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# FINAL SCOPING REPORT SUMMARY

Deer Creek Station  
Environmental Impact Statement

Western Area Power Administration

May 2009



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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Basin Electric Power Cooperative (Basin Electric) is a generation and transmission cooperative headquartered in Bismarck, North Dakota. Basin Electric proposes to develop a new, 300-megawatt (MW) net intermediate natural gas combined-cycle generation facility located near the town of White in eastern South Dakota with an in-service date of mid-2012. Basin Electric's Power Supply Analysis (PSA) indicated that additional intermediate capacity will be needed in this timeframe to meet its members' growing energy demand. Based on the PSA, a 700-800 MW capacity deficit is projected in the eastern portion of Basin Electric's service area by the year 2014. Basin Electric is proposing to meet this increased demand by implementing a resource expansion plan that includes, in part, 250 MW of intermediate generation by 2012. The new generation facility has been identified as a means to meet the determined need for 250 MW of intermediate generation by 2012.

The proposed Deer Creek Station 300 MW generating project will be constructed on one of two sites. White Site 1 is located approximately 6 miles southeast of the town of White. A facility at this site would require approximately 14 miles of pipeline to supply natural gas from the Northern Border Pipeline. Approximately 1 mile of 345-kV single-circuit transmission line would be constructed to connect to the existing White Substation located adjacent to White Site 1. In addition, a groundwater supply well and connecting pipeline or connection to the Brookings-Deuel Rural Water Supply would be needed in association with the facility. White Site II is located approximately 4.5 miles northeast of the town of White. A facility at this site would require approximately 10 miles of natural gas supply pipeline from the Northern Border Pipeline. Approximately 0.5 mile of 345-kV double-circuit transmission line would be required, along with the construction of an on-site transmission substation. A generation facility at White Site II would require approximately 1 mile of pipeline to connect to the Brookings-Deuel Rural Water Supply.

The U.S. Department of Energy's Western Area Power Administration (Western) is serving as the lead agency for the environmental review process. Burns & McDonnell Engineering, Inc. was selected as Western's third-party environmental consultant for the project. The scoping process for the Deer Creek Station project began on February 6, 2009 when Western published a notice of intent (NOI) in the Federal Register to conduct a public scoping meeting and prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the project in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), DOE NEPA Implementing Procedures (10 CFR 1021), and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for implementing NEPA (40 CFR 1500-1508). In addition to the NOI, a letter was sent to representatives of agencies, tribes and interested parties to solicit input on the project and invite them to these meetings.

One public scoping meeting was held at the McKnight Community Center in White, South Dakota near the project area. Newspaper notices appeared in The Brookings Register and The Tri-City Star (White Edition). Radio advertisements were run on KWAT-AM (Watertown, SD) and KBRK-FM (Brookings, SD). This meeting was intended to fulfill Western's public scoping meeting requirements.

At the scoping meeting, representatives of Western, Basin Electric and Burns & McDonnell were available to discuss the project, the environmental review process, the project need and benefits, the proposed project location and to answer questions. There were 59 attendees at the scoping meeting. The period to receive written comments was open until April 7, 2009.

As a result of the scoping process, 14 comments were received from 12 agencies and two individuals.

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## **2.0 AGENCY COORDINATION**

### **2.1 AGENCY SCOPING LETTERS**

Western sent agency coordination letters, dated February 13, 2009, to various local, state, and federal agencies as well as eight Native American Tribes. The letter provided a brief project description and information about the public scoping meeting as well as contact information for agency comments. A copy of the letter is included in Appendix A, along with a list of agencies that were contacted.

### **2.2 AGENCY COMMENTS**

Agency letter responses were received from the following agencies:

#### **FEDERAL**

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers

U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency

U.S. Department of Interior, Geological Survey

U.S. Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

#### **STATE**

South Dakota Department of Environment & Natural Resources

South Dakota Department of Game, Fish & Parks

#### **LOCAL**

Brookings County Highway Department

Brookings County Sheriff's Office

A summary of the comments received are included in Section 5.

