

MINUTES

North Dakota State Water Commission
Bismarck, North Dakota

September 5, 1985

The North Dakota State Water Commission held a meeting on September 5, 1985, at the Old State Office Building, Bismarck, North Dakota. Governor-Chairman, George A. Sinner, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Following opening remarks and the administration of the Oath of Office by Governor Sinner, the new Commission members were introduced.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

George A. Sinner, Governor-Chairman
Richard Backes, Member from Glenburn
Joyce Byerly, Member from Watford City
Jacob Gust, Member from West Fargo
William Guy, Member from Bismarck
Ray Hutton, Member from Oslo, Minnesota
William Lardy, Member from Dickinson
Jerome Spaeth, Member from Bismarck
Vernon Fahy, State Engineer and Secretary, North Dakota
State Water Commission, Bismarck

MEMBER ABSENT:

Kent Jones, Commissioner, Department of Agriculture, Bismarck

OTHERS PRESENT:

State Water Commission Staff Members
Approximately 25 persons in attendance interested in agenda items

The attendance register is on file in the State Water Commission offices (filed with official copy of minutes).

The meeting was recorded to assist in compilation of the minutes.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES
OF JUNE 6, 1985 MEETING -
APPROVED

Secretary Fahy summarized the minutes of June 6, 1985. The minutes were approved by the following motion:

It was moved by Commissioner Spaeth, seconded by Commissioner Gust, and unanimously carried, that the minutes of the June 6, 1985 meeting be approved as circulated.

BRIEFING SESSION FOR
COMMISSION MEMBERS BY
STATE ENGINEER AND
SWC DIVISION DIRECTORS

Secretary Fahy introduced staff and audience, following which the State Engineer and the Division Directors briefed the new Commission members concerning agency policies and

practices in the following areas: the State Water Commission - State Engineer relationship; relationships with Water Resource Districts and other legal entities; relationships with the North Dakota Water Users, Conservancy District, and state agencies; and an explanation of the Contract Fund expenditures.

DISCUSSION CONCERNING
STATE WATER COMMISSION
CONTRACT FUND EXPENDITURES

Secretary Fahy indicated that prior to July 1, 1985, the services of private consulting engineers to local units of government for

water-related projects were not an eligible item of participation by the State Water Commission.

On May 3, 1984, the State Water Commission authorized the inclusion of consultant engineering services as an item eligible for cost participation effective July 1, 1985. Eligible items would include feasibility studies, preliminary design and final design.

Secretary Fahy said the major deviation from prior policies has to do with dam construction projects. Prior to July 1, 1985, there had been only one dam designed and built by anyone other than a state or federal agency.

A Dam Design handbook has been developed for the consulting engineers use to provide uniformity in the design of dams. The State Water Commission will be placing engineers at dam construction sites on a spot basis to become familiar with construction methods in the event that State Water Commission personnel might be asked to provide assistance should any maintenance problems develop in the future.

The Commission members directed the State Engineer and staff to prepare a paper for discussion purposes at the next meeting outlining ideas for a limitation on fees for consultant services.

REPORT ON SOUTHWEST
PIPELINE PROJECT
(SWC Project No. 1736)

Secretary Fahy briefed the Commission members on the Southwest Pipeline Project. Dale Frink, Project Manager for the Project, discussed the project features.

Secretary Fahy discussed the Corps of Engineers proposal to charge for stored waters. He said the proposal indicates that before the Corps of Engineers will provide an easement to build the intake structure for the Southwest Pipeline Project on Corps land, the State must agree to pay for the storage costs of the water. He

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noted that the Office of Management and Budget Office in Washington, D. C. has proclaimed that federal agencies shall recover all of the costs of federal facilities that have been built so, therefore, the Corps of Engineers was directed to initiate a water storage charge for water from the Garrison Reservoir. He said the State disagrees entirely with that philosophy and that if the State could afford the time and money to initiate litigation the State could probably get this proposal overturned because the 1944 Flood Control Act does not have that as a purpose. However, the Corps is retroactively interpreting an Act passed in 1958 to apply to these projects.

Secretary Fahy indicated that he has signed and forwarded to the Corps of Engineers the agreement deleting the language relative to the water storage charge. He urged the Corps of Engineers to forward this agreement to the Washington office requesting them to take immediate action in order that construction can begin this fall on the intake structure.

