

**Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2011**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3039
(Representatives DeKrey, Carlson, Drovdal, J. Kelsh)
(Senators Stenehjem, Taylor)

A concurrent resolution urging the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Federal Emergency Management Agency to exempt road grade raises necessitated by flooding from the requirement that the raise be offset by the acquisition of replacement wetlands.

WHEREAS, the current wet cycle has resulted in flooding of roads necessitating grade raises to maintain the state's transportation network; and

WHEREAS, local transportation budgets are already stretched due to continued flooding; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota has done more than its share to preserve and protect wetlands; and

WHEREAS, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service is requiring remote wetland acquisitions for grade raises that have not resulted in any loss of wetlands;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

That the Sixty-second Legislative Assembly urges the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Federal Emergency Management Agency to exempt road grade raises necessitated by flooding from the requirement that the raise be offset by the acquisition of replacement wetlands;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution to the director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, the administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate