

2021 DRAFT AGENDA Garrison Diversion Water Conference focused on RRVWSP

9:00-9:20 Orientation/Housekeeping/Mini Drought Talk: John Wheeler, WDAY Meteorologist & Conference Emcee

9:20-9:30 Welcome

9:30-10:00 RRVWSP Overview: Duane DeKrey, Garrison Diversion General Manager & Merri Mooridian, Deputy Program Manager of RRVWSP Administration

10:00-10:30 Construction Update: Kip Kovar, Deputy Program Manager of RRVWSP Engineering
Cory Chorne, AE2S

10:30-10:40 BREAK

10:40-11:20 Drought Threat: Daryl Ritchison, Director ND Agriculture Weather Network

11:20-11:30 Ask the Meteorologists: Daryl & John

11:30-12:30 LUNCH

12:30 John Wheeler welcomes everyone back from lunch & introduces Alan Walter

12:30-12:40 Importance of RRVWSP to GDCD communities / Update on GDCD Initiatives: Alan Walter, Garrison Diversion Board Chairman

12:40-1:10 Funding, Finance & Economic Development: Shawn Gaddie, AE2S; Merri Mooridian, Deputy Program Manager of RRVWSP Administration.

1:10 – 1:40 State Mod: Steve Burian, Burian & Associates

1:40-2:00 Regional Economic Modeling (REMI): A Vision of ND with the RRVWSP & Without: Bank of North Dakota Representative & Brent Bogar, AE2S Nexus

2:00-2:30 Regional Economic Modeling (REMI) Panel Discussion featuring Economic Development Directors

2:30-2:40 Break

2:40-3:00 State of Water in ND

3:00-3:45 State of Water in ND Panel Discussion

-Joel Heitkamp, KFGO Radio Personality & Panel Discussion Moderator CONFIRMED
Andrea Travnicek, Dept. of Water Resources Director - CONFIRMED

- Eric Volk, ND Rural Water Assoc. Executive Director - CONFIRMED
- Alan Walter, GDCD Chair - CONFIRMED
- Rep. Jim Schmidt - CONFIRMED
- Sen. Rich Wardner - CONFIRMED

4:00 Social Hour until 6:00

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