



# MEMORANDUM

DOUGLAS HARBOR AUTHORITY  
March 16, 2023, 4:30 P.M.

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**TO: Douglas Harbor Authority**

**FROM: Rich LaBombard, City Manager**

**SUBJECT: Calkins Bridge (Allegan) Dam Removal**

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At the last Douglas Harbor Authority meeting in March, a communication from a resident expressing concern about the removal of Calkins Dam led to the authority asking for more information about the dam removal project. Attached is information from Consumers Energy from 2022 discussing the dam and future scenarios Consumers Energy considered. The options outlined in the presentation indicated they could:

- Relicense the dam and meet all new regulatory requirements and continue to generate power
- Surrender the license and sell the dam to a third-party owner, who could maintain the dam structure and impoundment
- Remove the dam and return the river to its natural state
- Replace the dam with an alternative structure

**Discussion Item**