuss potential sign locations. They presented a proposal to us requesting to get permanent easements for two existing billboards between Chase and Grant that would provide some O&M funding up front. In addition, we would pursue additional sign locations with them. Jim Pokrajac added that the Commission does have other locations where billboards could be installed but it would be at Gary's discretion on how many billboard permits they want to give out.
- Mr. Gardner discussed a Wetland Reserve Program that is in place with the Dept. of Agriculture through their Soil Conservation Service. It is possible that some of the Commission property (About 200 acres) might qualify. Mr. Gardner will pursue with them and obtain more information.
- The turnover of surplus lands to Gary was briefly discussed. Mr. Gardner stated that he is consistently receiving calls from a potential developer that wants to develop some of the Commission property that will be turned over to the city. Ms. Colvin said she had talked to the attorney for Gary and the Deputy Mayor. The Deputy Mayor will be scheduling a meeting with Gary legal and development representatives to meet with the LCRBDC to expedite this progress.
- Regarding 3120 Gerry Street, Jim Pokrajac talked to the gentleman who originally gave us the highest bid on the property. He is still interested in the property. Since we are not able to sell the property because of the Disposal of Property Act, he is agreeable to a long term lease arrangement. Staff will pursue.

Engineering Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman reported that on the upcoming Pump Station II contract, six pumping stations in Hammond will be upgraded including

installation of new pumps, rather than rehabilitated. The Corps Huntington District is doing the engineering.

- Jim Pokrajac added that, in light of the recent rainfall/flooding in Highland, the town has decided to keep the existing North Drive pumping station to supplement the new pumping station that is part of the Stage VI-1 South contract. It would give the town about 25% more capacity in that area. The town of Highland is currently putting together a report to determine what would be required to provide a 100 year level of protection.
- Mr. Gardner and Jim Pokrajac recently met with several residents who live on Forest Avenue in Hammond to discuss the existing Hammond levee west of Hohman Avenue. It appears there are no permanent easements. Although Hammond built that levee to Corps standards, no permanent easements were taken from residents. We may have to pursue these easements west of Hohman. Corps needs to inspect the levee to determine condition of it.

Operation & Maintenance Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman announced that the final summary for the pump stations is being completed, which outlines the scope of work to be completed for turnover to Gary. Jim Pokrajac added that there was an inspection on November 8 of the sluice gates/flap gates. 39 were inspected out of 44. There were some gates that remain to be inspected when the river level is lower.

- Jim Pokrajac stated that we have received “as-built” drawings for Stages IV-2A, II-3B, and North 5th pump station. The “as-built” drawings in Gary have been received and Mr. Pokrajac will work with Luci Horton for turnover.
- Jim Pokrajac stated that we are having some fence repairs made in the area of North Burr Street pumping station as part of the completion of punch list items.

Environmental Committee – Dan Gardner stated that we had received a draft MOU from Highland where the town, the Commission, and the Calumet Audubon Society would sign the agreement. After receiving it, Carolyn Marsh asked that we not approve it at the Commission meeting so it is not listed on the agenda. Mr. Gardner will remain in contact with the town. Commissioner Steve Davis said that more applications have been received than what the Coastal program has grant money for. Approval for grant money should be in about April 2007 and has to be approved in Indianapolis and then in Washington.

- Mr. Gardner stated that he is participating in the Little Cal Watershed Planning meeting on November 30. The Gary Stormwater Board is getting an IDEM \$19 grant; they are engaging other agencies, including us. Mr. Gardner said money might be available for paving recreational trails and that it was a very positive meeting. This plan can include water quality and environmental improvements not included in the Corps plan.

Recreation Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman mentioned that part of the recreational trail has been built from Kennedy to Parrish. He feels that the trails need to be paved.

Policy Committee – There was no report.

Other Issues – Mr. Gardner talked about the Burr Street Gary levee construction contract. We have been working with the city of Gary to try to keep costs to a minimum for change orders. Mr. Gardner reiterated that we are approved for up to \$623,061 (25% cost share of the original bid). We should be receiving an invoice for about \$18,000 for the first change order regarding

rip-rap in Ditch 5, and a second change order is still being negotiated regarding final fill calculations. Original levee cross-sections indicate an extra of approximately \$370,000. Mr. Pokrajac is working with the COE on re-calculations; should be less than 1/3 this amount.

Statements from the Floor— Mr. Ron Albin from Munster expressed concern about a proposed road adjacent to his property River Drive to the river. Jim Pokrajac answered that we have finalized the surveys and the appraisal is being done. The engineering drawings are not complete yet for Stage VII. Mr. Albin is also concerned about some of the trees being destroyed. Also, there will be a sand pile stored there and why it couldn't be across the street where there is more room. He asked about having an I-wall behind his house instead of a levee. Jim Pokrajac asked him to write a letter to us listing his concerns and he would forward this to the COE as part of their engineering review process. We assured him that we will work with the Corps to every extent possible to make changes acceptable to him and the Corps. Preliminary design should be ready for review in early summer. The Corps is doing the design internally. Once Stage V-2 design is completed, they will focus more on Stage VII.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled Board meeting is set for 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 3, 2007.

CLAIMS PAYABLE FOR DECEMBER 2006

ACCT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
5801	WILLIAM BILLER	500.00	PER DIEM 7/20/06-12/6/06
5801	ROBERT HOFFMAN	500.00	PER DIEM 7/5/06-12/6/06
5801	ARLENE COLVIN	250.00	PER DIEM 8/2/06-12/6/06
5801	MARK RESHKIN	200.00	PER DIEM 7/5/06-12/6/06
5801	GEORGE CARLSON	400.00	PER DIEM 7/5/06-12/21/06
5801	KENT GURLEY	50.00	PER DIEM 9/6/06
5801	BOB MARSZALEK	250.00	PER DIEM 7/5/06-12/6/06
5801	JOHN MROCZKOWSKI	300.00	PER DIEM 7/5/06-12/21/06
5801	CHARLIE RAY	200.00	PER DIEM 8/2/06-11/1/06
5811	CASALE.WOODWARD & BULS LLP	283.33	MONTHLY RETAINER THROUGH 12/21/06
5812	NIRPC	11,591.87	SERVICES PERFORMED NOVEMBER 2006
5821	SANDY MORDUS	34.40	MILEAGE 12/1/06-12/21/06
5821	BOB HUFFMAN	108.00	MILEAGE 7/5/06-12/6/06
5821	ARLENE COLVIN	38.00	MILEAGE 8/2/06-12/6/06
5821	MARK RESHKIN	44.80	MILEAGE 7/5/06-12/6/06
5821	GEORGE CARLSON	15.20	MILEAGE 7/5/06
5821	KENT GURLEY	15.20	MILEAGE 9/6/06
5821	BOB MARSZALEK	32.00	MILEAGE 7/5/06-12/6/06
5821	JOHN MROCZKOWSKI	72.00	MILEAGE 7/5/06-12/21/06
5821	CHARLIE RAY	25.60	MILEAGE 8/2/06-11/1/06
5824	AT & T	384.41	BILLING PERIOD 11/14/06-12/13/06(TOTAL BILL 389.94, KRBC 5.53)
5824	VERIZON NORTH	121.97	BILLING PERIOD 12/16/06-11/16/07(TOTAL BILL 233.81,KRBC 111.84)
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	485.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-577
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	200.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-836
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	100.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-837
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	100.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-838
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	522.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1169
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	612.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1172
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	470.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1185
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	247.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1201
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	412.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1202
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	192.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1203
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	165.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1204
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	137.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1205
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	137.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1206
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	316.25	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1212
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	137.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1213
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	302.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1214
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	647.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1301
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	597.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1302
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	762.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1303
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	1,007.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1304
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	636.25	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1305
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	922.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1308
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	773.75	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1309
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	685.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1310
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	881.25	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1311
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	447.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1312
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	292.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1313
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	547.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1314
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	375.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1315
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	492.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1316
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	805.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1318
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	585.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1319
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	1,063.75	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1320
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	746.25	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1321
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	773.75	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1322
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	931.25	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1323
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	866.25	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1324
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	803.75	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1325
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	682.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1326
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	1,001.25	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1327
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	843.75	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1328
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	1,121.25	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1329
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	798.75	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1330
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	811.25	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1331
5842	GARCIA CONSULTING	1,113.75	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1332

ACCT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
5844	GARCIA CONSULTING	1,191.25	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1333
5844	GARCIA CONSULTING	1,163.75	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1334
5844	GARCIA CONSULTING	1,128.75	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1335
5844	GARCIA CONSULTING	750.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1336
5844	GARCIA CONSULTING	192.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1337
5844	GARCIA CONSULTING	175.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1339
5844	GARCIA CONSULTING	1,170.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1349
5844	GARCIA CONSULTING	1,230.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1350
5844	JAMES E POKRAJAC	4,674.10	ENGINEERING SERVICES 11/16/06-11/30/06
5844	JAMES E POKRAJAC	295.60	NOVEMBER MILEAGE
5844	JAMES E POKRAJAC	4,619.75	ENGINEERING SERVICES 12/1/06-12/15/06
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	628.80	LAND ACQUISITION AGENT 10/16/06-10/17/06
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	23.60	OCTOBER MILEAGE
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	1,022.28	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASSISTANT 11/16/06-11/30/06
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	992.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASSISTANT 12/5/06-12/15/06
5844	SANDY MORDUS	100.00	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 11/16/06-11/27/06
5844	SAN DY MORDUS	62.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 12/4/06-12/11/06
5847	DLZ	1,131.25	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1300
5847	DLZ	1,823.25	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1368
5847	DLZ	1,318.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1369
5847	DLZ	993.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1370
5847	DLZ	818.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1371
5847	DLZ	493.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1372
5847	DLZ	418.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1373
5847	DLZ	418.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1374
5847	DLZ	418.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1375
5847	DLZ	418.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1376
5847	DLZ	812.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1377
5847	DLZ	787.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1378
5847	DLZ	737.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1379
5847	DLZ	343.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1380
5847	DLZ	343.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1381
5847	DLZ	562.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1382
5847	DLZ	418.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1383
5847	DLZ	999.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1384
5847	DLZ	988.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1385
5847	DLZ	506.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1386
5847	DLZ	543.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1387
5847	DLZ	1,375.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1388
5847	DLZ	618.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1389
5847	DLZ	681.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1390
5847	DLZ	599.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1391
5847	DLZ	693.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1392
5847	DLZ	549.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1393
5847	DLZ	2,161.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1394
5847	DLZ	406.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1395
5847	DLZ	406.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1396
5847	DLZ	325.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RE: DC-1400
5849	CASALE.WOODWARD & BULS LLP	7,146.02	LAND ACQUISITION/LEGAL SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED 12/21/06
TOTAL		91,425.18	

**APPROVAL TO PAY THE FOLLOWING INVOICES
FROM O&M FUND
JANUARY 3, 2006**

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- **\$2,060.00 to Hammond Fence Company for costs incurred for fence repairs and remediation at Burr Street pump station**
 - **\$397.00 to R. W. Armstrong Company for O&M table updates**

TOTAL \$ 2,457

**PROPOSED
2007 OPERATING BUDGET**

ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET

• Per Diem expenses	\$ 7,500
• Legal Services	\$ 3,500
• NIRPC Services	\$ 145,000
• Travel and Mileage	\$ 2,500
• Printing and Advertising	\$ 2,000
• Bonds and Insurance	\$ 8,000
• Telephone Costs	\$ 6,500
• Meeting Expenses	\$ 5,000

Sub-Total \$ 180,000

O&M BUDGET

Sub-Total \$ 100,000

LAND ACQUISITION/PROJECT DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

• Professional/Consultant Services & Land Acquisition/Easement Costs (only credit/critical path eligible)	\$ 776,000
• Utility Relocation/Railroad Crossings Costs (only credit/critical path eligible)	\$ 1,250,000
• Project Cost Share Payments/Escrow Account	\$ 1,442,583
	\$ 3,468,583

Total Budget	\$ 3,748,583
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Budget Notes:

- (1) Carryover Land Acquisition/Project Development \$ 76,000
Funds Available January 1 from State Budget
- (2) Funds to be Released \$ 2,442,583
Currently Requested from IEDC Commitment
to Gap Fund (Stage V Critical Path)
- (3) Funds yet to be Requested from IEDC \$ 1,250,000
Gap Funding Commitment
(Stage V Critical Path)
- (4) Total Budget will be Amended once the
General Assembly/Budget Session is Concluded
(\$8 million was Requested, with \$6.5 million
Needed Allocated in Year 1 of 2007/09 State
Biennial Budget)

**STATE OF INDIANA****Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.**
Governor**STATE BUDGET AGENCY**212 State House
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2796
317-232-5610**Charles E. Schalliol**
Director

December 21, 2006

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

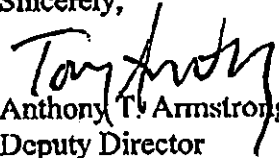
Dear Mr. Gardner:

I am writing as a follow-up to the conference call this morning between our agencies and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers. During the call we discussed the pending request of the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission for \$2,142,583.00 of accelerated funding as part of the Indiana Economic Development Corp.'s commitment to secure the agreement with Cabela's Retail, Inc. in Hammond, Indiana.

