


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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Tony Grindberg, Chairman, and Members of the Budget Section

FROM:  Todd Sando P.E.
Chief Engineer-Secretary

SUBJECT: Budget Section Approval to Utilize Funding for Disaster Relief Projects

DATE: December 12, 2011

2011 Senate Bill 2371 appropriated \$50,000,000 out of moneys in the Resources Trust Fund subject to Budget Section approval.

The State Water Commission is requesting funding approval of the following projects:

\$2,500,000 for engineering to prepare preliminary design of the Mouse River Enhanced Flood Protection Plan that would provide the City of Minot and communities along the Mouse River with protection from the magnitude of flood events experienced in 2011;

\$3,000,000 to acquire property for permanent flood control in Valley City;

\$50,000 to assist the Souris River Joint Water Resource District, the local sponsor of the Mouse River Enhanced Flood Protection Plan, to take on the numerous activities associated with project sponsorship. This includes federal funding applications, coordination of acquisitions, and project planning.

At this time the Commission is requesting approval of \$5,550,000 of the appropriated \$50,000,000.