Secretary Fahy indicated that an amendment has been attached to the Water Resources Development Act of 1985 which would exempt the states from the storage charge under certain conditions. He noted the amendment is not satisfactory and that a revision has been proposed by the Congressional Delegation of North and South Dakota to restrict the Corps of Engineers actions on Missouri River reservoir storage.

Dale Frink discussed the project features stating that the entire project is essentially designed and ready to bid. The last session of the Legislature appropriated \$20 million for construction purposes. The intake structure and the first 40 miles of the pipeline will be built during this biennium with these funds. Eighty-four percent of the easements have been acquired for the pipeline and 15 of the 18 sites have been purchased.

Secretary Fahy briefed the Commission members on project financing and said that a bonding process is also being considered.

DISCUSSION RELATIVE TO
SOUTH DAKOTA'S INITIATION
OF LAWSUIT TO DETERMINE
OWNERSHIP OF THE WATERS
OF MISSOURI RIVER CONTAINED
WITHIN THAT STATE'S BOUNDARIES

Governor Sinner indicated that the Governor of South Dakota has initiated a lawsuit to determine the ownership of the waters of the Missouri River contained within that state's boundaries.

After considerable discussion, Governor Sinner recommended that it would be in the best interests of the State of North Dakota to join with South Dakota in this effort, although no costs for the lawsuit have been established at this time.

It was moved by Commissioner Guy and seconded by Commissioner Byerly that the State Water Commission support the intervention in the lawsuit on the side

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of South Dakota in the manner selected by the Governor and the Attorney General.

In discussion of the motion, Commissioner Lardy expressed concern that no specific costs for the lawsuit have been established and said he does not feel comfortable supporting North Dakota's intervention in the lawsuit until these costs are determined.

At the call of the question, six Commission members voted aye; Commissioner Lardy voted nay. The Chairman declared the motion passed.

UPDATE ON SOURIS RIVER
FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT
(SWC Project No. 1408)

Secretary Fahy briefed the Commission members on the Souris River Flood Control Project. A compromise was developed between project opponents and proponents which specified dropping Burlington Dam in favor of raising Lake Darling approximately four feet and improving the channel capacity through Minot and Velva and several other areas within the valley. The contracts have been let for the Velva work and construction has begun.

The compromise also called for an examination of the possibilities of United States participation in two storage projects in Saskatchewan, known as the Rafferty and Alameda Dam projects. The Rafferty Dam would be used by the Province for hydropower purposes but could provide flood control benefits to North Dakota.

Governor Sinner and Commissioner Backes briefed the State Water Commission on the joint efforts of the two entities and the Corps of Engineers in completing a study of the feasibility of this proposal. Alameda Dam would be a flood storage structure on Moose Mountain Creek, a tributary to the Mouse River.

REPORT ON RUSH LAKE
ENGINEERING STUDY
(SWC Project No. 463)

Secretary Fahy briefed the Commission on the background of the Rush Lake project and said one of the proposals that has developed is that Rush Lake should be acquired as a part of the mitigation program for the Garrison Diversion Project. The Water Resource District as well as many of the landowners in the area favored the idea. It was decided to proceed with the development of a plan that would set Rush Lake aside for mitigation purposes.

The State Water Commission developed the plan in conjunction with the other interests in the area. The plan was presented to the local Water Resource Board and involved citizens and there was concern relative to the elevation that was recommended for the lake in order for it to have the values that were necessary to qualify for mitigation and to provide flood control for the area.

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The locals want an elevation lower than the elevation developed by the State Water Commission in its plan. At a meeting the locals decided not to go along with the mitigation plan. That action was taken by the Water Resource Board and since that time the Bureau of Reclamation has withdrawn its offer to purchase the land. To date, the local Water Resource Board has not made a counter proposal.

Joe Cichy briefed the Commission members on a complaint recently filed by the Crockett family against the Cavalier County Water Resource Board and the State Water Commission. The case involves the Crockett family alleging that the State Water Commission is required to implement the Rush Lake project, or in the alternative, that the State Water Commission is liable for the damages caused to them by the upstream drainage. The damages, as alleged by the Crocketts, amounts to \$1,576,000. Mr. Cichy indicated that the State Water Commission has until September 16 to respond to the complaint.