As I explained, the State Budget Agency has identified an account from which the funds to satisfy the pending request of \$2,142,583.00 may be transferred. Those funds will be transferred to the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission account in early January, 2007. After they are moved, the funds must then be allotted. Prior to allotting the funds the State Budget Committee must approve the project. In light of the timetables set for the project, the State Budget Agency will work with the members of the State Budget Committee and their staffs to obtain this approval as quickly as possible.

Please feel free to contact me should you or others have any questions or concerns about the process I have outlined above.

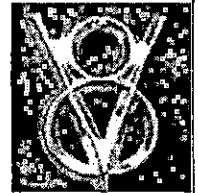
Sincerely,


Anthony T. Armstrong
Deputy Director



The Northwest Indiana Legislative Agenda for the 2007 Indiana General Assembly

8 Key Initiatives



The V8 Concept

A V-8 engine is powerful enough to move a vehicle forward—even under adverse conditions. A V-8 cocktail provides a powerful combination of vitamins and minerals to boost energy and endurance.

This V8 Legislative Initiative is a powerful prescription to move Northwest Indiana forward. All components of this initiative are important. Every component helps to build strength and momentum. The same principle applies as for a V8 engine that is only running on four of its cylinders. It would have difficulty propelling a vehicle just as a V8 cocktail with only four vitamins instead of 8 will give provide less energy and endurance.

The Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC), representing the public sector, and the Northwest Indiana Forum, representing the private sector of Northwest Indiana, have collaborated with area Chambers of Commerce, economic development organizations and other key groups to develop this initiative and we collectively call upon our legislators to devote their best efforts to gaining the support of their colleagues in the Indiana General Assembly to support each and every one of the components. It's a powerful V8 effort on behalf of Northwest Indiana.

The 8 Components

1. **Provision of Adequate Funding for Local Government**—Reduce reliance of local government on property taxes by establishing alternative sources of funding and helping to create more efficient and effective government (Hometown Matters). Provide relief from the impact of the 2% circuit breaker. Provide for innovative use of local sales tax revenue to assist in infrastructure development for new retail centers.
2. **Technology District**—Create Technology Districts within which computer and other technology related businesses would be exempt from personal property tax.
3. **Regional Development Authority**—Continuing support for the Regional Development Authority to help fund the Gary/Chicago Airport, the Regional Bus Authority, expansion of commuter rail, the completion of the Marquette plan, and support for other regional economic development projects.
4. **Illiana Expressway**—Support for study of the Illiana Expressway, specifically identifying eastward extension across southern Lake, Porter and La Porte Counties to connect to the Indiana Toll Road, I-94, U.S. 12 and U.S. 20. This effort should include but not be limited to corridor protection legislation.
5. **NIRPC Enabling Legislation**—Amend the enabling legislation for NIRPC to expand the executive Board to include two members from each County and the addition of the Immediate Past Chairman as an ex-officio non-voting member, extend the population-based weighted voting, provide for borrowing authority, and allow Counties to pay their assessments from non-property tax sources (e.g., CEDIT funds).
6. **Regional Bus Authority**—Support funding for the Regional Bus Authority so it can create and sustain a viable public transit system in Northwest Indiana.
7. **Intermodal Readiness**—Provide support for the development of intermodal facilities in Northwest Indiana that will help to facilitate the efficient and effective movement of freight.
8. **Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission**—Provide funding for the local match needed to fund completion of the Little Calumet River Flood Control Project and take advantage of federal funds already appropriated and available.

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
JANUARY 1, 2006 - NOVEMBER 30, 2006

700,000

CASH POSITION - JANUARY 1, 2006

CHECKING ACCOUNT	
LAND ACQUISITION	149,768.81
GENERAL FUND	17,675.85
TAX FUND	0.00
INVESTMENTS	
SAVINGS	619,699.72
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	11,279.31
	798,423.69

RECEIPTS - JANUARY 1, 2006 - NOVEMBER 30, 2006

LEASE RENTS	64,323.99
LEL MONIES (SAVINGS)	
INTEREST INCOME (FROM CHECKING)	1,303.90
LAND ACQUISITION	1,027,187.32
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	3,924.73
MISC. RECEIPTS	12,581.42
KRBC REIMBURSEMENT RE: TELEPHONE CHARGE	1,140.53
TRANSFERRED FROM SAVINGS	627,143.61
PROCEEDS FROM VOIDED CHECKS	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	1,737,605.50

DISBURSEMENTS - JANUARY 1, 2006 - NOVEMBER 30, 2006

ADMINISTRATIVE	
2004 EXPENSES PAID IN 2005	120,614.81
PER DIEM	5,850.00
LEGAL SERVICES	3,116.63
NIRPC	134,656.97
TRAVEL & MILEAGE	1,293.60
PRINTING & ADVERTISING	
BONDS & INSURANCE	6,733.20
TELEPHONE EXPENSE	6,976.99
MEETING EXPENSE	487.02
LAND ACQUISITION	
LEGAL SERVICES	82,231.45
APPRAISAL SERVICES	147,000.00
ENGINEERING SERVICES	124,129.99
LAND PURCHASE CONTRACTUAL	61,447.00
FACILITIES/PROJECT MAINTENANCE SERVICES	
OPERATIONS SERVICES	482.70
LAND MANGEMENT SERVICES	197,091.49
SURVEYING SERVICES	126,999.20
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	
ECONOMIC/MARKETING SOURCES	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURE COSTS	236,990.10
MOVING ALLOCATION	
TAXES	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURES INSURANCE	
UTILITY RELOCATION SERVICES	18,029.86
LAND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	
STRUCTURAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	
BANK CHARGES MERCANTILE	82.36
PASS THROUGH FOR SAVINGS	374,536.46
PAYBACK TO SAVINGS	133,629.90
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	1,661,764.92

CASH POSITION - NOVEMBER 30, 2006

CHECKING ACCOUNT	
LAND ACQUISITION	184,077.60
GENERAL FUND	55,457.71
TAX FUND	
TOTAL FUNDS IN CHECKING ACCOUNT	239,535.31

BANK ONE SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE
(LAND ACQ IN HOUSE PROJECT FUNDS)
(O & M MONIES)

322,492.80
~~208,518.45~~
**93,734.49

*Note: Original \$700,000 note

**Note: O & M Fund comprised of remaining LEL Money, \$185,000 Interest Money, and
\$133,721.49 Marina Sand Money
SAVINGS INTEREST

20,239.86

BANK ONE SAVINGS ACCOUNT
BURR ST PHASE II GARY
INTEREST

426,672.47
14,567.68

441,240.15

TOTAL SAVINGS
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST AVAILABLE

763,732.95
4,409.34

TOTAL OF ALL ACCOUNTS

1,007,677.60

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT, DECEMBER 2006

UNALLOCATED

	2006							ALLOCATED	BUDGETED
	BUDGET	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	3,500.00	283.33	283.33	283.33	283.33	283.33	283.33	1,699.98	1,800.02
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	147,000.00	11,315.41	11,937.77	12,034.56	12,230.77	11,943.74	11,654.87	71,117.12	75,882.88
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	2,000.00	14.40	32.60	20.80	47.20	31.60	39.60	186.20	1,813.80
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	8,000.00	77.00	0.00	0.00	6,406.20	0.00	0.00	6,483.20	1,516.80
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	6,200.00	418.14	452.56	1,104.19	112.49	895.83	471.70	3,454.91	2,745.09
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	800.00	36.00	0.00	104.95	34.24	0.00	72.90	248.09	551.91
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	770,000.00	66,612.24	49,432.37	54,487.56	76,775.39	76,993.17	37,691.33	361,992.06	408,007.94
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	666,498.00	20,123.94	15,335.50	24,622.28	14,155.00	59.52	54,050.00	128,346.24	538,151.76
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	100,000.00	1,708.00	0.00	138.04	5,983.14	51,010.37	3,631.87	62,471.42	37,528.58
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	2,500.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	2,500.00
5892 PROJECT COSTSHARE/ESC ACCT	866,635.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	866,635.00
	2,588,133.00	100,588.46	77,474.13	92,795.71	116,027.76	141,217.56	107,895.60	635,999.22	1,952,133.78

UNALLOCATED

	2006							ALLOCATED	BUDGETED
	BUDGET	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	10,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,650.00	5,650.00	4,350.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	3,500.00	283.33	283.33	283.33	283.33	283.33	283.33	3,399.96	100.04
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	147,000.00	13,671.49	12,384.85	12,308.69	12,310.86	10,321.39	11,591.87	143,706.27	3,293.73
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	2,000.00	552.00	38.40	28.00	17.60	45.00	383.20	1,250.40	749.60
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,498.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,498.10	1,001.90
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	8,000.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,733.20	1,266.80
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	6,200.00	485.11	511.90	479.06	447.21	591.75	506.38	6,476.32	-276.32
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	800.00	0.00	70.75	50.92	0.00	254.07	0.00	623.83	176.17
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	770,000.00	71,667.51	41,260.19	105,143.65	50,119.92	60,902.78	76,010.40	767,096.51	2,903.49
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	666,498.00	7,485.00	78,524.02	40.00	15,038.00	100,040.00	0.00	329,473.26	337,024.74
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	100,000.00	0.00	295.75	904.33	0.00	9,522.86	0.00	73,194.36	26,805.64
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	121.35	0.00	0.00	121.35	2,378.65
5892 PROJECTCOSTSHARE/ESC ACCT	866,635.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	866,635.00
	2,588,133.00	97,144.44	133,619.19	120,736.08	78,338.27	181,961.18	91,425.18	1,339,223.56	1,248,909.44

CURRENT LEASES – 2007

<u>Lessee</u>	<u>Lease Agreement</u>	<u>Yearly Income</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Chicago Towers (Includes Ameritech)	\$1,568 per month	\$18,816	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current lease since July 5, 2000 – July 5, 2005 (Increase every 5 years based on Metro Chicago Consumer Price Index)
3 LAMAR signs			
Sign #1050	\$735 per year	\$ 735	West side of Grant – ½ mile south of I-80/94
Sign #3475	\$3,635 per year	\$ 3,635	West of Grant – South of I-80/94
Sign #3480	\$3,635 per year	<u>\$ 3,635</u>	West of Grant – South of I-80/94
		\$ 8,005	
Ed & Tim Bult		\$10,955	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chase to Grant (Both sides of 35th Avenue) Approx. 100 acres
		\$ 2,800	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chase to Grant (Between the levees) Approx. 130 acres
Gary Dunlap		\$ 5,613	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West of Clay Street, North of Burns Ditch • Based on farming 110 acres of the 175 acres
Jerry Ewen		\$ 3,640	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North of I-80/94, West of I-65 • Based upon 50 acres of tillable land
View Outdoor Advertising	\$27,000 per year (approx)	\$27,000 (approx)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 billboards in the area of I-80/94 & west of I-65
TOTAL INCOME		\$76,829 (approx)	

Sandy Mordus

From: "Sandy Mordus" <smordus@nirpc.org>
To: "Johnson, Elizabeth" <Elizabeth.Johnson@mail.house.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2006 3:14 PM
Subject: Updated status of Griffith levee

Elizabeth:

RE: Updated status of Griffith levee repairs and FEMA certification -- funding request

I am giving you an update as to the status of our schedule for the Griffith levee assessment, engineering plans to remediate, and funding to schedule needed construction. I believe I faxed you an update on November 20th, the same day that you emailed some questions regarding the letter of response to the Congressman. Hopefully, this will clarify where we are and answer any remaining questions. Let me just say that it has been a "slow" process getting the State Budget Agency and the IN Economic Development Commission (IEDC) to physically release the money needed to make these and other state commitments to Cabela's in the critical path. I am currently working with Tony Armstrong, Deputy Budget Director, to have released on December 19th at the Indiana Finance Authority meeting in Indianapolis, the requested \$2,142,583. They have chosen this approach as opposed to through the State Budget Committee, as a more appropriate approach to provide needed supplemental funding made in the IEDC letter to Cabela's. The \$2,142,583 would be utilized for two things: (1) \$1,442,583 as the requested non-federal cash for the Corps of Engineers to let the Burr Street (Little Cal) levee construction contract. The bid is being extended by the Corps until the end of December by the responsive low bidder and (2) \$700,000 for continued non-federal real estate and utility work in the critical path for Stage V. As part of this \$700,000, an estimated \$60,000 will be used for the engineering assessment, and preliminary plans for remediation of the Griffith levee to meet the FEMA requirements. We are currently preparing the scope of work for soliciting an engineering firm to specifically identify the deficiencies of the levee and design the remedial measures to bring the levee up to certification standards. We will coordinate with the Corps and IDNR Div. of Water to prepare estimates and bid packets. We anticipate completing all of this work by summer so as to be ready for the construction/remediation of the Griffith levee once money is received in the 2007/09 biennial budget. We feel this is compatible with the Corps schedule of the completing Burr Street levee segments and will not delay certification of the entire East Reach of the project.

The other question regarding the anticipated construction costs of the Griffith levee are not known at this point. However, having to submit this as part of our budget request for the upcoming biennium, in with consultation with the Corps and the IDNR Division of Water, we have listed \$500,000 for the construction remediation of the Burr Street levee to be accessed in the first year of the two year state budget. I hope this answers your questions and I will advise you of the release of the money on the 19th or if any other problems arise. Please feel free to call me if you have any further questions. Thank you.

