2009 HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES

HB 1379

2009 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. 1379

House Natural Resources Committee

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Hearing Date: 1-23-09

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Minutes:

Chairman Porter – Open the hearing on HB 1379.

Gerald Aftman – Did not sign in. - We want to develop a boat marina on waters of lake Sakakawea that would give us access to the water at both low and high tides. We have had some success, we had Senator Dorgan who has agreed to try to help us find money for this project. We need to this legislature to ask for help in providing a feasibility study. We have a development myself, which is north of this project, on land that is 400 acres, we have about 70 homes we have sold in that area and we have the potential of about 400 more. It is a beautiful area. The water comes from Williston. It hits our property, the corp. of engineers property and turns and goes towards the bridge they built. It backs up into the little knife tributary and into Sanish Bay which makes it a perfect location for both low and high water tides. We put it right out into the water so we would have access both at 17, 97 and all the way up to 1855. It would provide boat birthing at its lowest point of 70 some ?????? and would go out from there to almost 200 births at its high point. We could use the shore lines. This is something that would be economically good, not only for the city of New Town, but also the state of ND. We are now at about 50,000 boat licenses in the state of ND and over 21,000 campers that are licensed in this state, and another 5800 motor homes. This has increased year, even with the low water

and hard access to the lake. It shows our state really wants to get out and enjoy our recreational development. But, as you know, with the waters coming up and down in my term as having developing this property, I've seen high water and I've seen low water twice. I, myself, have built 2 different boat ramps with the help of the corp. of engineers and the game & fish. In our project we basically supplied from \$ 281,000 of our own money. A good portion of that was sweat equity. We've done our share and I'm hoping the state will be able to find a way to help us out and to continue so the economic development in this area can be both sustained and growing. If you go to Pick City you will find campers parked along the roads of every campsite there is. You go to every campsite and you always found overload camping along the areas that are there now. You will find many campers that will get fed up and just go home. That is one of the reasons we are here – to see if we can find a way to help out both us and the state of ND.

Chairman Porter – The \$ 300,000 fee is to do the feasibility study. The project is on your private property?

Mr. Aftman – No it is on the corp. of engineers land and has been leased by the city of New Town for the last 40 years. It has been designated as a park area. It is also listed in the corp.'s master plan. The core has worked with us very diligently to try to help us out with a plan they think is feasible. We do need to go out and do some testing of the soil samples out in the water and on the shore line. This is one of the most historical areas of the lake. Although the tribe and the state of ND believe the majority of those sites have been washed into the river, we do need to take those precautions to make sure there's nothing remaining so we can protect it.

Chairman Porter – The total cost of the feasibility study is \$300,000 or is there a local share?

Mr. Aftman – It is \$ 300,000.

Chairman Porter – You are asking the state for the entire amount of \$ 300,000.

Mr. Aftmen – Yes.

Rep. Kenton Onstad – Did not sign in – I'm here to introduce HB 1379. See **Attachments:** # 1; # 2; and # 3.

Vice Chairman Damschen - Can we anticipate the future request for the money to help build the marina?

Rep. Onstad – I don't think so. You can't say never, but to access those federal dollars it's important the state of ND recognize that importance and ???? favorable to those federal dollars. We have an opportunity to possibly attract federal dollars.

Rep. Hunskor – With the development of that area, in the future there will be increased revenue to the state which is a plus. There will also be increased revenue for the businesses in New Town. Which leads to the question of local funds available to help with the feasibility study. Apparently there would not be any available if you are asking for the full amount of the cost of the study.

Rep. Onstad – At this point it is more under the park boards jurisdiction.

Rep. Hunskor – Has there been any thought of working with the business community with coming up with part of this?

Rep. Onstad – I think there have been some contacts and I'm not specific what their answers were.

Rep. Pinkerton – What is the relationship with the marina at 4 Bears now?

Rep. Onstad – They have a boat landing at 4 Bears. They have a spot designated for a possible marina, but with the low water levels that went dry. Right now on the 4 Bears side is an access with a boat ramp.

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Rep. Pinkerton – New Town is now the center between New Town and Stanley is going to be the center of the very best oil production. Is that pretty close? Is it the closes recreational area to the oil development area?

Rep. Onstad – New Town has seen some oil development close to the city at this point. I'm not sure if it is the center.

Rep. Pinkerton – Are there marinas in any of the close towns?

Rep. Onstad – No, there is not.

Chairman Porter – In sect. 2 we are putting 1.7 million dollars into game & fish. Should that be toward game & fish or should it be directed toward to the DOT since game & fish really has nothing to do with ????

Rep. Onstad – I think you are correct in your assumption on that.

Chairman Porter – My other question on the \$300,000 on the top we talked about the park board, we talked about the city of New Town, we talked about the businesses, what about the tribal involvement. Has there been any discussion between the 3 affiliated tribes to pay for a portion of this study since they will also be generating income from off this venture?

Rep. Onstad – As far as dealing with any financing I'm not aware of it. The access into it is across the reservation, but the actual location of the marina itself isn't on the reservation.

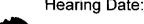
Rep. Keiser – What the feasibility study is going to do?

Rep. Onstad – It will pay for the environmental and archeological review. It will also look at a cost benefit. Some of the initial surveying and engineering will come into that also.

Rep. Keiser – Don't the developers usually do that type of work?

Rep. Onstad – In some situations yes, but we're putting this on a portion of property ?????.

