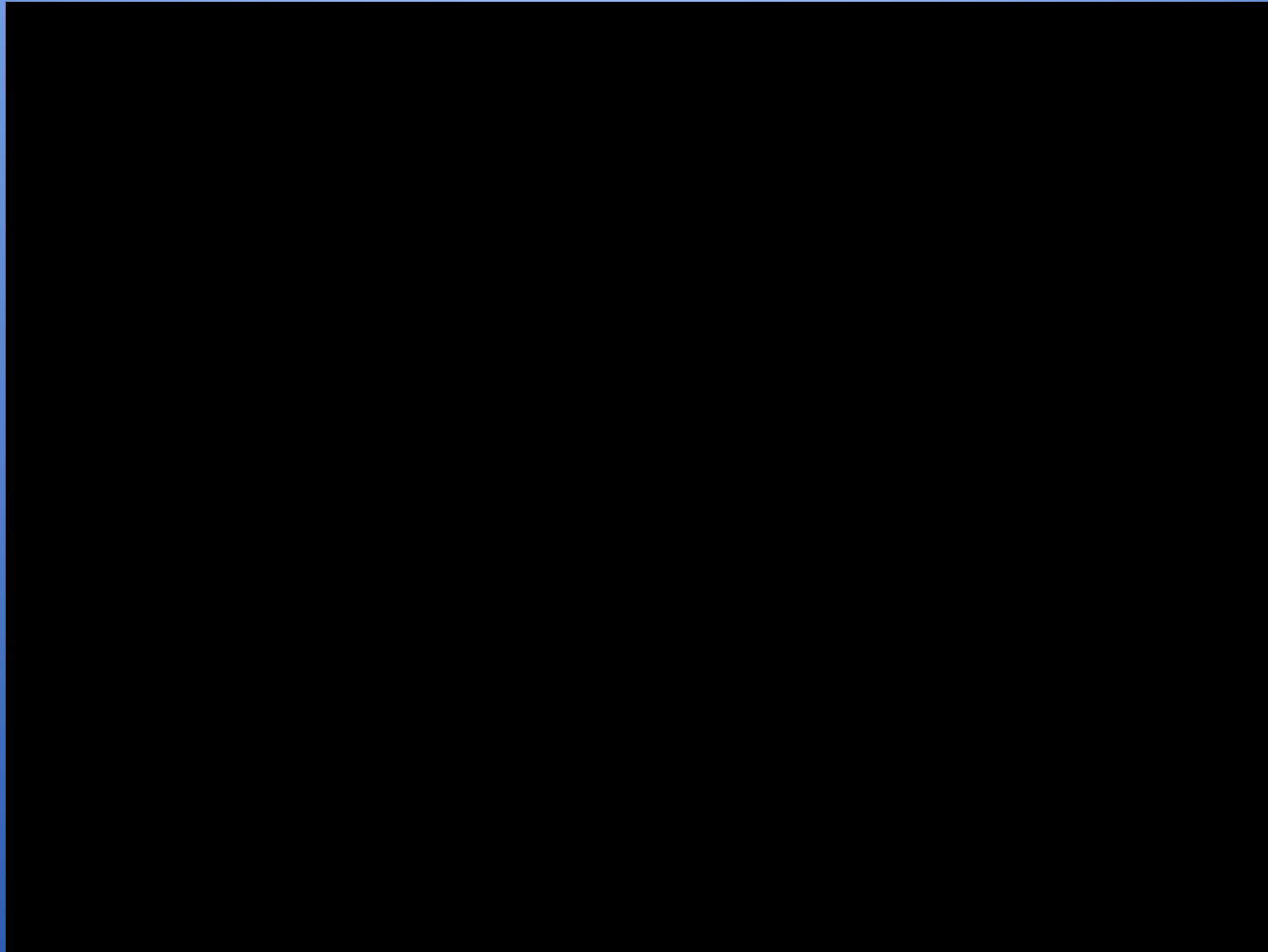




# Fargo Moorhead Metro Flood Risk Management

October 12, 2010





**CBS Video**

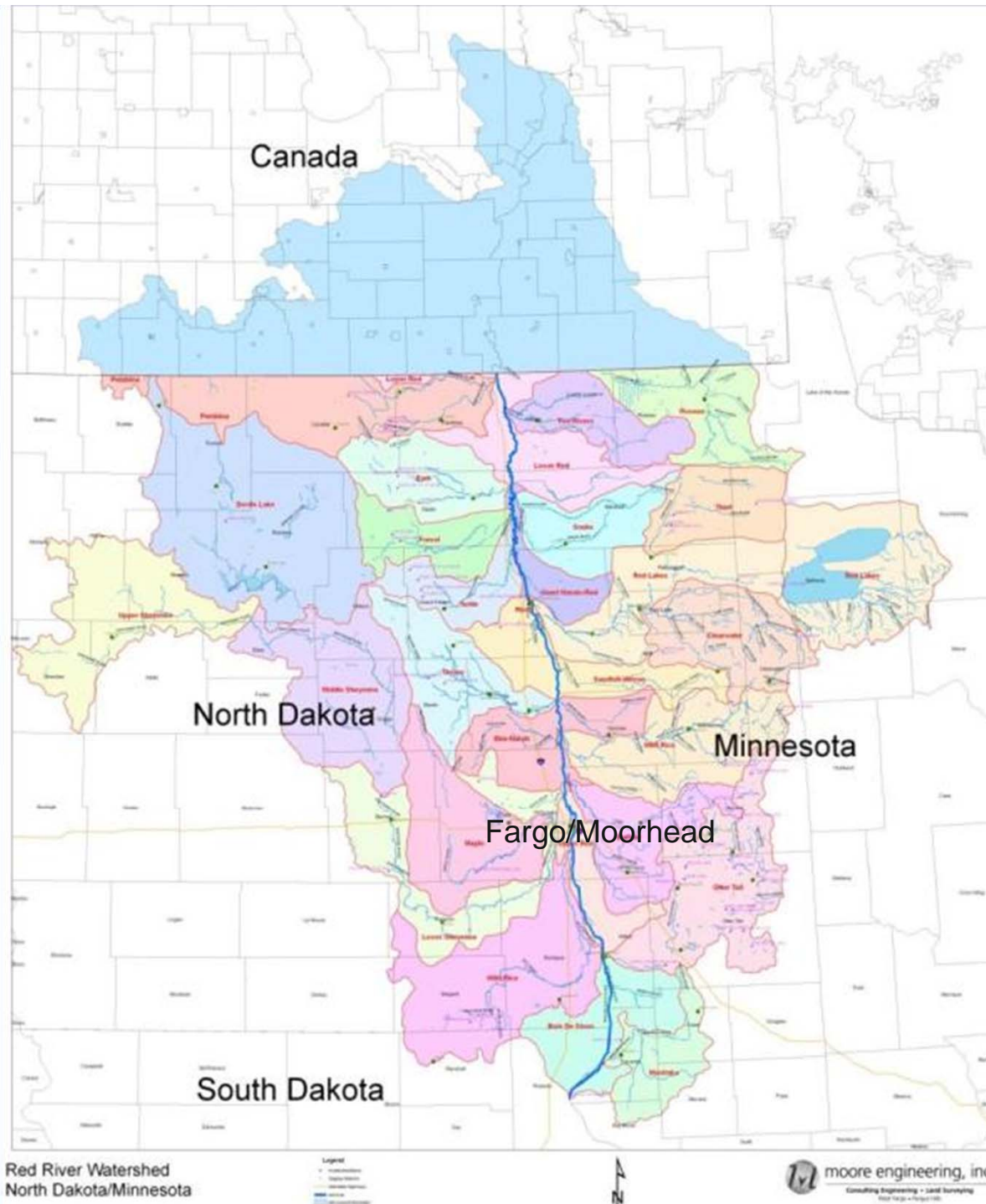
# Red River Basin

45,000 SQ Miles

Flows north to Lake Winnipeg

Average slope of 1-2 feet per mile

The confluence of the ND Wild Rice River & the Red River is just south of Fargo Moorhead





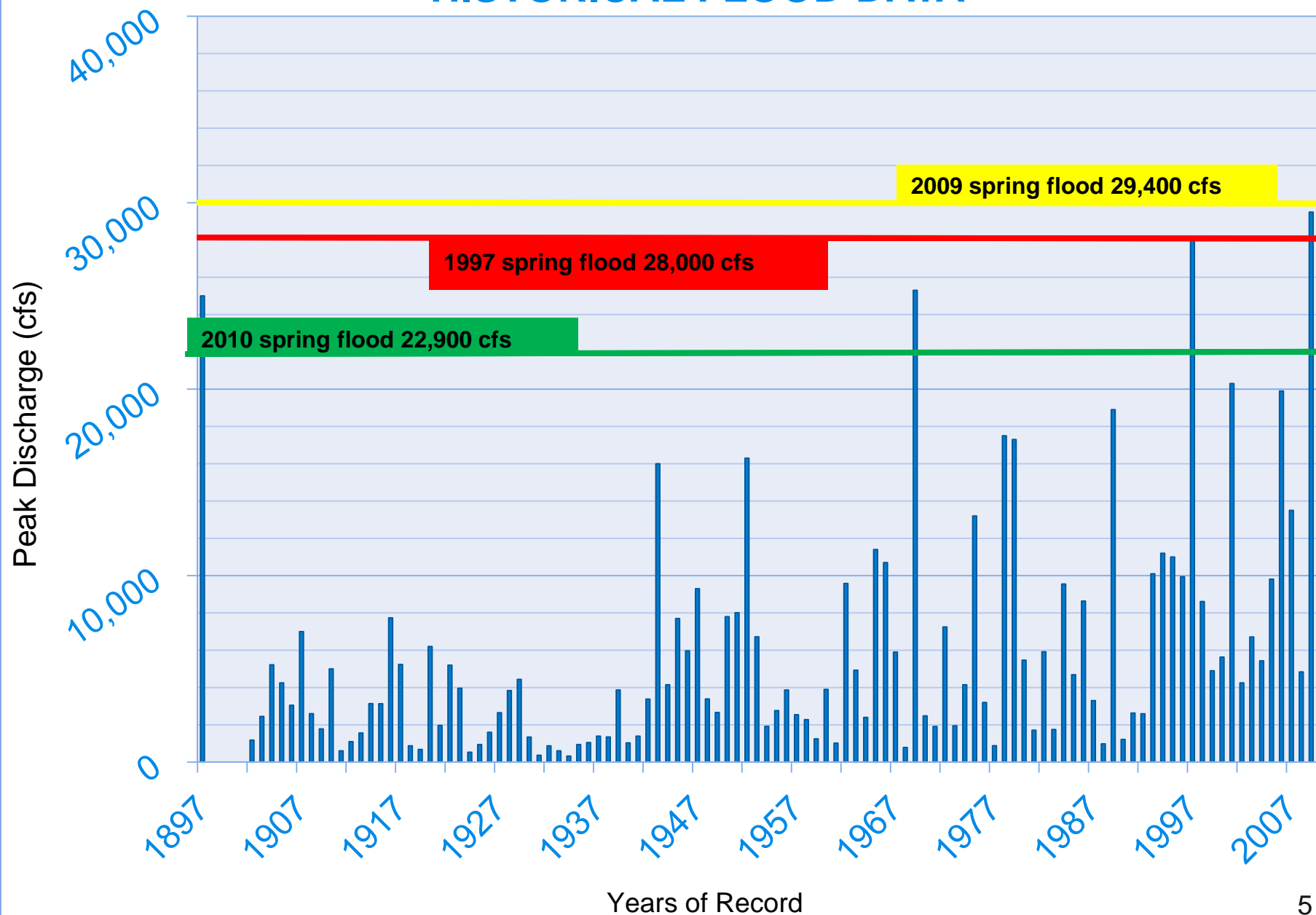
# Metro Area

	Fargo	Moorhead	Metro
<b>Population</b>	102,000	36,000	202,000
<b>Households</b>	45,321	13,465	83,782
<b>Jobs</b>	90,010	14,846	120,467

Regional center for Economy, Education, & Health Care



## Red River at Fargo - USGS GAGING STATION HISTORICAL FLOOD DATA



# Luck & Preparation

Preplan - (Plan A, Plan B,  
Plan C)

Commit Resources Early

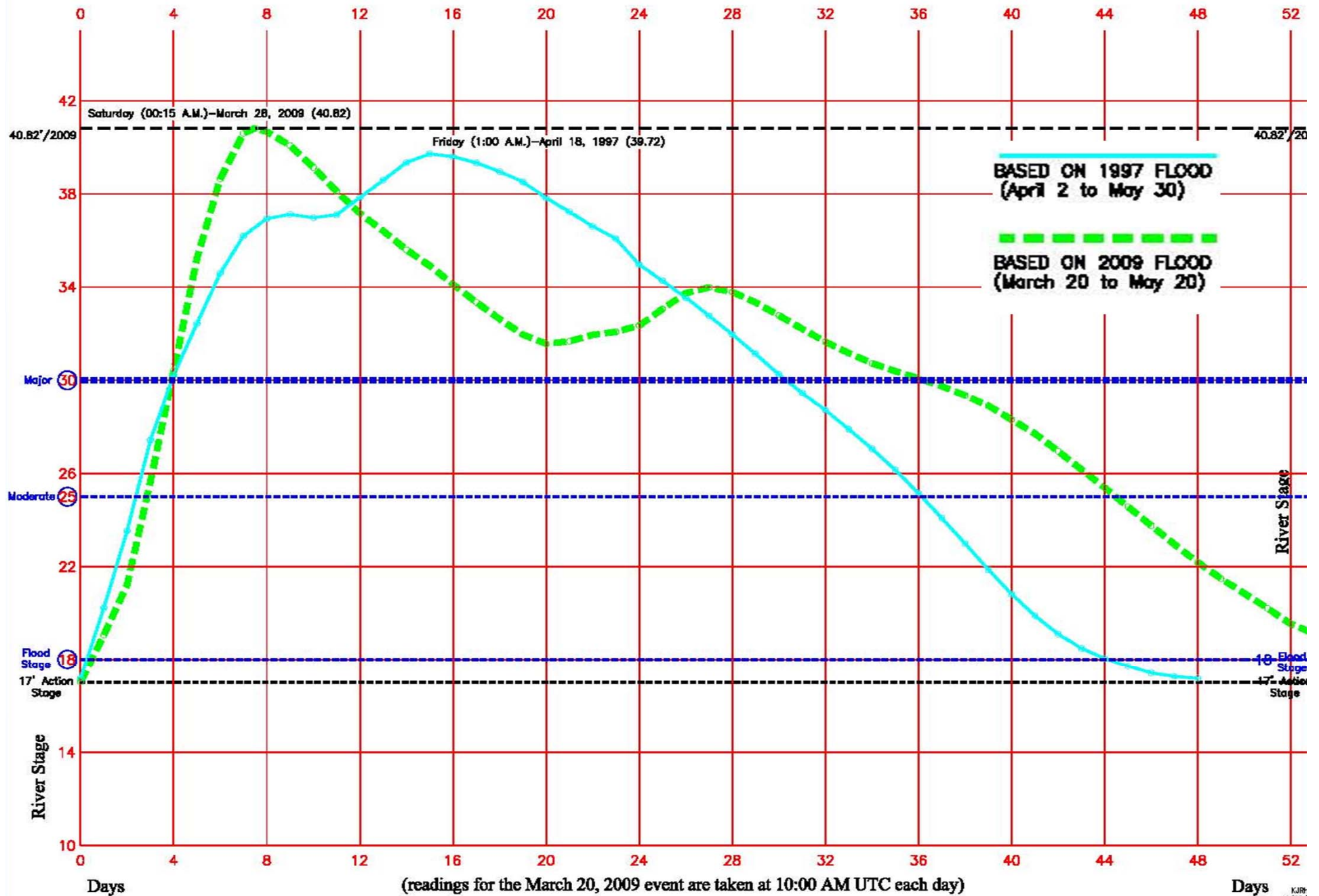
Be prepared to  
accommodate changes in:

- Rate of Rise
- Expected Crest Height
- Overland Flooding  
Expectations
- Ground Conditions
- Weather Conditions (Cold  
Weather)
- Material Availability  
(Volunteers)



17' Gauge = 881.33 Elev. (City of Fargo)  
 17' Gauge = 878.80 Elev. (U.S.G.S.)

