



TO: Mayor Shaun Sipma

Members of the City Council

FROM: Dan Jonasson, Director of Public Works

DATE: December 27, 2019

SUBJECT: USGS WATER MONITORING AGREEMENT 2020

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Recommend approval of standard joint funding agreement with the USGS for operation of two (2) water quality gauges on the Souris River.
2. Recommend authorizing the Mayor and Public Works Director to sign the agreement.

II. DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSONS

Dan Jonasson, Director of Public Works	857-4140
Jason Sorenson, Asst. Director of Public Works	857-4140

III. DESCRIPTION

1. Background

The City of Minot has been involved with funding two water monitoring sites on the Souris River. One of the sites is upstream of the City of Minot and the second one downstream of the City of Minot.

We have had this contract with the USGS for a number of years. Due to cost cutting efforts on the federal level some years ago, the USGS began to request in-kind monies to continue the monitoring.

B. Proposed Project

Funding is for the operation and maintenance of the water quality monitoring on the Souris River and stream gauges.

C. Consultant Selection

N/A

IV. IMPACT:

A. Strategic Impact:

B. Service/Delivery Impact:

C. Fiscal Impact:

Funds are budgeted for this each year in the Water Treatment plants budget in the amount of \$20,580 per the USGS agreement.

V. ALTERNATIVES

N/A

VI. TIME CONSTRAINTS

N/A

VII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

A. *USGS Joint Funding Agreement*