

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3033

Introduced by

Representatives Damschen, DeKrey, Uglem

1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress to remove wetland mitigation requirements from
2 highway construction projects.

3 **WHEREAS**, North Dakota is undergoing highway construction projects throughout the
4 state; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the cost of highway construction projects could be reduced by reviewing
6 various factors, including wetlands mitigation; and

7 **WHEREAS**, North Dakota's interest in preserving wetlands should be addressed on a
8 state rather than federal level; and

9 **WHEREAS**, North Dakota manages the state's natural resources in highway
10 construction projects based on balancing the competing public interests of wetlands
11 preservation and local, state, and national transportation needs;

12 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**
13 **OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

14 That the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States to
15 remove wetlands mitigation requirements from highway construction projects; and

16 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
17 resolution to the Federal Highway Administration, the United States Environmental Protection
18 Agency, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, the United States Fish and Wildlife
19 Service, and to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.