# FLOOD GRAPH





# Preplanning - Resource Estimates

Forecast Crest (NWS)	2009	2010
50% Chance Protection Goal w/freeboard	38 ft 40 ft	38 ft 40 ft
10% Chance	40 ft	42.7 ft
Actual Crest Protection Required	40.8 ft 42.8 ft	36.99 ft 38.99 ft

## Estimated Sandbags by Stage

Bags @ 36	Bags @ 37	Bags @ 38	Bags @ 39	Bags @ 40	Bags @ 41	Bags @ 42	Bags @ 43	Bags @ 44	Bags @ 45
30,950	83,091	219,218	264,138	561,938	2,366,123	4,074,064	6,485,402	9,508,720	1,3307,705

## Material Availability



## RESOURCES GET STRETCHED





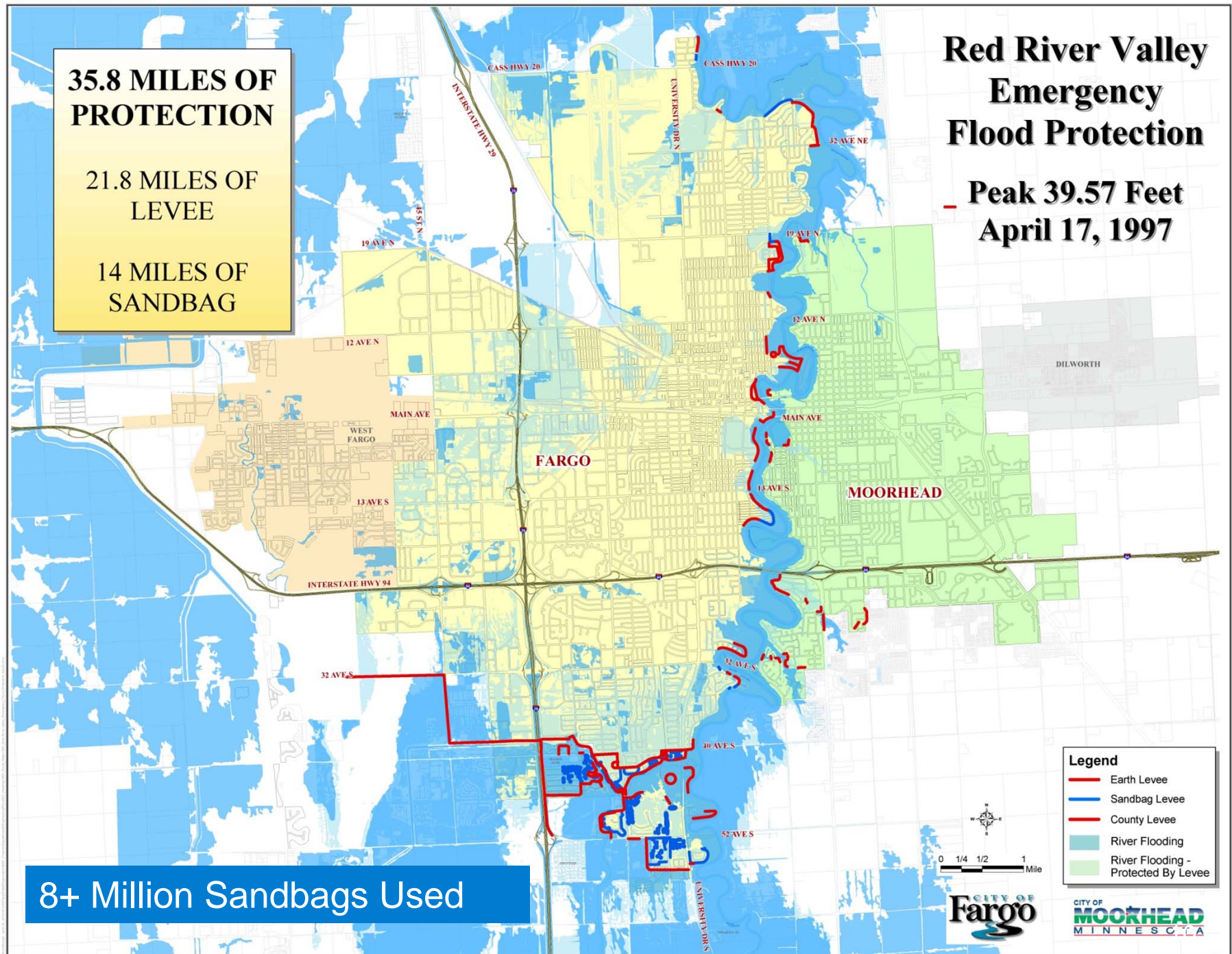
**35.8 MILES OF  
PROTECTION**

**21.8 MILES OF  
LEVEE**

**14 MILES OF  
SANDBAG**

## Red River Valley Emergency Flood Protection

**Peak 39.57 Feet  
April 17, 1997**



**8+ Million Sandbags Used**



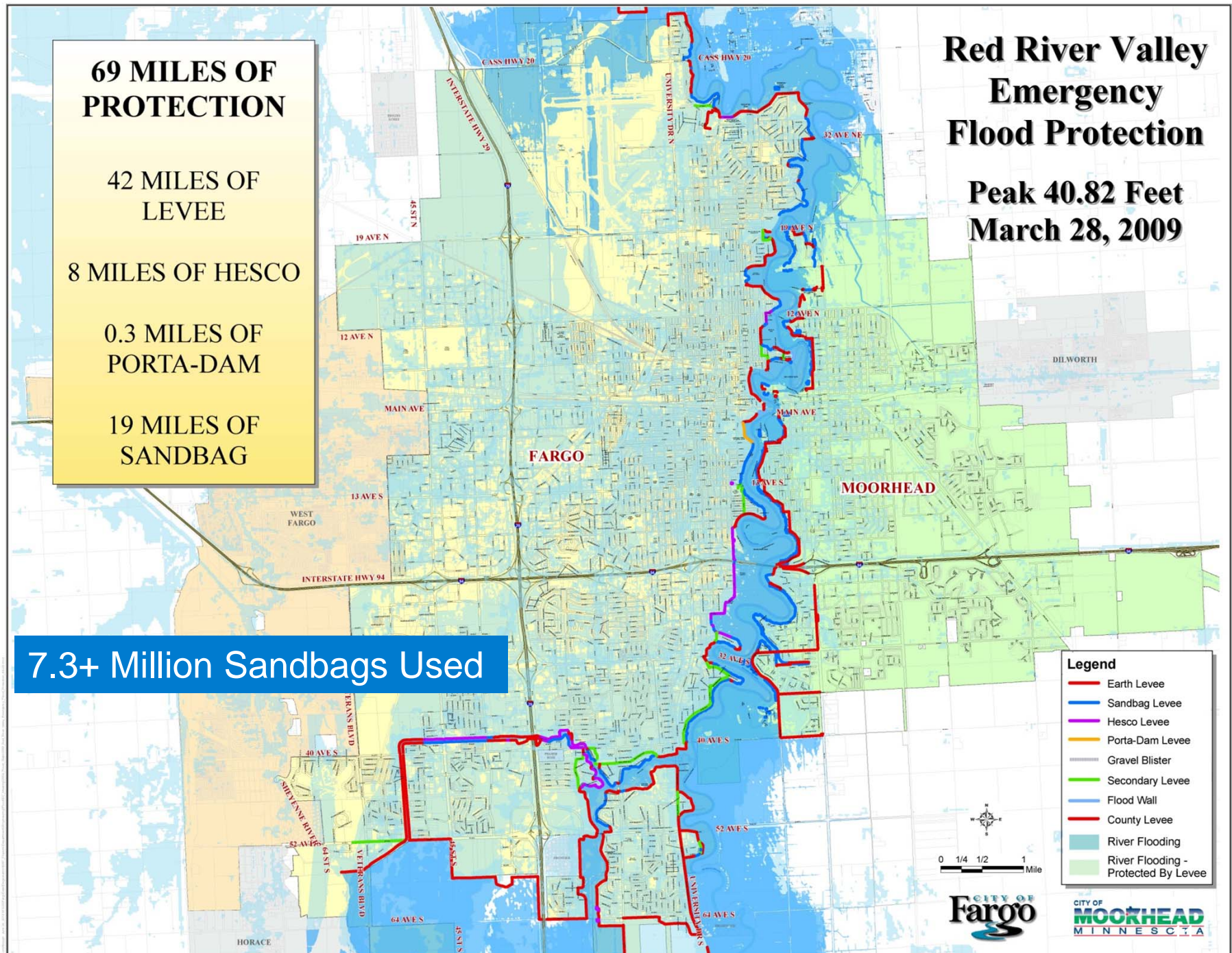
**Peak 40.82 Feet**  
**March 28, 2009**

## 42 MILES OF LEVEE

## 0.3 MILES OF PORTA-DAM

# 19 MILES OF SANDBAG

## 7.3+ Million Sandbags Used







Contingency Double  
Stacked Hesco Levee  
(total height 8')

