

MILWAUKEE COUNTY FISCAL NOTE FORM

DATE: October 14, 2014

Original Fiscal Note

Substitute Fiscal Note

SUBJECT: Estabrook Dam Environmental Assessment Alternatives

FISCAL EFFECT:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> No Direct County Fiscal Impact | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Capital Expenditures |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing Staff Time Required | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decrease Capital Expenditures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Operating Expenditures
(If checked, check one of two boxes below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Capital Revenues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Absorbed Within Agency's Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Capital Revenues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not Absorbed Within Agency's Budget | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decrease Operating Expenditures | <input type="checkbox"/> Use of contingent funds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Operating Revenues | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Operating Revenues | |

Indicate below the dollar change from budget for any submission that is projected to result in increased/decreased expenditures or revenues in the current year.

	Alternative	Current Year	Subsequent Years
Operating Budget O&M Annual Cost	Alternative 2 Removal	0	0
Estimated Capital Improvement Budget	Alternative 2 Removal	1,674,000	0

DESCRIPTION OF FISCAL EFFECT

In the space below, you must provide the following information. Attach additional pages if necessary.

- A. Briefly describe the nature of the action that is being requested or proposed, and the new or changed conditions that would occur if the request or proposal were adopted.
- B. State the direct costs, savings or anticipated revenues associated with the requested or proposed action in the current budget year and how those were calculated. ¹ If annualized or subsequent year fiscal impacts are substantially different from current year impacts, then those shall be stated as well. In addition, cite any one-time costs associated with the action, the source of any new or additional revenues (e.g. State, Federal, user fee or private donation), the use of contingent funds, and/or the use of budgeted appropriations due to surpluses or change in purpose required to fund the requested action.
- C. Discuss the budgetary impacts associated with the proposed action in the current year. A statement that sufficient funds are budgeted should be justified with information regarding the amount of budgeted appropriations in the relevant account and whether that amount is sufficient to offset the cost of the requested action. If relevant, discussion of budgetary impacts in subsequent years also shall be discussed. Subsequent year fiscal impacts shall be noted for the entire period in which the requested or proposed action would be implemented when it is reasonable to do so (i.e. a five-year lease agreement shall specify the costs/savings for each of the five years in question). Otherwise, impacts associated with the existing and subsequent budget years should be cited.
- D. Describe any assumptions or interpretations that were utilized to provide the information on this form.

- A. The County is currently under an Administrative Order from the WDNR to repair or remove the Estabrook Dam by December 31, 2014. Permission to access the BLM Island is essential to either option. The EA is required prior to BLM granting the requested access. The BLM has directed the DPRC to specify one preferred alternative in the Final EA submitted for their evaluation. The DPRC recommends Dam Removal (Alternative 2) be the preferred Alternative in the Final version of the Environmental Assessment that it will submit to the Bureau of Land Management in support of its previous request for construction access to the island controlled by the BLM situated near the center of the dam structures.
- B. The Direct Cost of Dam Removal is estimated at \$1,674,000. There would be no long term costs. Dam removal is estimated to cost at least \$844,000 less than the previous alternative and has no annual Operation and Maintenance costs in subsequent years. The Present Worth Analysis indicates a \$3,460,000 savings over 20 years.
- C. Summary of Budget Sources:
Milwaukee County has \$1,600,000 available. WDNR's Municipal Dam Grant Program has allocated \$400,000. The Wisconsin Stewardship Fund has funding up to \$1 million that may be made available to the County for removal. The US Fish and Wildlife Service has authorized a grant for \$220,000 . No Annual O&M Costs are needed in the Operating Budget.
- D. The budget numbers used for these comparisons are based upon the knowledge and experience of the design team and the best estimates available from similar projects.

¹ If it is assumed that there is no fiscal impact associated with the requested action, then an explanatory statement that justifies that conclusion shall be provided. If precise impacts cannot be calculated, then an estimate or range should be provided.

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Authorized Signature _____

Did DAS-Fiscal Staff Review? Yes No

Did CDBP Review?² Yes No Not Required