

Informational Sheet

Richland County

Richland County Impacts

- Due to the dry dam, impacts would only be seen during large flood events when the Diversion Project was operated.
- There would be no impacts until water in the Red River exceeds 35 feet in Fargo. Thirty-feet is considered major flood stage.
- 42% of the acres impacted are already included in the current FEMA 100-year floodplain.
- If the Diversion Project would have been built 100 years ago, it would have operated an estimated 11 times for a total of 69 days.
- During a 100-year flood event, five residential structures would be impacted, two of these structures would be impacted with less than six inches during a 100-year event
- During a 100-year flood, approximately 6,300 acres would have an additional water between one inch to a maximum of three feet.
- The additional duration of flooding is estimated to be two to three days.

Richland County Mitigation

- Flowage Easements will be purchased on impacted land. They will be valued by independent, professional appraisal.
- Development can continue.
- Impacted residences and structures will be acquired in accordance with state and federal law.
- Project impacts will be mitigated consistent with the Mitigation Plan online at www.fmdiversion.com/studies-technical-documents/

Richland County Benefits

- 1,872 Richland County residents, 22% of the county workforce, work in Fargo-Moorhead.
- Flood protection for regional resources including healthcare, entertainment, universities/colleges, transportation and other services.