Deck to  
allow access

Primary line of  
Protection

Fargo ND 2009





Primary line of  
protection

Homes with  
ring dikes

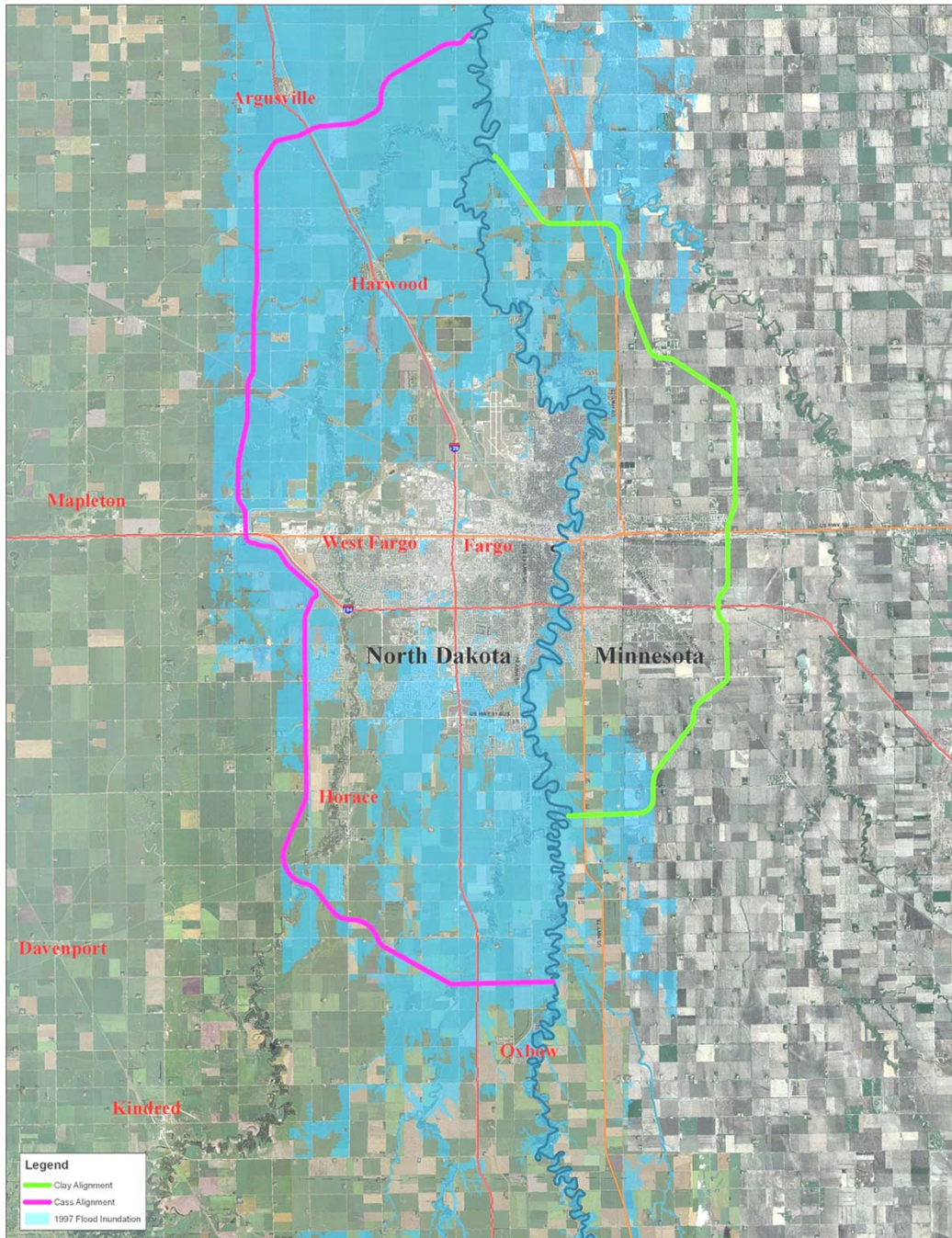
Moorhead MN 2009



# Flood Inundation 1997

MN Short Diversion  
Alignment

ND East Diversion  
Alignment



Spring 1997 Cass County Inundation



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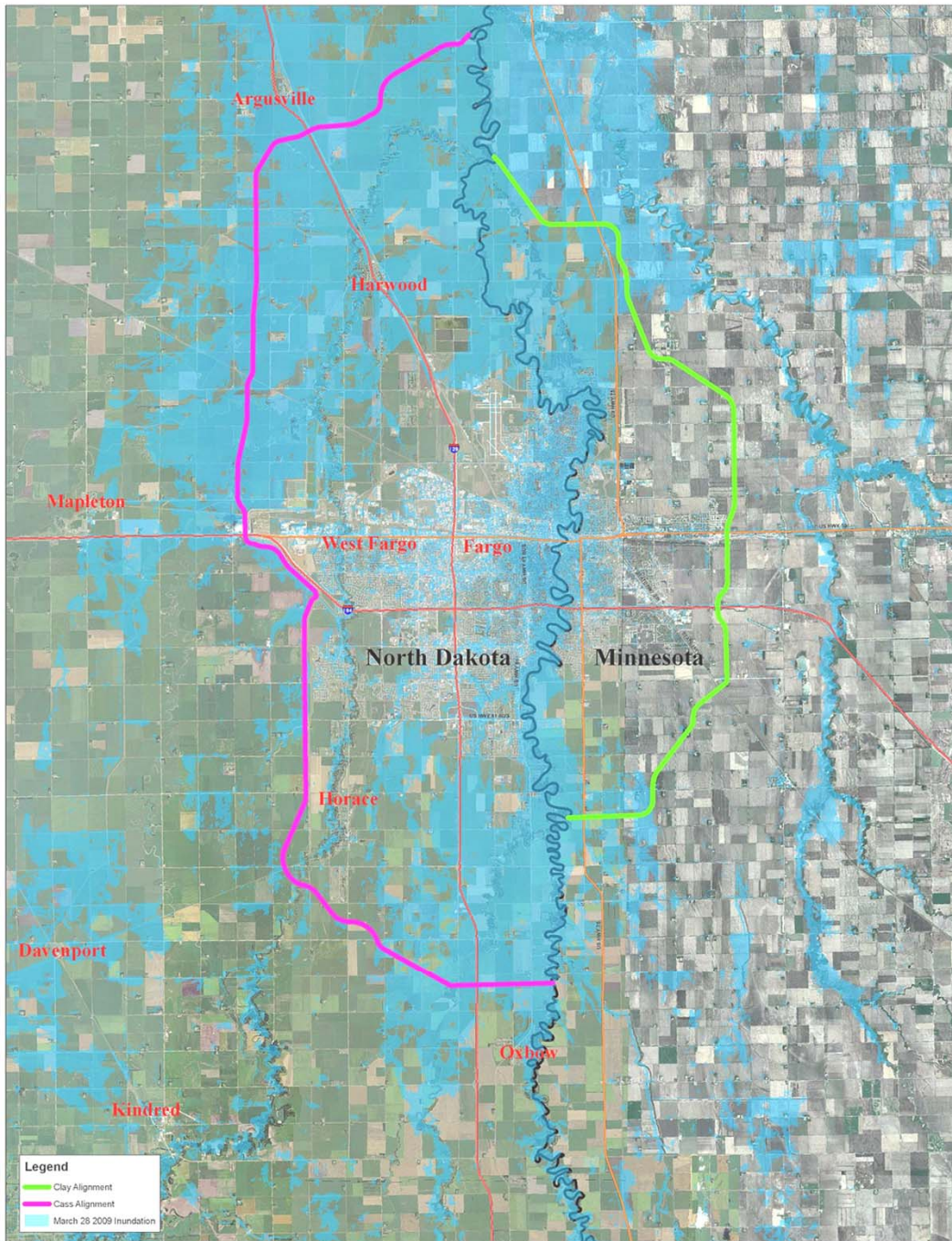




# Flood Inundation 3/28/09

MN Short Diversion  
Alignment

ND East Diversion  
Alignment



Spring 2009 Cass County Inundation  
Derived from Advanced Land Imager IR  
Imagery Date: March 28, 2009



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engineering, inc.

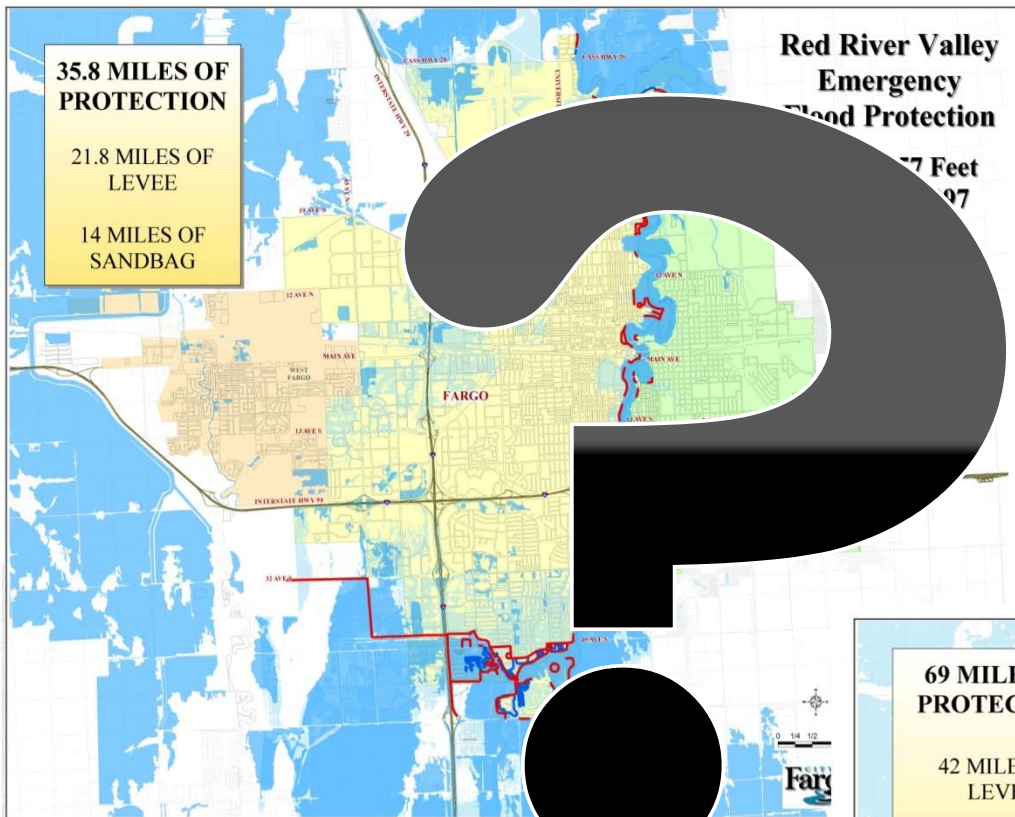


# Sheyenne River Flooding 2010





# Future Flood Fight Strategy



**We will continue to wage  
emergency flood fights but  
we will not always win!**

# Future Flood Fight Strategy

- Pursue Permanent Flood Protection
- Continue to Acquire & Remove Flood Prone Houses
- Construct Permanent Infrastructure Improvements
- Continue to Construct Emergency Levees





# Permanent Flood Protection



**Ridgewood**

Photo Date: April 17, 1997

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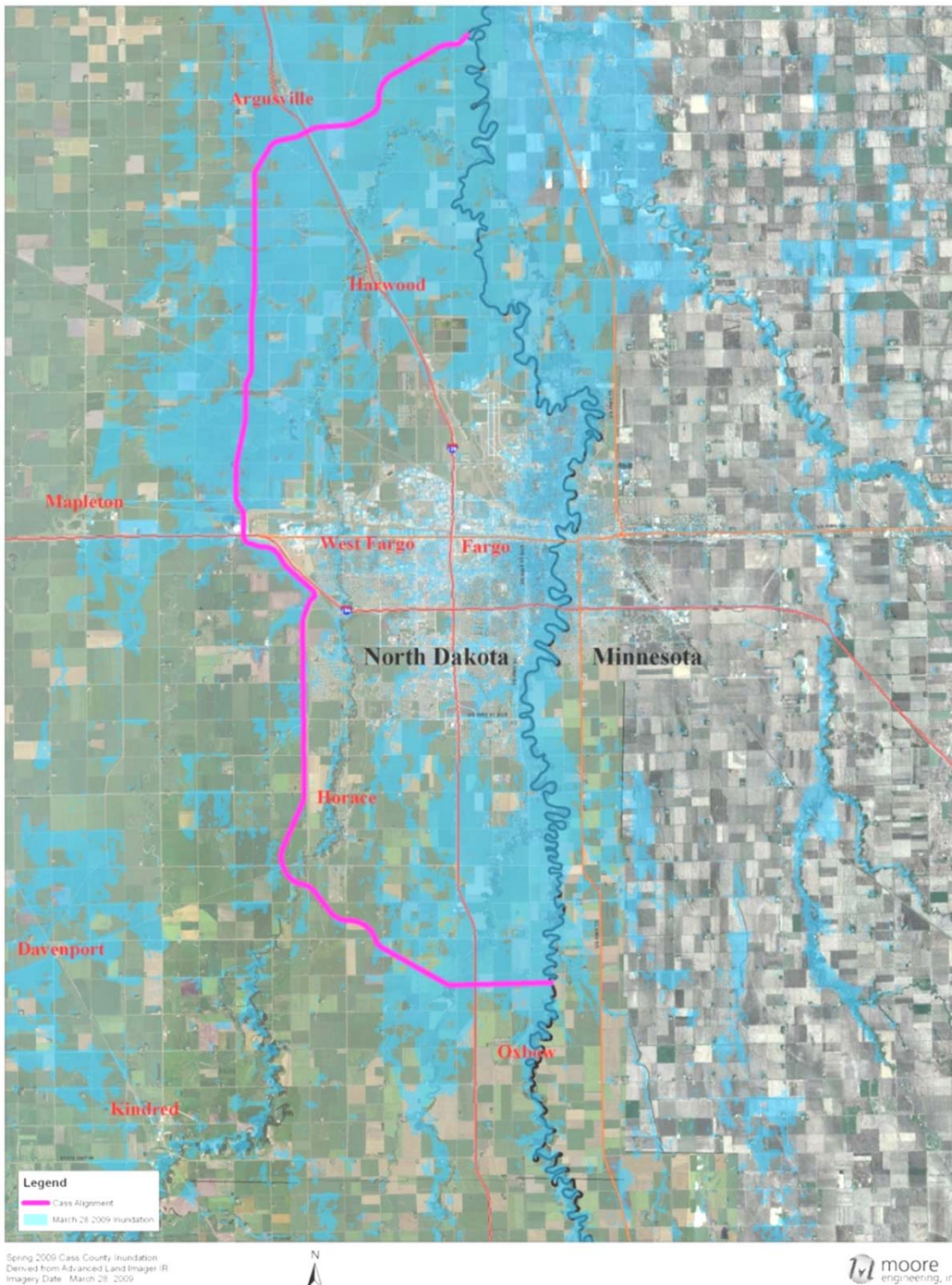
**Ridgewood**

Photo Date: March 21, 2010

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# Permanent Flood Protection FM Metro





# Acquisitions

1994-2009

403 completed

2010-2011

232 planned

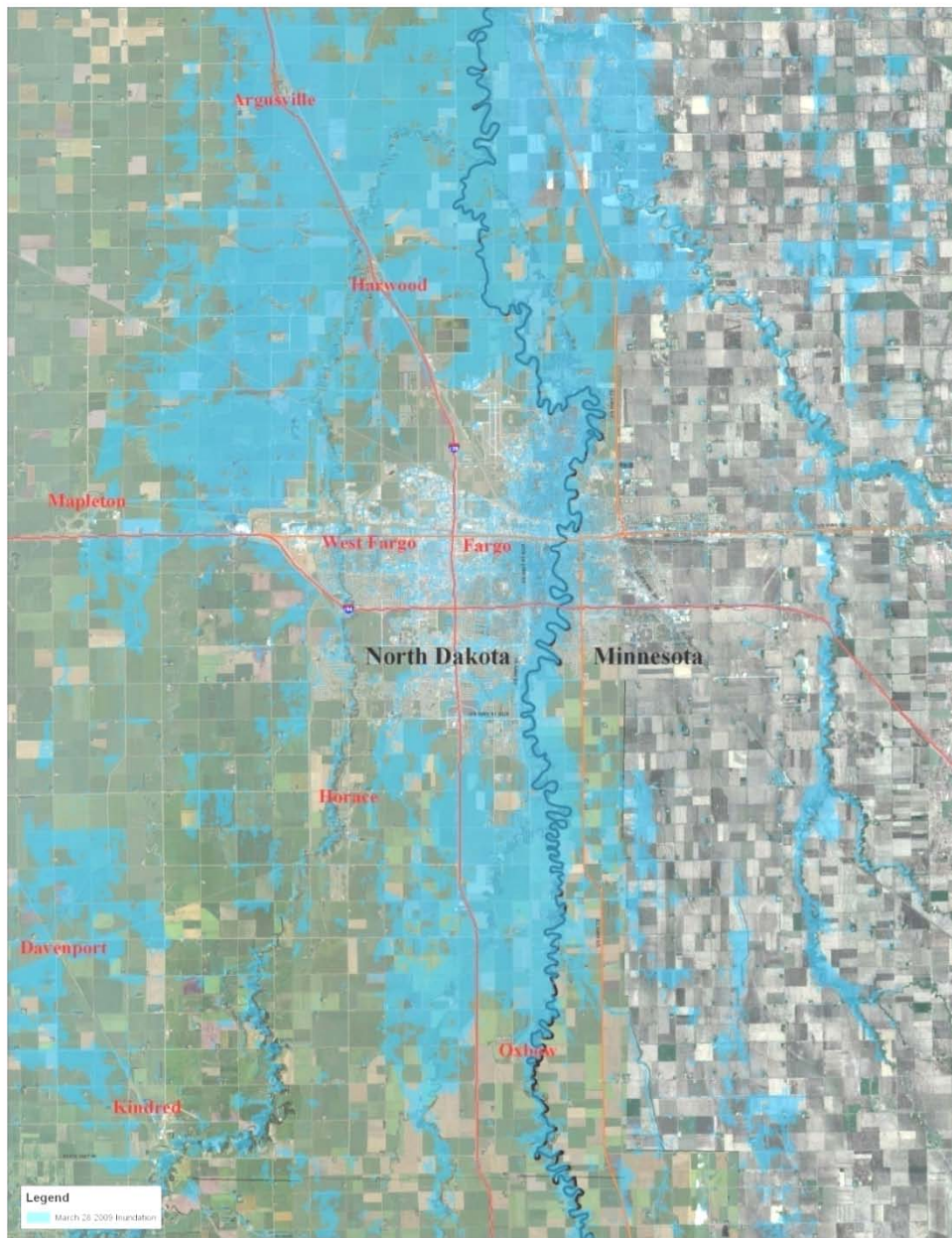




## 1990-2010

	\$ Millions
Moorhead	42.5
Cass County	71.0
Clay County	35.2
Fargo	44.5
<b>*Total</b>	<b>193.2</b>