The park district really controls this area. This is really through the park board. You have the New Town marina that is just around the corner from this area.



Terry Fleck – I am the chairman of the Friends of Lake Sakakawea – We strongly support this proposed marina near New Town. This site is included in the current corp. of engineers master plan for Lake Sakakawea. State and Federal funding is needed. We encourage you to assist and provide the funding for this project to move it forward to completion. The marina will stimulate both the local and regional economies and increase the value of the state wide recreational activities on Lake Sakakawea. The number of available boat slips during all water levels is limited and the demand is increasing as is the demand for camping and other related recreational facilities. This facility would serve these needs into the future. The Friends association is embarking on an extensive road paving project for Lake Sakakawea and as we recognize it's an increasable resource for our state that has been overlooked for many years.

We support the efforts to secure funding for the feasibility study and we also support the construction of a paved roadway and boat ramp to enhance this area for the thousands of people who come to use it. We encourage you to give this bill a Do Pass recommendation.

Chairman Porter – Further testimony in support of HB 1379? Opposition? Mr. Shadwal in section 1 in the appropriation part in regards to the feasibility study, has game & fish ever been involved in those kinds of studies on marinas and access?

Mr. Shadwal – Didn't sign in - The only marina we were involved with is the ?????????????????

Chairman Porter – Has park & rec. been involved in those kinds of feasibility studies with any of their funds?

Mr. Shadwal – They have state parks and those marinas. They actually have been the ones that have been the leaders on that along with the local groups.

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Chairman Porter – Then in sect. 2, I have a question of roads found inside of the DOT. What is the departments stance on moving general funds through the department for road paving projects?

Mr. Shadwal- We never had any general funds. It's not unfeasible to have some money come through the department. Traditionally it has been a special roads fund.

Chairman Porter – With that we will close the hearing on HB 1379. I would like to hear from Parks & Rec and DOT. We will set that up for next week.

Additional testimony was handed in – **Attachment # 5**.

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Minutes:

Chairman Porter – Open HB 1379. We are being asked to provide \$ 300,000 for a feasibility study into an area owned by the Crop. Of Engineers and leased by the Park District in New Town. From the Parks & Rec standpoint I'm worried about the need in the area and what's currently available to the park system.

Mr.Perkel – Did not sign in - Parks & Rec. – The closest state park would be around Garrison, Pick City, Lake Sakakawea, Ft. Stevenson, to the west Lewis & Clark out at Williston. With respect to proximity in the marina, the New Town area central part of the lake is probably the last area with deeper water where a marina really is possible. That is on the western end of where would be the larger complex. When you travel further west the lake levels decrease and it is less likely you could have a deep water marina.

Chairman Porter – Has the state looked at other areas in and around Lake Sakakawea for marina type activities.

Mr. Perkel – No we have not. We're limited to manage the 3 parks I identified. We really don't have a long range plan in our system to add a state park. We are mindful of other jurisdictions.

You have local jurisdictions in a system complementing one another because those kinds of places are out there. New Town park board works with this facility across the lake at Beaver

Bay. At Ft. Stevenson State Park we have a proposal out for a private operator to run that marina. We don't have a plan for a state park presence on the lake.

Rep. Drovdal – In the current state park you have at the lake the funding for that, how is funds raised for that? Is it out of general funds, out of your budget or is it grant?

Mr. Perkel – The marina at Ft. Stevenson is being built, the funding came from the corp. of engineers. Not a congressional appropriation. It was a request by a senator to say crop. You build that facility. Wholly, 100%, federal funding.

Rep. Hofstad – Can you give me a scope of the project - \$ 300,000 appropriation for a feasibility study would suggest we are talking about a sizeable project here.

Mr. Perkel – With due respect, I'm on the outside on this one. The scope of that study, from what I understand, is to determine a feasibility to build that facility in the location. Not the feasibility whether it is a viable operation. I don't know if the bill clarifies that. The feasibility I understand from visiting with the local folks when they talked with them in December really related to can that facility feasibly be built engendering wise right on the edge of the lake shore.

Chairman Porter – Would you look at it more as an environmental impact study than a business plan feasibility study?

Mr. Perkel – I believe that would be an accurate statement.

Chairman Porter - We wanted someone from the DOT because sect. 2 of the bill talked about 1.7 million in general funds run through the Game & Fish dept.'s budget for a paved road rather than through DOT.

Mr. Scott Folie – I am representing the DOT – Things we talk about on special roads is that it actually is set up like a committee. 2 of those committee members are 1 from the senate and 1 from the house and then we have representatives from Game & Fish, Parks & Rec. and our

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director actually chairs that committee. Those funds are actually set aside for instructional maintenance of access roads, and those access roads are to recreational areas, to tourists areas or to historic sites. What we usually do with those special funds is, when we set up a contract we set it up with a political sub. Everything we do has a contract either through a county or through some city. Applications are due to us the middle of November and because of the legislative session this year we have not had that committee set up and picked projects for 2009. That should be coming up in the near future. Where do these funds come from? They actually get interest off our account, 40% of that is deposited into these special roads funds. What the committee has done, they have actually set a maximum amount that would be set aside for any one project. That maximum amount happens to be \$ 250,000. Usually what we do they request a matching ratio of 60 – 40 so 60% special road funds and 40% match from that local entity, be it a county or a city. Currently we are looking at a balance at the end of June around \$ 274,000. We are hoping to pick those projects here in the near term. To this point, since 2000 we've actually selected 51 projects. The average award has been \$75,000. Hopefully that provides some background into the SRF funds. Hopefully if I can't answer questions Dave can.

