



March 23, 2022

Victoria Newton
Executive Council
State Capitol

Tammy Hollingsworth
Auditor's Office
Lucas Building

Subject: Flooding Damage at Missouri River Wildlife Unit, Harrison, Monona, Shelby & Woodbury Counties

Victoria and Tammy:

On April 29, 2019, you were sent notification of damages that occurred due to flooding at multiple Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) along the Missouri River in Harrison, Monona, Shelby & Woodbury counties (Claim ID#1793). Flooding caused damages to dike systems, water control structures and public use facilities on the following WMAs: Rosenow Timber, Louisville Bend, Luton, Deer Island, Tyson Bend, Little Sioux Access and Weedland Access.

FEMA disaster DR4421 was declared and includes these areas, so the DNR applied for Public Assistance and have worked to develop two project worksheets that include these repairs.

PW1489 has been obligated and the PW is included with this request. The total approved project cost is \$478,492.44. We are requesting an allocation for our 25% share of this project total, or \$119,623.11.

A separate FEMA project was developed for repairs to the Little Sioux Access public use infrastructure. PW 1544 has been obligated for \$134,516.00 and is included with this request. However, in anticipation of future flood events along the river, we have submitted, and are awaiting FEMA approval of, an alternate project to ensure that these facilities will withstand future flooding. This alternate project is estimated to cost \$50,151.00. We are requesting an allocation for our 25% share of this project, or \$12,537.75.

Lastly, the boat ramp at Little Sioux Access stayed under floodwaters for many years. At the time of FEMA project development, we did not anticipate that there would be any damage to the ramp as it was newer and should be able to withstand the high water. Missouri River levels have now dropped and we have found the boat ramp to be damaged. Our engineers have estimated a replacement cost of \$25,000. Please find their estimate attached. As this repair is not eligible for FEMA funding, we are requesting an allocation for 100% of these costs.

This information is being submitted to Executive Council as a request for a total allocation of \$157,160.86

I thank you and the Executive Council members for your time and consideration of this request. Let me know if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Monica Thelen

Monica Thelen, Executive Officer II
Wildlife Bureau