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### **3.0 PUBLIC SCOPING**

The public scoping process for the project involved the following components:

- notifying people about the public scoping meeting;
- conducting the public scoping meeting; and
- collecting / reviewing public comments.

Additional public involvement has consisted of informing the public through the project website – <http://www.wapa.gov/transmission/deercreek.htm>, personal communications, and newspaper articles regarding the project.

#### **3.1 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

The goals of the public scoping process were to provide information regarding the project to the public and solicit comments from the public. The objectives of Western and Basin were to establish a clear and open dialogue with the public and provide a process to identify and define the scope of issues to be addressed in the Draft EIS.

#### **3.2 NOTIFICATION PROCESS**

A Notice of Intent (NOI) to hold a public scoping meeting and prepare an Environmental Impact Statement was published by Western in the Federal Register on February 6, 2009 (Volume 74, Number 24, pp. 6284-6286).

A public scoping meeting was conducted on February 24, 2009 at the McKnight Community Center in White, South Dakota. The public was notified of this meeting by a series of advertisements in local newspapers, and spots on local radio stations. The following papers published the legal notice of the public scoping meeting:

- The Brookings Register, published on February 6, 13, and 20, 2009
- The Tri-City Star, published on February 12 and 19, 2009

#### **3.3 PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING**

The public scoping meeting was presented in an open house format, with a series of informative display stations regarding various aspects of the proposed project. Each station was staffed by Western, Basin Electric, or Burns & McDonnell representatives, who provided information about the project and answered questions. There were 59 members of the public that attended the scoping meeting (Appendix B). Public scoping meeting comment forms were available for the attendees to complete.

### **3.4 PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Two public comments were received during the scoping comment period that ended April 7, 2009.

Concerns noted in these comments included local traffic impacts from construction and operation of the project, dust issues from heavy traffic, impacts to air quality, and economic benefits to local communities.

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#### 4.0 SUMMARY OF AGENCY AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Listed below is a listing of the agency and public scoping issues based on the comments received. The issues identified in the comments will be addressed in the Draft EIS.

| Agency                                    | Comments/Concerns   |
|---|---|
| <b>Federal</b>                            |   |
| Advisory Council on Historic Preservation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recommends that Western Area Power Administration initiate Section 106 process and consult with the SHPO, Native American tribes, and other concerned parties with regard to protection of historic properties.</li> </ul>   |
| U.S. Army Corps of Engineers              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Requests that should the proposed project affect navigation and/or involve either the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters subject to Federal regulation, the proposed EIS process should incorporate an alternatives analysis that is compliant with the Section 404 (Clean Water Act) Guidelines addressing impacts to waters of the U.S..</li> <li>-Requests that an application form for the Section 404 permit be submitted along with drawings, maps, wetland delineations, color photos, and ecological or environmental information available that is pertinent to the project.</li> </ul>  |
| U.S. Environmental Protection Agency      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Requests reasonable alternatives to avoid impacts to wetlands, and avoidance of fen wetlands.</li> <li>- Requests evaluation of a least damaging practicable alternative (LEDPA) for wetland impacts.</li> <li>- Requests mitigation plan for unavoidable wetland impacts.</li> <li>- Recommends discussion and analysis of potential impacts to groundwater, surface water, drinking water, and irrigation waters.</li> <li>-Recommends all mitigation measures be analyzed in EIS to address impacts to ground, surface, drinking, and irrigation water.</li> <li>- Recommends analysis to potential impacts to floodplains.</li> <li>- Recommends evaluation of potential contribution to near-field and far-field air quality.</li> <li>- Requests consideration of greenhouse gas emissions (methane and carbon dioxide).</li> <li>- Requests evaluation of effects of project on area ecology, vegetation and wildlife, and hunting and fishing activities.</li> <li>- Requests the prevention of introducing and spreading of invasive plants and noxious weeds.</li> <li>- Recommends a detailed plan for addressing dust suppression, inspection schedules, and documentation and accountability processes.</li> <li>- Requests disclosure and evaluation of any environmental justice impacts.</li> <li>- Recommends cumulative impact analysis for resources of concern.</li> </ul> |
| U.S. Department of                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Requests notification of construction or alterations as required by</li> </ul>   |