CONTINUED DISCUSSION
RELATIVE TO DEVELOPMENT
OF POLICY ON CONTROL
OF DRAINAGE
(SWC Project No. 1053)

At the June 6, 1985 State Water Commission meeting, Governor Sinner requested that the State Engineer and staff develop a written policy to provide a means of requiring local water resource districts to enforce drainage regulations. The policy was to include a provision whereby a local water resource district would jeopardize eligibility to receive financial assistance or cost sharing from the State Water Commission if it did not adequately enforce the state drainage laws in its jurisdiction.

Secretary Fahy distributed a draft listing several proposals to the Governor's request for the Commission's review and consideration at a future meeting.

Secretary Fahy stated that the staff is proceeding in the preparation of a manual for use by the Water Resource Districts to more clearly articulate and outline the steps they must go through to comply with the laws regarding their powers and duties and the State's prerogatives in various drainage proposals.

STATUS REPORT ON
GARRISON DIVERSION
PROJECT
(SWC Project No. 237)

Report is the major problem and negotiations are continuing with the Audubon Society in attempting to reach agreement upon language for inclusion in authorizing legislation.

Governor Sinner summarized the background of the Garrison Diversion Project negotiations. He stated that interpretation of the Garrison Diversion Unit Commission

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CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FROM
RUSH RIVER WATER RESOURCE
DISTRICT FOR COST PARTICIPATION
IN CASS COUNTY DRAIN NO. 30
(SWC Project No. 1082)

A request for cost participation was presented for the Commission's consideration from the Rush River Water Resource District for the reconstruction of Cass County Drain No. 30. The Commission re-

ceived a subsequent request for the construction of an extension to Cass County Drain No. 30 in August, 1985.

Dave Sprynczynatyk discussed the project indicating that the drain was first established on July 12, 1910. It is located southeast of Argusville and outlets into the Sheyenne River. Records show that the Commission cost participated in work done in 1946 and 1958.

The reconstruction phase, which has been completed, consists of cleaning and improving approximately 10,000 feet of drain near the outlet. This includes widening the bottom from 8 to 10 feet and changing the side slopes from 2:1 to 4:1. The extension of the project will add approximately two miles of drain. The cost for the reconstruction phase of the project is \$83,276, although only \$47,510 of this phase would be eligible for cost sharing. The cost for the extension is \$21,000.

Mr. Ken McIntyre, Chairman of the Rush River Water Resource Board, further detailed the project, and requested favorable consideration for cost sharing in both phases. He said on the extension project, the Board has advertised for bids, and weather permitting construction is anticipated this fall.

It was the recommendation of the State Engineer that the State Water Commission act favorably in the request of the Rush River Water Resource Board to cost participate in 40 percent towards the portion of the reconstruction phase of the project which involves channel improvement and 40 percent towards the extension phase of the project. These amounts would be \$19,004 and \$8,400 respectively, for a total of \$27,404. This would be contingent upon the availability of funds and the Board providing final excavation quantities for review.

It was moved by Commissioner Hutton, seconded by Commissioner Gust, and unanimously carried, that the State Water Commission contribute 40 percent towards the reconstruction phase of the Cass County Drain No. 30 project involving channel improvement, not to exceed \$19,004; and, to contribute 40 percent towards the extension phase of the Cass County Drain No. 30 project, not to exceed \$8,400, for a total for the phases of \$27,404. This motion shall be contingent upon the availability of funds, and the Rush River Water Resource Board providing final excavation for review.

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DISCUSSION OF SOUTHERN MCLEAN
AND WESTERN SHERIDAN COUNTIES
WATER SUPPLY PROJECT
(SWC Project No. 1782)

Secretary Fahy provided information on the Southern McLean and Western Sheridan Counties Water Supply Project. In December, 1984, a study was completed addressing several alternatives for delivery of water into this area. The study was partially funded by the State Water Commission. A request has been received for cost participation for a preliminary design study including engineering, legal fees, and administrative costs at an estimate cost of \$110,000. State Water Commission policy now provides for cost sharing for engineering services, and because of the new law which requires a specific selection procedure for engineers, it may be necessary for the State Water Commission to be directly involved in the selection process.

Secretary Fahy indicated that if a decision is made to proceed with this project, the project sponsor is likely to request funding from the State through the Resources Trust Fund. He said that during the 1985 Legislative Session, the Resources Trust Fund was changed to include project financing for all types of projects, and to include specific application procedures for project consideration.

Secretary Fahy indicated that a meeting will be held this fall with representatives of the project sponsor to discuss the procedures to be followed for this project. A recommendation will be presented for the Commission's consideration following this meeting.

