Memorandum

To: Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District
Finance, Expenditure & Legal Subcommittee

From: Paul W. Woodward PE, Groundwater Management Engineer

Date: February 8, 2019

Re: Land Rights for Missouri River Levee Certification, Account 01-03-560-4430, Over 110%

The fiscal year (FY) 2019 budget to acquire land rights for the Missouri River Levee Certification Project was based on: 1) acres shown in the 100% design plans before the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers provided final Section 408 approval and 2) initial appraised values from November 2016. The FY 19 budget for land rights was set at $1,000,000. Since that time, there have been several revisions to the acres of land rights necessary and the appraised values. In addition, increased values were approved for some acquisitions and in the final report of appraisers.

13 of 21 properties who signed purchase agreements have closed, and including the properties paid by the report of appraisers, the NRD will have expended $1,040,817. The total to close the remaining 8 properties is approximately $780,000 (including closing costs and temporary easements). Therefore, the budget should reflect an amount up to $1,820,000.

Management recommends that the subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the amount for Missouri River Levee Certification Land Rights (01-03-560-4430) be allowed to exceed the budgeted amount up to $1,820,000 without further approval by the Board.