Dan Gardner
 Executive Director

Sandy Mordus

From: "Dan Gardner" <dgardner@nirpc.org>
 To: "Sandra Mordus" <smordus@nirpc.org>
 Sent: Monday, November 20, 2006 12:07 PM
 Subject: Fw: Little Calumet - Griffith Levee

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

From: Johnson, Elizabeth
 To: 'dgardner@nirpc.org'
 Sent: Monday, November 20, 2006 11:48 AM
 Subject: Little Calumet - Griffith Levee

Dan,

After rereading the response to the Congressman's letter dated 10 October 2006, I am confused as to the schedule for the repairs to the Griffith Levee. Please clarify these points as stated in the Commission's response:

- Page 1, Para. 3: **The Development commission is currently seeking release of accelerated project funding identified in the Indiana Economic Development Corporation commitment to meet flood protection completion in the project in the east reach westward to Hart Ditch Northcote to help facilitate the Cabela's commitment. ... The request is being submitted to agency review at the IEDC and the IDNR for concurrence and to the State Budget Agency for inclusion on the next State Budget Committee Agenda for allocation. We are requesting a November approval. Once this is accomplished, the work scope will be advertised and the work accomplished as early in 2007 as is possible. This work product will for the basis for construction bid documents to meet levee repair/flood control certification.**
 - How much funding is being requested from the IEDC?
 - Once released by the IEDC, for what will this funding be used?
 - How much funding is being dedicated to the Griffith Levee from the IEDC allocation?
- Page 2, Para.1: The Commission references the \$8 million request in the 2007-2009 Budget. \$6.5 million is being requested for the first year allocation "... **to accomplish the required non-federal commitments and to allow all the scheduled Corps of Engineers construction contracts to be let... The construction of repairs of the Griffith levee is an element in the first year allocation projection.**"
 - What are the anticipated construction costs for the Griffith levee?

A letter dated 3 October 2006 to the IDNR requested the release of the additional IEDC funding, approximately \$2.5 million. This letter broke the \$2.5 million into specific projects - \$1.44 M for the Burr Street Construction; \$1 M for land acquisition; and \$57K for shortfalls in easement offers in Stage V.

Please explain the discrepancies between these requests and please provide the funding source for the Griffith Levee repairs and the Burr Street Levee construction.

Thanks for this assistance -

Liz

Elizabeth Johnson
 Director of Projects and Grants
 Office of Congressman Peter J. Visclosky
 219-795-1844

Sluice Gate / Flap Gate Inspection Results

Location (General)	ID	Location	Dimensions	Primary Closure	Secondary Closure	General Notes
Griffith Closures	1	EJ & E RR @ South Levee, Griffith				
	2	West of Arbogast Street	60" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	3	West of Collfax				
	4	W of Collfax, N of WIND RADIO		Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
INDOT Closure	5	SE 1/4 Cline & I-80/94	96" Dia	Duckbill	Sluice Gate	INDOT (necessary for I 80/94 drainage)
	6	West of Calhoun		Flap Gate	Drop Structure	
	7	East of Calhoun @ RR		Flap Gate	Drop Structure	
Burr St. Pump Station	8a	East of Burr St Pump Station	66" Dia	None	Sluice Gate	
	8b	East of Burr St Pump Station	66" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	9a	West of Chase Street	60" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	9b	West of Chase Street	60" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	9c	West of Chase Street	60" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	10a	East of Chase Street	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	10b	East of Chase Street	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	11	35th Ave @ Chase St	6' x 5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
South Levee - In Field	12a	Between Chase & Grant St	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	12b	Between Chase & Grant St	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	12c	Between Chase & Grant St	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	12d	Between Chase & Grant St	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
Stage III Rem. Pump Station	13a	West of 32nd & Cleveland Stage III Rem.	36" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	13b	West of 32nd & Grant	36" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	13c	SE Corner of Levee	36" Dia	None	Sluice Gate	
	14a	SW I-80/94 ramp @ Grant St	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	14b	SW I-80/94 ramp @ Grant St	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	15	South Bank West of Grant St	3' x 3' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
Grant St. Pump Station	16a	South Bank East of Grant St Pump Station	4' x 4' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	16b	South Bank East of Grant St Pump Station	4' x 4' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	16c	South Bank East of Grant St Pump Station	4' x 4' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	17	SE I-80/94 ramp @ Grant St	4' x 4' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	Not required after INDOT interchange construction
	18a	East of Grant (Pierce)	42" Dia	Duckbill	None	
	18b	East of Grant (Pierce)	42" Dia	Duckbill	None	
	19	South Bank @ Harrison St	3' x 3' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	20a	East Side of Broadway	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	20b	East Side of Broadway	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
Broadway Pump Station	21a	Alley 1 East of Broadway Pump Station	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	Bad seals on operator
	21b	Alley 1 East of Broadway Pump Station	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	Bad seals on operator
INDOT Closure	22	South Bank @ Pennsylvania St	42" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	23	West of Georgia, South of I-80/94	42" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	INDOT (necessary for I 80/94 drainage)(Couldn't operate, silted in)
	24a	North on Georgia St	48" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	24b	North on Georgia St	48" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	25	West of River North of I-80/94	24" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	INDOT (necessary for I 80/94 drainage)
INDOT Closures	26	West of River South of I-80/94	24" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	INDOT (necessary for I 80/94 drainage)
	27a	East of Georgia Street	36" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	27b	East of Georgia Street	36" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	28	East of River North of I-80/94	24" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	INDOT (necessary for I 80/94 drainage)
INDOT Closures	29	East of River South of I-80/94	24" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	INDOT (necessary for I 80/94 drainage)
	30a	West of MLKD @ 84" Overflow Ironwood Pump Station	5' x 5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
Ironwood Pump Station	30b	West of MLKD @ 84" Overflow Ironwood Pump Station	5' x 5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	31	W of I-65, South of I-80/94	36" Dia	none	Sluice Gate	
Stage III Rem. Pump Station	32	Marshalltown Stage III Rem.	48" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	33	E of I-65, North of I-80/94	2 - 24" Dia	Flap Gate	Drop Structure	

	Gates on Griffith Property
	Accepted on December 14, 2006 inspection
	Failed (needs cleaning or maintenance)
	Remaining to inspect
NRS	Non Rising Stem

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1/10/20

LAND MANAGEMENT REPORT

For meeting on Wednesday, January 3, 2007

(Information in this report is based upon latest data provided at the time the report is put together. Dates and costs may vary depending upon ongoing design and/or coordination with the Army Corps. Report period is from December 5 – December 28, 2006)

A. LAMAR OUTDOOR ADVERTISING

- Received a request from LAMAR Advertising on June 20, 2006 wanting consideration for an easement on the land where they currently have existing License Agreements on two (2) billboards.
- An email was sent on June 29 requesting more detailed information.
- We received a response from LAMAR on July 13, 2006 with (2) letters of intent for existing billboards south of I-80/94 between Chase and Grant.
- They are requesting a perpetual billboard easement for both locations for a total purchase price of \$116,000.
- Currently, LCRBDC receives \$7,270/year combined revenue for the (2) signs.
- Memo to LCRBDC attorney requesting pursuit of options as discussed at the October 4, 2006 Board meeting. **(Ongoing)**

B. VIEW OUTDOOR BILLBOARDS

- A letter was sent to the COE on December 18 enclosing a letter from VIEW OUTDOOR (dated December 11, 2006) with compliances to COE requests for installation. 1-2
- A letter was received from the COE on December 27, 2006 indicating the billboard locations will not impact our project or its features. 3

C. A Land Management Committee meeting was held on 11/29/06 to discuss ongoing issues.

D. LCRBDC submitted requests for quotes to clear a logjam west of MLK Drive, and under the Chicago, Ft. Wayne & Eastern RR.

- South Shore Marina appears to be low bidder in the amount of \$8,950 (motion to approve at 12/6/06 Board meeting)
- Final inspection was completed on December 21, 2006 and the logjam was cleared and water was flowing freely. 4
- Photos from the inspection (before & after). 5-6

E. 32 acre parcel of Excess Land (East of Clay Street, north of Burns Ditch)

- A letter was sent to LEL on December 27, 2006 requesting they sign a waiver to terminate their option on this land. If signed, the LCRBDC could then put together a bid package to qualified entities to develop this land as a wetland mitigation bank. 7-8

F. The current leases for income to the LCRBDC for 2007 total approximately \$76,829.00.

- The (3) upgraded agreements with the farmers were submitted for signatures on December 13, 2006. All were signed and returned.

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(STATUS AS OF DECEMBER 29, 2006)

LAND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 11/29/06

HIGHLIGHTS OF MEETING:

- (1) VIEW OUTDOOR ADVERTISING
 - Army Corps sent letter to LCRBDC on December 27, 2006 indicating billboard locations will not impact our project or its features.
 - VIEW can now pursue permitting with city of Gary.
- (2) LAMAR
 - Meeting held on December 7 with LAMAR to discuss initial offers totaling \$116,000 for (2) existing signs, and possibility of additional locations.
- (3) LEL (32 acres east of Clay Street)
 - Letter sent to LEL on December 27, 2006 requesting they sign a waiver to terminate option on property
- (4) WETLAND RESERVE PROGRAM (Chase to Grant – land between levees)
 - LCRBDC waiting for response before scheduling field analysis
- (5) TURNOVER OF EXCESS LANDS TO CITY OF GARY
 - Awaiting meeting to be scheduled to discuss comprehensive agreement for turnover (LCRBDC and Gary) Attorneys and decision makers.
- (6) FARM LEASES
 - All leases signed for 2007 farming season at increased rates.
- (7) 3120 GERRY STREET
 - Meeting held on site with Property Liquidators, Inc. on December 15. They were satisfied with condition of facilities and are willing to enter into a License Agreement.
 - Staff currently working on agreement.
- (8) LOG JAM WEST OF MLK DRIVE IN GARY
 - Logjam was removed on December 14, 2006 at 3:00 p.m. Water flowed freely.
 - Inspection held on December 21, 2006. Found satisfactory – Water flowing with no additional debris. Level down at culverts approximately 24”.



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December 18, 2006

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

Dear Imad:

As per your email of December 14, I have enclosed the original letter from VIEW OUTDOOR ADVERTISING, with their signature, for your use in providing an Army Corps letter that can be used by VIEW for their permit process with the city of Gary. If you have any questions regarding this letter, or need any additional information, please let me know. Please provide a response letter to us as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/Engineering

/sjm

Encl.

Cc: Pete Schroeder, VIEW OUTDOOR
Lou Casale, LCRBDC attorney

View

Outdoor Advertising

RECEIVED DEC 14 2006

December 11, 2006

Jim Pokrajac
Little Calumet River Basin Development Comm
6100 Southport Rd
Portage, In 46368

Dear Jim,

Pursuant to the billboard project with Little Cal along I-80/94 in Gary, In let this letter serve as confirmation of the following:

- 1) View Outdoor will stay at a minimum 15' away from the toe of levee
- 2) If we see the need to be within 15' on any of the locations we will provide foundation design details prior to any work being done.
- 3) On all locations we will provide blueprints of the signs indicating among other things the exact depth of each foundation.
- 4) On all locations we will provide "As-Built" drawings of each billboard
- 5) On each location prior to starting construction I will contact you so we can physically look at each site.

Jim hopefully this addresses all areas of concern with you as well as the Corp of Engineers. If not please let me know as we will comply as requested.



Pete Schroeder
President
View Outdoor Advertising.

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

December 27, 2006

Planning, Program and Project
Management Division

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

Dear Mr. Pokrajac,

I am writing this letter in regards to the View Outdoor Advertising request to place billboards in areas located on lands owned by the commissions. As you know our office did review the proposed locations for these billboards and provided you comments in an email dated December 14, 2006. Your letter dated December 19, 2006 did address all our comments. The billboard locations provided to the COE will not impact the Little Calumet River Flood Control Project.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact me at 312-846-5560 or at 312-860-0123.

Sincerely Yours

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Imad N Samara", is written over a horizontal line.

Imad N Samara
Project Manager

Jim Pokrajac

From: "Jim Pokrajac" <jpokrajac@nirpc.org>
To: "Jim Pokrajac" <jpokrajac@nirpc.org>; <luci@garysan.com>; "Dwain Bowie" <dwain.bowie@unitedwater.com>; "Hughes, David" <David.Hughes@UnitedWater.com>; "Smales, Donald" <dsmales@greeley-hansen.com>
Cc: <barry.robinson@unitedwater.com>; <jssm75@prodigy.net>; <william.a.rochford@lrc02.usace.army.mil>; "Ackerson, Rick D LRC" <Rick.D.Ackerson@lrc02.usace.army.mil>
Sent: Thursday, December 21, 2006 4:09 PM
Subject: Re: Logjam Under Chicago, Ft.Wayne,& Eastern RR- West of MLK Drive

Follow Up,

The LCRBDC and SOUTH SHORE MARINA, INC. met on the jobsite at 11:00A.M. on December 21, 2006 to do the final inspection for the removal of the logjam West of MLK and North of I-80/94 under the Chicago, Ft. Wayne & Eastern RR. All debris was removed from the (4) 6' Dia. culverts and removed from the jobsite- Water was flowing freely, the level went down significantly, and the wier is once again exposed. The actual removal was completed on December 14 at approx. 3:00 P.M. (one week ago). We feel that periodic inspections of this area should be done to assure this will not dam up and raise upstream river elevations. The LCRBDC has the necessary easements with the railroad to access this area. Any future removal of debris should be coordinated with the railroad. The point of contact is:

Mr. Brett Wooten
3010 E. Pontiac St.
Ft. Wayne, Indiana 46803
Cell #- (513) 317-8871

Pictures were taken before and after the clean-up and are available upon request. It appeared that approx. 2' of culvert was exposed above the water level before cleaning, and the water level dropped approx 18" to 2' after the clean-up. If there are any questions, please contact Mr. Jim Pokrajac.

