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Draft Scope of Work for Boardman Dams Study Available Online

Traverse City, Michigan – The draft Scope of Work prepared by ECT, Inc. for the Boardman River Dams Engineering and Feasibility Study has been posted on the committee’s web site, www.theboardman.org in the Project Library section. The Scoping Team for the Boardman Dams project, comprised of nine volunteers drawn from Boardman River Dams Committee, is assisting the consultants in developing a Scope of Work for the Engineering and Feasibility Study. The primary purpose of the study is to evaluate possible alternative futures for four dams on the Boardman River. The general approach to this study is collaborative effort between ECT and the Boardman River Dams Committee. The approach will employ both qualitative and quantitative analyses of primary and secondary data and utilize widely accepted methods in engineering, hydrology, environmental sciences, economics, law, and sociology.

The Scoping Team welcomes comments on the draft Scope of Work as team members prepare to finalize the document and recommend its approval by the Implementation Team and BRDC. Comments on the draft Scope of Work should be provided to Mike Donahue (Project Technical Coordinator) on or before Monday, September 11. He can be contacted via email (info@theboardman.org) or by calling 248.994.7431. Comments may also be submitted via US Mail to Boardman River Dams Committee, 1701 E. Front St., Traverse City, MI 49686, or by calling the project office: 231-995-2617.

The Boardman River Dams Committee was established by the Implementation Team for the Boardman River Dams Settlement Agreement, which charged the Team with making recommendations to the City of Traverse City and Grand Traverse County about the future of four dams on the Boardman River. The Implementation Team formed a Boardman River Dams Committee in 2005 to engage all interests in developing those recommendations.