CITY OF Fargo

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Public Service Commission
State of North Dakota
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Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Re: Docket No. PU-10-606
Docket No. PU-10-607

Dear Commissioners:

This letter is in response to your invitation for comments on the CapX2020 project. Your docket numbers are PU-10-606 and 607.

As you are likely aware, the City of Fargo is currently in the process of developing a long-term solution to annual flooding. As it stands right now the city is anticipating a diversion will be built diverting the Red River from south of Fargo to the west and then north around the City. The anticipated cost of this project is $1.4 billion. The City of Fargo and Cass County have already implemented voter approved sales tax monies to help pay for the project. The Army Corps of Engineer is the lead agency on this project. Our concern is that the proposed CapX2020 project would potentially delay or impede the diversion being built.

It is our understanding that the exact route of the transmission lines has yet to be decided. It would be our preference that the power lines come into North Dakota as far south from the city as possible and then as far west as possible so as not to impede construction of the diversion. I have attached a map showing the two most likely diversion routes. Both diversion routes include plans for holding areas to the south for water retention during high river levels, which makes it even more important for the CapX2020 project to be located as far south as possible.

We would greatly appreciate being part of any future discussions involving the exact route this project will take. At this time we do not have any complaints with the project nor are we requesting a hearing. The purpose of this letter is just to make you aware of our concerns.

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City of Fargo

Dennis Walaker, Mayor

Sincerely,

Dennis R. Walaker
Mayor

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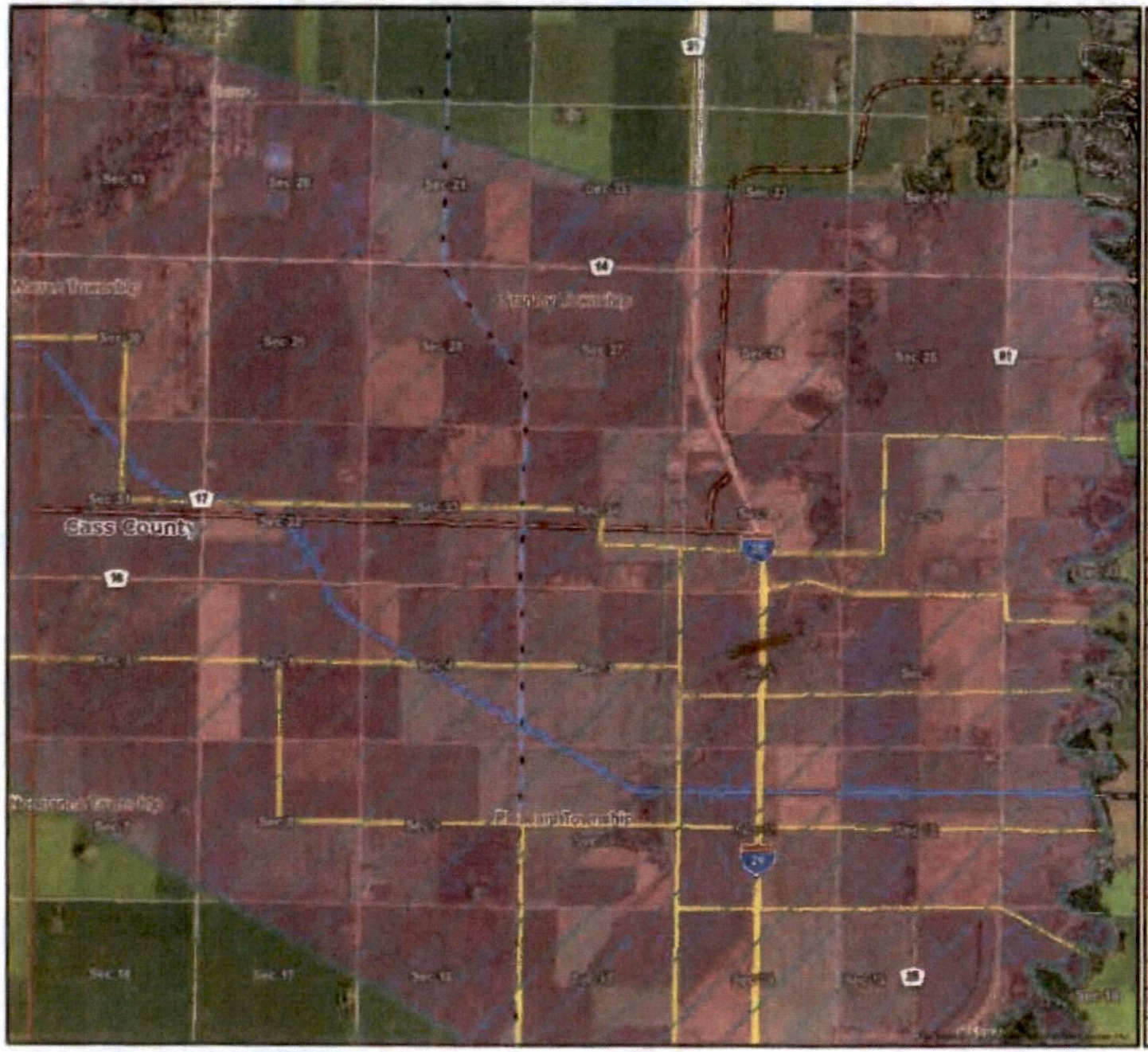

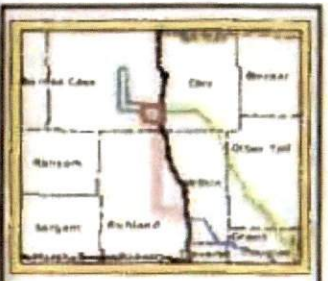

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- Option 1 Corridor
- Option 2 Corridor
- Bison Substation Siting Area

MN Proposed Routes

- Preferred Route
- Alternate Route A
- Municipal Boundary
- Municipal Boundary
- Townships MN
- Electric Substation

Transmission Lines (kV)

- 400
- 345
- 250
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- 115
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USACE Diversion/Levee Alignments

- Minnesota Diversion Alignment
- Minnesota Diversion Tie-Back Levee Alignment
- North Dakota Diversion Alignment
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Fargo to St. Cloud 345 kV Transmission Line Project

Map for: City of Fargo

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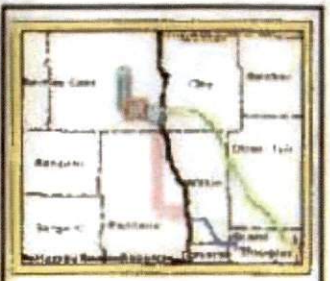

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