



Capitol Lake Master Plan

Bureau of Administration

Overview

Governor Noem's recommended budget includes \$3,500,000 in one-time funding to address several issues at Capitol Lake. This project is a multi-faceted approach to resolving long term issues on the Capitol Complex. The current well has issues that need to be addressed. The plan includes an alternative, cleaner, and better water source rather than from the aquifer. The project will also address sedimentation issues in both Capitol Lake and Capitol Creek. This project will disrupt the area for an extended period but provides an opportunity to improve the Capitol Complex for years to come.

Project Description

The project components are:

- 1) Cap the existing well;
- 2) Pump water from the Missouri River to Capitol Lake;
- 3) Dredge Capitol Creek and Capitol Lake;
- 4) Provide opportunity to redesign the existing memorial area to better serve all parties; and
- 5) Provide opportunities for irrigation of public properties.

These component projects will provide opportunities for a long-term solution to several problems at Capitol Lake and save taxpayer dollars.

Funding

The estimated cost for a study of the Capitol Lake Memorial Area is \$500,000. The Governor's recommended budget includes \$500,000 in general funds for this expense. An additional \$3,000,000 of ARPA funding is included in the Governor's recommended budget for the water projects associated with the memorial area.