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

From: Jim Pokrajac
To: luci@garysan.com ; [Dwain Bowie](mailto:Dwain.Bowie) ; [Hughes, David](mailto:Hughes.David) ; [Smales, Donald](mailto:Smales.Donald)
Cc: barry.robinson@unitedwater.com ; jssm75@prodigy.net ; william.a.rochford@lrc02.usace.army.mil ; [Ackerson, Rick D LRC](mailto:Ackerson.RickD)
Sent: Monday, December 18, 2006 2:50 PM
Subject: Logjam Under Chicago, Ft.Wayne,& Eastern RR- West of MLK Drive

All,

The LCRBDC contracted out services to clean out a logjam that has accumulated under the Chicago, Ft.Wayne & Eastern RR, located West of MLK Drive, in Gary, Indiana. There are (4) 6' Dia. culverts, and through past experience, it appears that after every heavy rain debris accumulates. As part of the ongoing O&M turnover, the cleaning of these culverts should be included. The LCRBDC has done this several times over the past few years, and a " dam " in this area causes a higher level of water back downstream.

As of Thursday, December 14, 2006, at 3:00 P,M, this logjam has been removed and water is flowing freely. It is also noted that the water level has noticeably dropped. It is also our intent to have the contractor re-check this area in a couple weeks to assure that, with all the water flow, accumulation does not start again. We have an inspection scheduled for 11:00 A.M., this Thursday, December 21, on site to view this, have any discussion, and to have the LCRBDC assure the contractor completed his scope of work and will be authorized to be paid. If you can not attend, please have a representative attend. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you,

JIM POKRAJAC

12/21/2006

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ACCUMULATED DEBRIS

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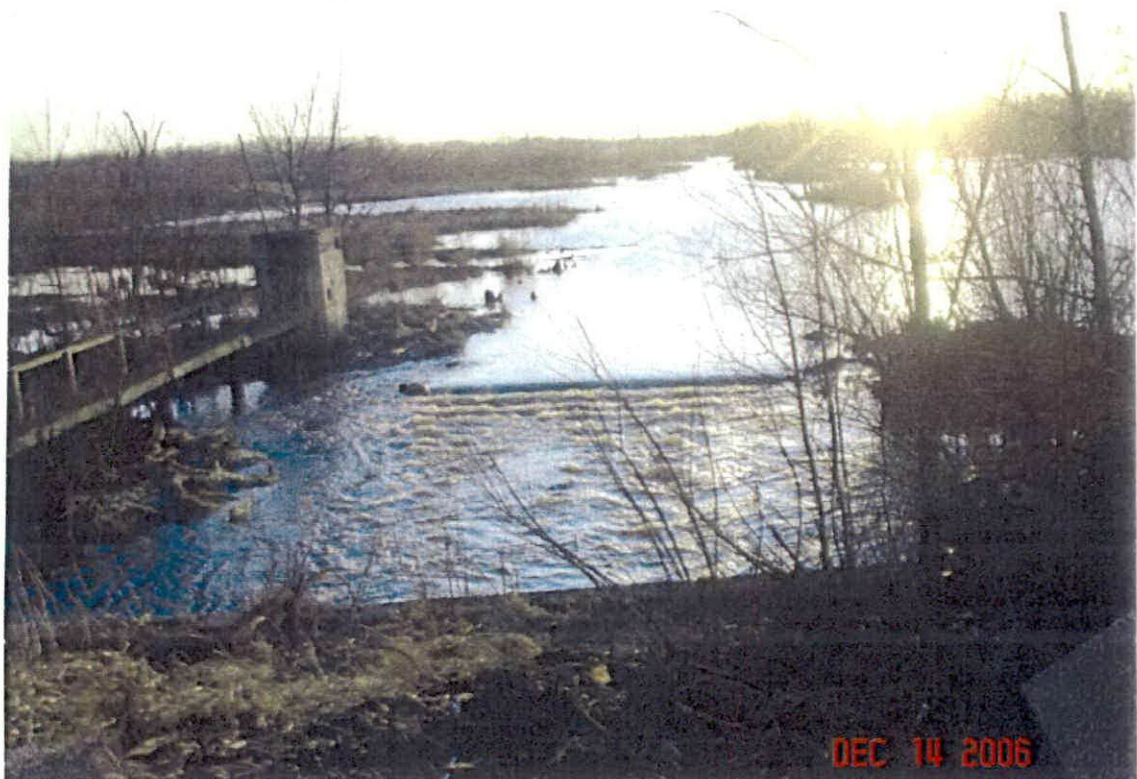


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ACCUMULATED LOGJAM BLOCKING (4) 6' DIA.
CULVERTS ON WEST FACE OF RAILROAD EMBANKMENT

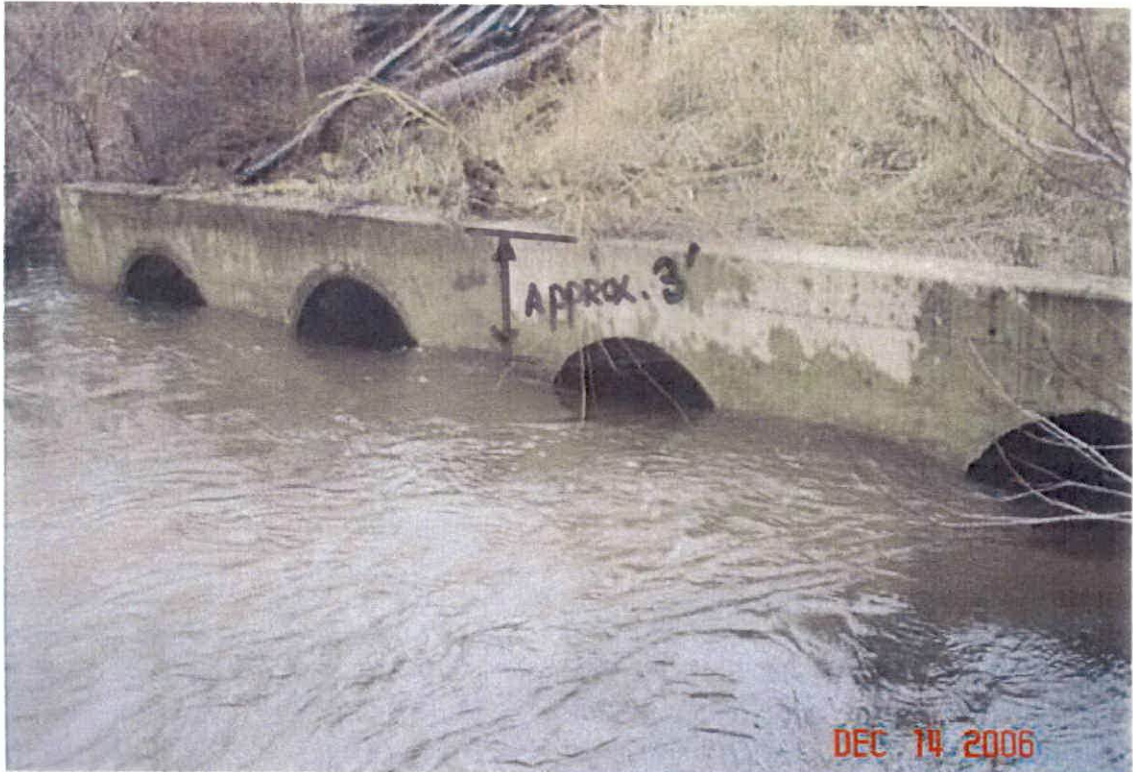




③ WATER LEVEL OVER TOP OF WIER
(LOOKING S.W. FROM RR)



④ IMMEDIATELY AFTER DEBRIS REMOVAL
(TOP OF WIER NOW VISABLE)



⑤ INITIAL ACCUMULATION OF WATER @ FACE
OF CULVERTS AFTER DEBRIS REMOVAL



⑥ DISCHARGE OF WATER ON E. SIDE OF
RR EMBANKMENT AFTER DEBRIS REMOVAL.



⑦ ADDITIONAL REMOVAL OF DEBRIS-NEXT DAY,
(TOP OF ABUTMENT TO WATER LEVEL-APPROX. 5')



⑧ FLOWING FREELY- APPROX. 2' DROP IN
WATER LEVEL IN 2 DAYS.

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December 27, 2006

Tom Godfrey
Lake Erie Land Company
1010 Sand Creek Drive South
Chesterton, IN 46304

RE: Addendum Number One (1) To An Option Agreement with
The Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission.

Dear Mr. Godfrey,

As you may recall, the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission entered into an Addendum to a Comprehensive Option Agreement to License Real Estate that was executed on the 19th of August, 2000. The Addendum to Option carved out a 32+ acre parcel of property from the overall optioned property. The Option for the 32+ acre parcel was also exercised on the 17th of August 2000. I have enclosed the Addendum herein for your reference.

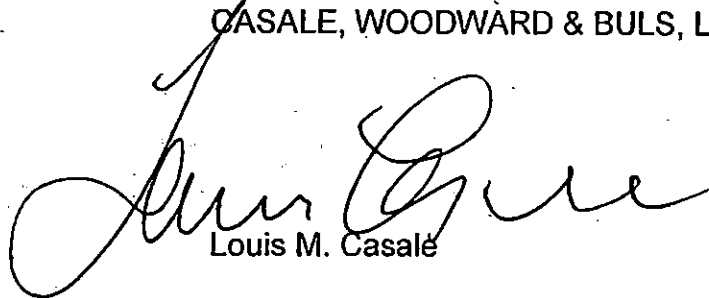
Recently, the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission determined that, rather than continue to allow the License to continue, it would seek a waiver of Lake Erie Lands rights thereunder so as to allow it (The Commission) the opportunity to develop specifications and a Request for Proposal to interested and qualified entities, such as Lake Erie Land, requesting said entities to submit proposals to design, develop and operate a wetland mitigation bank upon the 32+ parcel while said parcel remains in the ownership of the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission.

The Commission further determined that in the event a waiver is not granted by Lake Erie Land, it (The Commission) would take action to terminate the License pursuant paragraph F thereof.

I have included waiver language with this letter. In the event that Lake Erie Land agrees to waive the License for 32+ acre parcel initiated by the exercise of Addendum Number One (1) to the Option agreement, please cause the waiver to be signed, dated and returned to this office.

Sincerely,

CASALE, WOODWARD & BULS, LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Louis M. Casale", is written over the printed name.

Louis M. Casale

LMC/ldg
Enclosures
cc: Don Ewald
Dan Gardner

CURRENT LEASES – 2007

<u>Lessee</u>	<u>Lease Agreement</u>	<u>Yearly Income</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Chicago Towers (Includes Ameritech)	\$1,568 per month	\$18,816	• Current lease since July 5, 2000 – July 5, 2005 (Increase every 5 years based on Metro Chicago Consumer Price Index)
3 LAMAR signs			
Sign #1050	\$735 per year	\$ 735	West side of Grant – ½ mile south of I-80/94
Sign #3475	\$3,635 per year	\$ 3,635	West of Grant – South of I-80/94
Sign #3480	\$3,635 per year	<u>\$ 3,635</u>	West of Grant – South of I-80/94
		\$ 8,005	
Ed & Tim Bult		\$10,955	• Chase to Grant (Both sides of 35 th Avenue) Approx. 100 acres
		\$ 2,800	• Chase to Grant (Between the levees) Approx. 130 acres
Gary Dunlap		\$ 5,613	• West of Clay Street, North of Burns Ditch • Based on farming 110 acres of the 175 acres
Jerry Ewen		\$ 3,640	• North of I-80/94, West of I-65 • Based upon 50 acres of tillable land
View Outdoor Advertising	\$27,000 per year (approx)	\$27,000 (approx)	• 3 billboards in the area of I-80/94 & west of I-65
TOTAL INCOME		\$76,829 (approx)	



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Attorney

December 13, 2006

Mr. Ed and Tim Bult
Dba C. D. Bult & Sons, Inc.
4861 Clay Street
Crown point, Indiana 46307

Dear Ed and Tim:

Enclosed please find two (2) copies each of the Farm License Agreements for the upcoming farming season of 2007 between the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission and yourselves. One agreement covers the 140 acres in the North Farming Area (between Chase and Grant north of 35th Avenue outside the levee) and the South Farming Area (between Chase and Grant south of 35th Avenue). The second agreement covers the 200 acres between the existing levees from Chase Street on the west to Grant Street on the east.