DISCUSSION OF BEAVER
CREEK FLOOD CONTROL
DAM IN STEELE COUNTY
(SWC Project No. 1808)

A request was presented for the Commission's consideration from the Steele County Water Resource District to cost share in the proposed Beaver Creek Dam. Dave Sprynczynatyk indicated this is a proposed dry dam to store floodwaters generated from a 116 square mile watershed on Beaver Creek, a tributary to the Goose River. The dam would be approximately 70 feet high and would store approximately 4,200 acre-feet of water at the elevation of a concrete chute spillway.

Mr. Sprynczynatyk said the project is estimated to cost \$1,125,000. The benefits from the project appear to be primarily in the area directly downstream from the dam on Beaver Creek, and the State Water Commission staff is in the process of trying to determine the extent of these benefits. Benefits further downstream on the Goose River and on the Red River are very difficult to determine since they are minimal. There are no significant benefits in the urban areas. Overall, benefits will likely not exceed costs.

Mr. Sprynczynatyk stated that funding for this project is expected to come from several entities. The project sponsor has requested funding from the State Water Commission for eligible items in a manner similar to the way it has funded other

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floodwater retention structures in the Red River Watershed. Since the preliminary design and feasibility analysis for the project were not received until August 26, 1985, ample time has not been allowed to adequately evaluate the project. The permit for the construction has not been applied for.

Mr. Jeff Volk, Consulting Engineer for Moore Engineering in West Fargo, discussed in detail the proposed project. He said there have been other sites investigated for this project but this particular site appears to be the most feasible. The property owners are likewise agreeable to the project. Mr. Volk made reference to the State Water Plan and noted that repeatedly within the Plan the intention is drawn to flooding and states there is a need for certain flood control structures. He believes that the State Water Plan contains the concerns of the people in the area who have experienced the flooding and the State Water Plan is a broad overview of everyone's opinion of what needs to be done.

Mr. Bennett Rindy, Chairman of the Steele County Water Resource Board, spoke in support of this project and requested favorable consideration of cost sharing.

Mr. Gilman Strand, Traill County Water Resource Board, indicated this proposed project has met with approval by the landowners. He noted that Steele, Traill and Grand Forks Counties will all benefit from the project. The Red River Joint Board has expressed their support for the project and urged favorable action.

Mr. Ken McIntyre, Rush River Water Resource Board, indicated he wished to go on record strongly supporting the other Water Resource Boards and their opinions relative to this project.

Commissioner Hutton expressed his support for the project.

It was the recommendation of the State Engineer that because there had not been adequate time to evaluate the proposal and because the permit for the construction has not been applied for, that the Commission defer action on the request until its next meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Guy, seconded by Commissioner Backes, and unanimously carried, that the State Water Commission acknowledge receipt of the request from the Steele County Water Resource District for cost sharing in the proposed Beaver Creek Dam and that action on the cost sharing request be deferred until a later meeting.

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CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST
FROM MCHENRY COUNTY WATER
RESOURCE DISTRICT FOR COST
SHARING IN EATON FLOOD
IRRIGATION PROJECT
(SWC Project No. 227)

A request was presented to the Commission members for their consideration from the McHenry County Water Resource Board for cost sharing in repair of the Eaton Flood Irrigation Project.

Mr. Sprynczynatyk indicated that over the past year the dikes and dam that makeup the Eaton Flood Irrigation Project have been severely damaged. Flows this spring and sustained flows through the summer have caused considerable erosion rendering much of the project inoperable. The estimate of repair is approximately \$30,000. Mr. Sprynczynatyk indicated that the Eaton Flood Irrigation Project is approximately 50 years old and involves 30 to 35 farmers and provides water for approximately 10,000 acres. The assessment district is still functioning and assessments are made to the landowners each year for maintenance. The problem that the assessment district is faced with now is not considered normal maintenance and is actually a major failure of the project. Because of problems experienced this spring, only 60 percent of the area was able to be irrigated. It is anticipated that weather permitting, work will be completed this fall.

It was the recommendation of the State Engineer that the Commission consider this project in the same manner as other agricultural projects and provide cost sharing of 40 percent of eligible costs not to exceed \$12,000.