\*Includes Acquisitions, and Infrastructure Improvements related to Flood protection



Spring 2009 Cass County Inundation  
Derived from Advanced Land Imager (ALI)  
Imagery Date: March 28, 2009



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Improvements  
totaling in excess  
of \$193.2 Million

Protection level  
still less than the  
50 Year flood level



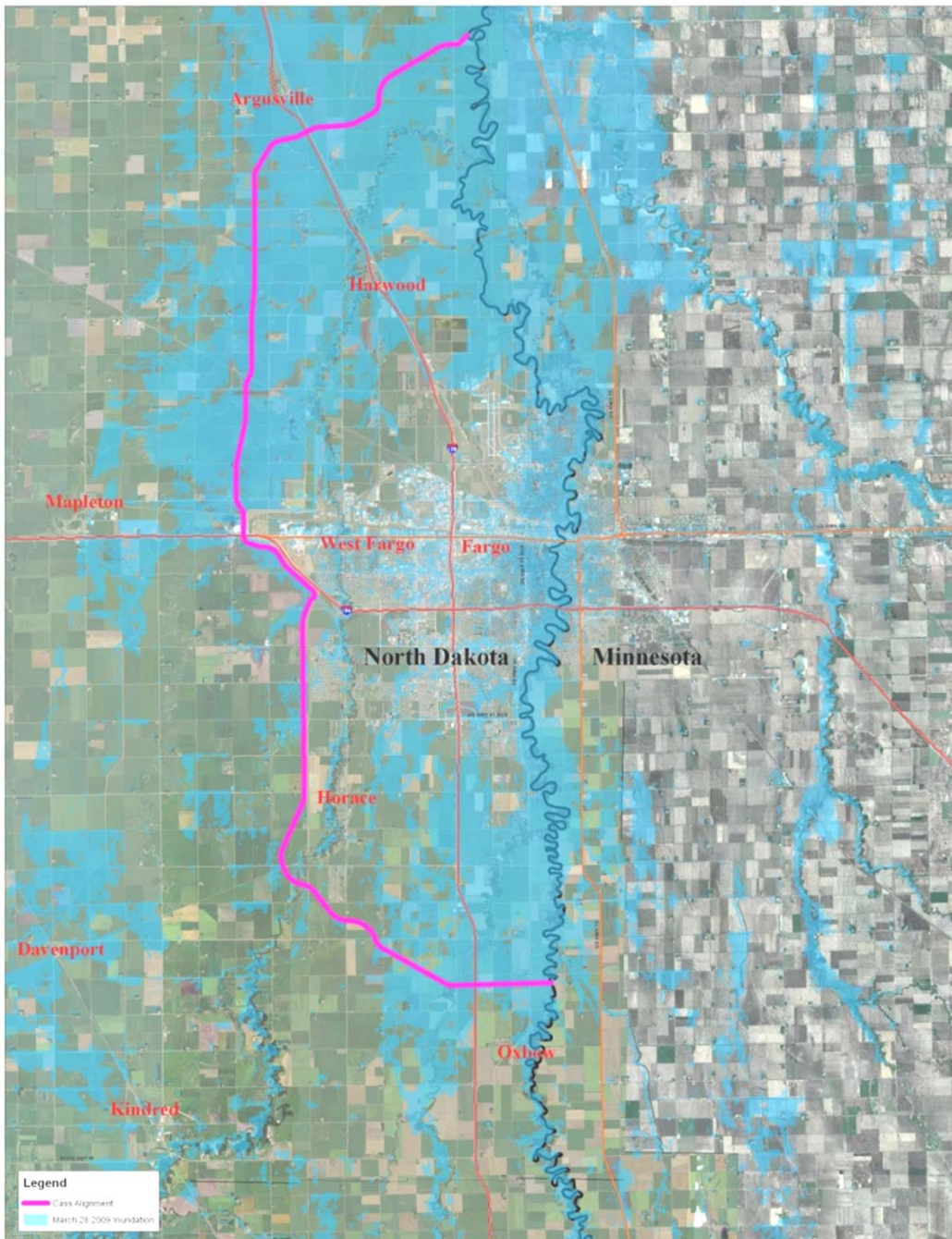
# FM Flood Risk Management

Locally Preferred Plan  
Approved with out a single  
dissenting vote

## ND 35,000 CFS Option

- Metro Study Work group
  - Fargo
  - Moorhead
  - Cass County
  - Clay County
  - Cass County Joint Water Resource District
  - Buffalo Red Water Board

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Spring 2009 Cass County Inundation  
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engineering, inc.

# The ND Plan



- Solves MORE flooding problems in multiple river systems.
- Provides MORE access by reducing prolonged high water on the Sheyenne.
- Reduces residual risk to MORE people.
- Has MORE benefits from a local and regional perspective.
- Has MORE support from local people on both sides of the river.







**This is not a permanent solution!**



WDAY Video



This is what it looks like  
when we win!?





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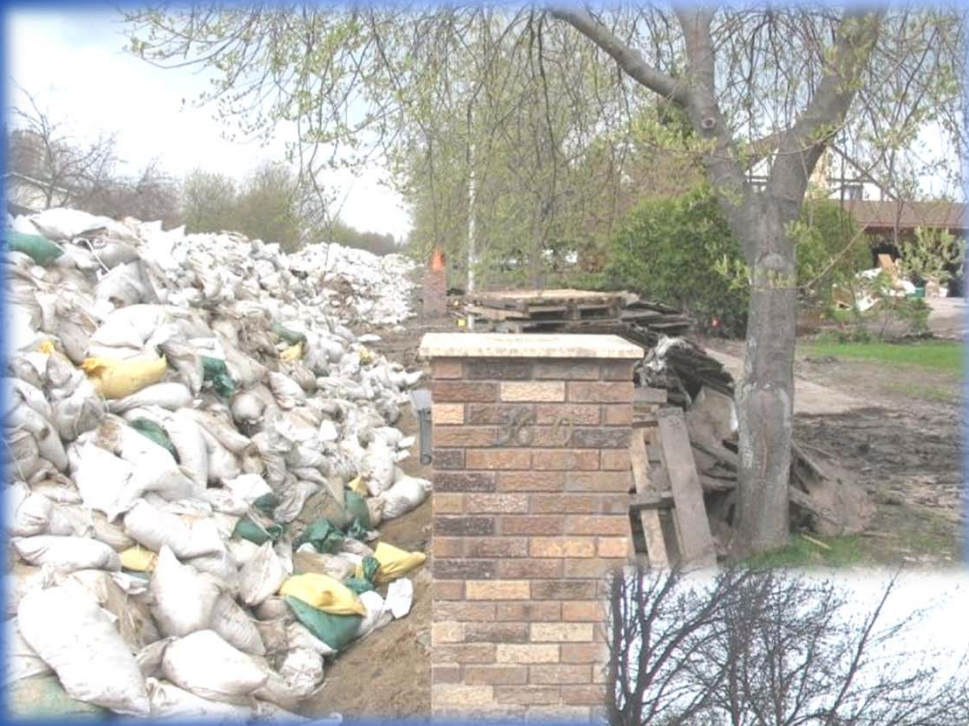


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Additional slides



**This is not a permanent solution!**





## Cass County Video

# Acquisitions Fargo

2010 River Level 36.99 ft  
Saved 90,000 sandbags

1997-2009

150 completed

2010-2011

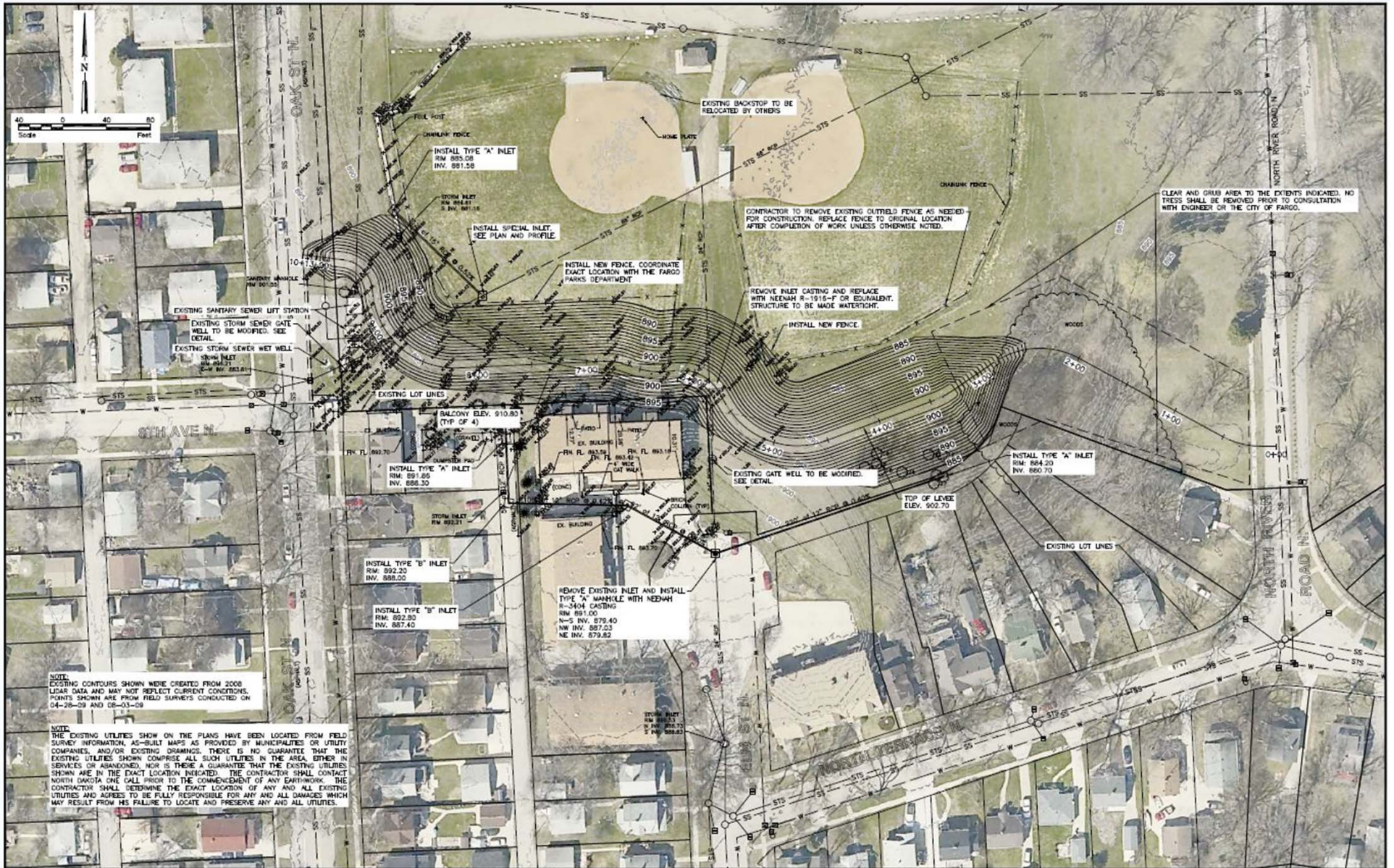
86 planned





**Mickelson Field  
Permanent Dike 5902—  
Oak Grove  
Neighborhood Meeting  
City of Fargo**

**August 31, 2009  
City Commission Chambers**



No.	Revision	Date	By



Fargo	Drawn by KNM, BTP	Date 8-20-09
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MICKELSON FIELD PERMANENT DIKE OAK GROVE NEIGHBORHOOD FARGO, ND
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SITE PLAN PROJECT NO. 6059-011 PH4	SHEET 3 of 13
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**City of Fargo  
4th Street  
Levee Raise  
5909**

## 2010 Red River Flood Mitigation

Photo Date: 3/27/2009 (1 Day before Crest)

