



FARGO-MOORHEAD AREA DIVERSION PROJECT



LOOKING AHEAD
2025-2027

**\$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.

QUICK FACTS



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)

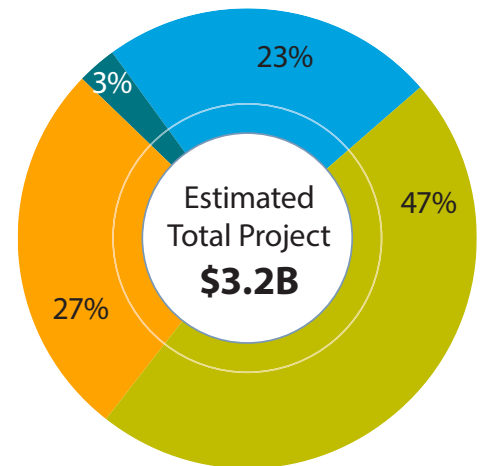
BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The Fargo-Moorhead Area Diversion Project (FMADP) was developed in response to the 1997 flood to reduce flood risk for the Fargo-Moorhead metropolitan area. It protects against flooding from the Red River and North Dakota tributaries, including the Wild Rice, Sheyenne, Maple, Rush, and Lower Rush Rivers. The project consists of four major elements: an in-town levee system, a diversion channel, a southern embankment, and mitigation projects. Once complete, it will protect approximately 260,000 people.

HISTORIC FUNDING

Local	\$1.5B
State ND	\$850M*
State MN	\$86M
Federal	\$750M

*Approx. 35% of non-federal funding



LOCAL SPONSOR

The communities of Fargo, Moorhead, Cass County, Clay County, and the Cass County Joint Water Resource District established the Metro Flood Diversion Authority (MFDA) through a joint powers agreement to work with the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) in building, financing, operating, and maintaining a project that provides permanent flood protection for the Fargo-Moorhead metro area. Funded by a local financial model, the project is supported by three half-cent sales taxes extended through 2084, as approved by voters. The MFDA partnered with the Red River Valley Alliance, a consortium of three international companies, through a public-private partnership (P3), the first P3 overseen by the USACE, with the MFDA ensuring construction meets its standards.



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