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| Transportation, FAA                                  | <p>Federal Aviation Regulations, Part 77, Objects Affecting Navigable Airspace, Paragraph 77.13.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Requests contacting FAA Technical Operations to identify possible impacts to aircraft navigation and/or communication equipment.</li> <li>- Requests that the design, construction, and operation of the project does not create a hazardous wildlife attractant to surrounding airports.</li> <li>- Requests that Brookings Municipal Airport and White Airport be given opportunity to provide input and comments.</li> </ul>  |
| U.S.D.A. Natural Resources Conservation Service      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Confirmed that there are no easements administered by NRCS in the project area.</li> <li>- Requests the completion of the Farmland Conversion Impact Rating form (attached to letter) for White Site I and White Site II to determine impacts, if any, to prime farmland.</li> </ul>  |
| U.S.D.A. Farm Service Agency                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Have not been advised of any sites within the project area that have FSA mortgages or CRP tracts.</li> <li>- Has no specific comments at this time regarding the project.</li> </ul>  |
| U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Requests confirmation of possible impacts to grassland and wetland easements from proposed natural gas pipeline.</li> <li>- Concerns over possible impacts to Western prairie fringed orchid, American burying beetle, and Topeka shiner (Federally protected species). Requests that if a determination of “may adversely affect” is made for any of these species by Western, a request for formal consultation would be made to USFWS.</li> <li>- Recommends reviewing guidelines for Bald Eagle Protection Act.</li> <li>- Requests ceasing construction in the event whooping cranes are sighted in the project area during spring and fall migration.</li> <li>- Recommends incorporating measures to prevent line strike and electrocution mortality for avian species (primarily migratory birds and raptors) from overhead transmission lines related to the project.</li> <li>- Encourages Basin Electric to investigate the formulation of an Avian Protection Plan if one is not already in place.</li> </ul> |
| U.S. Geological Society                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Had a question about the availability and sustainability of the ground water supply in the area near the proposed well site, and the volume of water that would be required to support the project.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>State</b>   |  |
| S.D. Department of Environment and Natural Resources | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Department does not anticipate adverse impacts to ground water quality by the project.</li> <li>- Suggests that additional research regarding past petroleum and chemical releases be conducted that could affect the project area.</li> <li>- Requests that, should contamination be encountered during construction activities, Basin Electric report this contamination to the Department. Contaminated soil will need to be stockpiled and sampled to determine disposal requirements.</li> <li>- Notes that the proposed gas pipeline route passes through the “B” Zone of Brookings County’s Well Head Protection Area, and the alternative pipeline route passes through the “A” Zone of Astoria’s water supply wells in several areas. Requests that Basin Electric consider this information when choosing the pipeline routes, and</li> </ul>   |
| S.D. DENR (Continued)                                |  |

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|   | <p>requests that the “A” zones be avoided, and minimize the amount of pipeline that crosses any “B” zones.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Requests that Basin Electric contact Brookings County Zoning Commission and the municipality of Astoria for information pertaining to the Well Head Protection Areas and zoning ordinances.</li> <li>- Requests that Basin Electric contact the Department’s Water Rights Program if additional wells need to be drilled to provide water to operate the proposed facility.</li> </ul>   |
| S.D. Department of Game, Fish and Parks | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Concerns over possible existing wetlands on White Site I and II, according to existing National Wetlands Inventory maps.</li> <li>- Recommends avoidance of wetland impacts whenever possible.</li> <li>- Requests that if avoidance of wetlands is not possible, adverse impacts to wetlands would be minimized, and any lost acres would be replaced.</li> <li>- Requests minimizing impacts to fish and wildlife resources by complying with Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, using best-management practices during construction to minimize impacts to wetlands and soils, avoiding woodland habitat, and controlling noxious weeds.</li> <li>- Recommends contacting the Natural Heritage Program to determine locations of any rare, threatened, or endangered species in the proposed project area.</li> <li>- Requests that if any unanticipated threatened or endangered species be encountered during construction, all ground disturbing activities would cease in the immediate area until consultation with the appropriate agency could occur.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Local</b>                            |  |
| Brookings County Highway Department     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Concern with the operating status of county bridges within the project area, and the ability of Brookings County gravel road #36 to handle heavy loads associated with construction and operation of the project.</li> <li>- Concern with the use of county roads during the spring load limit posting.</li> </ul>  |
| Brookings County Sheriff’s Department   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Brookings County Sheriff’s Office would be a first responder for emergencies at the project area.</li> <li>- The project site would be put on the county’s location for Homeland Security Patrol.</li> <li>- Concern with safety of workers due to weather during construction.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Citizen/Landowner</b>                |  |
| Carlton and Janet Basmajian             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Personally welcome the project, but hope road access and impact to living conditions in the area will be considered.</li> <li>- Concern is with traffic access and flow to the White Site I, and associated dust from the gravel road impacting their residence.</li> </ul>   |
| Geoff Andrews                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Would like to know economic benefits to the communities of Toronto, Astoria, and White.</li> </ul>  |
| Geoff Andrews                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Would like to know the long-term outlook for wind energy in the</li> </ul>  |

