



CITY OF DICKINSON

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- Administration
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To Whom It May Concern:

We in the city of Dickinson, North Dakota fully understand the benefits of having a reliable, quality source of potable water in our community. Dickinson is a beneficiary of the Southwest Pipeline Project and first received water from the project in later 1991.

- City Assessor
701-456-7734

Before receiving Missouri River water through the Southwest Pipeline Project, Dickinson struggled for many years as it tried to meet the water needs of the community. The City's primary source of water before the advent of the Southwest Pipeline Project was Patterson Lake located southwest of the City. Due to the arid climate in Southwest North Dakota records show that drought conditions resulted in Dickinson nearly draining Patterson Lake every ten years or so as it sought to meet community water needs. In addition, the turbidity and nutrient levels of the water made treating it a considerable challenge. In short, the access to Missouri River water relieved Dickinson of a challenging future and permitted us to meet a basic need of our residents, reliable drinking water.

- Fire
701-456-7625

- Municipal Court
701-456-7726

Based on Dickinson's experiences both before and after receiving water from the Missouri River, we fully support the efforts of other communities in North Dakota as they seek to improve the reliability and quality of their drinking water. In particular, we fully support the efforts of the Red River Valley as they seek water from the Missouri River.

- Police Department
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- Building Inspector

The Red River Valley has a history of drought periods that strained their system. When the probability of drought is considered as the population of the Red River Valley continues to grow, its need for a reliable source of water during times of drought has become obvious.

- Cemetery
- Engineering
- Solid Waste
- Streets
- Wastewater
- Water

We agree that they need to improve their access to a reliable water source and encourage a decision granting them access to Missouri River water.

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Sincerely,

Greg Sund
City Administrator

- Special Assessments
701-456-7720

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