As we spoke earlier, and you agreed to, the per-tillable acre on the 140 acres has increased to \$78.25, thus making the total yearly payment to be \$10,955. On the 200 acre plat, a flat fee of \$2,800 will be the total payment. All other terms and conditions have not changed since last year's license agreement. If you have not provided proof of insurance to us already, please do so before April 15, 2007, as stated in the agreement.

If you are agreeable to its terms, please sign both copies, retain one copy each of the agreements for your files, and return one copy of each agreement back to our office.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are happy to do business with you again this year. If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/ Engineering

/s/jm
encl.

cc: Lou Casale, LCRBDC attorney



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LOU CASALE
Attorney

December 13, 2006

Mr. Jerry Ewen
2600 Colorado Street
Lake Station, Indiana 46405

Dear Jerry:

Enclosed please find two (2) copies of the farm license agreement for the upcoming farming season of 2007 between the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission and yourself.

As we spoke earlier, and you agreed to, per-tillable acre on the property has increased to \$70 (from \$66), thus making the total yearly payment to be \$3,640.00 (from \$3,432.00). The remaining terms and conditions remain the same as last year's agreement. There have been no changes.

We would appreciate receiving proof of insurance on or before April 15. If you are agreeable to the terms contained in this license agreement, please sign both copies, retaining one copy for your files and return one copy back to our office in the enclosed envelope.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are happy to do business with you. If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
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Engineering

/sjm
enclosure
cc: Lou Casale, LCRBDC attorney



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LOU CASALE
Attorney

December 13, 2006

Mr. Gary Dunlap
467 N. 475 W.
Valparaiso, Indiana 46383

Dear Gary:

Enclosed please find two (2) copies of the farm license agreement for the upcoming farming season of 2007 between the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission and yourself.

As we spoke earlier, and you agreed to, per-tillable acre on the property has increased to \$65 (from \$61), thus making the total yearly payment to be \$5,612.75 (from \$5,267.35). The remaining terms and conditions remain the same as last year's agreement. There have been no changes.

We would appreciate receiving proof of insurance on or before April 15. If you are agreeable to the terms contained in this license agreement, please sign both copies, retaining one copy for your files and return one copy back to our office in the enclosed envelope.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are happy to do business with you. If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Land Management/
Engineering

/sjm
enclosure
cc: Lou Casale, LCRBDC attorney

WORK STUDY SESSION

January 3, 2007

5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS:

Finance

Approval of claims for January 2007
Approval of O&M claims for January 2007

Adoption of 2007 operating Budget \$3 mil. (p. 9)
Approval of NIRPC contract for administrative services
Approval of legal services for 2007
Approval of Independent Contractors' contracts

- Engineering/Land Management Agent contract
- Land Acquisition Agent contract
- Crediting Technician Services contracts

ITEMS OF IMPORTANCE/POLICY:

1. State of Indiana funding commitment of \$2,142,583 for Burr Street Little Cal contract/continued critical path non-Federal items
2. Biennial budget request of \$8 million submitted to State Budget Agency
3. Updated status of Griffith levee

DC 1203 + 1204
ACTION TO
CONDEMN
if needed
SVII

Budget
\$2 mil.

53-1
6347

BUDGET TRANSFER

Recommendation:

Transfer \$300.00 out of Budget Line 5821 (Travel and Mileage)

Into

Budget Line 5824 (Telephone Expenses)

To cover shortfall of \$276.32

FINANCE ACTIONS REQUIRED

1. **Budget Transfer:** Transfer \$300.00 from Line 5821 (Travel/Mileage) to Budget Line 5824 (Telephone) to cover year end shortfall Of \$276.32
2. **Approval of claims for January 2007:** (pages 6-7) \$91,425.18
3. **Approval of O&M claims for January 2007:** (page 8) \$ 2,457.00
4. **Report/Recommendations of Finance Committee:** (meeting held 12/21/06)
 - Adoption of 2007 Operating Budget (page 9)

Administrative	\$	180,000
O&M	\$	100,000
Project Develop.	\$	<u>3,468,583</u>
		\$ 3,748,583
 - Approval of NIRPC Services Contract Received in packet
 - Approval of Legal Services Contract Handout
 - Approval of Independent Contractors Refer to sheet

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS' FEE

No increases were given for 2005

Increases in 2006:

• Jim Pokrajac	2% increase	\$54.35
• Judy Vamos	2.5% increase	\$39.30
• Lorraine Kray	3.5% increase	\$19.85
• Sandy Mordus	No increase	\$25.00

Recommended for 2007:

• Jim Pokrajac	4.6% increase (+ \$2.50/hour)	\$56.85
• Judy Vamos	5.1% increase (+ \$2.00/hour)	\$41.35
• Lorraine Kray	6.3% increase (+\$1.25/hour)	\$21.10
• Sandy Mordus	No increase	\$25.00

RECREATION REPORT

For meeting on Wednesday, January 3, 2007

(Information in this report is based upon latest data provided at the time the report is put together. Dates and costs may vary depending upon ongoing design and/or coordination with the Army Corps.

Report period is from December 5 – December 28, 2006)

RECREATION – PHASE I

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

A. OXBOW (Hammond)

1. October 28th, 1998 was the date that this facility was turned over to the City of Hammond.
2. A meeting was held on October 18, 2006 with George Carlson, Hammond Parks, Illinois Constructors (I.C.C.), and Jim Pokrajac to field review a trail tie-in on the west side of the recreation trail to the levee across low ground.
 - I.C.C. agreed, in the spring of 2007, to use excess fill, and provide fines, to do this at no cost to Hammond.

B. GLEASON PARK (Gary Parks & Recreation)

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

C. LAKE ETTA (Lake County Parks)

1. October 27th, 1998 was the date that this facility was turned over to the Lake County Parks Department.

D. CHASE STREET TRAIL (City of Gary)

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

EAST REACH RECREATION

- A. At this point in time, the existing construction contracts in the East Reach are almost all completed. The only remaining area of construction is the Betterment Levee – Phase II, and the Griffith levee.
- B. Currently, the joint recreation venture with the Army Corps is completed; 90% of the completed East Reach levees have stoned trails completed; the remainder of East Reach trails are currently being coordinated and should be included in an upcoming recreation contract.
- C. Recreation trail re-alignments will be required in the East Reach due to heavy traffic in the proposed crossings at Grant Street and Broadway.
 1. **Broadway to Harrison Crossing – Stage II-3B – Crossing at Broadway** (currently on hold until the next recreation contract.)
 - Additional land, and some construction, will be required to extend a recreation trail along both the sidewalks East and West of Broadway to allow recreation trail continuation.
 - Upon completion of I.U. Northwest modifications on, and adjacent to,

Broadway, we may be able to install a permanent trail crossing south of the river and along the line of flood protection, as originally proposed by the COE

2. **Harrison to Grant Street Crossing – Stage II-3C – Crossing at Grant** (currently on hold until the next recreation contract.)

- In the Corps letter dated February 7th, 2002, they indicated, under the “remaining East Reach recreation features” response, that these remaining features will be incorporated into the next recreation contract.
- As part of the Stage III Remediation contract, the access roadway, and ramp up to the existing recreation trail, have been completed, and accepted, as per the inspection on June 23, 2005.
 - The remainder of the trail system is currently proposed along the east side of Gilroy Stadium to 32nd Street, then west to Grant, where crossing could be done at the existing stop light.

3. **EJ&E at-grade crossing – East of Cline Avenue**

- A. A letter was sent to the EJ&E RR on March 11, 2005 requesting them to re-visit their requirements which would allow the LCRBDC to install a new at-grade crossing for a recreational trail.
- A letter was received from the EJ&E RR on April 6, 2005 indicating they will not allow an at-grade crossing in this area. They suggest the topography would be most ideal for an under grade crossing.
 - It is currently being reviewed by the Corps. Above grade is restricted by real estate and cost, and the nearest at grade crossings are too far away. This could be done as part of the final Recreation Phase II contract. (The re-engineering will be coordinated prior to the release of the Recreation Phase II project).

WEST REACH RECREATION

Cline Avenue Crossing:

1. LCRBDC has contracted First Group Engineering (Dennis Cobb) to coordinate crossing Cline Avenue at the NIPSCO right-of-way.
 - A letter was received from INDOT on March 4 (dated March 1) indicating they had no objection to this crossing.
 - At the March 15, 2005 Real Estate meeting, the COE indicated that this crossing, and the trail from Cline east to the EJ&E RR will be done as part of an upcoming construction contract.
 - Original design information from RANI Engineering for Stage VI-2 was sent to the Corps on August 2, 2006 requesting an engineering review and concurrence, as well as what contract it could be released with. **(No response to date)**

Stage VI-2 (Rec. trail tie-in):

1. LCRBDC received a request from the COE on October 13, 2006 regarding the raising of the recreation trail ramp east of the NIPSCO substation east of Liable Road and north of the NIPSCO R/W.
 - This area allowed water to pass over the NIPSCO substation during recent

heavy rains. COE wants to raise this ramp and extend it to the north NIPSCO R/W (the extent of LCRBDC work limits).

- Meeting held with LCRBDC, NIPSCO, COE, and Highland Parks on October 18 – Highland to work with NIPSCO to extend their existing trail from west of Liable to our ramp extension.
- **An email was sent to the Highland Parks & Recreation Dept. on December 18, 2006 requesting the status of their real estate, funding, and scheduling.**

Tri-State recreational trail tie-in for the Highland/Wicker Park/Erie Lackawanna Trail System: (Part of Stage V – Phase 2 construction.)

- A. The Army corps is currently working on the next review set which should be available for comments in February 2007.
- The current plan indicates a recreational trail bridge will be installed west of Indianapolis Blvd. to tie in the Cabela's trail north of the river with the existing levee north of the Tri-State bus terminal. (This will then tie into the new Cabela's south levee & then into the existing trail circling Wicker Park).
 - The Erie Lackawanna trail appears to be extended from south of I-80/94 westward, along the north property line of Cabela's to a new north/south tie-back levee east of Northcote. This will then tie into our trail system north of the Little Calumet River, west of Northcote.

C. Stage VIII Trails:

1. The trail alignment in this area will be re-visited by the Buffalo Army Corps and will be coordinated through the review process.
 - The Chicago Corps contracted out the Buffalo District to do the Stage VIII design in October 2006.
2. Coordination with NICTD for trail along their R/W under I-80/94
 - We received a letter from NICTD on October 15th, 2001 (dated October 9th) indicating problems with the location of our trail on their R/W under I-80/94
 - They feel it is a safety concern and suggested we re-route our trail along their R/W to 173rd Street.
 - A meeting was held with NICTD on March 11th, 2002, to review recreation trail re-alignment, review hydraulic information, and discuss other local and COE concerns.
 - It appears we may be doing our construction in this area before the railroad would be proceeding. It is our intent to use our current design and when they proceed, we can work together accordingly.

GENERAL:

- A. At a coordination meeting with the Army Corps on May 24, 2005 to review the scheduling and funding for the rest of the project, it was agreed that the line of protection should be the focus of first available money.
- Recreation, river clean-up, and landscaping would be done secondarily.
 - This would allow the municipalities to come out of the floodplain at an earlier date.

B. The town of Highland is currently proposing some recreational development, as a local match, in conjunction with a Coastal Grant

- This will inter-phase with the recreational portion of our Stage VI-1 South project.
- They currently propose to engineer a boardwalk and bridge along the river near Homestead Park which would also connect the park to the island (Top-Hat area)
- NIES Engineering provided a cost and scope of work along with associated tasks for the planning stage of this project.

Jim Pokrajac

From: "Jim Pokrajac" <jpokrajac@nirpc.org>
To: <abrown@highland.in.gov>; <glh@garcia-consulting.com>
Sent: Monday, December 18, 2006 9:26 AM
Subject: Recreational Trail Tie-In @ Liable

Alex,

Could you please give me an update on the status of the recreational tie-in along Nipsco's R/W and Liable Road. I haven't got a recent update from the corps on the status of the raising of the ramp using Dyer Construction, or of the status of corps design. Do you think you would be doing this in the near future considering the weather and coordination requirements? Have you received design and layout details from GLE, have you started any coordination with NIPSCO for real estate necessary to do this, and what funding considerations have you discussed with the Parks Department to pay for this installation.

If you are waiting for further information from the corps, please let me know and I will try to help facilitate this portion of work.

Thanks,

JIM POKRAJAC

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DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
ATTENDANCE ROSTER**

NAME OF MEETING: LCRBDC

DATE: January 3, '07

LOCATION: 6100 Southport Rd, Portage CHAIRMAN: William Biller

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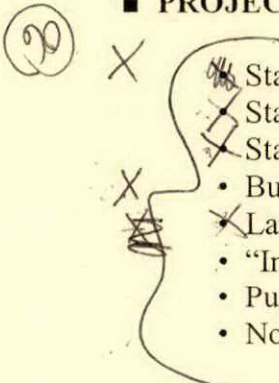
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LAND ACQUISITION REPORT

For meeting on Wednesday, January 3, 2007
(Information in this report is based upon latest data provided at the time the report is put together. Dates and costs may vary depending upon ongoing design and/or coordination with the Army Corps. Report period is from December 5 – December 28, 2006)

EAST REACH – REMAINING ACQUISITIONS

1. In compliance with the Congressman's request to complete the project by December, 2009, we are reviewing remaining East Reach acquisitions for acquisition either on tax sale or from landowner. (Ongoing)
 - We will be attending a Treasurer's Tax Sale on October 30 at the Lake County Gov't Center to bid for two properties. Bidding starts at the delinquent tax amount of (\$667 for DC751 and \$346 for DC757) plus title costs and processing fees.
2. The offer on DC813 (WLTH Radio) has been rejected and we are preparing condemnation filings.