Chairman Porter – Because the dollars are interest off your existing funds, with the 60 – 40 match formula, is there the availability to further match other federal dollars for a project like this particular one where it is an actual road not a walking trail?

Mr. Folie – We have federal aid for federal aid highways. The answer to that question could be yes. But if it is not a federal aid highway the answer is no. Those federal aid funds are good for federal aid highways. Have there been places where we have actually added some mileage to the federal aid system? Yes we have. On the county federal aid system, or on the

state federal aid system but those mileages have to be approved by federal highway. Yes it could be, but it really depends on if it is approved or not approved.

Chairman Porter – Typically these roads that are coming to the special roads fund is because they don't qualify for other matches and this is the only place where there is some money available to do these special projects.

Mr. Folie – The answer to that question is yes.

Rep. Hanson – Is there a fund set aside from road tax coming from motor boat gas that is used on the lake rather than on the highway?

Mr. Folie – I don't know the answer to that question. We would have to take that question back and see if we have an answer.

Rep. Hanson – Years ago I was one of the sponsors on that bill unless it was repealed. The gas that is used on motor boats is supposed to go to marinas and roads into marinas.

Mr. Folie – There is a fund set aside motor boats, I do know that. I don't know how significant that is.

Chairman Porter – The only other question I have is the way this bill is written it puts general fund dollars through Game & Fish for a road. If the legislature is looking at doing this kind of project is there a problem moving that money so that it flows through DOT rather than Game & Fish?

Mr. Folie – Yes, I'm think it would be a problem. I'm speaking for the director and I would have to verify this with him, but if it wasn't contained in the executive budget I don't know if the director would support that. There are different standards that road would have to follow if we actually went and decided we could take over and do the administration of that road.

Chairman Porter - Further questions? We will come back after the floor session.

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Chairman Porter – HB 1379 is in front of us.

Rep. Hanson – There was some talk about getting federal funds from Senator Dorgan. I don't see anything here about it.

Chairman Porter – I did have a conversation with DOT in regards to the roads funds and how they flow. They said because this is technically a private road a non state or federal road they would not be a place to have the funds. Because even the special roads fund deals directly with grants and things that deal with DOT. They didn't make any suggestions. It would be more in the lines of Commerce, Parks & Rec., or Game & Fish. Game & Fish also expressed concerns with receiving direct general fund appropriations. They have never done that in the history of the agency. They haven't been involved in a project like this doing this type of work. It is up to the committee. There are definitely two distinct different concepts inside this bill. Rep. Keiser – I am concerned with the stimulus package that is going to come to the state of ND. There is going to be money coming. There can be projects identified, but there will be no earmarks out of those federal dollars. It is an unusual situation. There is a lot of money coming, and they may or may not have some strings attached, but they aren't going to be earmarked. They are not going to be in the budget when it is approved. But if there are ????

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on the part of our delegation that certain projects are to be funded they will be somehow

funded.

Chairman Porter - Further discussion.

Rep. Keiser – I move a Do Not Pass.

Vice Chairman Damschen - 2nd

Chairman Porter - I have a motion from Rep. Keiser for a Do Not Pass on HB 1379 and a 2nd

from Vice Chairman Damschen. Discussion

Rep. Keiser – I have a problem with doing feasibility studies on developments. That should be

done by the private sector. They can do it in conjunction with a lot of other people, but I think

private money should be a major part of this.

Chairman Porter - Further discussion. The clerk will call the roll.

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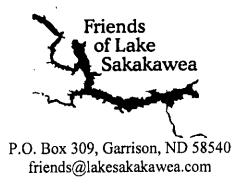
REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1379: Natural Resources Committee (Rep. Porter, Chairman) recommends DO NOT PASS (12 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1379 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

2009 TESTIMONY

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Testimony to the House Natural Resources Committee HB 1379
11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 23, 2009

Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee. Good morning, I'm Terry Fleck and I'm the chairman of the Friends of Lake Sakakawea, an organization representing cities, chambers, economic development groups, fishermen ... and all the stakeholders around the lake.

The Friends of Lake Sakakawea strongly supports the proposed Sanish Bay Marina near New Town. We support and endorse construction of this marina and the associated facilities.

This site is included in the current U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Master Plan for Lake Sakakawea.

We believe the planning and development process needs to continue, however state and federal funding is needed. We encourage you to assist in providing funding for this project to move it forward to completion.

This marina will significantly stimulate both the local and regional economies, improve reliable long term access to the lake, and increase the value of state-wide recreational activities on this lake. The number of available boat slips during all water levels is limited and the demand is increasing, as is the demand for camping and other related recreational facilities.

This facility would serve these needs into the future for a large service area in western North Dakota.

The Friends organization is embarking on an extensive road paving project for Lake Sakakawea, an incredible resource for the state that has been overlooked for many years. We support the developers' efforts to secure state funding for a feasibility study. We also support the construction of a paved roadway and boat ramp to enhance this area for the thousands of people that will come to use it.

The Friends of Lake Sakakawea encourages you to give this bill a DO PASS recommendation. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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HB 1379 Testimony

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Natural Resources Committee

Representative Kenton Onstad, District 4, Parshall

HB 1379 asks for \$300,000 for the purpose of the development of a marina near New Town, North Dakota. The purpose is will include engineering, surveying, geotechnical, a preliminary environmental review and archaeological investigation. Establish a cost benefit for future development of other marinas.

