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# SUMMARY OF PROJECTS RECEIVED UNDER NORTH DAKOTA CENTURY CODE SECTION 54-35-02.7(2)

As applied to the 2025-26 interim, Section 54-35-02.7(2) requires each request anticipated to be submitted to the State Water Commission or to the 70th Legislative Assembly for which the state cost-share is estimated to be $10 million or more to be reported to the Water Topics Overview Committee before May 31, 2026. This provision requires the Water Topics Overview Committee to review each request and recommend the project's priority for consideration by the 70th Legislative Assembly. If a water project requesting $10 million or more in state funds is introduced in either house without a committee report, the committee must consider the project and report its recommendation. The Water Topics Overview Committee is required to submit a copy of all reports to the Appropriations Committees of the 70th Legislative Assembly. The information provided below[1] summarizes each project request the Water Topics Overview Committee received directly from project sponsors pursuant to Section 54-35-02.7(2).

| Project Sponsor | Nature of Project | Supporting Documents | Anticipated Request for the 2027-29 Biennium |
|---|---|---|---|
| All Seasons Water Users District | Rural water supply system expansion | Appendix A | $17.8 million |
| City of Bismarck | Flood control | Appendix B | $10.6 million |
| City of Bismarck | Water treatment plant construction | Appendix C | $36 million |
| Fort Berthold Rural Water | Water treatment plant construction | Appendix D | $27 million |
| Lower Heart River Water Resource District | Flood control | Appendix E | $10.2 million |
| South Central Regional Water District | Water treatment plant construction | Appendix F | $22 million |
| Southwest Water Authority | Southwest Pipeline Project | Appendix G | $71.2 million |
| Walsh County Rural Water District | Rural water supply system expansion | Appendix H | $10.06 million |

[1] At the March 26, 2026, Water Topics Overview Committee meeting, the City of Bismarck provided information (Appendix I) about a plan to rehabilitate and replace water mains within the city. The project's overall projected cost is approximately $12 million. However, committee members have not received the anticipated request for the 2027-29 biennium. Similarly, at the June 10, 2026, Water Topics Overview Committee meeting, a representative from Houston Engineering, Inc., provided information (Appendix J) about a proposed flood control project around Crystal Springs. While the opinion of probable construction costs for the entire project is approximately $24.6 million, with construction anticipated to begin in 2029, the anticipated request for the 2027-29 biennium has not been provided to committee members.

At the March 26, 2026, Water Topics Overview Committee meeting, the Department of Water Resources provided the committee with information (Appendix K) on anticipated requests of $10 million or more during the 2027-29 biennium. The information below summarizes the projects the Department of Water Resources provided to the committee but project sponsors have not directly discussed with committee members pursuant to Section 54-35-02.7(2).

| Project Sponsor | Nature of Project | Anticipated Request for the 2027-29 Biennium |
|---|---|---|
| City of Christine | Flood control | $18 million |
| City of Dickinson | Reuse water pipeline | $60 million |
| City of Valley City | Flood control | $18 million |
| Garrison Diversion Conservancy District and Lake Agassiz Water Authority | Red River Valley water supply project | $199 million |
| Souris River Joint Board and City of Minot | Mouse River flood protection project | $115 million |
| Stutsman Rural Water District | Water treatment plant construction | $10.2 million |
| Turtle Mountain Public Utilities | Water supply and water treatment plant construction | $10 million |
| Western Area Water Supply Authority | Miscellaneous project components | $54.4 million |