

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the North Dakota State Water Commission, meeting in regular session in its office in the State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, March 23, 1967, that it strongly favors and supports the proposed Oahe unit, initial stage, development and does hereby most respectfully urge the Congress to consider and take favorable action upon the aforesaid legislative bills at the earliest practicable date; and

Be it further resolved that the Secretary be and he is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Honorable Nils A. Boe, Governor of South Dakota; U.S. Senators Karl E. Mundt, George McGovern, Milton R. Young, and Quentin N. Burdick, and U.S. Representatives E. Y. Berry, Ben Reifel, Mark Andrews, and Thomas S. Kleppe; Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary, Honorable Kenneth Holum, Assistant Secretary for Water and Power, and Honorable Floyd E. Dominy, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior.

For the North Dakota State Water Commission:

Gov. WILLIAM L. GUY,
Chairman.

Attest:

MILO W. HOISVEEN,
Chief Engineer-Secretary, State Engineer.

U.S. SENATE,
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS,
April 17, 1967.

Hon. HENRY M. JACKSON,
Chairman, Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee,
U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR JACKSON: Enclosed is a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District of North Dakota supporting the prompt approval of Senate Bill 6 which would authorize the construction of the first step of the Oahe Irrigation Unit in South Dakota.

I would like to associate myself with the views expressed in this resolution. I sincerely hope that it will be possible for this legislation to be acted upon during the current session of Congress.

With warmest personal regards,

Sincerely,

MILTON R. YOUNG.

[Enclosure]

RESOLUTION

(Resolution urging Congress to authorize the Oahe unit, Missouri River Basin project, adopted by board of directors, Garrison Diversion Conservancy District, April 5, 1967)

Whereas the Oahe Unit of the Missouri River Basin Project has been investigated by the Bureau of Reclamation and has been determined to be an engineeringly sound and economically feasible multiple purpose water resources project which will bring many benefits to the project area, the State of South Dakota, the Upper Midwest and the Nation, and

Whereas the development of irrigation through the Oahe Unit will partially offset the loss South Dakota has experienced because of the inundation of about one-half a million acres of land for Missouri River main-stem reservoirs; and

Whereas bills, namely S. 6 and H.R. 27 and H.R. 1163, have been introduced in the 90th Congress which, if approved, would authorize the construction of the first stage of the Oahe Unit to provide water for a number of purposes including the development of 190,000 acres of irrigation,

Now therefore be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Garrison Diversion Unit at a meeting duly assembled at Harvey, North Dakota, this 5th day of April, 1967, that this Board strongly supports the State of South Dakota and the Oahe Conservancy Sub-district in their efforts to bring about the development of the Oahe Unit and respectfully urges Congress to approve the authorization of the initial stage of the Oahe Unit, Missouri River Basin Project, as set forth in the bills listed herein, and

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Senators Milton R. Young, Quentin N. Burdick, Karl C. Mundt, George McGovern; Representatives Mark Andrews, Thomas Kleppe, E. Y. Berry, and Ben Reifel;