Small Entity Economic Impact Statement

1. Which small entities are subject to the proposed rule? Small political subdivisions, as defined by N.D.C.C. § 28-32-08.1, may be impacted by proposed changes to N.D.A.C. § 89-08-01-01 for dam hazard classification.

2. What are the administrative and other costs required for compliance with the proposed rule? If a small political subdivision owns a dam and it wants to make modifications to the dam, depending on the proposed modifications, there may be associated costs. If no changes are proposed to an existing dam, then there will be no associated costs.

3. What is the probable cost and benefit to private persons and consumers who are affected by the proposed rule? If a private individual owns a dam and wants to make modifications to the dam, depending on the proposed modifications, there may be associated costs. If no changes are proposed to an existing dam, then there will be no associated costs.

The probable cost to a private person could be increased depending on how the political subdivision chooses to finance dam modifications.

Private persons and consumers will benefit from enhanced dam safety considerations.
4. What is the probable effect of the proposed rule on state revenues? There may be a minor effect on state revenues (see fiscal note) due to the proposed change to N.D.A.C. § 89-03-01-13.1. The impact will depend on the number of permit holders who do not timely report annual water use data as required by the permit terms.

5. Is there any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the proposed rule? No.