

**Agreement for Cost-Share Reimbursement
City of Dickinson
Manns Dam Feasibility Study**

1. PARTIES. This agreement is between the State of North Dakota (State), by and through the State Water Commission (Commission), and the City of Dickinson (Sponsor).

2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION. Sponsor is seeking funding for costs associated with a feasibility study for Manns Dam (Project). The Project is in Dickinson, Stark County, North Dakota.

3. COMMISSION'S RESPONSIBILITY AND INTENT. Commission will provide Sponsor with cost-share, not to exceed \$77,592, as approved by Secretary, to reimburse 75 percent of the actual eligible costs incurred in Project, contingent on availability of funds and conditions of this agreement. Commission's intent in providing this funding to Sponsor is merely to help Sponsor financially afford Project. Sponsor retains sole and absolute discretion in the manner and means of carrying out Project, except to the extent specified in this agreement.

4. SPONSOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES. Sponsor must:

- a. Complete Project.
- b. Provide continued maintenance for Project.
- c. Ensure all applicable permits (federal, state, and local) are obtained.
- d. Acquire all title to land and easements for Project.
- e. Comply with all North Dakota laws applicable to Project.
- f. Maintain a Project file containing relevant documents and correspondence generated during the course of Project. Commission is not responsible for maintaining a Project file.
- g. Provide a progress report to Commission at least every four years if the term of Project exceeds four years.
- h. Notify Commission of any changes to Project funding, including additional funding or funding sources. Cost-share may be modified based on the revised local share.
- i. Prior to signature, inform Commission and any other relevant party regarding Project of any errors, misinterpretations, changes, modifications, miscalculations, incorrect Project descriptions, or any other information stated herein that is inaccurate.
- j. Notify Commission of litigation related to the Project. If a Project becomes the subject of litigation before all funds have been disbursed, the Secretary may withhold funds until the litigation is concluded.

5. ELIGIBLE COSTS. Commission has sole discretion to determine eligible costs and availability of Commission funds. Additional information is outlined in Commission's cost-share policy. Commission will not cost-share in litigation costs unless there has been a separate authorization.

6. PAYMENT. Commission will make partial payments upon receipt and approval of Sponsor's written request. Sponsor must provide Commission verification of actual costs and a Project status report with each payment request. A Commission representative may inspect Project to determine whether the work satisfies Commission's cost share requirements before Commission makes payment(s) to Sponsor. Request for final payment must include a copy of Project.

7. INDEMNIFICATION. Sponsor must require all subcontractors, other than state employed subcontractors, before commencement of an agreement between Sponsor and the subcontractor, to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless State, from and against claims based on the vicarious liability of State

or its agents, but not against claims based on State's negligence or intentional misconduct. This obligation to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless does not extend to professional liability claims arising from professional errors and omissions. The legal defense provided by subcontractor to State under this provision must be free of any conflicts of interest, even if retention of separate legal counsel for State is necessary. Subcontractor also agrees to reimburse State for all costs, expenses, and attorneys' fees incurred if State prevails in an action against subcontractor in establishing and litigating the indemnification coverage required herein. This obligation continues after the termination of this agreement.

8. INSURANCE. Sponsor must secure and keep in force during the term of this agreement, from an insurance company, government self-insurance pool, or government self-retention fund authorized to do business in North Dakota, commercial general liability with minimum limits of liability of \$500,000 per person and \$2,000,000 per occurrence.

In addition, Sponsor must require all subcontractors, other than state employed subcontractors, before commencement of an agreement between Sponsor and the subcontractor, to secure and keep in force during the term of this agreement, from insurance companies authorized to do business in North Dakota, the following insurance coverages:

- a. Commercial general liability, including premises or operations, contractual, and products or completed operations coverages (if applicable), with minimum liability limits of \$2,000,000 per occurrence.
- b. Automobile liability, including Owned (if any), Hired, and Non-owned automobiles, with minimum liability limits of \$500,000 per person and \$2,000,000 per occurrence.
- c. Workers' compensation coverage meeting all statutory requirements. The policy must provide coverage for all states of operation that apply to the performance of this contract.
- d. If subcontractor is domiciled outside State, employer's liability or "stop gap" insurance of not less than \$2,000,000 as an endorsement on the workers' compensation or commercial general liability insurance.

The insurance coverages listed above must meet the following additional requirements:

- e. Any deductible or other similar obligation under the policies is the sole responsibility of the subcontractor. The amount of any deductible is subject to approval by State.
- f. This insurance may be in policy or policies of insurance, primary and excess, including the so-called umbrella or catastrophe form and must be placed with insurers rated "A-" or better by A.M. Best Company, Inc., provided any excess policy follows form for coverage. Less than an "A-" rating must be approved by the State. The policies must be in form and terms approved by the State.
- g. State will be defended, indemnified, and held harmless to the full extent of any coverage actually secured by the subcontractor in excess of the minimum requirements set forth above. The duty to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless State under this agreement is not limited by the insurance required in this agreement.
- h. State must be endorsed on the commercial general liability policy, including any excess policies, as additional insured. State must have all the benefits, rights, and coverages of an additional insured under these policies that are not limited to the minimum limits of insurance required by this agreement or by the contractual indemnity obligations of Sponsor.
- i. The insurance required in this agreement, through a policy or endorsement, must include:
 - (1) A "Waiver of Subrogation" waiving any right to recovery the insurance company may have against State;
 - (2) A provision that subcontractor's insurance coverage is primary (i.e., pay first) as respects any insurance, self-insurance, or self-retention

potential claim, while maintaining public safety, and grants to Commission the opportunity to review and inspect the evidence, including the scene of an accident.

15. NONDISCRIMINATION. Sponsor agrees to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), N.D.C.C. title 34, and all applicable federal and state laws, rules, and policies relating to nondiscrimination, accessibility, and civil rights.

16. MERGER AND MODIFICATION. This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. There are no understandings, agreements, or representations, oral or written, not specified within this agreement. This agreement may not be modified, supplemented, or amended in any manner, except by written agreement signed by both parties.

17. AUTHORITY TO SIGN. Each of the undersigned persons represents and warrants that he or she is fully authorized to enter into the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and execute this Agreement on behalf of the Party or Parties he or she represents and further represents that he or she has explained this Agreement to the Party or Parties he or she represents and has obtained the agreement of each such Party to abide by the term and conditions of this Agreement.

**NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER
COMMISSION**

By:



REICE HAASE

Secretary

Date: 03/06/2025

CITY OF DICKINSON

By:

SCOTT DECKER

Mayor

Date:

Countersignature and Date (if required)

Print Name and Title