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

1. Construction on the SALEM Corporation (formerly the WIND Radio station property) has been completed using a right-to-construct. We need an easement on the WIND property for maintenance purposes.
 - The appraisal was assigned to Oetzel & Hartman who will use a "fixture appraiser" to value the four towers on the site.
 - An "inspection for appraisal purposes" was held on October 31, 2006 on the site to complete field analysis as part of the appraisal process.
 - **We expect the appraisal to be submitted for review by January 15, 2007.**

STATUS (Stage V-Phase 2) Kennedy Avenue to Northcote, both North and South levees

1. All 30 offers have been made to landowners since 1/4/06. We have **23 closed, 7 open** (4 have accepted, 1 in condemnation, 1 tax sale protest, 2 have engineering departments awaiting our plans until they give real estate the approval to sign our offer: the NSRR and NIPSCO).
2. North Township has agreed to transfer the property rights by signing the easement agreements before the appraisal is completed. Appraisal is expected around 10/25/06.
 - North Township had a Board meeting on November 28 where easements were approved and donated to the LCRBDC for project use. **Easements were recorded 12/28/06**
3. We are in communication with Cabela's and they have verbally agreed to donate the easements and are more interested in the construction than the appraisal amount.
 - The appraisal is completed and was sent to the Corps for review on 9/28/06. Since the Just Compensation (easement values) are more than \$1 million, Corps Headquarters in Cincinnati must review and approve the appraisal.
4. **COE Real Estate is disagreeing with the land value (appraisal) set by the appraiser. This is important for crediting. Appraisal sets value at \$3.3 million. Detroit COE believe it should be \$1 million. Discussion continues.**

5. Norfolk Southern Railroad has received the offer and has not yet received the engineering drawings for review. They must have approval from their engineering department to sign the agreements. The Corps contracted an engineering consultant in September, 2006 to work with the railroad engineers in the hope of eliminating the problems recently experienced on the Burr Street railroad acquisitions.
 - Contract has been awarded and initial engineering for review will be available **by the end of January 2007.**
 - **We have filed condemnation but the hold-up on engineering drawings is causing a standstill in court.**
 - **Bergman Associates are consultants for the Chicago COE to design the railroad closures for V-2**
 - **For status of engineering coordination, refer to Engineering Status Report – Section Stage V-2.**
6. WHITECO, the Visitors Center, Hammond, NIPSCO, and three Interstate Plaza landowners are the final acquisitions.
 - A letter was sent to the WHITECO attorney on September 13 requesting their donating of the easement agreements. **Easements were donated November 8, 2006 and recorded on December 28, 2006.**
 - The city of Hammond is turning the Southeast Gardens property adjacent to Cabela's (DC-1185) over to INDOT. LCRBDC sent an email on 11/24 to National Surveying (Cabela's A/E) to coordinate a meeting to determine real estate turnover.
7. NIPSCO easements
 - Corps indicated at October 26, 2006 Real Estate meeting that initial drawings for review for the pipeline corridor (and west of the NSRR) will be available for comments the end of November 2006.
 - **LCRBDC sent copies of subordinated agreements to Vic Kotwicki (Chief of Real Estate, Detroit COE) on December 8, 2006 for his inspection.**

STATUS (Stage VI-Phase 1 South) – Kennedy to Liable - South of the river:
Land Acquisition deadline July, 2004

1. Construction is continuing on this segment.

STATUS (Stage VI-Phase 1 North) – Cline to Kennedy – North of the river:
Land Acquisition deadline April 30, 2005

1. Construction is continuing on this segment.

STATUS (Stage VI-Phase 2) – Liable to Cline – South of the river:
Land Acquisition deadline April 15, 2005

1. Construction is continuing on this segment.

STATUS (Stage VII) – Northcote to Columbia: The designation for this Stage is Stage VII – Hammond (North of the river) and Stage VII-Munster (South of the river)

1. Stage VII has 14 acquisitions on the Hammond (north) and the appraisals are completed **and approved. Offers are being prepared to send to landowners.**
2. Stage VII has 37 acquisitions on the Munster (south) side. The Corps has requested that we value street easements “de minimus” (a nominal amount). Seven street easements must now be done in-house instead of by our appraiser. He will still appraise the remaining properties.

3. We are coordinating the "appraisal summary report" between the appraiser and reviewer. This report will be the format for upcoming Stages VII and VIII appraisals.

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

1. It was agreed at the 5/25/06 Real Estate meeting to "keep going forward on Stage VIII". We have preliminary real estate drawings and have ordered location surveys to identify landowners and improvements.
 - The Buffalo Army Corps will be coordinating this segment, and upon receipt of location surveys, we will forward it to them to approve. Upon their approval, appraisals can then be assigned.
2. Title work is complete for 88 new files. Three survey companies have surveyed this large stage: DLZ, Garcia, and Torrenga.
3. Received Status Report from DLZ on December 27, 2006 2
 - 31 assigned parcel plats
 - 13 sent to Buffalo COE for review
 - 18 remaining will be submitted no later than 12/29/06
4. Received survey status report from GLE on December 29, 2006 3
 - 42 assigned parcel plats
 - 23 sent to Buffalo COE for review
 - 18 remaining will be submitted no later than December 29, 2006
5. Received survey status report from Torrenga 4
 - 20 assigned parcel plats
 - 17 will be sent to Buffalo COE on January 2, 2007
 - 3 will be sent to Buffalo COE on January 4, 2007
6. A neighborhood meeting was held with Dan Gardner, Jim Pokrajac, and several residents west of Hohman Avenue on Forest Avenue.
 - Levee was constructed to Federal standards years ago, but it appears no easements exist for maintenance, flood fighting, or inspections.
 - Received an email from the COE on December 15, 2006 indicating this section will not be part of Stage VIII contract. The LCRBDC will be responsible for any work on that levee. 5
 - Sent an email to LCRBDC surveyor in that area on December 18, 2006 indicating all real estate north of the river and west of Hohman Avenue will not be part of the Stage VIII contract. 6-7
 - A meeting is to be scheduled with the COE to discuss coordination and responsibilities to this area.
7. Landowners (DC1319) have requested we minimize impacts to their property. Construction plan in this area is being reviewed by the COE and we will try to minimize impacts.

STATUS (Betterment Levee – Phase 1 - Gary) Colfax to Burr Street:

Land Acquisition is completed.

1. Engineering, contract, or technical information may be referred to in the monthly Engineering Report.

STATUS (Betterment Levee – Phase 2 North of the NSRR east of Burr Street, and ½ mile east, back South over RR approximately 1400':

Land Acquisition deadline is September, 2005

1. The easement agreement with the Norfolk & Southern Railroad was signed June 21, 2006 and recorded June 29, 2006. Condemnation was officially dismissed 8/14/06
2. The ROE was signed by the LCRBDC on July 24th, 2006, and forwarded to the Army Corps.

27th and Chase – Pump Station Remediation

1. We received a request to obtain real estate from the Army Corps on July 24, 2006. There are five new acquisitions that need surveyed, appraised, etc. (Two private landowners; One INDOT; One city of Gary; one Gary Sanitary District).
 - Surveys for all parcels have been completed & sent to LCRBDC on September 21, 2006.
 - Army Corps indicated on September 19 that we only need a right to construct in this area because they are non-project features.
2. We received tabulation of estates from the Army Corps on August 10, 2006.
3. Refer to Engineering Report for status & scheduling.

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

1. We will be reviewing parcels, cost schedule with the Corps in light of Congressman Visclosky's letter to complete the project by December 2009.
2. New regulations for 49 CFR Part 24 allow in-house appraisals (waiver valuations) to be increased from \$5,000 to \$10,000. We have been writing new waiver valuations for several remaining acquisitions instead of assigning appraisals (more costly) to contract appraisers. (Ongoing)

PUMP STATION REHABILITATION – CONTRACT 2

1. **A letter was sent from the Corps to the Hammond Sanitary District requesting a field visit to gather information, and requesting real estate information to begin the easement process.**

GRIFFITH GOLF CENTER (North of NIPSCO R/W, East of Cline Avenue)

1. LCRBDC was directed by the COE to obtain a flowage easement on the entire property in a letter dated October 7, 2005.
2. The offer to the landowner was certified mail (as all offers are) on August 15, 2006. The landowner has 30 days to accept or reject.
 - We received a letter of rejection on 8/7/06. We are considering a meeting with the landowner to negotiate a settlement before condemnation is filed.
3. **LCRBDC attorney sent letter to Farag attorney on December 20, 2006 acknowledging rejection of Uniform Easement Offer and offering to have meeting and discuss one more time.**
4. **Letter also puts a ten-day limit on response from the landowner or condemnation will be filed.**

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CREDITING:

1. LCRBDC had a conference call with John Weaver of INDOT on March 16, 2005 requesting incremental cost data at Cline Avenue that would substantiate crediting. Best estimate still is in the range of \$600,000 (Ongoing)
2. At the 4/19/06 Real Estate meeting, the Corps requested our crediting totals for Stages I, II, III, and IV to match against their figures. The cash contribution is now calculated at 7%.
3. A letter was sent to INDOT on August 29, 2006 requesting technical information and associated costs for the Broadway and Grant interchanges on I-80/94.



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December 8, 2006

Mr. Vic Kotwicki
Chief, Real Estate Div.
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
477 Michigan Avenue
Detroit, Michigan 48226

Dear Vic:

Enclosed please a copy of the complete set of subordinated agreements that we have regarding the pipelines that are on NIPSCO right-of-way. These documents were originally given to us from NIPSCO. I'm sorry the quality of some of pages is not good but the originals are bad, too.

Any questions you may have can be referred to Jim Pokrajac.

Sincerely,

Sandy Mordus
Business Coordinator

/sjm
Encl.

cc: Imad Samara (w/o encl.)
Lou Casale (w/o encl.)

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Sent: Wednesday, December 27, 2006 2:15 PM
Subject: Stage 8 status

Jim,

As a follow up to our phone conversation earlier today on the status of DLZs involvement in the Stage 8 flood protection project;..... we are contracted to complete 31 parcel plats. As of this date, we have delivered 13 for preliminary review to the Buffalo district Corp of Engineers. This leaves 18 more for preliminary review; all of which I still plan on delivering to you and to Janet Lane of the Buffalo Army Corp. on or before 12/29/2006.

Sincerely,

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Attach: Stage 8 Key Map 12-29-06.PDF; PDFs 12-29-06.zip
Subject: Little Cal Stage 8 PDF Files

Janet,

Attached is a PDF file of a key map of Garcia Consulting work in Stage VIII. Of the 42 DC numbers listed in the table on the key map, we have previously sent you drawings on DC numbers DC-1320 thru DC-1335 and sketches on DC-1302, 04, 06, 07, 11, 13, and 14. (A total of 23 parcels)

Enclosed are PDF files of the following DC numbers for real estate review:

DC-1301 thru DC-1319
DC-1336 thru DC-1339
DC-1346
DC-1349
DC-1350

This completes our submittal for real estate review. If you have any questions regarding this work, please call.

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Subject: Estimated times

Hey Jim,

I talked to Stuart about the status of the work on the south side of the Little Cal in Munster. As of this morning none of the drawings have been sent to Buffalo but he anticipates submitting DC-1351 thru DC-1365 on Tuesday January 2 (17 drawings) and on Thursday January 4 he will submit DC-1364 (3 drawings). We anticipate that all field work on DC-1366 and 1367 will be completed by Friday January 5 and those drawings (3) will be submitted on Friday January 12. Feel free to contact me if there are any questions.

Respectfully,

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Subject: RE: DRAFT meeting minutes 13DEC2006 (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Just to be clear the section 104 levee is not part of Stage VIII. This is a levee that was built by the local sponsor and they would be responsible for any work on that levee. Any work that is part of stage VIII regarding the pump station is to continue as part of stage VIII.
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Subject: RE: DRAFT meeting minutes 13DEC2006 (UNCLASSIFIED)

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All,

Here is my take on the Hammond levee discussion. Please review and comment.

Thanks,

Rick Ackerson

Item 2-J:

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Attach: FAPSaerial.jpg; ForestAveRE.JPG
Subject: Fw: Forest Avenue Pump Station Real Estate requirements. (UNCLASSIFIED)

Greg,

As per our conference call with the corps today I am forwarding this information to you to show what will be required for a separate contract in the future and none of it will be required for the scope of work for Stage VIII, as was originally submitted to us by the Chicago Corps as part of their real estate drawings. Only the area in red will be needed for the upcoming Pump Station- Phase II project. Could you please let me know what DC#'s will no longer be needed so we can re-organize our files.

