

## FARGO-MOORHEAD

### AREA DIVERSION PROJECT



**LOOKING AHEAD** 2023-2025

# \$0 MILLION

#### **FULLY FUNDED**

State funding of \$414.5M was provided through the 2019-2021 biennium.

During the 2021 Legislative Session HB 1431 provided an additional \$435.5M for a total state commitment of \$850M.



FLOOD PROTECTION



IN-TOWN PROTECTION



DIVERSION CHANNEL (30 Miles Long, 1,500 Feet Wide)



ESTIMATED OPERATIONAL



LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS (10, 11, 13, 16, 21, 22, 27, 41, 44, 45, 46)

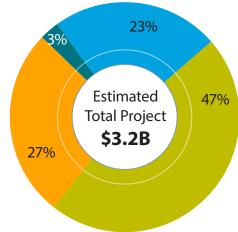
#### BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Developed as a response to the 1997 flood, the Fargo-Moorhead Area Diversion Project (FMADP) aims to reduce flood risk to the cities and townships that make up the metropolitan area of Fargo-Moorhead. The FMADP provides flood risk reduction from the Red River and its North Dakota tributaries, including the Wild Rice, Sheyenne, Maple, Rush, and Lower Rush Rivers. The project has four major elements, which include (i) the in-town levee system, (ii) the diversion channel, (iii) the southern embankment, and (iv) mitigation projects. When complete, the FMADP will provide flood protection for approximately 235,000 people.

#### HISTORIC FUNDING

| Local                              | \$1.5B  |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| State ND                           | \$850M* |
| State MN                           | \$86M   |
| Federal                            | \$750M  |
| *Approx 35% of non-fodoral funding |         |





#### LOCAL SPONSOR

The communities of Fargo and Moorhead, along with Cass County, Clay County, and the Cass County Joint Water Resource District, have signed a joint powers agreement, which created the Metro Flood Diversion Authority (MFDA). Its purpose has been to work with the US Army Corps of Engineers to build, finance, operate, and maintain a comprehensive project to provide the Fargo-Moorhead metro area with permanent flood protection from the Red River and its tributaries. The MFDA has developed a comprehensive and prudent financial model in which local dollars are contributed via local and city sales taxes. Voters approved three half-cent sales taxes to be extended through 2084 to cover the local share.



Water Resources