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| (Continued) | area.<br>- Concern over the amount of air pollution generated by the proposed project. |
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## 5.0 PROJECT STATUS AND COORDINATION

Western will prepare a Draft EIS that addresses the scoping issues identified by the agencies and public. The Draft EIS will be available for agency and public review and comment after which Western will prepare a Final EIS and Record of Decision (ROD). Notices announcing the availability of the EIS and ROD will be published in the Federal Register and in local newspapers.

If you have any questions or desire additional information, please feel free to contact the following:

Mr. Matt Marsh  
NEPA Document Manager  
Western Area Power Administration  
Upper Great Plains Customer Service Region  
P.O. Box 35800  
Billings, MT 59107-5800  
Fax: (406) 247-7408  
Email: [DeerCreekStationEIS@wapa.gov](mailto:DeerCreekStationEIS@wapa.gov).

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**APPENDIX A – AGENCY SCOPING LETTER AND MAILING LIST**

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**Department of Energy**  
Western Area Power Administration  
Upper Great Plains Customer Service Region  
P.O. Box 35800  
Billings, MT 59107-5800

February 13, 2009

The Mid America Bison Family  
241 Galveston Ave.  
Hot Springs, SD 57747

Dear Mid America Bison Family,

This letter requests information and your comments regarding a power generation facility construction project (Project) being proposed by Basin Electric Power Cooperative (Basin Electric) that is the subject of environmental review by Western Area Power Administration (Western). Western is one of four power marketing administrations within the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) that has jurisdiction over transmission projects and operations.

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Western will prepare an environmental document that evaluates the potential environmental impacts of the proposed Project and the reasonable and feasible alternatives to the proposal. Basin Electric has submitted requests to interconnect the proposed Project to Western's transmission system. Interconnection would incorporate a new generation resource into Western's power transmission system, thereby requiring Western to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under DOE NEPA Implementing Procedures.

Description of the Proposed Project

Basin Electric is a regional wholesale electric generation and transmission cooperative owned and controlled by the member cooperatives it serves. Basin Electric includes 120 rural electric systems and is one of the largest electric generation and transmission cooperatives in the U.S. Basin Electric serves approximately 2.5 million customers in 430,000 square miles covering portions of nine states: Colorado, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wyoming.

Basin Electric proposes to construct and own a 300-megawatt (MW) net intermediate natural gas combustion turbine generation facility and associated energy transmission facilities in eastern Brookings County, South Dakota (see Figure 1 attached). In addition to the generation facility, the proposed Project would include ancillary facilities such as a natural gas pipeline for fuel delivery, transmission facilities, water well system or delivery system from existing rural water system, wastewater processing, and construction of access roads. The

purpose of the proposed Project is to construct a natural gas combined-cycle intermediate generation facility to help serve the increased demand for electrical power to member cooperatives in the eastern portion of Basin Electric's nine-state service area, and to connect this generation facility to Western's transmission grid.

