

Garrison Diversion Awards Recreation Grants Totaling \$148,451

(Carrington) The Garrison Diversion Recreation Committee awarded recreation grants totaling over \$148,000 to seven projects across the state.

“Developing our natural resources through recreation projects creates a quality of life for the people and communities across the state,” stated Dave Koland, manager Garrison Diversion. “This in turn helps the local areas build economic venues for North Dakota and out-of-state residents to enjoy.”

Garrison Diversion has approved funding for over two million dollars in recreation projects through the grant program. “The recreation and natural resources programs are just two of many ways Garrison Diversion provides North Dakota with a reliable, high quality and affordable water infrastructure for the benefit of our state,” Koland said.

Grant recipients include:

- McHenry County received \$1,712 for construction of a picnic shelter at Buffalo Lodge Lake.
- Garrison Parks and Recreation was awarded a \$5,000 grant for development of a skate park.
- Wahpeton Park Board received \$2,500 in funding for arboretum interpretive signage at the Kidder Recreation Area.
- Williams County Water Resource District is continuing their development at Little Beaver Bay Recreation Area and received a \$22,062 grant allocation.
- Stutsman County Park Board was allocated \$12,177 for a joint use path that would connect the city of Jamestown to the Jamestown Reservoir.
- Jamestown Parks and Recreation received \$5,000 to be used towards the marketing efforts of the Fort Seward Annual Wagon Train.
- City of Maddock was approved for a \$100,000 grant to be used towards construction of a 4-H multi-purpose building.

The 28 counties within the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District are eligible to apply for recreation grants. Garrison’s Board of Directors devotes 2/10 of its one mill levy for local and regional recreation projects. The funds are given back to district counties and residents through a matching grant program. Local entities must provide a match to the recreation project in order to qualify for the program. Garrison Diversion’s Recreation Committee meets in April and September to award grant funds.

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For more information on Garrison Diversion or the recreation grant program, refer to www.garrisondiversion.org or contact Merri Mooridian, Garrison Diversion, 800-532-0074.