PROJECT NO. MS-14-20
SOUTHWEST AREA STORM SEWER MASTER PLAN
COMPLETED PROJECTS (SINCE 2009)

- Over 18 miles constructed
  - *47 miles of emergency levees constructed by the City in 2009
- Project Cost ≈ $120 million
- Reduces required sandbags by approximately 4.5 million
- 50% of the Comprehensive Plan Completed
A Flowage Easement is required if a Project impounds water on land not owned by applicant.

Impacts greater than 0.1 foot requires a property right.

0.1 ft = 1.2 inches
PERMITTING

Connecting Reaches
Removes Floodplain
Induce Impacts
Required Mitigation
MITIGATION CONCEPT
OVERVIEW

- Study Area
- FEMA Floodplain
- Flood Protection to Date
- Hydraulic Modeling
- Impacts from Flood Protection
- Mitigation and Costs
STUDY AREA

- Red River
- Wild Rice River
- Drain 27
- Drain 53
- Rose Coulee
- Red River
- Wild Rice River
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- Drain 53
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- no human intervention
- no flood protection
- state of nature

Cass County FIS – Jan 2015
Clay County FIS – April 2012
TEMPORARY FLOOD PROTECTION
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COMPREHENSIVE FLOOD MITIGATION PLAN

MARCH 2012

Comprehensive Review of Potential Flood Mitigation Options

CITY OF Fargo

Completed by Houston Engineering in cooperation with Braun Intertec

BRAUN INTERTEC
COMPREHENSIVE FLOOD MITIGATION PLAN
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

- Conceptual Design
  - Levees
  - Floodwalls
  - Property Acquisitions
  - Geotechnical Analysis

- ~50,000 foot plan
- Modeling Approach (Steady State)
ANALYZING HYDRAULICS IMPACTS

- HEC-RAS
  - Steady State (FEMA FIS)
  - Unsteady State (FM Diversion)
FEMA FLOODPLAIN MODEL

- Simple Approach
- Steady State
- Many Unknowns
- Many Assumptions
- Does not reflect reality
- Outdated Hydrology

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- Outdated Hydrology
  - H&H
  - 1979
  - FM Diversion
  - FEMA Future
  - Flood Risk

Cass County FIS – Jan 2015
Clay County FIS – April 2012
FLOOD CHARACTERISTICS

- Red River
- Wild Rice River
- Drain 27
- Drain 53
- Rose Coulee
Reverse Flow:
Rose Coulee Drain 27
Drain 53
FLOOD CHARACTERISTICS

- Large Events
- Breakout Flows
  - Overland Flow
  - Wild Rice River
  - County Road 16
- New Model
- FM Diversion
  - Phase 8
  - Unsteady State
    - Full Hydrograph
    - Cross Sections
    - Storage Areas

- Complex
- More Realistic
- Flow Interaction
- Wild Rice River Breakout
- Reverse Flow
STUDY AREA

Identify flood impacts from floodplain removal
FLOOD IMPACTS

Flood Impacts
1. Volume Loss
2. Conveyance Loss

Area 1 = 3,100 ac-ft
Area 2 = 100 ac-ft
Area 3 = 1,000 ac-ft
Area 4 = 100 ac-ft
Area 5 = 1,400 ac-ft
Total = 6,400 ac-ft
IMPACTS – AREA 1

Impacts from Current Flood Protection

Area 1 = 3,100 ac-ft
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Area 1 = 3,100 ac-ft

Newman Outdoor Field x 1000 ft high
**IMPACTS – AREAS 1 & 2**

Impacts from Current Flood Protection

Area 1 = 3,100 ac-ft
Area 2 = 100 ac-ft
Total = 3,200 ac-ft
Impacts from Current Flood Protection

Area 1 = 3,100 ac-ft
Area 2 = 100 ac-ft
Area 3 = 1,000 ac-ft
Total = 4,200 ac-ft
Impacts from Current Flood Protection

Area 1 = 3,100 ac-ft
Area 2 = 100 ac-ft
Area 3 = 1,000 ac-ft
Total = 4,200 ac-ft

$25,500,000 \text{ cu.ft.} = 585 \text{ ac-ft}$
Impacts from Current Flood Protection

Area 1 = 3,100 ac-ft
Area 2 = 100 ac-ft
Area 3 = 1,000 ac-ft
Area 4 = 800 ac-ft
Total = 5,000 ac-ft
Impacts from Current and Future Flood Protection

Area 1 = 3,100 ac-ft
Area 2 = 100 ac-ft
Area 3 = 1,000 ac-ft
Area 4 = 800 ac-ft
Area 5 = 1,400 ac-ft
Total = 6,400 ac-ft
Impacts from Current and Future Flood Protection

Area 1 = 3,100 ac-ft
Area 2 = 100 ac-ft
Area 3 = 1,000 ac-ft
Area 4 = 800 ac-ft
Area 5 = 1,400 ac-ft
Total = 6,400 ac-ft

25,500,000 cu.ft. = 585 ac-ft
IMPACTS – ALL AREAS (1 – 5)

Newman Outdoor Field x 2100 ft high
CONVEYANCE LOSS
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29,000 cfs
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Flow over entire width of floodplain

Total = 29,000 cfs
CONVEYANCE LOSS

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Forces flow between the levees
Results in a stage increase

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FLOOD MITIGATION

30,000,000 CY Excavation
15 Miles of levee
2000 Acres of Land

Estimated Construction = $150M
Estimated Land = $30M
Estimated Total = $180M

24,500 cfs
4,500 cfs
ANALYSIS UPDATE

▪ Analysis to Date
▪ Uses latest FM Diversion model
  ▪ Best Available
  ▪ Model was developed for the larger scale project
  ▪ Could be refined for this smaller scale project
▪ Plan to review model parameters
  ▪ Detailed modeling to better reflect the isolated project area
  ▪ Adjustments could result in 20-30% difference in results
  ▪ Preliminary Results
▪ Level of Mitigation  = 0.1ft vs. 0.5ft
FLOOD MITIGATION WITH < 0.1' IMPACT

30,000,000 CY Excavation
15 Miles of levee
2000 Acres of Land

Estimated Construction = $150M
Estimated Land = $30M
Estimated Total = $180M
FLOOD MITIGATION WITH < 0.5’ IMPACT

20,000,000 CY Excavation
10 Miles of levee
1300 Acres of Land

Estimated Construction = $100M
Estimated Land = $20M
Estimated Total = $120M