River Gage: 40.6'±

Raise 4th St. S. Levee

— Raise Levee (River Stage 43')  
2nd St. to 10th Ave. S

— Isolate 2nd St. Storm Sewer

Project 5909

2010 Schedule  
Project Completed

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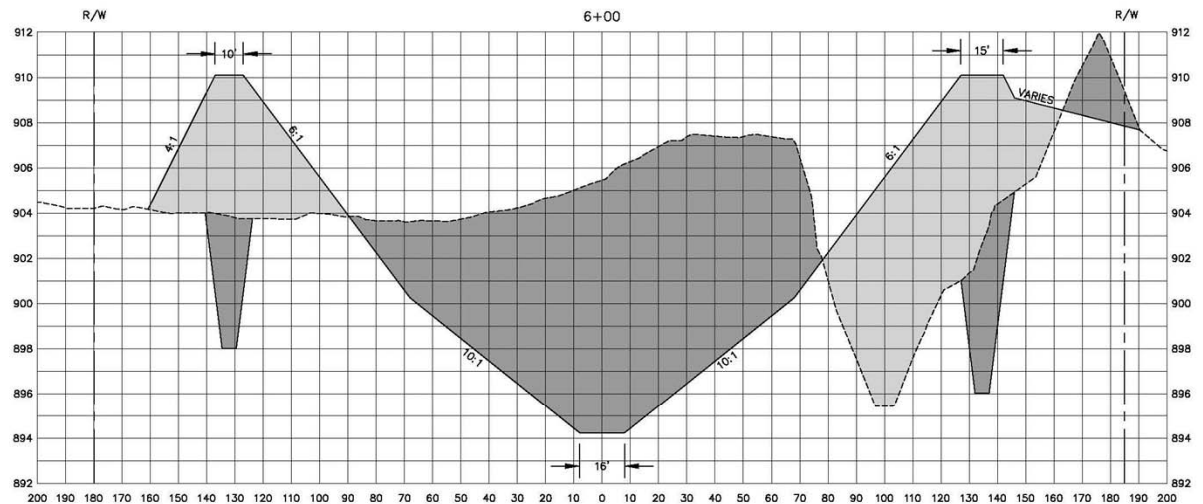
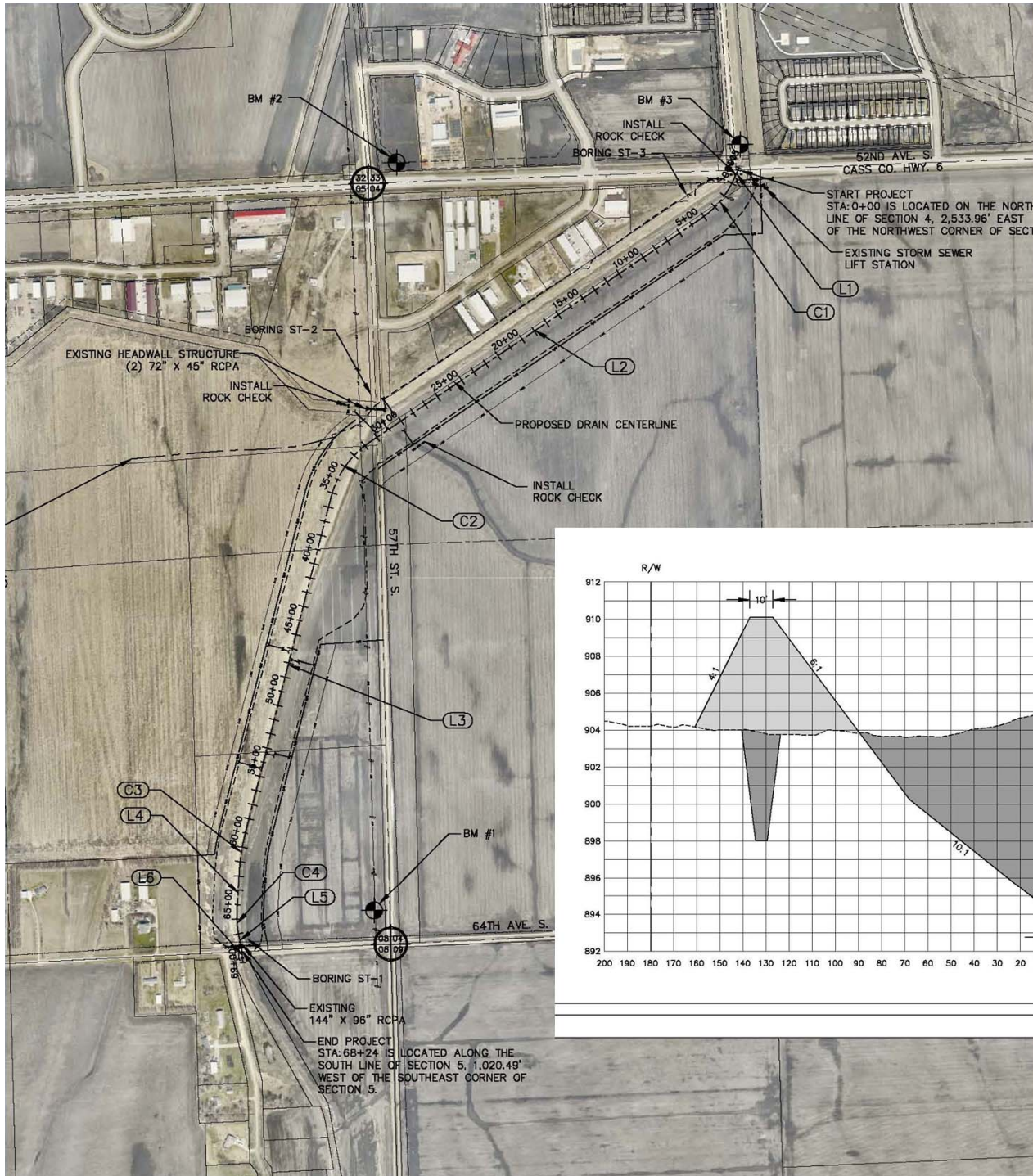


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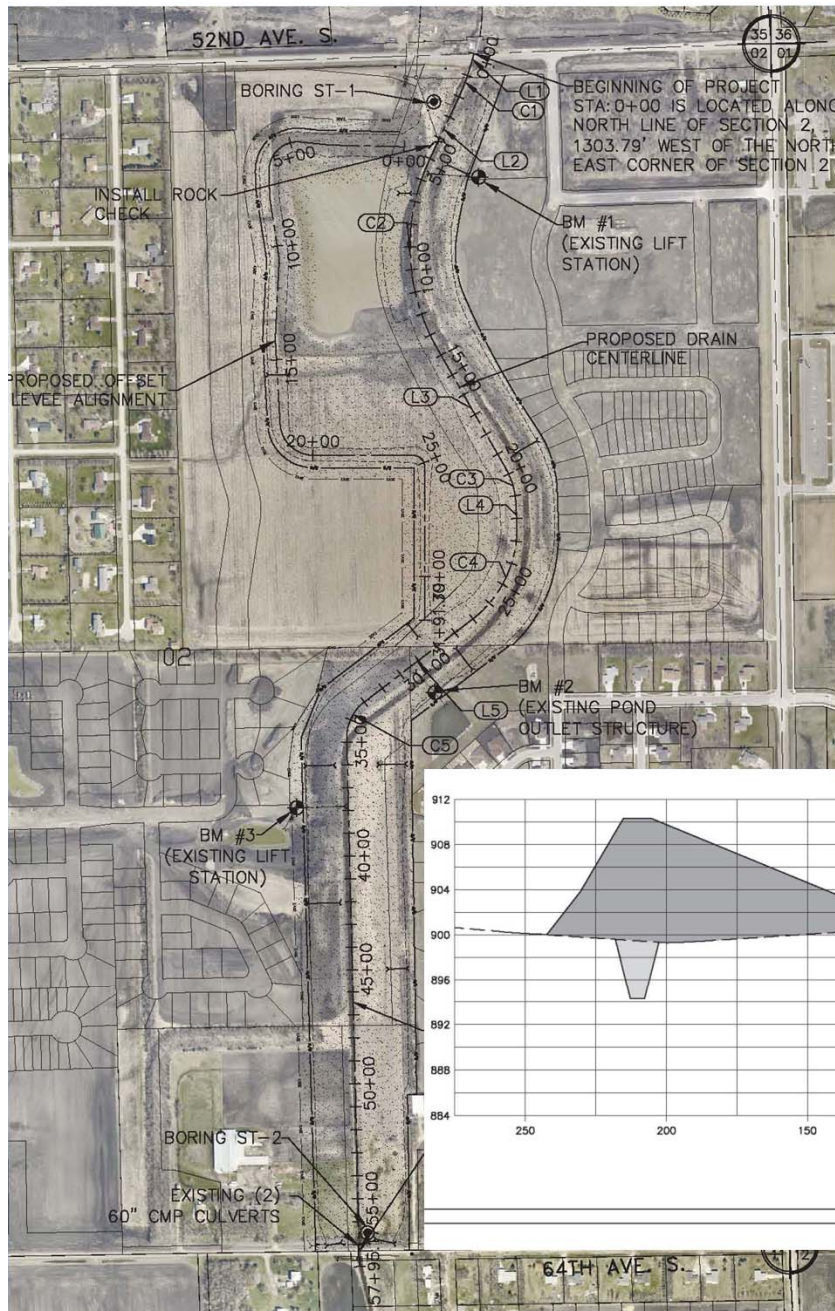
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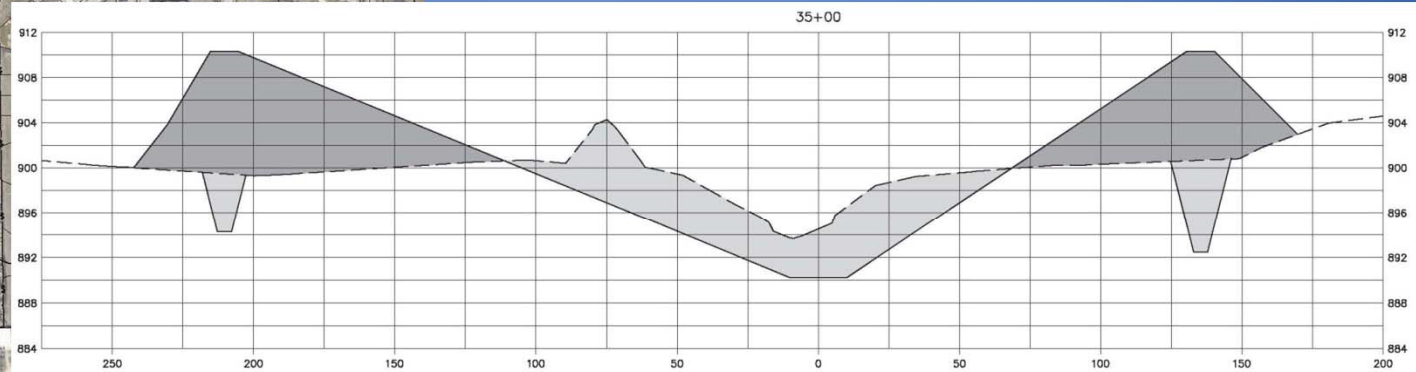
# City of Fargo SE Cass WRD Drain 27 5903







# City of Fargo SE Cass WRD Drain 27 5904





## 2010 Red River Flood Mitigation

Photo Date: 3/21/2010 (Crest)

River Gage: 36.99'

Temporary Emergency Levee

WDAY Tower Site

Temporary Emergency Levee to 42'

New Storm Sewer

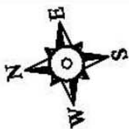


Gatewell with Sluiceway

WDAY Tower Site

### 2010 Schedule

Project Currently Under  
Contract for Construction



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## 2010 Red River Flood Mitigation

Photo Date: 3/21/2010 (Crest)

River Gage: 36.99'

### 2nd St. Storm Sewer

- Existing Storm Sewer
- New Storm Sewer
- X Plug Storm Sewer



### 2010 Schedule

Project Currently Under  
Contract for Construction



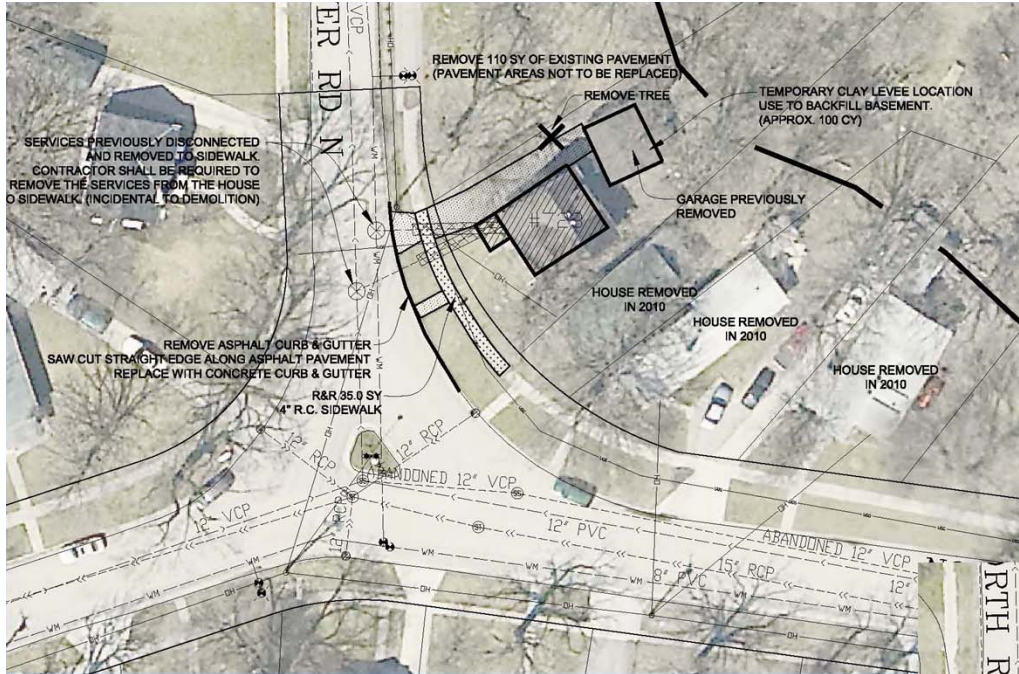
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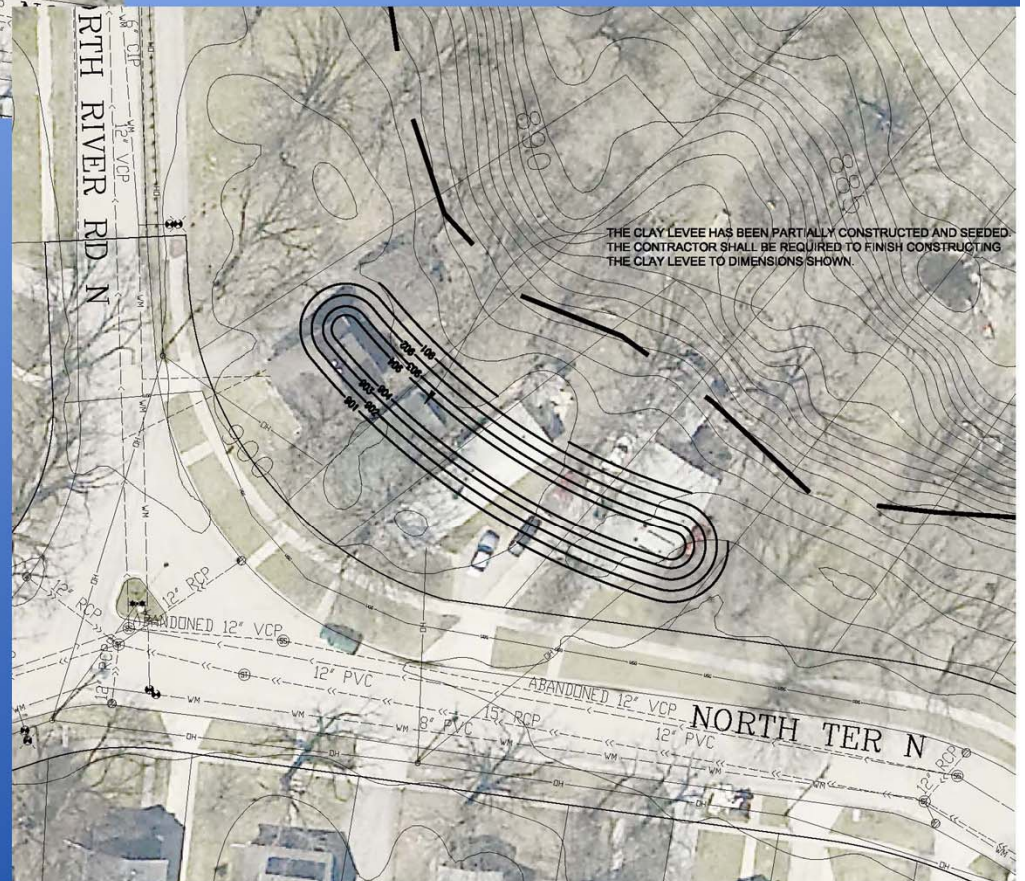
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**2010 Schedule**  
Project Currently Under  
Contract for Construction



**City of Fargo**  
**North Oaks Area**  
**Flood Risk Management**  
**Project 5946**

**Public Information Meeting**

August 10, 2010












## 2010 Red River Flood Mitigation

Photo Date: 3/21/2010 (Crest)

River Gage: 36.99'

S. River Road House Acquisition

Phase 2

 Acquire and Remove House  
(Backfill to 43')

1348, 1408, 1414, 1422, 1430, 1436, 1442,  
1450, 1454, 1458, 1462, 1502, 1510, 1514  
and 1518 S. River Rd.