North Dakota Game and Fish is already reviewing locating a boat ramp under their current program and providing access to the water.

Several years ago when the Garrison Marina was under discussion with several state agencies, Game and Fish, State Parks and Recreation, Corps of Engineers recognized the possibility of the need for the development of several marinas and how it would enhance Lake Sakakawea and further development.

The Department of Commerce has never been given direction to look at this development and its cost benefits. HB 1379 would start that process.

Currently in this area some housing is being developed. The addition of a marina would encourage future development, housing, businesses, and increased tourism. This development in turns leads to increased tax revenue for the state and increased taxable valuation for the county. This would be the carrot to further develop this region.

Attached with this testimony is a Picture and description of a possible layout. Several letters of endorsement from interested parties are included.

The second section is if and only if some federal dollars come through. A request has been made. It is important to further advance the federal dollars that a effort on behalf of the State of North Dakota is there.

We have a wonderful resource in our back yard. It is called Lake Sakakawea and the Missouri river System. It has historical value, recreational and fishing interest, nature trails and exceptional beauty.

Mr. Chairman and members of the Natural Resources Committee, I hope you will look favorable on HB 1379 and give it a Do Pass Recommendation.

Thank you and I am open to any questions.



Office of the Chairman Marcus D. Wells, Sr. "Eo-Ba-Da-Gish" (Bald Eagle)

THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES

Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara · Fort Berthold Reservation 404 Frontage Road · New Town, North Dakota 58763-9402 Phone: (701) 627-4781 Fax: (701) 627-3503

April 18, 2007

Mr. Gerald Aftem, President Aftern Lake Development, Inc. 519 14th Street, N.W. Minot, North Dakota 58703

Re: Arrowhead beach

Dear President Aftem:

The Three Affiliated Tribes wish to submit this letter of support for development of a marina on Arrowhead Beach. The proposed development and operation would be suitable for several reasons.

Foremost, the development would stimulate the local economy. The construction and service industries would provide employment opportunities in the local area. In addition, the proposed marina would be a reliable facility that would remain in operation despite varying lake levels. Further, the cost for development will be reduced due to current low lake levels. These cost savings would greatly reduce the burden of development, which in turn would be beneficial for the economy. Taken together, these aspects would bring back economic development in the areas of construction, recreation and tourism.

Your initiative is greatly appreciated. This letter of support endorses that effort in promoting the construction, recreation, and tourism industries of our economy. You may contact our office at (701) 627-4781 for further inquiry.

Sincerely,

Marcus D. Wells, Jr.

Tribal Chairman

Three Affiliated Tribes

xc: Tribal Business Council



Jan. 14, 2009

Gov. John Hoeven State Capitol Bismarck, ND 58501

Dear Governor Hoeven,

The Friends of Lake Sakakawea has reviewed the vision and purpose for the proposed Sanish Bay Marina near New Town. We strongly support and endorse construction of this marina and the associated facilities. This site is included in the current U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Master Plan for Lake Sakakawea. We believe the planning and development process needs to continue, however state and federal funding is required. Subsequently, we encourage you to assist in providing funding for this project to move it forward to completion.

This marina will significantly stimulate both the local and regional economies, improve reliable long term access to the lake, and increase the value of state-wide recreational activities on this lake. The number of available boat slips during all water levels is limited and the demand is increasing, as is the demand for camping and other related recreational facilities. This facility would serve these needs into the future for a large service area in western North Dakota.

Should you have any questions regarding our position, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Terry Fleck, Chairman

Cc: Joe Iverson, New Town Park Board

Marcus Levings, Three Affiliated Tribes

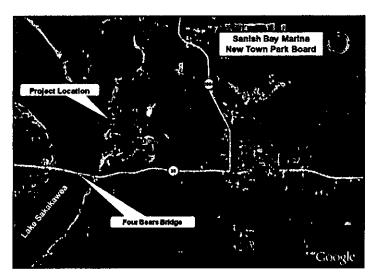
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Representative Kenton Onstad

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Sanish Bay Marina

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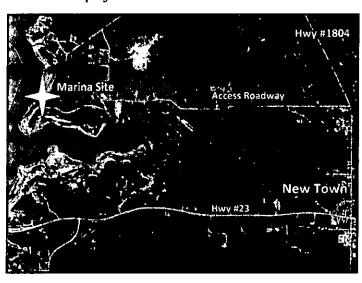
BACKGROUND: The Sanish Bay Marina would be located approximately 0.9 miles north and 2.4 miles west of New Town, North Dakota.

The facilities would be located within the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation on property owned by the *Corps of Engineers*, leased to the *New Town Park Board*, who subleases to *Gerald Aftem* from Minot. Significant investments exist that provide a well maintained access roadway and viable boat ramp. This location is regionally accessible to all western North Dakota via Highway 1804 and Highway 23.

PURPOSE AND NEED: The project's purpose is to create a marina accessible at all lake levels to expand recreational opportunities and use of Lake Sakakawea. Additional marinas on Lake Sakakawea have been under discussion for many years. This site provides a breathtaking vista along with an extensive rich history to be told, from Sakakawea Point, to the City of Sanish, to the new Four Bears Bridge. This project provides a significant economic development opportunity for this region.