### Agency Consultation

At this time, on behalf of Western, I would like to request your comments or concerns regarding the proposed Project. Any information you can provide relating to the following issues will assist Western in its determination of what environmental issues should be addressed in the EIS:

- Local land use
- Transportation
- Air emissions and ambient air quality
- Energy use
- Water quality and wetlands
- Ambient noise levels
- Historic sites, archaeological sites, or cultural resources
- Native American tribal issues or concerns
- Socioeconomics (population, employment, growth, and development)
- Wildlife, vegetation, and fisheries
- Soils and geology

Information on any additional issues or concerns that you consider appropriate would also be appreciated. We request your response by April 7, 2009, so that we may be able to schedule any meetings, site visits, or surveys, conduct any necessary follow-up activities, and incorporate your response into the scope of the study, as appropriate.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 406-247-7385. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Matt Marsh  
Environment-Project Manager  
Upper Great Plains



**Department of Energy**  
Western Area Power Administration  
Upper Great Plains Customer Service Region  
P.O. Box 35800  
Billings, MT 59107-5800

February 19, 2009

The Mid America Bison Family  
241 Galveston Ave.  
Hot Springs, SD 57747

Dear Sir or Madam,

You should have recently received a letter soliciting your comments or concerns with Basin Electric Power Cooperative's Deer Creek Station Project proposal (300 MW gas turbine electric generation project) near White, SD. This is a follow-up letter to send Figure 1 detailing the location of the proposed project. I inadvertently left the figure out of the mailing. I am sorry for any confusion this may have caused you.

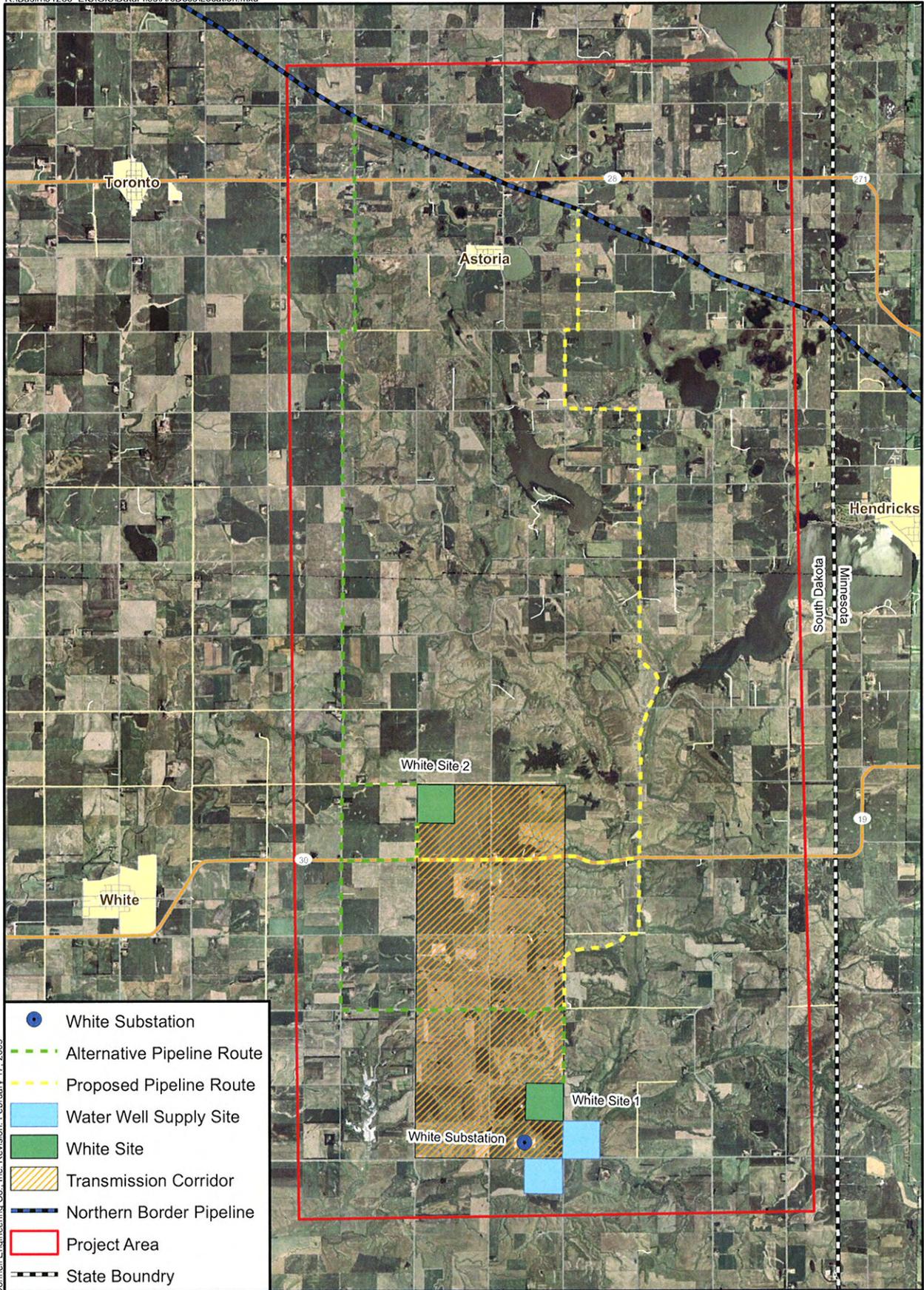
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 406-247-7385 or [mmarsh@wapa.gov](mailto:mmarsh@wapa.gov). Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matt Marsh". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Matt Marsh  
Environment-Project Manager  
Upper Great Plains

