

# Fort Dodge Little Dam

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River/Stream: Des Moines River

Location: Fort Dodge, Webster County

Latitude: 42.493703

Longitude: -94.187340

Click here to view an aerial map of the dam. (<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=42.493703,-94.187340+%28Little+Dam%29&z=15&ll=42.493703,-94.187340&t=h>)

Built: 1916. **DEMOLISHED: February, 2019.**

Owner: City of Fort Dodge

Height: formerly 8 feet

Length: formerly 270 feet

Hazards (HazardDefs.html): drowning, urban, visibility

Warning Signs: no longer needed

Comments: Visible downstream from the Little Dam access is a high trestle rail bridge. Just upstream of it is a small dam that submerges before recirculation becomes dangerous. At low flows move over to river right to avoid scraping over its top.

## Fatalities 1

- July 10, 1983, Patrick Darby, inner tube floating



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