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Garrison Diversion Awards Matching Recreation Grants

At their semi-annual meeting held May 5, 2011, the Garrison Diversion Recreation Committee awarded a total of \$150,132 in matching recreation grants. Seventeen applicants received grant approval for their recreational projects, which varied from constructing bath houses to installing playgrounds.

The following 17 applicants received grant approval from the committee:

- Burleigh County Park Board - \$5,000 to install a fish cleaning station at Kneifel Landing
- City of Binford - \$3,500 to purchase a large canvas event tent for community events
- City of Tolna - \$3,014 to construct a picnic shelter and swimming beach at the Tolna Bay Recreation Area
- City of Wahpeton - \$7,875 to purchase and install playground equipment at the Rosewood Mini-Park
- Devils Lake Park Board - \$27,500 to construct an activity building at Ruger Park
- Foster County Commission - \$942 to purchase additional playground equipment for the Lake Juanita Park
- Grand Forks County Water Resources District - \$2,794 for electrical upgrades at Larimore Dam
- Grand Forks County Water Resources District - \$5,382 for electrical upgrades at the Fordville Dam RV park
- McKenzie County Commission - \$4,600 to create a disc golf course at Sundheim Park
- Nelson County Park Board - \$41,000 to construct a facilities building at Stump Lake Park, complete with a restaurant, pub and restrooms
- Renville County - \$4,157 to add 10 campsites to Mouse River Park and to purchase fire rings and picnic tables for the park
- Sherwood Park Board - \$4,500 to purchase and install playground equipment at the city park
- Stutsman County Park Board - \$2,438 to install a high water boat ramp at the Jamestown Reservoir
- Sykeston Park Board - \$15,000 to construct a bath house at the Sykeston Park
- Velva Park Board - \$2,300 to install water and sewer lines and add 10 additional campsites to the Velva City Campground
- Williams County Water Resources District - \$17,480 to construct a comfort station at Little Beaver Bay
- Williams County Water Resources District - \$2,650 to purchase picnic tables and fire rings for Little Beaver Bay and McGregor Dam

“Our matching recreation grant program is beneficial to communities as they work to enhance their recreation areas,” stated David Johnson, Recreation Committee Chairman. “We are proud to be able to give back to the communities within the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District.”

To date, over \$3.5 million has been awarded to projects within the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District through this program.

Garrison Diversion dedicates two-tenths of its one-mill levy to the matching recreation grant program, and the Recreation Committee meets every spring and fall to consider applications. The next deadline for recreation grant applications is September 1, 2011.

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