VISION AND CONCEPT: Houston Engineering, Inc. was retained by Mr. Aftern to convert his shared vision into a conceptual layout for this high value recreational amenity. The concept includes a marina with 76 slips for various sized water craft, at low water (Elevation 1790), an accessible separate public boat ramp, and a future concessions building, bath houses, playgrounds and campground facilities.

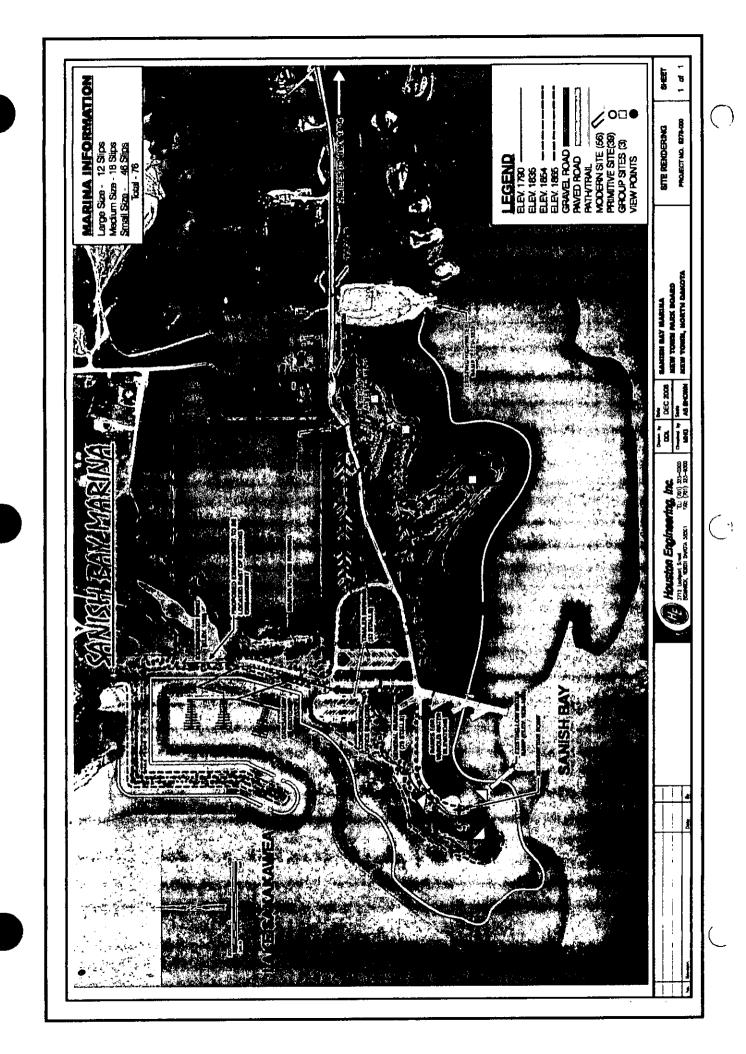
COST PROJECTION: The Sanish Bay Marina is estimated to cost approximately \$16 to \$18 Million and is the center piece draw for the other uses. The concessions, bath house, playgrounds and campground facilities are projected to cost \$2 to \$3 Million and would be constructed in phases as demands increase.



FUNDING: As local funding is limited, State and Federal funds are required for this vision to become a reality. The next stage is to complete a feasibility study, which is projected to cost approximately \$300,000 and will include engineering, surveying, geotechnical, a preliminary environmental review and archeological investigation.

SUPPORT: This project is sponsored by the New Town Park Board, and supported by the City of New Town, Three Affiliated Tribes, the Friends of Lake Sakakawea and addition petitions signed by 700+ individuals.

Contacts with the North Dakota Game and Fish, North Dakota State Parks and Recreation District, and the Corps of Engineers indicate they are willing to support the project and assist in moving forward.



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New Town Park Board

Civic Center New Town, North Dakota 58763

January 22, 2009

Representative Todd Porter, Chairman House Natural Resources Committee North Dakota State Legislature Bismarck, North Dakota

RE: House Bill #1379 - Sanish Bay Marina

Dear Representative Porter:

Since I am unable to attend the House Natural Resources Committee on January 23rd, I want to take an opportunity to express our support for House Bill #1379. The vision of a marina to provide access at all lake levels and campground facilities is shared by many within our area and the City of New Town. With your support of this legislation we will be able to move this shared vision closer to reality and achieve the local and regional economic benefits resulting from its development. Lake Sakakawea is a phenomenal recreational resource that we need to better utilize. The proposed marina, located on land we lease from the Corps of Engineers, will greatly enhance that use. We visited with the Corps during our planning process and they are supportive of our efforts and been very helpful in providing input and direction.

Again we encourage your support of this legislation and will provide any information currently available to us to answer questions that you may have.

Sincerely,

Joe lverson

Project Manager and Member

New Town Park Board

ATTachment #5

HB #1379 – Sanish Bay Marina New Town Park Board Information

ND State Parks & Rec -

The NDSP&R does promote or develop new park facilities. The marina and campground is not intended to be a state park. Their assistance and knowledge in developing such a facility; however would be valuable to the planning process. They agree there is a demand and it does not conflict with their other facilities.

NDDOT Special Roads Fund – A question was raised relating to the possible use of SRF versus providing funds to the ND Game and Fish. SRF funds are inadequate to address the extent of this project and have cost share limits not practical for the New Town Park Board. In addition such costs can't be committed to a project without review by the SRF Committee. The bill presented provides a state commitment, with conditions, to assist in securing federal funding.

