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The total project cost is estimated at \$1.5 million, mostly for the addition of two flour-blending silos and miscellaneous equipment.

Money from the city will be used to buy down interest on a \$1.2 million bank loan. The company also is getting \$228,000 from the state-owned Bank of North Dakota.

The upgrades are expected to create 12 jobs at the plant, which currently employs 86 workers.

The Grand Forks plant is better known locally as Conte Luna Foods. It accounts for about 40 percent of the company's sales.

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