It was moved by Commissioner Lardy, seconded by Commissioner Gust, and unanimously carried, that the State Water Commission approve cost participation in the Eaton Flood Irrigation Project in 40 percent of the eligible items, not to exceed \$12,000. This motion shall be contingent upon the availability of funds, and an investigation of the area by State Water Commission staff to determine the damages and to determine the best method of repair.

CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FOR
CITY OF SOUTH HEART FOR COST
SHARING FOR FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT
(SWC Project No. 1307)

Dave Sprynczynatyk discussed a request that has been received from the City of South Heart for cost sharing in a flood control project for that city.

Mr. Sprynczynatyk indicated that the State Water Commission is working with the Soil Conservation Service to develop a plan. The proposed project is to divert the water away from the city into the Heart River. It is anticipated that weather permitting, the work will be completed this fall. The approximate cost of the project is \$15,000.

Secretary Fahy stated this project does meet the State Water Commission criteria for cost participation, but at this time the specific costs are not known. It was the recommendation of the State Engineer that in order to allow this project to proceed this

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fall and since the project does meet the Commission's criteria for cost sharing, the State Water Commission approve cost participation in the eligible items.

It was moved by Commissioner Lardy, seconded by Commissioner Gust, and unanimously carried, that the State Water Commission approve cost participation in the eligible items for the City of South Heart Flood Control Project. This motion shall be contingent upon the availability of funds.

CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST
FROM FOSTER COUNTY WATER
RESOURCE BOARD FOR REPAIRS
TO WYARD DAM
(SWC Project No. 467)

Dave Sprynczynatyk presented a request for the Commission's consideration from the Foster County Water Resource Board for cost sharing in repairs to Wyard Dam in Foster County. The approximate cost estimate of the repairs is \$63,000.

Mr. Sprynczynatyk indicated that this dam was built in the 1930's by the CCC for recreation purposes. The spillway is experiencing a considerable amount of damage. The local people have been meeting with the State Water Commission for several months regarding repair of the spillway in order to make it useable again. They have decided to proceed with the reconstruction and it is anticipated that weather permitting the work will be completed this fall.

Secretary Fahy indicated that this project does meet the State Water Commission criteria for cost participation, although the exact costs of the project are not known at this time. It was the recommendation of the State Engineer that the State Water Commission act favorably to allow cost participation in the eligible items for Wyard Dam reconstruction.

It was moved by Commissioner Lardy, seconded by Commissioner Gust, and unanimously carried, that the State Water Commission approve cost participation in the eligible items for the reconstruction of Wyard Dam in Foster County. This motion shall be contingent upon the availability of funds.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
TO PREVIOUS STATE WATER
COMMISSION MEMBERS
(SWC Resolution No. 85-9-424)

It was moved by Commissioner Backes, seconded by Commissioner Guy, and unanimously carried, that Resolution No. 85-9-424, A Resolution Commending Previous Water Commissioners on Their Commitment to the State and People of North Dakota and the State's Water Policy, and Their Implementation of that Policy; and, Expressing the Gratitude of the State Water Commission, and its Staff, be approved

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and forwarded to each of the previous Commission members. (SEE APPENDIX "A")

YELLOWSTONE RIVER BASIN
BANK STABILIZATION EROSION
PROBLEM (CHENEY CREEK)
(SWC Project No. 1507-1)

Commissioner Byerly expressed concern relative to damages that are continuing to occur at and near the Cheney Creek Stabilization project and inquired who is the responsible party for these damages and for providing corrective measures.

Secretary Fahy responded that the responsibility lies with the Corps of Engineers and that this problem was addressed approximately three years ago, and has not yet been resolved. Meetings have been held with the State of Montana to see what could be done to resolve the problem. To date, nothing has been done, although the Corps of Engineers has assured us they were going to place this project on the eligible list for repairs and would address the problem. Secretary Fahy stated he would continue to follow this problem and report to the Commission.


It was moved by Commissioner Byerly, seconded by Commissioner Guy, and unanimously carried, that the State Water Commission direct the State Engineer to write a letter to the Corps of Engineers requesting them to undertake the necessary repairs immediately; requesting the Corps of Engineers to examine their design memoranda to determine what can be done to prevent the recurrence of the problem; and, to provide a schedule for undertaking the necessary corrective work.