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- White Substation
- Alternative Pipeline Route
- Proposed Pipeline Route
- Water Well Supply Site
- White Site
- Transmission Corridor
- Northern Border Pipeline
- Project Area
- State Boundary

Source: USDA/FSA- Aerial  
Photography Field Office,  
ESRI, Basin Electric Power Cooperative



Figure 1  
Deer Creek Station Project Location  
Basin Electric Power Cooperative  
Brookings County, SD

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| «First Name» | «Last Name»     | «Job Title»                              | «Company/agency»   | «Address 1»  | «Address 2»  | «City»         | «State» | «Zip»      |
|--------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|----------------|---------|------------|
| Jon          | Christensen     | Colonel                                  | U.S. Army Corps of Engineers                                 | St. Paul District                                  | 190 5th Street East, Suite 401                         | St. Paul       | MN      | 55101-1638 |
| Carol        | Rushin          | Acting Regional Administrator            | U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8               |  | 1595 Wynkoop St., 8EPR-N Mail Code                     | Denver         | CO      | 80202-1129 |
|              |                 | Director                                 | U.S. Environmental Protection Agency                         | NEPA Program                                       | 1595 Wynkoop St., 8EPR-N Mail Code                     | Denver         | CO      | 80202-1129 |
| Mr. Pete     | Gober           | Supervisor                               | U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service                                 | South Dakota Field Office                          | 420 S. Garfield Avenue, Suite 400                      | Pierre         | SD      | 57501-5408 |
| Mr. Kurt     | Forman          | Project Leader                           | U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service                                 | Brookings Wildlife Habitat Office                  | P.O. Box 247   | Brookings      | SD      | 57006      |
|              |                 | Manager                                  | U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service                                 | Madison Wetland Management District                | P.O. Box 48  | Madison        | SD      | 57042      |
| Ms. Patricia | Klintberg       | Director, External Affairs               | U.S. Department of Agriculture                               | Farm Service Agency-Public Affairs Staff           | 1400 Independence Ave., SW STOP 0506                   | Washington     | DC      | 20250-0506 |
| Mr. Mark     | Robinson        | Director                                 | Federal Energy Regulatory Commission                         | Office of Energy Projects                          | 888 First Street, NE                                   | Washington     | DC      | 20426      |
| Mr. John     | Fowler          | Executive Director                       | Advisory Council on Historic Preservation                    | Old Post Office Building, Suite 803                | 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW                           | Washington     | DC      | 20004      |
| Ms. Dianne   | Guidry          | Director, Public Affairs                 | U.S. Department of Agriculture                               | Natural Resources Conservation Service             | Room 6121-S, P.O. Box 2890                             | Washington     | DC      | 20013      |
|              |                 | Environmenta & Historic Preservation     | Federal Emergency Management Agency                          | Denver Federal Center                              | Building 710, Box 25267                                | Denver         | CO      | 80225-0267 |
| Mr. Mark     | Plank           | Director                                 | U.S. Department of Agriculture-Rural Utilities Service       | Engineering and Environmental Staff                | Room 2242-S, Mail Stop 1571, 1400 Independence Ave, SW | Washington     | DC      | 20250      |
| Mr. Barry    | Cooper          | Regional Administrator                   | U.S. Department of Transportation                            | Federal Aviation Administration-Great Lakes Region | O'Hare Lake Office Center, 2300 East Devon Avenue      | Des Plaines    | IL      | 60018      |