Thanks

JIM

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Subject: Forest Avenue Pump Station Real Estate requirements. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Jim,

I marked in red the real estate needed for the Forest Ave Pump Station work.

Imad,

Would Huntington be providing Jim the real estate drawing since they are doing the work on the pump station? If so could you please forward to the Huntington contact person.

Thanks,

Rick

Rick D. Ackerson

There was some discussion about the Hammond Levee and pump station built in the early 1980's in response to flooding from the 1981 flood event. The levee was constructed to Corps standards and is an essential part of the Corps project. The Corps and LCRBDC both have some back up documents regarding the levee and pump station. It has not been maintained well over the years and there appear to be many trees around portions of the levee. The levee will need to be brought up to current standards to be certified by FEMA. LCRBDC has requested as-builts from Hammond. LCRBDC has also requested that the Corps inspect the levee. Another issue that will need to be resolved in regard to the westerly tieback at the state line is that the Hammond levee ties into and is dependent on the Calumet City levee in Illinois which is not a certified.

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From: Lane, Janet R LRB

Sent: Friday, December 15, 2006 9:20 AM

To: Lavicka, Kelsey W CPT LRC; Samara, Imad LRC; Cunningham, Matthew W LRC; Ackerson, Rick D LRC; Roach, Nicole L LRC; 'Jim Pokrajac'

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Attached are the draft meeting minutes from our 13-Dec bi-weekly meeting. I apologize for the lack of info on item 2-J. Frank and I got on little sidebar during that discussion so if Matt, Rick and Jim could please fill that in it would be appreciated.

Please review and provide comments by COB 19-Dec. Jim - I don't have Dan Gardner's email so please forward these minutes to him for his review.

Thanks and have a great weekend!

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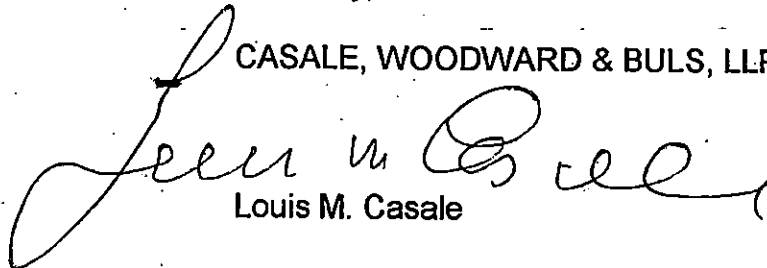
RE: Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission Acquisition of
 Flowage Easement from your clients Robert Farag and Maureen Farag.

Dear Mr. Wieser,

This letter is to acknowledge the receipt of your clients' letter rejecting the Uniform Easement Acquisition Offer forwarded by this office on behalf of the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission. The Commission has authorized me to commence eminent domain proceedings to acquire the flowage easements required for its flood control and recreation project in Lake County, Indiana. However, Dan Gardner, the Executive Director of the Commission has requested that, prior to filing the lawsuit, I contact you to propose one last opportunity to discuss this matter. In the event you and your clients wish to discuss this matter please contact this office so we might arrange a meeting. In the event I do not receive a phone call or a letter indicating a willingness to meet regarding this matter within ten days I will initiate eminent domain proceedings. I hope to hear from you within that time period so we may continue dialogue regarding this matter. I await hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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cc: - Dan Gardner

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

For meeting on Wednesday, January 3, 2007

(Information in this report is based upon latest data provided at the time the report is put together. Dates and costs may vary depending upon ongoing design and/or coordination with the Army Corps.

Report period is from December 5 – December 28, 2006)

GENERAL SUMMARIZATION (EAST REACH TURNOVER)

1. A meeting was held with the city of Gary, and their new representatives on July 20th, 2006 to familiarize the new administration with our project, explain O&M responsibility to be assumed by Gary, and to determine what they will require for the O&M turnover process. Some of these items include:
 1. Six (6) pump station turnover
 2. Levee, sluice gate, flap gate turnover
 3. Transfer of LCRBDC excess lands
 4. Coordination for emergency responseMaps, pump station reports, O&M detail for maintenance breakdown and costs were distributed and discussed. (Copies available upon request.)
 - Mailed handouts of this meeting to Geraldine Tousant (Deputy Mayor), Gwen Malone (Public Works Director), and Luci Horton (GSD Director) on September 6.
2. Submitted (8) copies of the O&M Manual to GSD for distribution on August 31, 2006.
3. A letter was sent to city of Gary on 12/5/06, along with O&M tasks, requesting Gary to provide their own cost estimates/task, to see what the annual cost will be to meet O&M responsibilities as per the Army Corps current O&M Manual. **(Ongoing as of December 29, 2006)**

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE BREAKDOWN STATUS

A. PUMP STATION TURNOVER

1. Six (6) pump stations will be turned over to Gary. These include Burr Street, Grant, Broadway, and Ironwood. It also includes two (2) lift stations at 32nd & Cleveland and Marshalltown.
2. An inspection of the six (6) pump stations in Gary was held on August 22 and 23, 2006 with the COE, representatives from Gary, and the LCRBDC.
 - Each of the three (3) parties **have submitted** results of the inspection which included accepted items, items to be put on a punch list, and any questions/clarifications regarding safety or intent of design.
 - A letter was sent to GSD on September 18 indicating the LCRBDC will provide the material for telemetry and a one year subscription in the amount of \$10,490 based upon Commission approval at our September 6 Board meeting.

- **A final punch list has been comprised by the LCRBDC, and is currently being reviewed by the Army COE and representatives from Gary. These items will be paid for and facilitated by the LCRBDC, to assure the stations are operating in "as-built" condition before turnover.**
3. Survey work for the six (6) pump stations has been completed and was provided to the LCRBDC attorney at the August 2, 2006 Board meeting, and will require coordination with the city of Gary attorney to sign an agreement as part of the O&M turnover.
 - **Awaiting meeting to be scheduled with both attorneys and decision makers for Gary. This will be part of the same meeting to discuss turnover of excess lands.**
 4. Received the Army Corps inspection results for pump stations on October 16, 2006 (copy available upon request).
 5. **A letter was sent to the Corps on 12/19/06 requesting comments on certain items. This will be the last step to complete the summary.** 1-5
 - **These items are questions, or concerns, primarily from Gary representatives.**

B. SLUICE GATE/FLAP GATE TURNOVER

1. **General Note: There are a total of 51 different closure areas in the East Reach.**
 - **Gary (41 sluice gates/41 flap gates)**
 - **Griffith (4 sluice gates/4 flap gates)**
 - **INDOT (6 sluice gates/6 flap gates)**
 - **INDOT gates were included as part of this inspection**
 - **Griffith gates will be inspected in the near future as part of the overall O&M turnover to Griffith**
2. It is the intent to advertise sluice gates, and flap gates separately (As a separate contract) from the pump stations and will include lubrication, clean-up, and repair, as noted in inspection reports.
 - **Minor items for lubrication or gear boxes are scheduled to be completed by United Water**
 - **One sluice gate and one flap gate will be cleaned, and assured to seal by Austgen Electric to get an approximate cost estimate/per gate.**
3. The first inspection for sluice gates and flap gates were held with GSD, United Water, Army Corps, and the LCRBDC on September 19-21, 2006.
 - A preliminary summarization letter was sent to GSD on September 26, 2006. There are approximately 43 sluice gates in Gary (4 could not be inspected due to high water, 8 did not seal, and 31 were able to seal and were lubricated).
 - 45 flap gates – 21 under water (could not be inspected), 9 were stuck open, and 15 were acceptable and sealed.
4. The second sluice gate/flap gate inspection was held on 11/8/06 as a supplement to the September inspection due to high water.

5. **A final inspection was held on December 14 (Only sluice gate remaining is at Cline & I-80/94 (I.D. #5)**

- **A final inspection sheet was comprised and is currently under review by the COE and representatives from Gary.**

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C. LEVEE, I-WALL TURNOVER

1. A levee inspection was held with the COE, LCRBDC, and Gary on April 25, 26, 27, 2006. **(Additional levee inspection will be scheduled in spring, 2007)**
 - Received comments from Greeley and Hansen (GSD consultant – Eric Tonk) on May 1, 2006, including a general summarization. (Copies are available upon request).
 - Received letter from the Corps on June 22, 2006 with a summarization and enclosed mapping and color photos. (Copies are available upon request).
2. LCRBDC received a letter from Col. Drolet (current Chicago District Commander) on August 3, 2006 indicating an additional I-wall inspection needs to be conducted in the near future due to a new Federal analysis following Hurricane Katrina.
 - COE tentatively wants to schedule this for next spring, 2007.
3. Vegetation cleared & herbicided from collector ditches as per agreements IL-06184-b&c dated 10/3/06
 - Inspection on October 24 was found satisfactory.
 - Received a letter from "Tallgrass" on 10/24/06 with a status/schedule report for this project.
4. Received results of Army Corps I-Wall inspection on October 16, 2006. This inspection was held by the COE only on August 31, 2006 (Copies available upon request).

D. TRANSFER OF EXCESS LANDS TO CITY OF GARY

1. Transfer of excess lands (approximately 359 acres) were discussed as part of a meeting held with the city of Gary on June 28, 2004. LCRBDC passed a resolution at the July 7, 2004 Board meeting to begin process.
2. A letter was sent to City of Gary attorney requesting that we proceed with coordination of agreements and what is required for land transfers of LCRBDC properties on September 22, 2006.
3. Surveys were completed on April 25, 2006 for excess lands which include acreage west of Clay Street, south of the NIPSCO R/W, east of I-65, and north of and adjacent to Burns Ditch. (This is approximately 196 acres)
 - The other area is between Chase and Grant adjacent to both sides of 35th Avenue (This is approximately 189 acres).
4. **Awaiting meeting to be scheduled with both attorneys and decision makers from Gary. This meeting will also discuss Gary requirements for land upon which project features sit (pump stations, levees, etc.)**

E. TURNOVER OF SPARE PARTS, MANUALS, AND "AS-BUILT" DRAWINGS

1. Spare Part Turnover Process

- A meeting was held with Debra Harris (United Water – Purchasing/Warehouse Manager) on June 13 to pick up inventory list of “spare parts for pump stations”, which were stored on GSD facilities in November 2005.
 - Received a letter from GSD on August 30, 2006 acknowledging receipt of spare parts lists and assigning a GSD representative to work with Debra Harris to confirm inventory.
2. A letter was sent to city of Gary on October 3, 2006 indicating that the LCRBDC has the (6) electric sluice gate operating drills for inspections.

F. GRIFFITH – O&M TURNOVER (GENERAL)

1. A meeting was held on June 30, 2005 at the Griffith Town Hall regarding the Process of Griffith being removed from the flood plain. (Refer to Engineering Report - Griffith levee)
2. **In addition to the certification of the existing Cline to EJ&E RR levee, Griffith will also be required for O&M responsibility from EJ&E RR to Colfax (Burr St. Phase I & southern part of Stage IV-1 South).**
 - **A meeting will be scheduled to discuss O&M responsibilities and turnover coordination.**

GENERAL SUMMARIZATION (WEST REACH TURNOVER)

A. North 5th Pump Station Turnover

1. A final inspection was held with Highland on February 28, 2006 (Contractor was Overstreet)
 - A letter was sent by the Army Corps to Overstreet on March 15, 2006 listing the items remaining to complete the contract.
 - This letter also summarized their contractual obligations, and a sequence of events to complete the punch list. They demonstrated an unsatisfactory performance on this contract and have failed to complete these items in a timely manner.
 - **Refer to Engineering Report for status of Overstreet coordination.**
2. Pump Station turnover coordination
 - **Sent an email to Highland on December 19 requesting facilitation of turnover & that LCRBDC has all manuals, drawings, etc. Highland responded that their Board will accept this station & provide them an agreement.**
 - **An email was sent to the COE on December 22 requesting information on turnover; Overstreet legal problems, COE requirements, and inspection requirements.**

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EMERGENCY RESPONSE COORDINATION

A. Acceptance of Emergency Response by each project municipality

1. A meeting was held with the COE, LCRBDC, USGS, the National Weather Service, and representatives from all five (5) communities on April 24, 2006.
 - COE requires turnover, and sign-off, by each municipality to assume responsibility for their community to comply with COE plan during a

flood, and to submit a plan as part of their overall community emergency response plan.

2. A coordination meeting was held in Chicago on May 8, 2006 with the Corps, LCRBDC, and Lake County Emergency Management (Jeff Miller) to update emergency procedures, establish field exercises, and establish new points of contact.
3. It was mutually agreed that the closures throughout the project could be expedited by supplementing 2'x2'x7' concrete blocks, with plastic and sandbags at each location.
 - Received information from the COE in mid-June to determine how many concrete barriers will be needed for each location throughout the project.
 - LCRBDC will coordinate with each municipality to locate these concrete barriers on each individual site. **(Ongoing)**

B. Replace river data loggers by the COE and USGS

1. LCRDAN upgrades (river data loggers) in conjunction with the USGS has been agreed upon by the COE to be provided to replace existing outdated units in Crown Point, Hammond, and Gary.
 - A conference call was held on May 24, 2005 with the COE, LCRBDC, USGS, National Weather Service, and the communities to discuss updating current river level monitoring equipment.
 - A summary of this call was distributed by the COE on May 24 (afternoon).
 - COE provided an update of the status on August 24, 2006. (COE anticipates completion by end of September) **(Ongoing)**

MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Hammond Fence Company **has completed** fence repairs and improvements in the area of the North Burr Street Stormwater Pumping Station in the amount of \$2,060.00
 - **Final inspection was held on December 29, 2006 and was found satisfactory as per plans and specs. (These were some of the items required in the Burr Street pump station turnover).**
- B. The Gary Stormwater Management group had an initial planning session on 11/30/06 to discuss watershed planning.
 - Dan Gardner attended this meeting.