UPDATE ON RED RIVER
DIKING PROBLEMS
(SWC Project No. 1638)

Secretary Fahy reported that the Technical Committee that was setup by the General Agreement between North Dakota and Minnesota has been

meeting, and there has been an extension of time allowed for the completion of the work as was contemplated in the agreement. The Committee is working on establishing the final elevations in relation to flows and the elevation of the dikes. The next meeting of the Technical Committee will be held in West Fargo on September 11 and 12, 1985.

It was moved by Commissioner Guy, seconded by Commissioner Spaeth, and unanimously carried, that the meeting adjourn at 2:45 p.m.


George A. Sinner
Governor-Chairman

ATTEST:


Vernon Fahy
State Engineer and Secretary

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NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER COMMISSION

REGISTER

ATTENDANCE AT State Water Commission Meeting

DATE September 5, 1985 PLACE Bismarck, N.Dak.

PROJECT NO. _____

Your Name	Your Address	Who do you Represent? (Or Occupation)
Roselle Sand	Bismarck	SWC
Bruce F. McCollom	Bismarck	BW/BEC Engineering Tri-County Water Development Assn.
Jim Eastgate	"	
Ken McIntyre	Harwood	Rusk River Resource Dist.
L. GRADY MOORE	BISMARCK	U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
Lynn Garcia	"	PRAIRIE PUBLIC RADIO
Stephen Harcourt	Bismarck	K K M B.
Mike Dwyer	Bismarck	ND Water Users
MURRAY G. SAGREEN	BISMARCK	SP ASST ATT GEN GDCD/WATER RESOURCE DIST
Charles E. Mumma	Bismarck	USDA - Soil Cons. Service
Allen SARA	BISMARCK	Fish & Wildlife Service
Bill Hanson	BIS.	SWC
Dennis Nelson	Bismarck	SWC
Melissa K. Miller	Bismarck	SWC
Michael H. Hunsch	Bismarck	SWC

NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER COMMISSION
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ATTENDANCE AT _____
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Your Name	Your Address	Who do you Represent? (Or Occupation)
Randall Ring	Bismarck	SWC
Hetcher H Poling	Bismarck	Basin Electric Power Composites
Dick Moum	Bismarck.	Consulting Engineer
Greg Sellnow	Bismarck	Bismarck Tribune
Mina Butcher	Bismarck	Dept. of Ag
Dennett Ring	Portland, OR	State of OR
Bill Brudvik	Mayville ND	Steele City Water Bd
Galman Alstrom	Portland	Triill Co Water Bd
Jeffry Volk	West Fargo	Moore Eng Inc
Cary Butcher	Bismarck	SWC

APPENDIX "A"

Resolution No. 85-9-424

A Resolution commending previous Water Commissioners on their commitment to the State and people of North Dakota and the State's water policy, and their implementation of that policy; and expressing the gratitude of the State Water Commission, and it's staff.

WHEREAS, water and water related issues are the most important issues presently facing the people of North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive water resources policy is essential to coherently address the many water issues raised; and

WHEREAS, the continual evolution of society and government required continual adaptations in the State's Water Resource Policy; and

WHEREAS, the 1981-1985 State Water Commission members, including Governor and Chairman, Allen I. Olson, and members, Florenz Bjornson, Alvin Kramer, Ray Hutton, Garvin Jacobson, Guy Larson, Henry Schank, Bernard Vculek, and Kent Jones, Commissioner of Agriculture, have all served the State and her people by supporting the development and implementation of a comprehensive water resources policy for the State of North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, the Water Resources Policy effectuated by the 1981-85 Commission members established a firm foundation upon which the continued evolution and development of the water resources policy can be based;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the North Dakota State Water Commission members, Governor George Sinner, Chairman, Kent Jones, Commissioner of Agriculture, and members, Richard Backes, Joyce Byerly, Jacob Gust, William Guy, Ray Hutton, William Lardy, and Jerome Spaeth; and the North Dakota State Water Commission staff:

That thanks and appreciation are expressed to Allen I. Olson, Florenz Bjornson, Alvin Kramer, Ray Hutton, Garvin Jacobson, Guy Larson, Henry Schank, Bernard Vculek and Kent Jones for their work and dedication while serving on the State Water Commission.

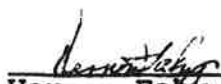
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary and State Engineer, forward copies of this resolution to the above-mentioned State Water Commission members.

FOR THE NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER COMMISSION:


George M. Sinner
Governor - Chairman

SEAL

ATTEST:


Vernon Fahy
State Engineer and Secretary