Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

FIRST ENGROSSMENT with Senate Amendments **ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1020**

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

(At the request of the Governor)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state water
- 2 commission; to provide exemptions; to provide legislative intent; to amend and reenact section
- 3 6-09.5-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the community water facility loan fund;
- 4 to provide for legislative management reports; to provide for a loan from the Bank of North
- 5 Dakota; and to declare an emergency.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

7 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds 8 as may be necessary, are appropriated from special funds derived from federal funds and other 9 income, to the state water commission for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the state 10 water commission, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015, as follows:

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12			Adjustments or	
13		Base Level	Enhancements	<u>Appropriation</u>
14	Administrative and support services	\$3,229,873	\$1,620,136	\$4,850,009
15	Water and atmospheric resources	<u>498,413,774</u>	<u>324,694,788</u>	<u>823,108,562</u>
16	Total all funds	\$501,643,647	\$326,314,924	\$827,958,571
17	Less estimated income	<u>486,648,448</u>	<u>341,310,123</u>	<u>827,958,571</u>
18	Total general fund	\$14,995,199	(\$14,995,199)	\$0
19	Full-time equivalent positions	87.00	3.00	90.00

20 SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO

21 SIXTY-FOURTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time

22 funding items approved by the sixty-second legislative assembly for the 2011-13 biennium and

23 the 2013-15 one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act: Sixty-third Legislative Assembly

1	One-Time Funding Description	<u>2011-13</u>	<u>2013-15</u>
2	Federal stimulus funds	\$7,271,773	\$0
3	Ray/Tioga, Burke/Divide/Williams, Wildrose and	500,000	0
4	Stanley water projects		
5	Excavator	0	243,200
6	Office space renovation	<u>0</u>	<u>45,000</u>
7	Total all funds	\$7,771,773	\$288,200
8	Total special funds	<u>7,771,773</u>	<u>288,200</u>
9	Total general fund	\$0	\$0
10	The 2013-15 one-time funding amounts are not part of the entity's base budget for the 2015-17		

biennium. The state water commission shall report to the appropriations committees of the

12 sixty-fourth legislative assembly on the use of the one-time funding for the biennium beginning

13 July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015.

SECTION 3. SOVEREIGN LANDS ENFORCEMENT GRANT. The administrative and
support services line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$135,000 from the resources trust
fund that the state water commission shall provide as a grant to the game and fish department
for law enforcement activities on sovereign lands in the state, for the biennium beginning July 1,
2013, and ending June 30, 2015.

SECTION 4. ADDITIONAL INCOME - APPROPRIATION. In addition to the amounts included in the estimated income line item in section 1 of this Act, any additional amounts in the resources trust fund and water development trust fund that become available are appropriated to the state water commission for the purpose of defraying the expenses of that agency, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015.

SECTION 5. BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA LOAN - WESTERN AREA WATER SUPPLY
AUTHORITY. The Bank of North Dakota shall provide a loan of \$40,000,000 to the western
area water supply authority for construction of the project. The terms and conditions of the loan
must be negotiated by the western area water supply authority and the Bank of North Dakota
and any previous loans may be added to and merged into this loan as agreed by the authority
and the Bank of North Dakota. The authority may repay the loan from income from specific

30 project features. If the authority is in default in the payment of the principal of or interest on the

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1 obligation to the Bank of North Dakota for the loan, the authority is subject to the default

2 provisions under section 61-40-09.

SECTION 6. GRANTS - WATER-RELATED PROJECTS - CARRYOVER AUTHORITY.
Section 54-44.1-11 does not apply to funding for grants or water-related projects included in the
water and atmospheric resources line item in section 1 of this Act. However, this exclusion is
only in effect for two years after June 30, 2015. Any unexpended funds appropriated from the
resources trust fund after that period has expired must be transferred to the resources trust fund
and any unexpended funds appropriated from the water development trust fund after that period
has expired must be transferred to the water development trust fund.
SECTION 7. EAPCO ELOOD CONTROL PROJECT ELINDING. Funds designated by the

SECTION 7. FARGO FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT FUNDING. Funds designated by the sixty-first legislative assembly, the sixty-second legislative assembly, and the sixty-third legislative assembly for Fargo flood control are available only for levee and dike protection until the Fargo flood control project receives federal authorization, a project partnership agreement is executed, a federal appropriation is provided for project construction, and the budget for the Fargo flood control project is approved by the state water commission.

SECTION 8. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - FARGO FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT FUNDING. It is the intent of the sixty-third legislative assembly that the state provide one-half of the local cost-share of constructing a federally authorized Fargo flood control project and that total Fargo flood control project funding to be provided by the state not exceed \$450,000,000.

20 SECTION 9. FARGO FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT FUNDING - EXEMPTION. Of the 21 funds appropriated in the water and atmospheric resources line item in section 1 of this Act. 22 \$100,000,000 is for Fargo flood control projects, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and 23 ending June 30, 2015. Any funds not spent by June 30, 2015, are not subject to section 24 54-44.1-11 and must be continued into the next or subsequent bienniums and may be 25 expended only for Fargo flood control projects, including levees and dikes. Except as otherwise 26 provided, these funds may be used only for land purchases and construction, including 27 right-of-way acquisition costs and may not be used for the purchase of dwellings. No more than 28 ten percent of these funds may be used for engineering, legal, planning, or other similar 29 purposes. The city of Fargo, Cass County, and the Cass County joint water resource district 30 must approve any expenditures made under this section. Costs incurred by nonstate entities for

- 1 dwellings or other real property which are not paid by state funds are eligible for application by
- 2 the nonstate entity for cost-sharing with the state.

SECTION 10. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - RED RIVER VALLEY WATER SUPPLY. Of the
funds appropriated in the water and atmospheric resources line item in section 1 of this Act,
\$11,000,000 is for the Red River valley water supply project, for the biennium beginning July 1,
2013, and ending June 30, 2015.
SECTION 11. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - BOND PAYMENTS. Of the funds appropriated in
section 1 of this Act, \$60,000,000 in the water and atmospheric resources line item is from the

9 resources trust fund for the purposes of paying off or defeasing outstanding bond issues. The

10 state water commission may expend funds for this purpose only if available funding from the

11 resources trust fund for water projects for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending

12 June 30, 2015, has exceeded \$287,000,000.

13 SECTION 12. FARGO FLOOD CONTROL - REPORTS TO THE BUDGET SECTION. The

- 14 Fargo-Moorhead area diversion authority board shall report to the budget section prior to
- 15 December 2013 and prior to October 2014 regarding an update on congressional authorization

16 of the diversion project and the status of the self-insured crop insurance pool, mitigation efforts,

17 easements, and the project budget.

18 SECTION 13. AMENDMENT. Section 6-09.5-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is
19 amended and reenacted as follows:

20 **6-09.5-03. Transfer of funds - Revolving fund.**

A community water facility loan fund with an authorized ceiling of tentwenty-five million
 dollars is hereby established from the future undivided profits of the Bank of North Dakota or
 <u>other state funds</u>. This is a revolving fund, and all moneys transferred into the fund, interest
 upon fund moneys, and collections of interest and principal on fund loans must be used for the
 purposes of this chapter.
 SECTION 14. EMERGENCY. The water and atmospheric resources line item in section 1 of

27 this Act and section 5 of this Act are declared to be an emergency measure.