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2003 HOUSE AGRICULTURE

HCR 3036

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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3036

House Agriculture Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date February 14, 2003

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Minutes:

**REP. POLLERT, VICE-CHAIR** Called the hearing to order.

**REP. BILL KRETSCHMAR, DIST. 28** Introduced the resolution. This resolution is a petition to Congress to appropriate funds for the development of the land along Lake Oahe and the Missouri River through all of the eleven counties in North Dakota, that are involved in the main system along the Missouri River. This will ask Congress to get going and get money and establish a system so that improvements can be made.

**MIKE RUDOLPH, LINTON, NORTH DAKOTA** Testified in support of the resolution. The proposed concept is to seek and invest sixty million dollars from the federal government into the Bank of North Dakota, for a specific period of time, and to have them invest such monies. The gain from that investment would be to used to fund irrigation projects presently planned for along the Missouri River. The major cost of the pump site, the station and the delivery system, is being explored. This plan could positively impact eleven counties. The impact would be an economic

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benefit of the major portion. There has been approximately five hundred thousand acres of land that was lost in the creation of the Oahe Reservoir and the Garrison Dam. Fifty thousand acres of that alone, has come from Emmons County.

**REP. ONSTAD** When the dam first came in, were you aware of the initial cost which was actually paid to individuals who lost property under that water?

**MIKE RUDOLPH** I do not have those numbers.

**DUKE ROSENDAHL, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE HAZEN COMMUNITY**

**DEVELOPMENT** Testified in support of the resolution. I have been working with irrigation and learning about the effects of irrigation, I am still a novice to some degree, but there is no doubt in my mind, over the years, that I have worked with what is going on in the world of water and what it does for us. I understand very clearly, that if we are going to keep up and grow and do the things that are necessary to make North Dakota the kind of state it should be, we will have to do some major things. I think this resolution is an important start. It is a lot of money to ask for, but that is what it will take in North Dakota, to get things going. We have gone out and spent money for studies, state and local money. I urge you to consider this, so that we can get our agricultural sector up to speed.

**REP. POLJERT** With the kind of money you are talking here, have you talked to our North Dakota congressional delegation all about this?

**DUKE ROSENDAHL** This resolution came to my table not too long ago, so I haven't had the opportunity to give this a fair shot on the congressional level, but I am certainly ready to do that. I think we have to start, we have to get our linkage together, local, regional and state support, and also the congressional.

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**MIKE DWYER, NORTH DAKOTA WATER USERS ASSOCIATION AND THE**

**NORTH DAKOTA IRRIGATION CAUCUS** Testified in support of the resolution. Stating he has gone to the congressional delegation about this concept. When we first got to talking to the delegation about this, the Dakota Water Resource Act was just a concept then, and it took seven or eight years for that concept to turn into actual legislation, which provided federal money for state MRI and Indian MRI and Red River Valley water supply. This is kind of another step in trying to recoup the sacrifices North Dakota made for the official plan. This concept, at this point, will have tough sledding in congress, long term, it is something that may happen and we want to pursue it.

**REP. ONSTAD** What were some of the promises said about irrigation?

**MIKE DWYER** The plan included a million acres of irrigation in North Dakota, and about eight hundred thousand acres of irrigation in South Dakota. The first phase of the plan was called the Garrison Diversion and in 1965, that included two hundred and fifty thousand acres. In 1986, it was downsized to about one hundred thirty thousand acres and all of the rest was deauthorized. The eight hundred and seventy thousand acres within the original title was deauthorized, and in the Dakota Water Resource Act, it was further downsized at seventy thousand acres. There are seventy thousand acres in the current Act, and authorization to get some acres, but it is purely an MRI project now.

**REP. WRANGHAM** Have you had conversations with the Bank of North Dakota, that there would be any extra employees needed down there, or what their response would be to managing this money, and also, this sounds like a very unique way of financing, do you know has this been done before?

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**MIKE DWYER** There are funding mechanisms that have been utilized in the western United States from some of the western water developments. The State of Utah, has done something like this. It is not that unique in terms of federal perspective. We have not talked to the Bank of North Dakota about this, it is a long ways off.

**TODD SANDO, ASSISTANT STATE ENGINEER FOR THE STATE WATER**

**COMMISSION** Testified in support of the resolution. See attached written testimony.

With no further testimony, the hearing was closed.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

**REP. WRANGHAM** Made a motion for a **DO PASS**

**REP. KINGSBURY** Second the motion. **MOTION CARRIED, RESOLUTION WAS PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR.**

9 YES      0 NO      4 ABSENT

**REP. POLLERT** Was given the floor assignment.

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HC R 3036  
2-14-03

Date:  
Roll Call Vote #:

2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
BILL/RESOLUTION NO.

House AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

Check here for Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken DO PASS

Motion Made By W. Williams Seconded By M. Williams

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
CHAIRMAN NICHOLAS					
VICE CHAIRMAN POLLERT	✓				
REPRESENTATIVE BELTER					
REPRESENTATIVE BOEHNING	✓				
REPRESENTATIVE KELSCH					
REPRESENTATIVE KINGSBURY	✓				
REPRESENTATIVE KREIDT	✓				
REPRESENTATIVE UGLEM	✓				
REPRESENTATIVE WRANGHAM	✓				
REPRESENTATIVE BOE	✓				
REPRESENTATIVE FROELICH					
REPRESENTATIVE MUELLER	✓				
REPRESENTATIVE ONSTAD	✓				

Total (Yes) 9 No 0

Absent 4

Floor Assignment Pollert

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)  
February 14, 2003 1:55 p.m.

Module No: HR-29-2795  
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**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**  
HCR 3036, as engrossed: Agriculture Committee (Rep. Nicholas, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** and **BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR (9 YEARS, 0 NAYS, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING)**. Engrossed HCR 3036 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.

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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3036

Senate Natural Resources Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 3-20-03

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Minutes:

**Senator Thomas Fischer**, Chairman of the Senate Natural Resources opened the hearing on HCR 3036 urging Congress to enact legislation for the economic recovery of North Dakota's Missouri River corridor.

All members of the committee were present except **Senator Michael Every**.

**Herb Grenz** representing the North Dakota Irrigation Caucus testified in support of HCR 3036 stating (See attached testimony).

**Senator John Traynor** had questions about payments made when land was acquired for the garrison project, including average price per acre and if there was any severance money paid.

**Herb Grenz** answered that the Corp of Engineers were very powerful and the average paid in Emmons County was \$40.00 per acre with no severance payments.

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