Roadway/Ramp Cost Split and Current Funding Methods:

NDDOT \$1,450,000 Roadway (SRF cost share is limited to 60% of construction)
NDGF \$ 250,000 Boat Ramp (NDGF Shared Funds – 75% Policy)

ND State Water Commission -

This is not a typical project for the NDSWC and their 50% cost share on a feasibility study does not provide adequate resources to the New Town Park Board for project development to occur.

ND Game and Fish - The NDGF is not interested in participating in the cost of a Marina.

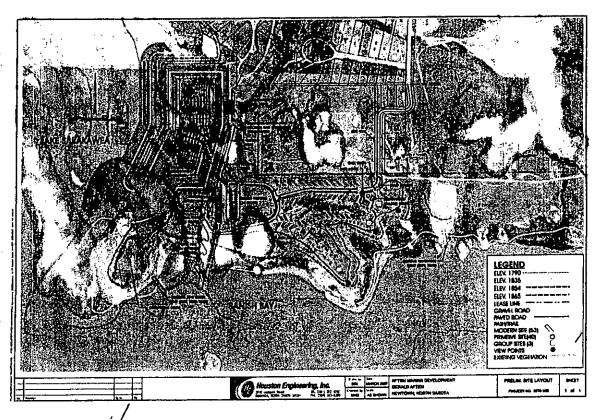
Access to the lake, however is of interest and while they could cost share in the boat ramp, their funds are limited and would require an additional appropriation to address. Combining the road and ramp funding through a single agency would appear to be the most efficient. The NDGF's participation in the larger study and implementation is also valuable to the planning process.

North Dakota Department of Commerce - An economic development leader therefore:

The purpose, need and economic benefits associated with the Sanish Bay Marina project are within the prevue of the NDDC mission. As such oversight of this effort is something they are well suited to assist with. The NDDC has the ability and resources to fill this role, as well as to coordinate with the other agencies per the designated legislative directive.

The New Town Park Board does not have the necessary financial resources to pursue this regional and statewide recreational project. Therefore, the selected method to proceed is to request state funding through **HB** #1379.

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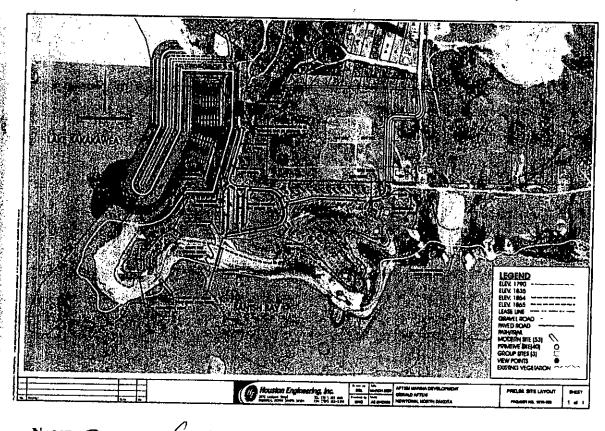
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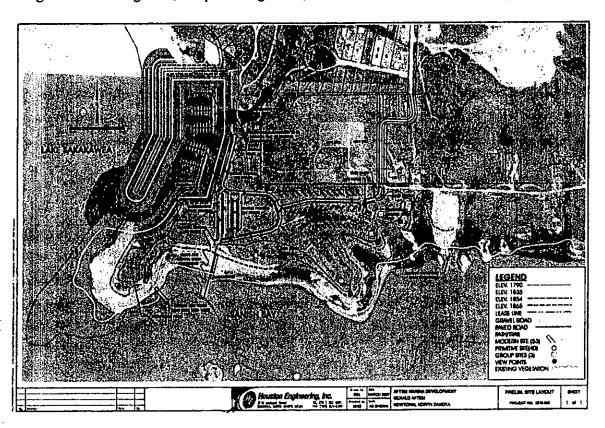
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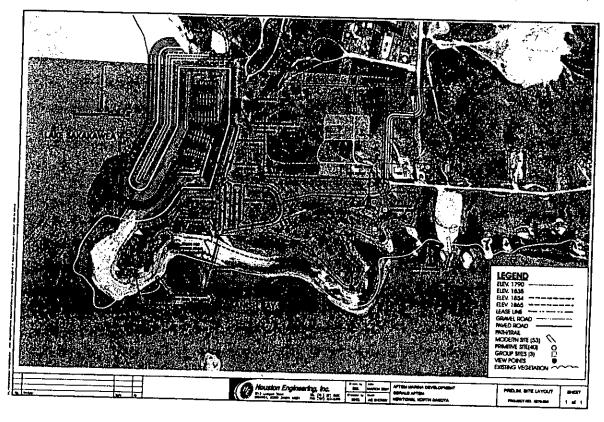
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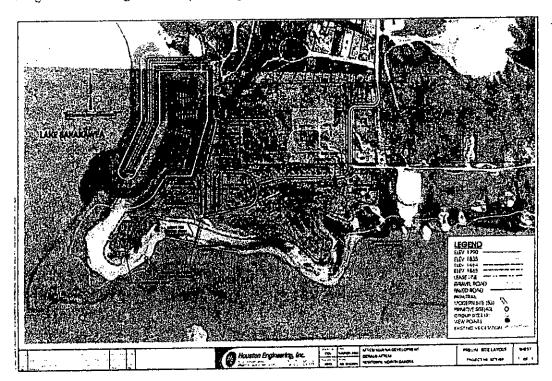
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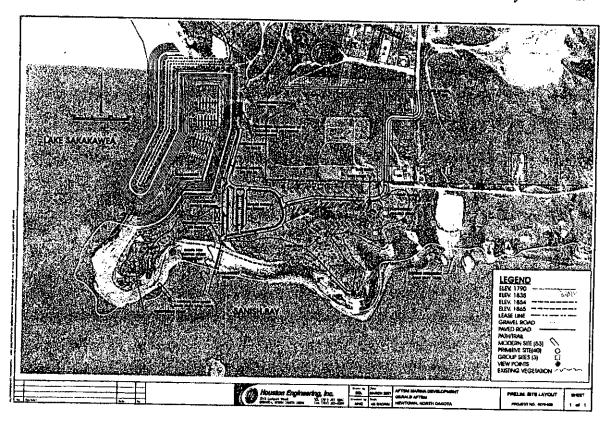