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December 19, 2006

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Dear Imad:

Below I have listed the outstanding items that need to be answered and/or addressed by the Army Corps of Engineers regarding the turnover of the six pump stations in the city of Gary. I realize you have previously submitted some of this information via email or phone call but I would request a written response on Army Corps letterhead to all of these items to use as documentation to the city of Gary as part of the turnover process. At this point in time, all pump stations are operating as was designed and constructed through our project. Minor items remain to be completed that will be facilitated through the LCRBDC. I am hoping that you will respond to the following items. I will submit your responses as part of our agreement with the city of Gary to address all outstanding items. Following is the list of outstanding issues, primarily requested by the city of Gary, that may be engineering, or design, concerns, as of our August 22, 2006 inspection:

North Burr Street SW Pump Station

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|-----------|---|
| Ref. #6 | Wall mounted heater and/or thermostat need repair - USACOE to verify that equipment is installed above flood elevation. |
| Ref. #7.1 | Slopes - USACOE is planning to re-seed the slopes of the retention pond with native grasses. (Who will install and coordinate?) |
| Ref. #8.1 | Railings - WREP feels railing at outfall is necessary. USACOE please comment. (Is this an OSHA requirement?) |
| Ref. #8.2 | Signage - WREP feels warning signage is necessary, USACOE please comment. (Is this an OSHA requirement?) |

- Ref. #19 **Verification is needed that the 480-volt generator connection works** - GSWMD does not have a generator to provide power to station. Verification that generator supplied system functions was not completed. USACOE will check O&M manual for requirements. USACOE please comment.
- Ref. #27 **Verification that all items in the plans and specs were provided** - Item moved forward until project completion. USACOE please comment.
- Ref. #35 **Training** - United Water needs to be trained on operation of equipment including Program Logic Controller (PLC). USACOE please comment - Was this item completed at turnover?
- Ref. #36 **Software** - PLC software should be provided. USACOE please comment.
- Ref. #37 **Control Panel safety issues** - Need toe plates and ladder gate on elevated control panel platform. USACOE please comment. (Is this an OSHA requirement?)

Grant Street SW Pump Station

- Ref. #1 **The sump pump and corresponding discharge piping and wiring, which is shown on the as-built drawings, was not installed. This pump, piping, and wiring need to be installed** - Sump pump missing. Sump pump discharge piping missing. Sump pump wiring missing. No. 1 pump float wiring is not properly secured (held by scrap remix to grating). USACOE please comment.
- Ref. #17 **Debris is blocking the intake structure** - Screen at this location is too large to effectively block debris from entering the lift station. Influent screen to pump station bars too wide to trap debris (much debris in wet well - plugs pumps). USACOE please comment on intent of design.
- Ref. #17.1 **Pump Removal** - No lifting mechanism for influent or walking grate or means to attach grate to lifting mechanism. USACOE please comment.
- Ref. #17.2 **Oil Trap** - No BMP at this station to trap oil from adjacent truck stop (to prevent from discharge into LCR). USACOE please comment.
- Ref. #19 **Proper signage** - Proper signage needs to be provided. WREP feels warning signage is necessary. USACOE please comment. (Is this an OSHA requirement?)

- Ref. #21 **Fencing** – Secure area with proper fencing. WREP feels fencing is necessary (LCRBDC agrees). USACOE please comment.

Broadway SW Pump Station

- Ref. #8 **Verification that all items in the plans and specs were provided** – Item moved forward until project completion. USACOE please comment.
- Ref. #10 **Pump access hatch** – Safety chains need to be provided. USACOE please comment.
- Ref. #11 **Bar Screen** – Bar Screen cleaning and maintenance present safety issues. USACOE please comment.

Ironwood SW Pump Station

- Ref. #5 **The ACOE was to supply a spare pump and lifting apparatus to the station to satisfy the GSWMD's concern regarding replacing a pump during a flood event** – USACOE will provide as part of its 27th and Chase levee contract. USACOE Please confirm and explain.
- Ref. #11 **Fencing modifications are needed to provide needed access for pump removal** – USACOE to provide as part of Chase Street Project. (USACOE please explain and confirm)
- Ref. #18 **Verification that all items in the plans and specs were provided** – Item moved forward until project completion. USACOE please comment.
- Ref. #21 **Bar Screen** – Bar Screen cleaning and maintenance present safety issues. USACOE please comment.
- Ref. #24 **Signage** – Proper signage needs to be provided. WREP feels warning signage is necessary. USACOE please comment.

Tile @ West Grant SW Pump Station

- Ref. #8 **Verification that all items in the plans and specs were provided** – Item moved forward until project completion. USACOE please comment.

- Ref. #12 **Training** - United Water needs to be trained on operation of equipment including Program Logic Controller (PLC) USACOE please comment – Was this item completed at turnover?
- Ref. #13 **Software** - PLC software should be provided. USACOE please comment.
- Ref. #14 **Debris is blocking the intake structure** - Influent screen to pump station bars too wide to trap debris (much debris in wet well – plugs pumps). Safety issues associated with maintenance of bar screen. No BMP at this station. USACOE please comment.
- Ref. #15 **Elevation of pump set points to be verified** - USACOE to verify elevation of pump set points.
- Ref. #16 **Signage** - Proper signage needs to be provided. WREP feels warning signage is necessary. USACOE please comment.

Marshalltown SW Pump Station

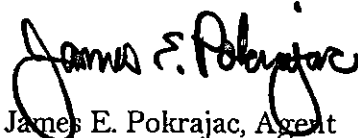
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- Ref. #19 **Signage** - Proper signage needs to be provided. WREP feels warning signage is necessary. USACOE please comment.

We appreciate your cooperation and timeliness in responding to us, in Writing, in order to facilitate the final turnover of the pump stations to the city of Gary as part of their O&M responsibility for the Little Calumet River flood control project. It is critical that we turn these stations over in the very near future in order that those items we

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have already paid to remediate do not require additional repairs or maintenance to bring each station back up to "as-built" condition. The LCRBDC has very limited funds to do any more maintenance work. In order to keep to the schedule given by the Congressman, we must move forward on all items to complete – not just land acquisition.

Sincerely,



James E. Pokrajac, Agent
Engineering/Land Management

/sjm
Encl.
Cc:

Dan Gardner
Shamel Abou-El-Seoud
William Rochford
Robert Sezamov
Doug Anderson

Sluice Gate / Flap Gate Inspection Results

Location (General)	ID	Location	Dimensions	Primary Closure	Secondary Closure	General Notes
Griffith Closures	1	EJ & E RR @ South Levee, Griffith				
	2	West of Arborgast Street	60" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	3	West of Colfax				
	4	W of Colfax, N of WIND RADIO		Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
INDOT Closure	5	SE 1/4 Cline & I-80/94	96" Dia	Duckbill	Sluice Gate	INDOT (necessary for I 80/94 drainage)
	6	West of Calhoun		Flap Gate	Drop Structure	
	7	East of Calhoun @ RR		Flap Gate	Drop Structure	
Burr St. Pump Station	8a	East of Burr St Pump Station	66" Dia	None	Sluice Gate	
	8b	East of Burr St Pump Station	66" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	9a	West of Chase Street	60" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	9b	West of Chase Street	60" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	9c	West of Chase Street	60" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	10a	East of Chase Street	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	10b	East of Chase Street	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	11	35th Ave @ Chase St	6' x 5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	12a	Between Chase & Grant St	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	12b	Between Chase & Grant St	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
South Levee - In Field	12c	Between Chase & Grant St	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	12d	Between Chase & Grant St	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	13a	West of 32nd & Cleveland Stage III Rem.	36" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	13b	West of 32nd & Grant	36" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
Stage III Rem. Pump Station	13c	SE Corner of Levee	36" Dia	None	Sluice Gate	
	14a	SW I-80/94 ramp @ Grant St	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	14b	SW I-80/94 ramp @ Grant St	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
Grant St. Pump Station	15	South Bank West of Grant St	3' x 3' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate (NRS)	
	16a	South Bank East of Grant St Pump Station	4' x 4' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	16b	South Bank East of Grant St Pump Station	4' x 4' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	16c	South Bank East of Grant St Pump Station	4' x 4' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	17	SE I-80/94 ramp @ Grant St	4' x 4' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	Not required after INDOT interchange construction
	18a	East of Grant (Pierce)	42" Dia	Duckbill	None	
	18b	East of Grant (Pierce)	42" Dia	Duckbill	None	
	19	South Bank @ Harrison St	3' x 3' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	20a	East Side of Broadway	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	20b	East Side of Broadway	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	21a	Alley 1 East of Broadway Pump Station	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	Bad seals on operator
	21b	Alley 1 East of Broadway Pump Station	4.5' x 4.5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	Bad seals on operator
Broadway Pump Station	22	South Bank @ Pennsylvania St	42" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
INDOT Closure	23	West of Georgia, South of I-80/94	42" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	INDOT (necessary for I 80/94 drainage)(Couldn't operate, silted in)
	24a	North on Georgia St	48" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
INDOT Closures	24b	North on Georgia St	48" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	25	West of River North of I-80/94	24" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	INDOT (necessary for I 80/94 drainage)
	26	West of River South of I-80/94	24" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	INDOT (necessary for I 80/94 drainage)
	27a	East of Georgia Street	36" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	27b	East of Georgia Street	36" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
INDOT Closures	28	East of River North of I-80/94	24" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	INDOT (necessary for I 80/94 drainage)
	29	East of River South of I-80/94	24" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	INDOT (necessary for I 80/94 drainage)
Ironwood Pump Station	30a	West of MLKD @ 84" Overflow Ironwood Pump Station	5' x 5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	30b	West of MLKD @ 84" Overflow Ironwood Pump Station	5' x 5' Box	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
Stage III Rem. Pump Station	31	W of I-65, South of I-80/94	36" Dia	none	Sluice Gate	
	32	Marshalltown Stage III Rem.	48" Dia	Flap Gate	Sluice Gate	
	33	E of I-65, North of I-80/94	2 - 24" Dia	Flap Gate	Drop Structure	

	Gates on Griffith Property
	Accepted on December 14, 2006 inspection
	Failed (needs cleaning or maintenance)
	Remaining to inspect
NRS	Non Rising Stem

Jim Pokrajac

From: "John Bach" <jbach@highland.in.gov>
To: "Jim Pokrajac" <jpokrajac@nirpc.org>
Sent: Tuesday, December 19, 2006 3:58 PM
Subject: RE: North 5th Pump Station- O&M Turnover

The Sanitary Board of Commissioners will accept the station. Go ahead and prepare the necessary documentation and we can have the matter considered at a Sanitary Board meeting. The Board meets in a public meeting on the 3rd Tuesday each month.

From: Jim Pokrajac [mailto:jpokrajac@nirpc.org]
Sent: Tuesday, December 19, 2006 12:05 PM
To: John Bach; mpipta@highland.in.gov
Subject: North 5th Pump Station- O&M Turnover

John,

Recently, I received O&M manuals from the corps, which probably completes everything I need to go through the turnover process with the Town of Highland for the North 5th Pump Station. Several years ago we went through the process to turn over the 81st St. Pump Station, and we would probably follow the same procedure, including signed agreements, turnover of "as-built" drawings, and regularly scheduled inspections.

I realize that I have been remiss in following up on this, and that Highland has been doing O&M for the past several years, but the corps require we follow this procedure for Highland to come out of the floodplain with certified project features. Please let me know how you would like to facilitate this.

Thanks, JIM POKRAJAC

Jim Pokrajac

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Sent: Friday, December 22, 2006 9:51 AM
Subject: North 5th Pump Station Turnover

Imad, I just reviewed the Monthly construction status reports and noticed several items yet to be resolved with Overstreet. I am beginning the process with the Town of Highland to turn this station over to them for O&M responsibilities. Is there any problem in doing this? The reality of this is that Highland has been doing their regular maintenance on this station for some time now, and this would be a formality. I would need them to sign an agreement, similar to what we did for the 81st St. Pump Station, and officially turn over the "as-builts", spare parts, manuals, etc..I talked with Highland after the final inspections and said that I would work with them to be in compliance with COE requirements for O&M. Could you help me out a little bit and refresh my memory as to what is required as to reports, results of normal maintenance, and how often the COE would be involved in follow-up inspections.

This would be a good time to establish a standard format for agreements, responsibilities, and formats for all of the upcoming pump station turnovers (Pump Station-1A contract, Pump Station-1B contract, and the current Stage VI - Phase I (South) North Drive Pump Station. I would like to start this immediately, and need to know which stations are ready for this process. Some of these stations have outstanding contractor issues.

Thank You,

JIM

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