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FLOODWAY PROJECT PROCEEDS WITH AWARDING OF \$50 MILLION IN CHANNEL EXCAVATION CONTRACTS

30 Bids Received in Response to Five Tenders

Winnipeg, MB – Today, the Manitoba Floodway Authority (MFA) announced that five major floodway channel excavation contracts have been awarded to four companies to undertake work on the Red River Floodway Expansion Project.

"Earlier this spring, the floodway project delivered a 1-in-300 year level of flood protection," said Ernie Gilroy, CEO of the MFA. "Today's announcement will help us to build upon this level of flood protection as we work towards our overall goal of 1-in-700 year flood protection."

The successful companies are:

- <u>Contract C3C Hugh Munro Construction Ltd.</u>, from Winnipeg, has been awarded work to undertake 1.2 km of channel excavation from the Trans-Canada Highway East Bridge to the Centreline Drop Structure. Hugh Munro submitted the lowest of six bids in response to the tender estimated at \$3.6 million;
- <u>Contract C7A Hugh Munro Construction Ltd.</u>, from Winnipeg, has been awarded work to undertake 5.4 km of channel excavation of the west bank from PTH 59 North Bridge to Dunning Road. Hugh Munro submitted the lowest of seven bids in response to the tender estimated at \$5.6 million;
- <u>Contract C7B MLA Northern Contracting Ltd.</u>, from Thunder Bay, Ontario, has been awarded work to undertake 5.4 km of channel excavation of the east bank of the channel from the PTH 59 North Bridge to Dunning Road. MLA Northern submitted the lowest of six bids in response to the tender estimated at \$12.3 million;
- <u>Contract C8A Kelly Panteluk Construction Ltd.</u>, from Estevan, Saskatchewan has been awarded work to undertake 9.5 km of channel excavation of the west bank from Dunning Road to the Outlet Control Structure. Kelly Panteluk Construction Ltd. submitted the lowest of seven bids in response to the tender estimated at \$8.5 million;
- <u>Contract C8B Erickson Construction</u>, from Riverton, Manitoba has been awarded work to undertake 9.5 km of channel excavation of the east bank from Dunning Road to the Outlet Control Structure. Erickson submitted the lowest of four bids in response to the tender estimated at \$19.5 million.

To date, approximately 31 kms, or approximately 64 per cent of the floodway channel, is under excavation increasing the floodway's flood protection level from 1-in-90 to 1-in-300 year. Approximately 8,000,000 cubic metres of earth have been moved as part of the project. To date over 1000 people and over 50 companies have been involved in the project. Channel excavation work is scheduled to be completed in 2009 with associated bridge and related work being completed in 2010.

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