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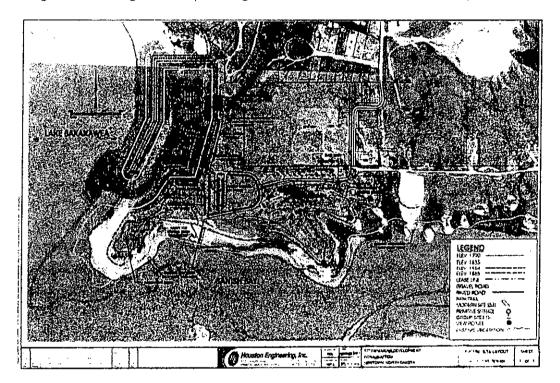
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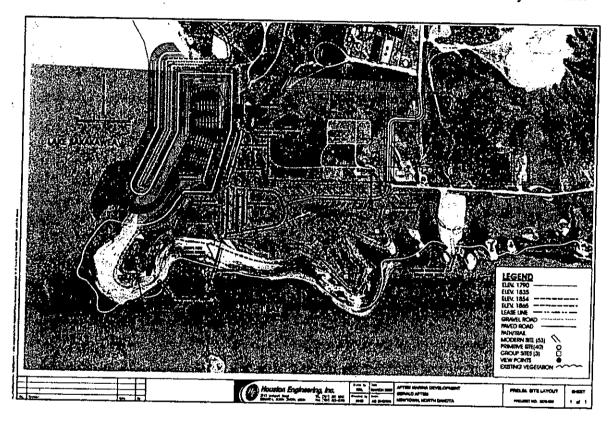


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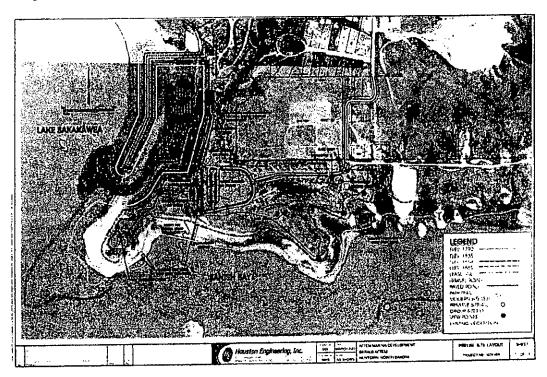
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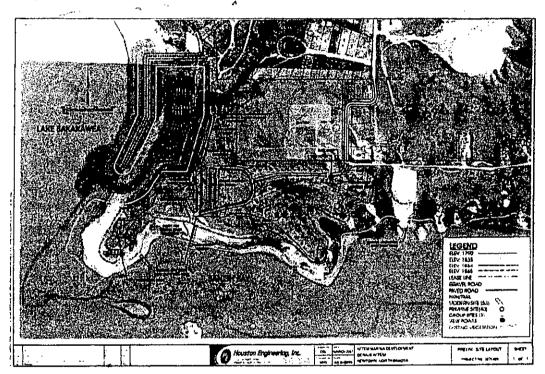


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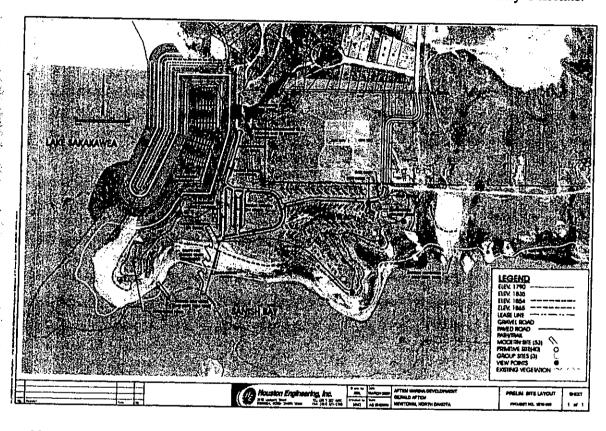