| Mr. Willie   | Taylor          | Director                                 | U.S. Department of the Interior                              | Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance      | 1849 C. Street, NW, MS 2342                            | Washington     | DC      | 20240      |
| Mr. Stanley  | Ponce           | Central Regional Director                | U.S. Geological Survey                                       | Central Region                                     | Denver Federal Center, Building 810, Mail Stop 150     | Denver         | CO      | 80225-0046 |
| Ms. Deanna   | Santema         | Chairperson                              | Brookings County Board of County Commissioners               |  | 1621 Robin Road  | Brookings      | SD      | 57006      |
| Mr. Larry    | Jensen          | Superintendent                           | Brookings County Highway Department                          |  | 422 Western Avenue                                     | Brookings      | SD      | 57006      |
| Mr. Robert   | Hill            | Director of Planning, Zoning, & Drainage | Brookings County Zoning and Drainage Department              |  | 1921 Building, 601 4th Street, Suite 105               | Brookings      | SD      | 57006      |
| Mr. William  | Even            |  | South Dakota Department of Agriculture                       | Office of the Secretary                            | 523 E. Capitol Avenue                                  | Pierre         | SD      | 57501-3182 |
| Mr. Steven   | Pirner          | Secretary                                | South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources |  | Joe Foss Building, 523 E. Capitol                      | Pierre         | SD      | 57501      |
| Mr. Jeff     | Vonk            | Secretary                                | South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks              |  | 523 E. Capitol Avenue                                  | Pierre         | SD      | 57501      |
| Mr. Joel     | Jundt           | Director, Division of Planning           | South Dakota Department of Transportation                    | Becker-Hansen Building                             | 700 E. Broadway Ave.                                   | Pierre         | SD      | 57501      |
| Ms. Patricia | Van Gerpen      | Executive Director                       | South Dakota Public Utilities Commission                     | Capitol Building, 1st Floor                        | 500 E. Capitol Avenue                                  | Pierre         | SD      | 57501-5070 |
| Ms. Paige    | Hoskinson Olson | Review & Compliance Coordinator          | South Dakota State Historic Society                          | State Historic Preservation Office                 | 900 Governors Drive                                    | Pierre         | SD      | 57501-2217 |
| Mr. Josh     | Weston          | Chairman                                 | Flandreau Santee Sioux                                       |  | P.O. Box 283   | Flandreau      | SD      | 57028-0283 |
| Jean         | Stacy           | President                                | Lower Sioux Indian Community of Minnesota                    |  | P.O. Box 308, 39458 Res. Highway 1                     | Morton         | MN      | 56270      |
| Marlys       | Opsahl          | Tribal Council Administrative Assistant  | Prairie Island Indian Community of Minnesota                 |  | 5636 Sturgeon Lake Road                                | Welch          | MN      | 55089      |
| Mr. Roger    | Trudell         | Tribal Chairman                          | Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska                               |  | 425 Frazier Ave. North, Suite 2                        | Niobrara       | NE      | 68760      |
| Mr. Mike     | Selvage         | Chairman                                 | Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate                                      |  | P.O. Box 509   | Agency Village | SD      | 57262-0509 |
| Myra         | Pearson         | Tribal Chairperson                       | Spirit Lake Tribe  |  | P.O. Box 359   | Fort Totten    | ND      | 58335      |
| Mr. Kevin    | Jensvold        | Chairman                                 | Upper Sioux Indian Community of Minnesota                    |  | P.O. Box 147   | Granite Falls  | MN      | 56241      |

