STATE WATER COMMISSION



Floodway property acquisition and construction funding - Section 19 of 2011 Senate Bill No. 2371 approved during the November 2011 special legislative session provides \$50 million from the resources trust fund for additional State Water Commission expenses. As provided in Section 4 of 2011 Senate Bill No. 2020, any expenditure of these funds requires Budget Section approval. In addition, Section 18 of Senate Bill No. 2371 provides the State Water Commission in its future plans place a high priority on providing funding for floodway property acquisitions and construction. The funding must be used to supplement federal hazard mitigation grant funds or other federal funds for acquiring property and for the construction of flood control projects in qualifying political subdivisions, including necessary funding for any state or local match requirements. Qualifying political subdivisions are cities or counties that are eligible for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hazard mitigation grant funding or other comparable federal programs for flood mitigation and have received, or are located within counties that have received, an individual assistance designation by FEMA as a result of a flood event occurring during 2011.

In December 2011 and March 2012, the Budget Section approved the State Water Commission's requests pursuant to 2011 Senate Bill No. 2371 and Section 4 of 2011 Senate Bill No. 2020 to spend \$37,264,000 of additional funding available in the resources trust fund for Minot and communities along the Mouse River (\$2.5 million), the Souris River Joint Water Resource District disaster relief projects (\$50,000), and for property acquisitions (\$34,714,000). The State Water Commission anticipates using the \$34,714,000 of the additional funding approved for the acquisition of 219 properties as follows:

Project	Property Acquisitions	Amount
City of Burlington	11	\$1,039,000
Burleigh County	4	1,425,000
Valley City	31	3,000,000
Ward County	56	11,500,000
City of Minot	117	17,750,000
Total	219	\$34,714,000

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