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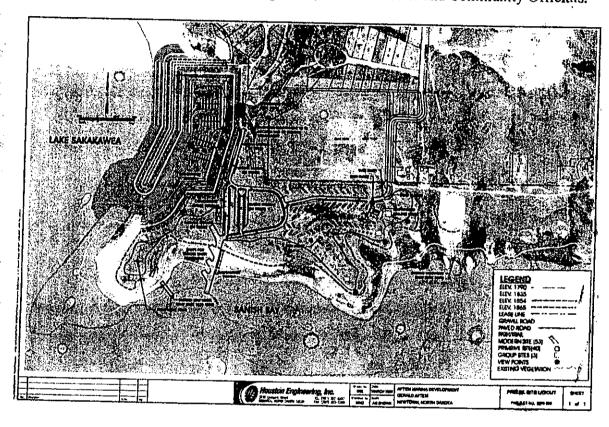
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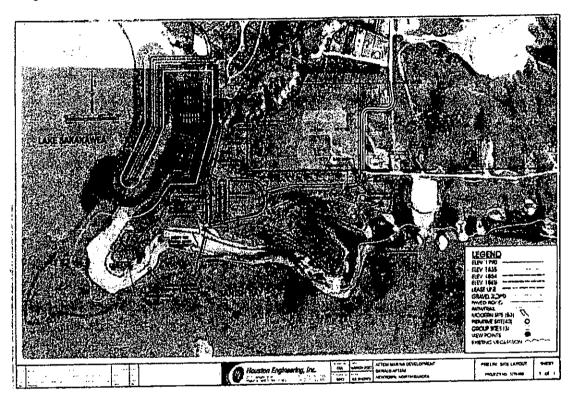
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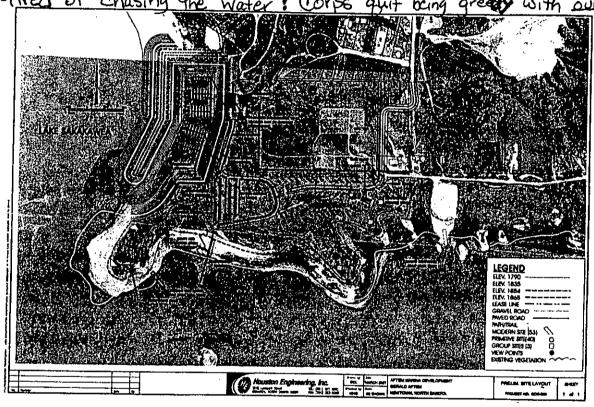
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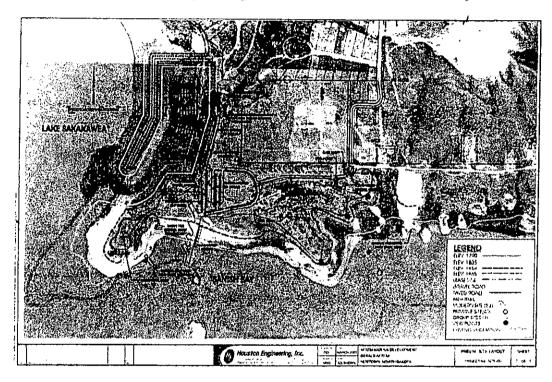
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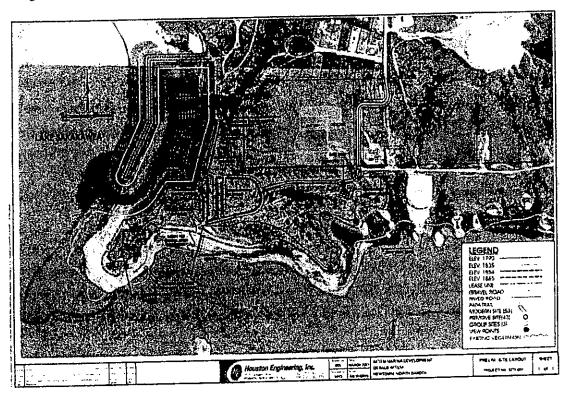
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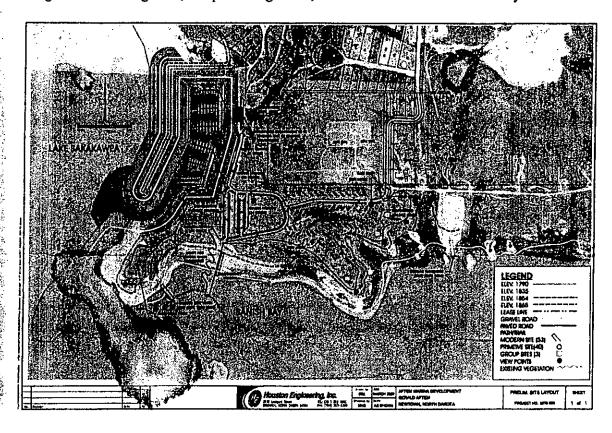
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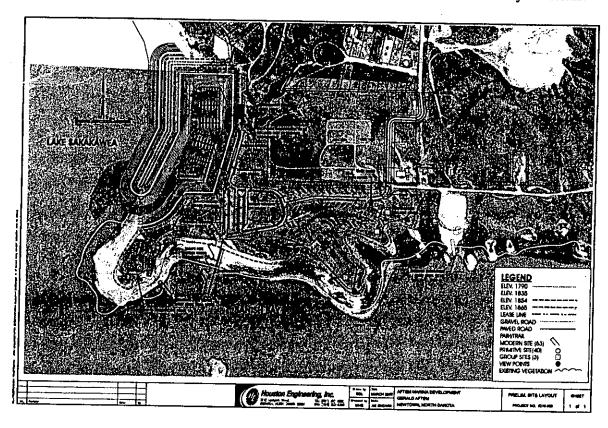
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