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### Map Reference #4A

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## 2010 Red River Flood Mitigation


Photo Date: 3/21/2010 (Crest)

River Gage: 36.99'


### Belmont Park Phase 1


 Demolish House  
(Backfill to 43')  
233 Lindenwood Dr. S.

 Raise Levee to 43'

 Acquire and Demolish House  
1525 S. River Rd. S.

### Belmont Park Phase 2

 Acquire and Demolish House  
(Backfill to 43')  
245 Lindenwood Dr. S.

 Phase 2 - Levee Raise



### 2010 Schedule

Project is partially under contract homes (2 homes removed)



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## 2010 Schedule

Project is currently in the process of being bid

## 2010 Red River Flood Mitigation

Photo Date: 3/21/2010 (Crest)

River Gage: 36.99'

South Acres Levee

Permit and Reconstruct to 44'

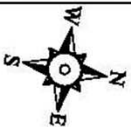
-  Earth Levee 44'
-  New Storm Sewer
-  Relocate San. S. Lift Station
-  New cul-de-sac
-  Remove Asphalt Pavement



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## 2010 Schedule

Project Currently in design  
Construction Fall 2010  
Completion Spring 2011

## 2010 Red River Flood Mitigation

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River Gage: 36.99'

Riverview Place

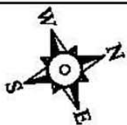
Temporary Emergency Levee

Temporary Emergency  
Levee to 42'

Access Ramp

New Storm Sewer

Gatewell with Sluice Gate



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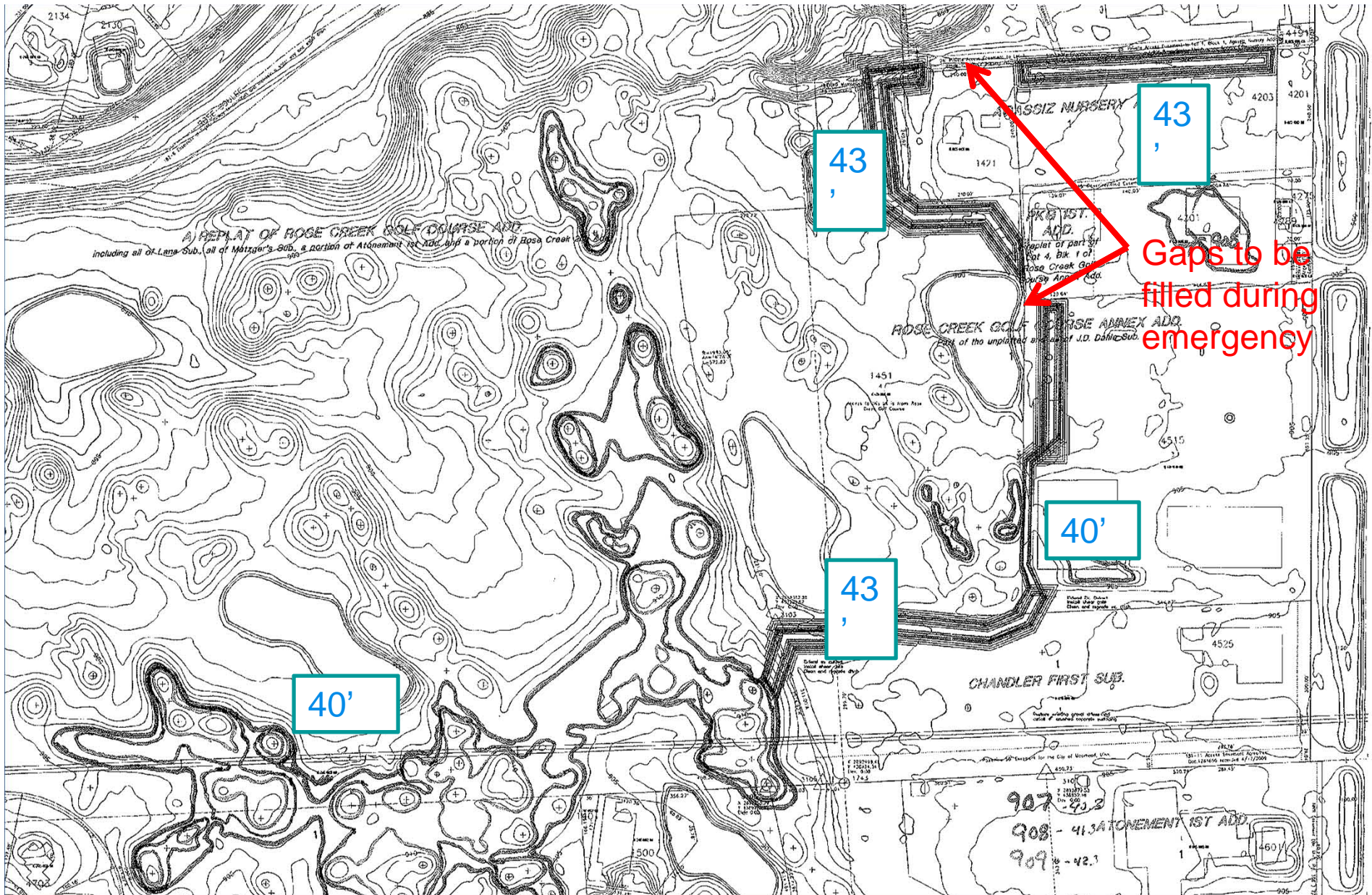
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Gaps to be filled during emergency

Map Reference 9 A






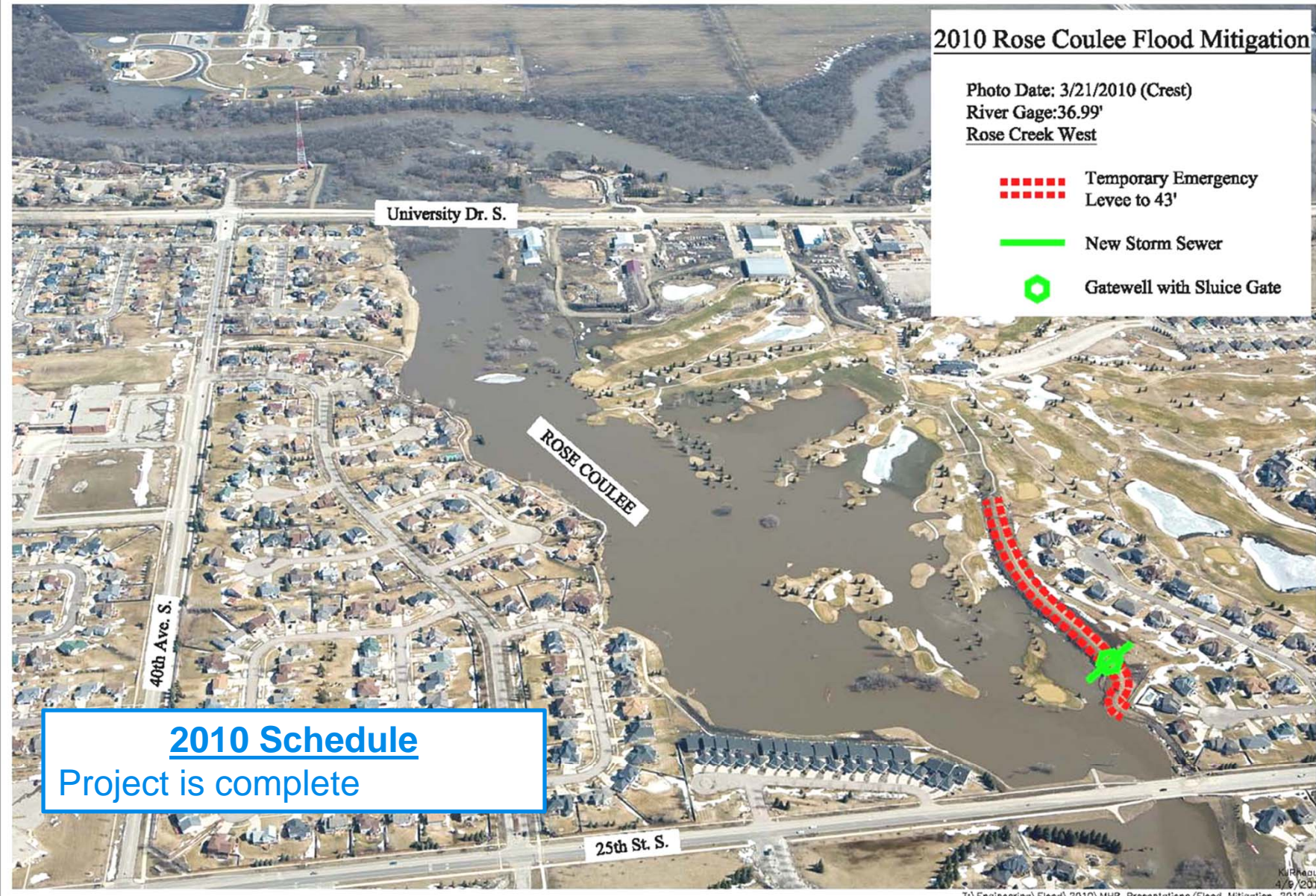
## 2010 Rose Coulee Flood Mitigation

Photo Date: 3/21/2010 (Crest)

River Gage: 36.99'

Rose Creek West

-  Temporary Emergency  
Levee to 43'
-  New Storm Sewer
-  Gatewell with Sluice Gate



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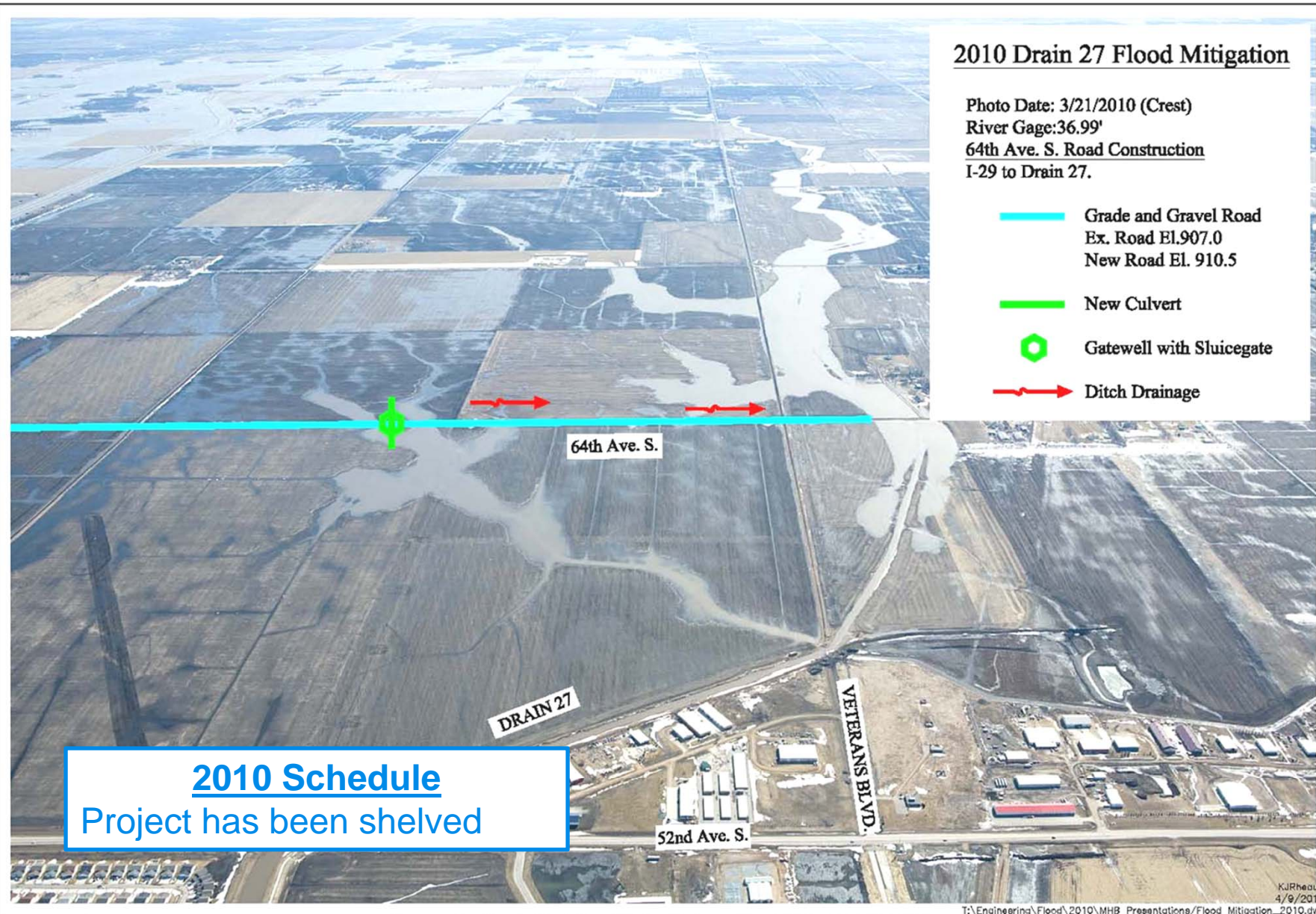
## 2010 Drain 27 Flood Mitigation

Photo Date: 3/21/2010 (Crest)

River Gage: 36.99'

64th Ave. S. Road Construction  
I-29 to Drain 27.

