

## FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

TO ALL INTERESTED GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND PUBLIC GROUPS:

As required by guidelines for the preparation of environmental impact statements, an environmental review has been performed on the proposed action below:

Project: Drain 27 Conveyance Improvements  
Location: Fargo (Cass County), North Dakota  
SRF Project No.: 0900336-04  
Total Cost: \$7,425,000

The proposed project is for the construction of a new low lift pump station, expansion of an existing channel and installation of underground piping. These upgrades will allow the city to convey additional Sheyenne River water to the existing water treatment plant. The residents of Fargo will benefit through increased resiliency and sustainability of their drinking water system.

The City of Fargo has applied for a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan to finance the project. The City has the legal authority and financial and administrative capability to construct the proposed improvements.

The project will disturb approximately 26 acres of land in southwest Fargo. For a further discussion of this see item V, Environmental Impacts of Proposed Project in the Environmental Assessment document. Wetlands, area flood plains, threatened or endangered species habitat or archeological sites will not be adversely impacted.

The review process did not indicate significant environmental impacts would result from the proposed action. Consequently, a preliminary decision not to prepare an environmental impact statement has been made. This action is taken based on a careful review of the engineering report, environmental information documents and other supporting data which are on file in the Municipal Facilities Division of the North Dakota Department of Health.

Comments concerning this decision may be addressed to Bryan Schmitt, Division of Municipal Facilities, North Dakota Department of Health, 918 East Divide Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Bismarck, ND, 58501-1947.

After evaluating the comments received, the agency will make a final decision; however, no administrative action will be taken on the project for at least 30 calendar days after release of the Finding of No Significant Impact.

Dated the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018

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