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March 10, 2016

Jeanne Goodman, Chief Engineer  
Water Rights Program  
Foss Building  
523 E. Capitol  
Pierre, SD 57501

Dear Jeanne:

The City of Sioux Falls is submitting comments responding to the Chief Engineer's recommendation regarding Water Permit Application 8195-3 to appropriate water for irrigation by Mr. Chad Anderson of Dell Rapids, SD. We are asking the Water Rights Board to consider changing the minimum flow requirements needed at the Dell Rapids USGS gaging station No. 06481000 to protect the diversion capacity of existing senior surface water rights of the Big Sioux River held by the City. We have concern the recommended required minimum bypass flow rate of 43cfs as measured at the Dell Rapids USGS gaging station will limit water withdrawal rates that will be needed by the City during low river flows or drought conditions. The City will most likely utilize the Big Sioux River source to its fullest extent preserving the ground water resources during extended dry weather or drought conditions.

The City of Sioux Falls currently holds the following senior water rights:

5431-3: 17.8 cubic feet per second (cfs) & 6,360 acre feet  
5512-3: 1.23 cubic feet per second (cfs) & 200 acre feet  
6210-3: 69.6 cubic feet per second (cfs) & 20,000 acre feet

Note: The existing water rights listed above require a bypass flow rate of 20cfs at the Cliff Avenue USGS gaging station No. 06482020.

If the City wishes to utilize the full potential of the existing 88.63 cfs from the three senior water rights there must be a minimum of 108.63 bypassing the Dell Rapids gaging station.

The City of Sioux Falls would like the Water Rights Board to please consider raising the minimum bypass of Water Right 8195-3 at the Dell Rapids gaging station to protect the most senior water rights held by the City of Sioux Falls. If you have any questions, please contact me at (605) 373-6940.

This is a petition to intervene. Please send a copy of all correspondence to:

Diane Best  
Public Works Legal Advisor  
City of Sioux Falls  
P.O. Box 7402  
Sioux Falls, SD 57117-4-7402

Please inform us of the hearing date. In the meantime, if we can accommodate for a larger bypass at the Dell Rapids gaging station we would entertain withdrawing our intervention on this application.

Sincerely,

Greg Anderson  
Water Superintendent  
Sioux Falls Water Division

Cc: Chad Anderson

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