-  Grade and Gravel Road  
Ex. Road El. 907.0  
New Road El. 910.5
-  New Culvert
-  Gatewell with Sluiceway
-  Ditch Drainage



**2010 Schedule**  
Project has been shelved



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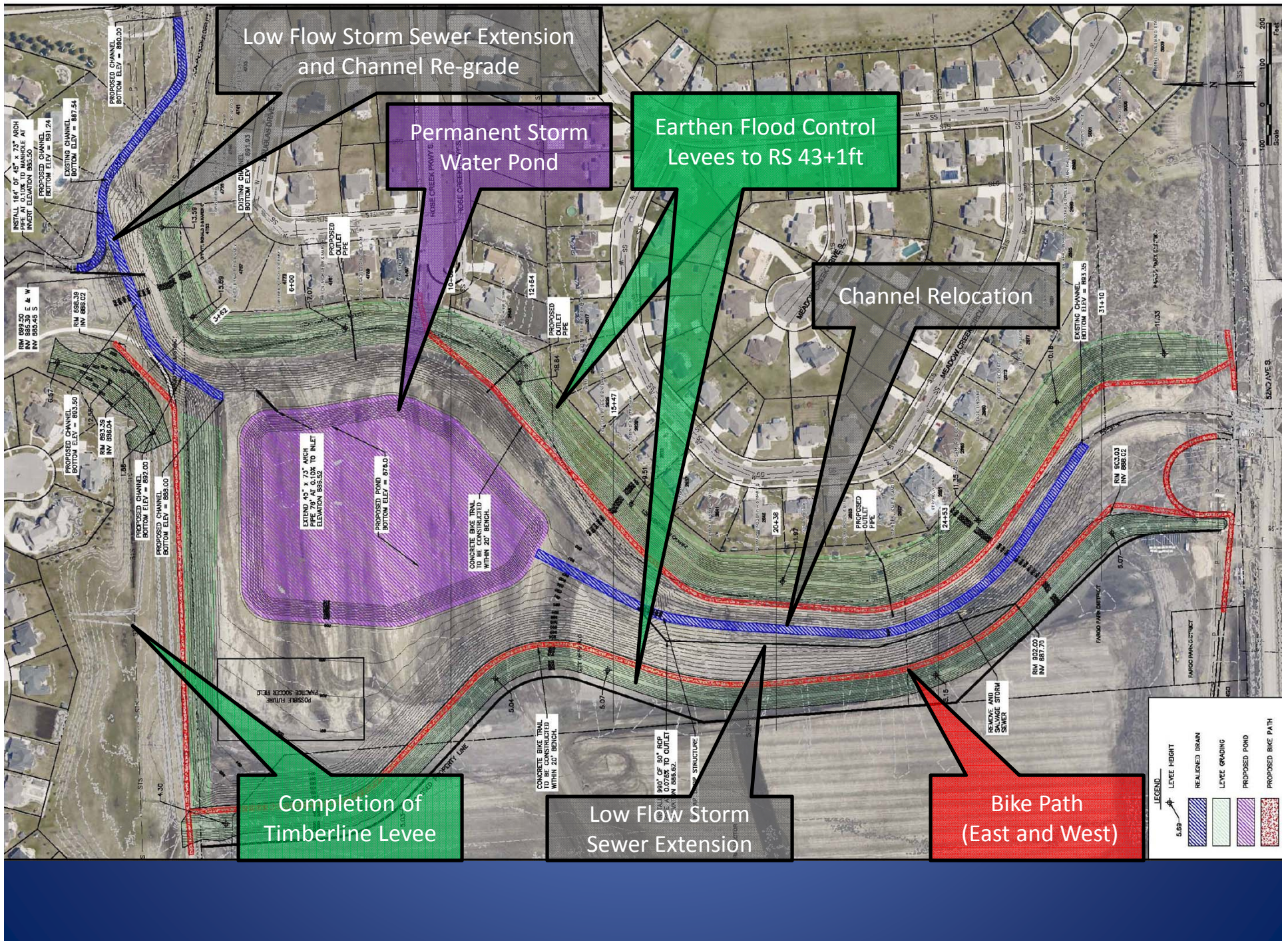
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# Meadow Creek Area Flood Risk Management – Project 5944

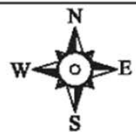
Public Information Meeting #2

August 3, 2010









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## 2010 Red River Flood Mitigation


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River Gage: 36.99'


Davies H.S., Chrisan and MGB Protection

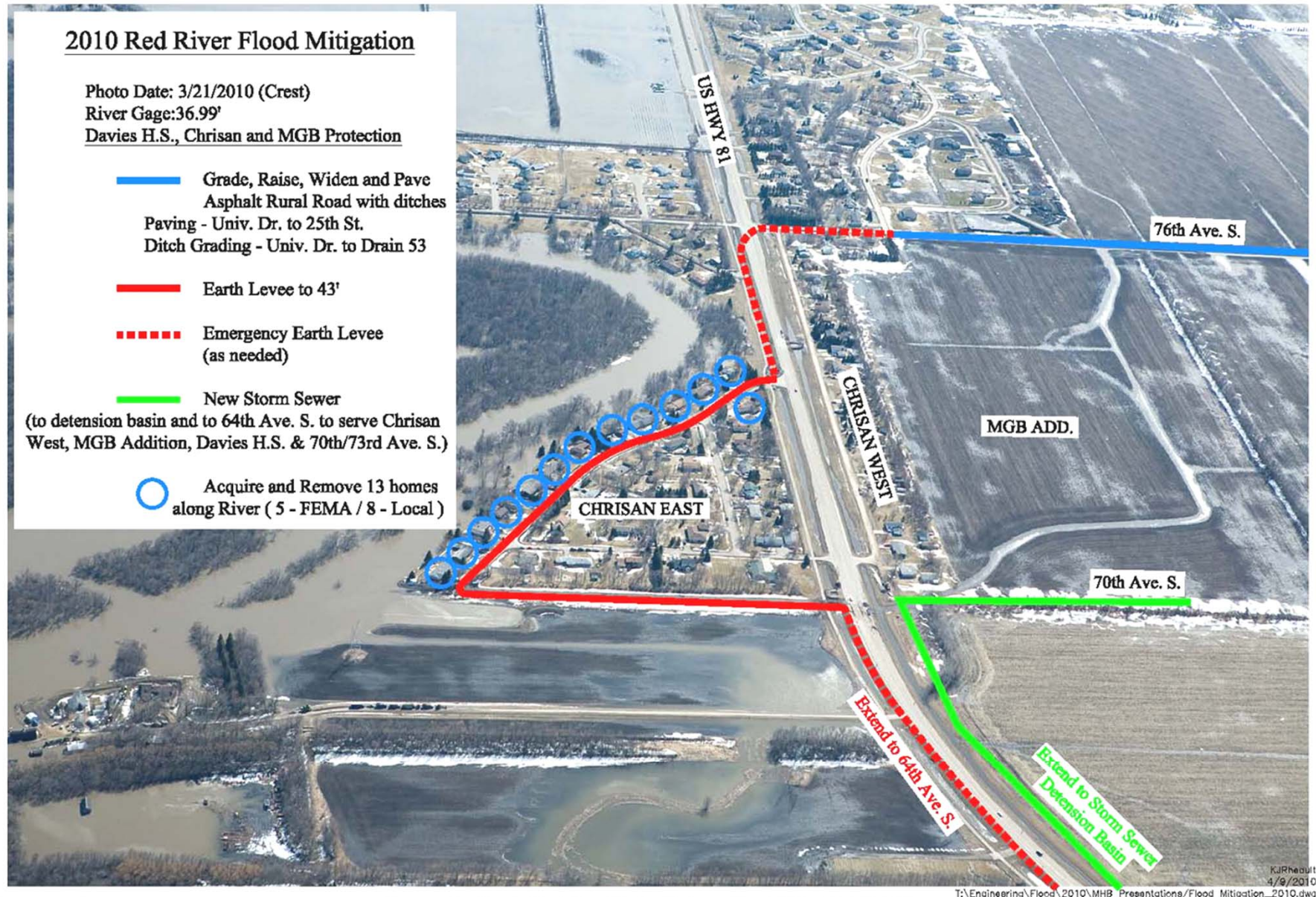
 Grade, Raise, Widen and Pave  
Asphalt Rural Road with ditches  
Paving - Univ. Dr. to 25th St.  
Ditch Grading - Univ. Dr. to Drain 53

 Earth Levee to 43'

 Emergency Earth Levee  
(as needed)

 New Storm Sewer  
(to detension basin and to 64th Ave. S. to serve Chrisan  
West, MGB Addition, Davies H.S. & 70th/73rd Ave. S.)

 Acquire and Remove 13 homes  
along River ( 5 - FEMA / 8 - Local )



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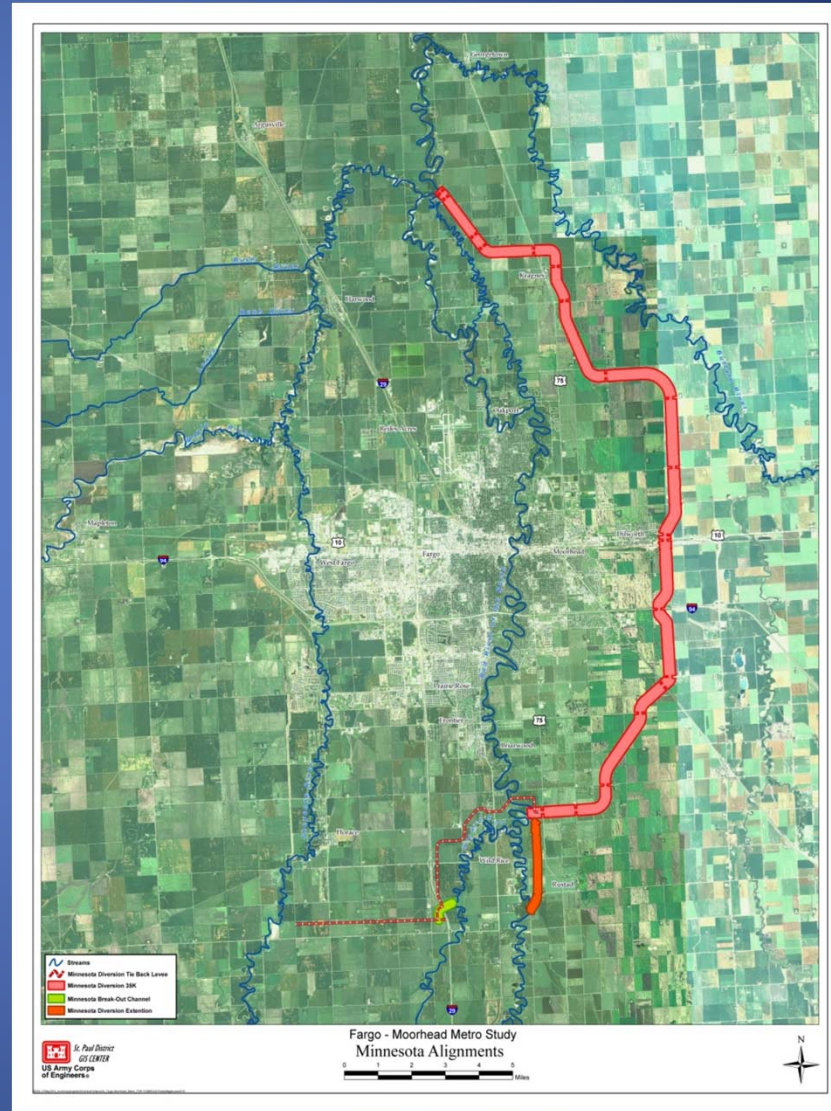
Event	Anticipated Event (98% Evacuation)	Unanticipated Event (0% Evacuation)
1% Chance (100 yr)	4	200
0.2% Chance (500 yr)	12	594

