

BRAINERD HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

SUPPORT H.F. 1366 / S.F. 1971

HISTORY

The Brainerd Hydroelectric Dam is an important infrastructure piece in the region's history. The dam was originally constructed in 1887 to utilize the power of the Mississippi River for both energy production and lumber mill operation. Today, the dam provides flood control, water management, renewable energy, and serves as a recreational site, all of which contribute to the local economy and support the community.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

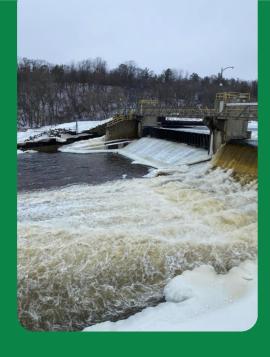
- Facility is equipped with 5 generators but only 2 are currently operational, achieving less than 5% of the City's demands and decreasing each day.
- By implementing new generation technology, it will allow the Brainerd community to make the most out of this carbon-free electric generation in the future.

PROJECT GOALS

The Commission aims to meet the requirements under the Renewable Energy Standards (RES) and 100% carbon-free energy by 2040 initiatives by adding additional generation to achieve the following:

- Meet standards designed to promote clean energy, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and encourage development of renewable energy infrastructure.
- Provide over 12% of the City's energy needs.
- Utilize low flow generators that can operate more efficiently.

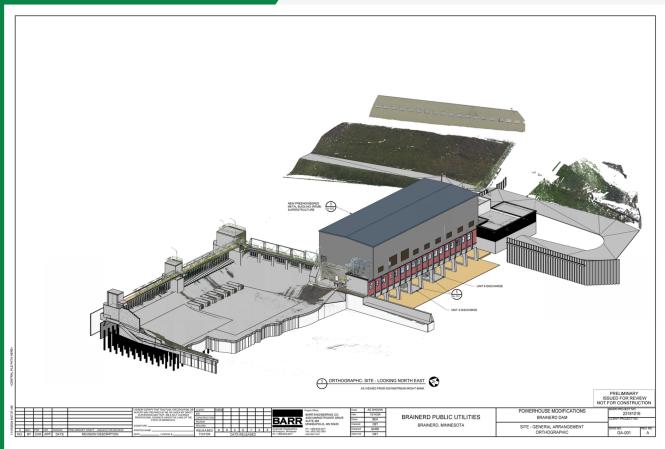
H.F. 1366 / S.F. 1971 would provide \$9.9 million of the \$14.6 million total cost to fund this vital project for the City of Brainerd.

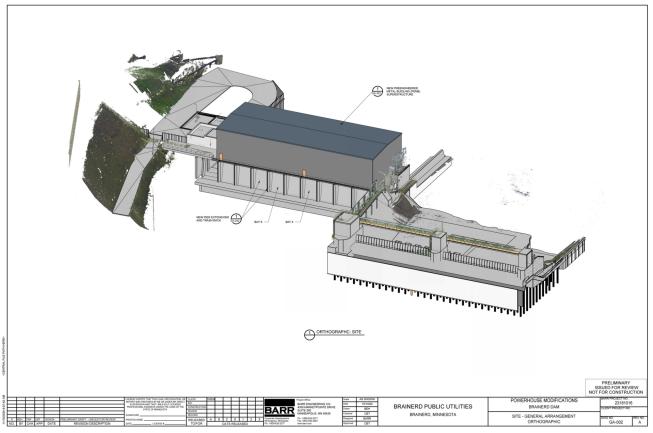




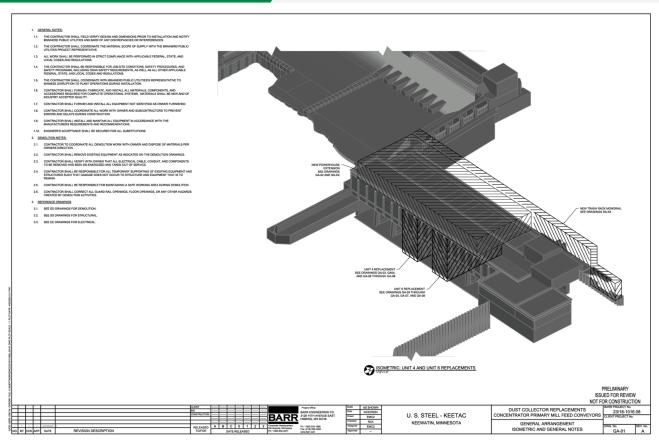


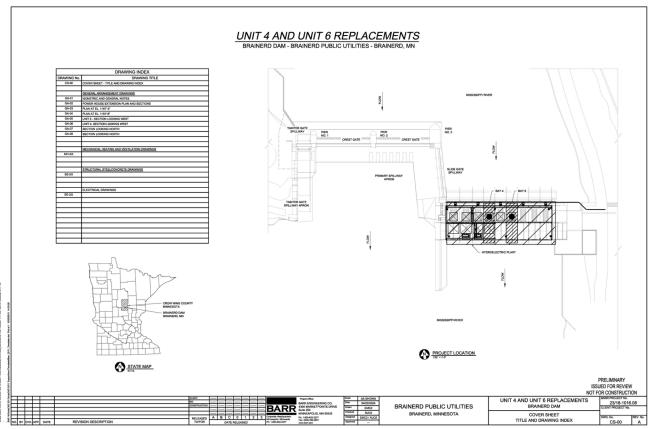
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