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| Mr. Robert    | Cournoyer       | Chairman                         | Yankton Sioux Tribe                       | Mail Merge List                            | P.O. Box 248                   | Marty       | SD   | 57361      |
| Mr. Mike      | Rounds          | Governor                         | Office of the Governor                    |  | 500 E. Capitol Avenue          | Pierre      | SD   | 57501      |
| Mr. Robert F. | Stewart         | Regional Environmental Officer   | U.S. Department of the Interior           | Denver Federal Center                      | P.O. Box 25007 (D-108)         | Denver      | CO   | 80225-0007 |
| Mr. John      | Rohlf           | Division Administrator           | Federal Highway Administration            |  | 116 East Dakota, Suite A       | Pierre      | SD   | 57501      |
| Steve         | Naylor          | State Regulatory Program Manager | U.S. Army Corps of Engineers              | 28563 Powerhouse Rd., Room 118             | Pierre Regulatory Office       | Pierre      | SD   | 57501-6174 |
| Christopher   | Blum            | Regional Administrator           | Federal Aviation Administration           | 2300 East Devon Avenue                     | O'Hare Lake Office Center      | Des Plaines | IL   | 60018      |
| Janet         | Oertly          | State Conservationist            | Natural Resources Conservation Service    | Federal Building, Room 203, 200 4th St. SW | South Dakota State Office      | Huron       | SD   | 57350-2475 |
| Steven        | Cutler          | State Executive Director         | South Dakota State Farm Service Agency    | 200 4th St. SW                             |                                | Huron       | SD   | 57350-2431 |
| Billy Joe     | Waara           |                                  | Governor's Office of Economic Development | 711 E. Wells Avenue                        |                                | Pierre      | SD   | 57501-3369 |
| Amiel         | Redfish         | Mayor                            | City of Arlington                         | 202 West Elm Street                        |                                | Arlington   | SD   | 57212      |
| Jeff          | Anderson        | Mayor                            | City of Bruce                             | Box 255                                    |                                | Bruce       | SD   | 57220      |
| Brad          | Mitchell        | Mayor                            | City of Sinai                             | Box 86                                     |                                | Sinai       | SD   | 57061      |
| Fred          | Weeks           | Mayor                            | City of Aurora                            | Box 335                                    |                                | Aurora      | SD   | 57002      |
| Josh          | Peterson        | Mayor                            | City of Bushnell                          | 21081 1st Avenue South                     |                                | Bushnell    | SD   | 57276      |
| Tom           | Pierce          | Mayor                            | City of Volga                             | Box 217                                    |                                | Volga       | SD   | 57071      |
| Scott         | Munsterman      | Mayor                            | City of Brookings                         | 311 3rd Avenue                             |                                | Brookings   | SD   | 57006      |
| Doug          | Freidel         | Mayor                            | City of Elkton                            | Box 308                                    |                                | Elkton      | SD   | 57026      |
| Gary          | Emmett          | Mayor                            | City of White                             | Box 682                                    |                                | White       | SD   | 57276      |
| Jayne         | Gross           | Mayor                            | City of Clear Lake                        | 125 Third Avenue South                     |                                | Clear Lake  | SD   | 57226      |
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| Deanna        | Santema         | Commissioner                     | Brookings County Commission               | 1621 Robin Road                            |                                | Brookings   | SD   | 57006      |
| Alan          | Gregg           | Commissioner                     | Brookings County Commission               | 224 Front Street                           |                                | Brookings   | SD   | 57006      |
| Mary          | Negstad         | Commissioner                     | Brookings County Commission               | 625 Oak Avenue                             |                                | Volga       | SD   | 57071      |
| Darold        | Hunt            | Commissioner                     | Deuel County Commission                   | P.O. Box 616                               | 408 4th St. West               | Clear Lake  | SD   | 57226      |
| Gordon        | Anderson        | Commissioner                     | Deuel County Commission                   | P.O. Box 616                               | 408 4th St. West               | Clear Lake  | SD   | 57226      |
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