\*Assume Total Metro Population 200,000



## Minnesota alignment:

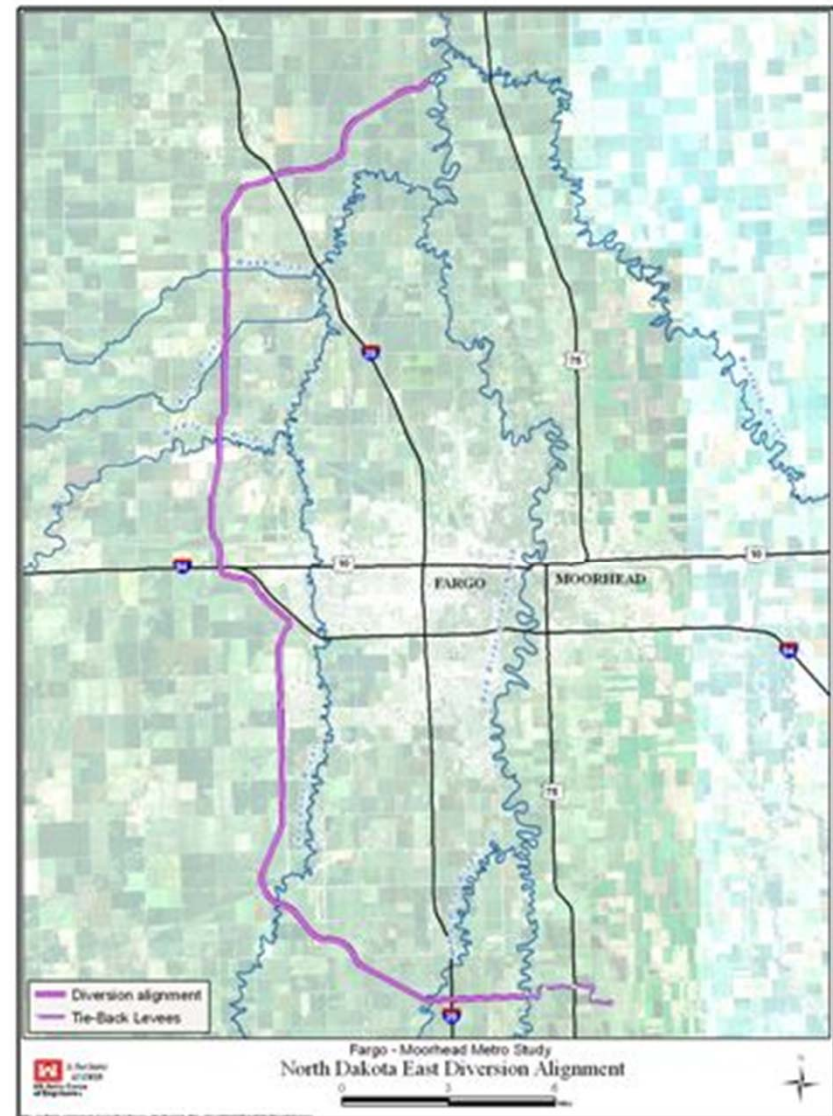
- 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, and 45K cfs
- 25 mile-long channel
- 9.9 miles of tie back levee
- 7.5 years construction
- Structures needed
  - 1 Control structure
  - 1 Drop structure
  - 0 River crossings
  - 20 Highway bridges
  - 4 Railroad bridges





# North Dakota Alignment LPP:

- 30K and 35K cfs
- 36 mile-long channel
- 3.3 miles of tie back levee
- 8.5 years construction
- Structures needed
  - 2 Control structures
  - 2 River aqueducts
  - 2 Tributary drop structures
  - 3 Drop structures
  - 18 Highway bridges
  - 4 Railroad bridges





## Screening Results:

Screened Alternatives Ranked by Net Benefits					
Alternative	Cost <sup>1</sup>	Avg Annual Net Benefits <sup>1</sup>	Avg Annual Benefits <sup>1</sup>	Residual Damages <sup>1</sup>	B/C Ratio
MN Short Diversion 20K	\$1,032	\$87.0	\$140.0	\$55.9	2.64
MN Short Diversion 25K	\$1,121	\$98.8	\$156.4	\$39.5	2.71
MN Short Diversion 30K	\$1,194	\$101.7	\$163.1	\$32.8	2.66
MN Short Diversion 35K	\$1,286	\$104.9	\$171.0	\$24.9	2.59
MN Short Diversion 40K <sup>2</sup>	\$1,367	\$105.6	\$175.9	\$20.0	2.50
MN Short Diversion 45K <sup>2</sup>	\$1,450	\$104.9	\$179.5	\$16.4	2.41
ND East Diversion 35K	\$1,462	\$95.4	\$171.1	\$24.8	2.26
1. In millions of dollars with interest during construction and discounting included					
2. Estimate based on linear extrapolation					
Expected average annual damages without a project are \$195.9 million.					

When in operation, average annual benefits: MN35k \$168.5 million

ND35k \$172.8 million

28 June 2010



## Effectiveness of Diversions:

		Stage at Fargo Gage (ft)	
Stage	Impacts	1% Chance (100- year)	0.2% Chance (500- year)
27	Fargo Elm Street closed		
Existing Condition (Stage)		42.4	46.7
Existing Condition (CFR)		34,700	61,700
Work Group Goal		30	36
20K MN Diversion Channel	First homes in Moorhead threatened	36.9	43.7
25K MN Diversion Channel	First homes in Fargo threatened	34.9	42.4
30K MN Diversion Channel	2000 Flood Record Stage	33.6	41.9
35K ND Diversion Channel		30.6	40
35K MN Diversion Channel		31.9	39.6
40K MN Diversion Channel		31.9	37.6
45K MN Diversion Channel		31.9	35.3



Fargo, N.D., March 26, 2009



## *Downstream Effects:*

Based on 35K diversions and 100-year event

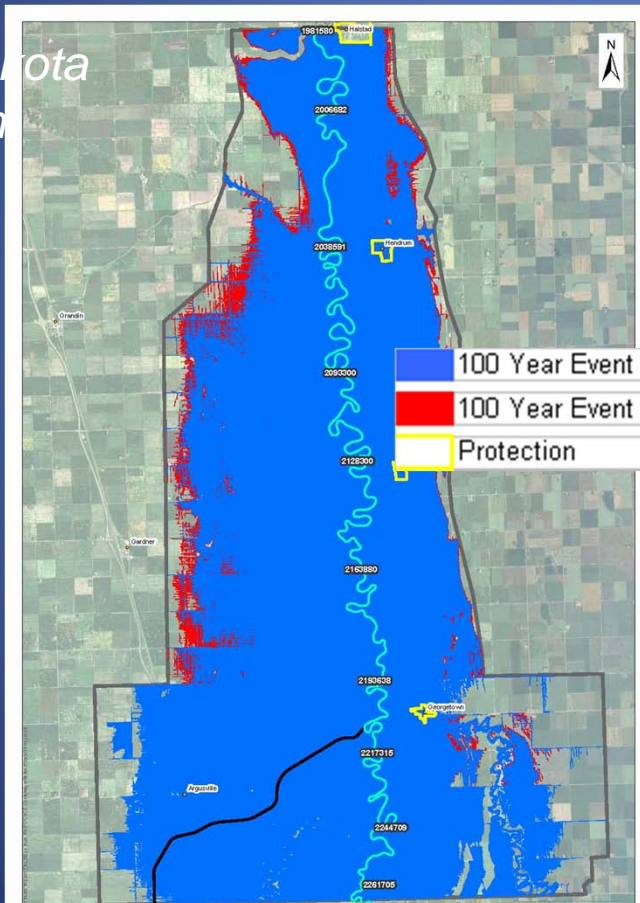
Location	Stage increase (inches)
<b>Minnesota Short 35K - 100 Year</b>	
Halstad Gage	6.7
Peak	7.2
Hendrum	6.8
Perley	4.8
Georgetown	4.7
<b>North Dakota 35K - 100 Year</b>	
Halstad Gage	10.7
Peak	11.6
Hendrum	10.7
Perley	6.6
Georgetown	7.1



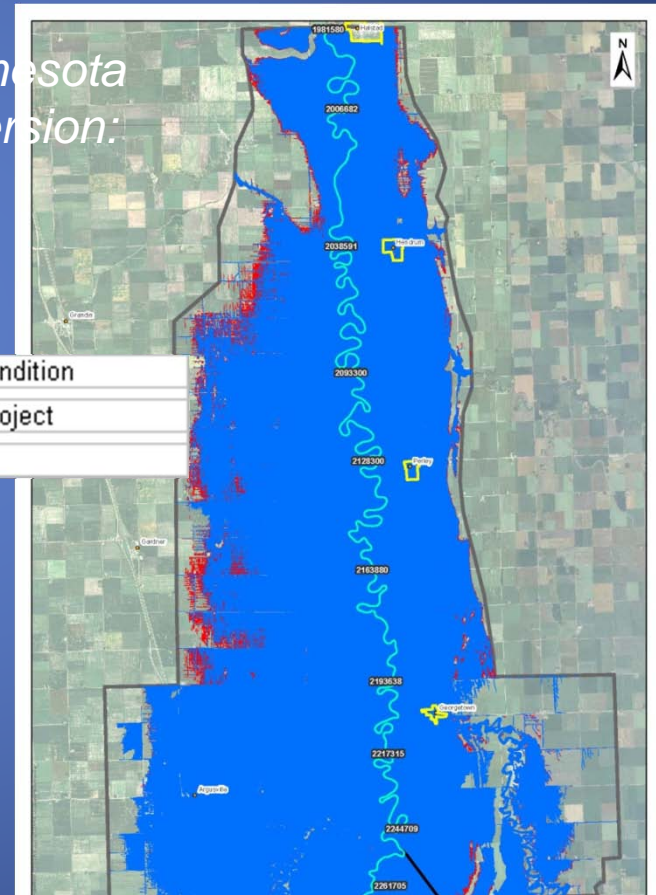
## Downstream effects:

Based on 35K diversions and 1% chance event

North Dakota  
Diversion



Minnesota  
Diversion:





## *Project Impacts (ND 35k):*

- ✓ Wetlands - 33 acres direct impacts and 193 acres of indirect impacts
- ✓ Groundwater - No adverse impacts
- ✓ Sedimentation – Minor impacts on Red River and tributaries
- ✓ Connectivity – Impacts minimized up to the 2-percent chance event
- ✓ Riparian and Aquatic Habitat – 43 acres of river channel and 140 acres of riparian forest
- ✓ Residences – Relocation of six residences
- ✓ Farmland – 5,400 acres of prime and unique farmland

The project includes appropriate mitigation for unavoidable environmental impacts.



## *F-M Metro Study Timeline:*

- Jul 2010: Independent External Peer Review Complete
- Jul 15, 2010: Sponsors letter of support
- Aug 9, 2010: Public Review Period Complete
- Oct 2010: Civil Works Review Board Briefing in Washington DC
- Oct 2010: Finalize feasibility report/EIS
- Oct 2010: Public Meetings
- Nov 2010: Execute Design Agreement
- Dec 2010: Sign Report of Chief of Engineers
- Jan 2011: Begin plans and specifications
- Apr 2012: Begin construction (if authorized and funded)



# FARGO

## 52 MILES OF PROTECTION

29 MILES OF LEVEE  
(Fargo)

5 MILES OF LEVEE  
(Cass)

8 MILES OF HESCO

0.3 MILES OF  
PORTA-DAM

10 MILES OF  
SANDBAG

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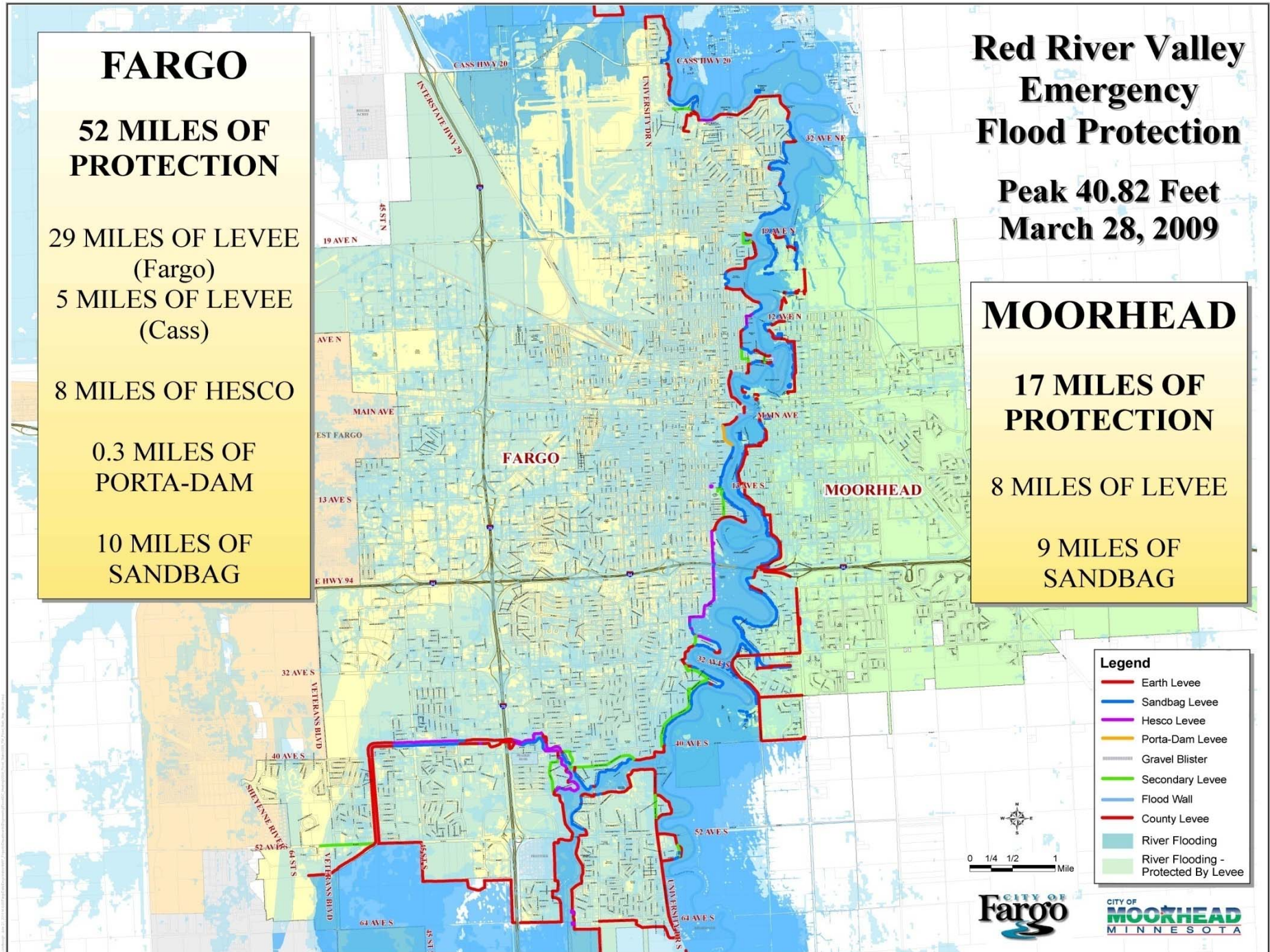
**Peak 40.82 Feet  
March 28, 2009**

# MOORHEAD

## 17 MILES OF PROTECTION

8 MILES OF LEVEE

9 MILES OF  
SANDBAG





# FARGO

**11.6 MILES OF PROTECTION**

**6 MILES OF LEVEE**

**.1 MILES OF ALT. PRODUCTS**

**5.5 MILES OF SANDBAG**

# Red River Valley Emergency Flood Protection

**Peak 36.99 Feet  
March 21, 2010**

# MOORHEAD

**3.6 MILES OF PROTECTION**

**1.1 MILES OF LEVEE**

**2.5 MILES OF SANDBAG**

