9 Consultation and Coordination

9.1 AGENCIES AND PERSONS CONTACTED/CONSULTED

Western and RUS, as co-lead Federal Agencies, have consulted with Federal, State, and local agencies and Native American groups regarding the potential alternatives for the Proposed Project. The following is a list of contacts that were made during preparation of this DEIS.

**Federal Agencies**

- Bureau of Indian Affairs – Great Plains Office
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- Federal Highway Administration
- National Park Service – Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – South Dakota Regulatory Office
- U.S. Department of Agriculture – Farm Service Agency, Jerauld County
- U.S. Department of Agriculture – Farm Service Agency, Lyman County
- U.S. Department of Energy
- U.S. Department of the Interior – Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 8
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – Head Quarters in Washington D.C.
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service – Ecological Services Field Office
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service – Lake Andes Wetland Management District
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service – Huron Wetland Management District
- U.S. Forest Service – Black Hills National Forest
- U.S. Forest Service – Nebraska & Samuel R. McKelvie National Forests
- U.S. Forest Service – Fort Pierre National Grassland
- U.S. Forest Service – Buffalo Gap National Grassland
- U.S. Forest Service – Oglala National Grasslands
- U.S. Geological Survey, Northern Prairie Wildlife Research Center
- U.S. Geological Survey, South Dakota State University

**State Agencies**

- South Dakota Aeronautics Commission
- South Dakota Department of Agriculture
- South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources
- South Dakota Department of Health
- South Dakota Department of Transportation
- South Dakota Game, Fish, and Parks
- South Dakota Game, Fish, and Parks – National Heritage Program
Local Agencies

Aurora County
Aurora County Board of Commissioners
Brule County
Brule County Board of Commissioners
City of Chamberlain
City of Colome
City of Kimball
City of Plankinton
City of White Lake

City of Winner
Gregory County Board of Commissioners
Jerauld County
Jerauld County Board of Commissioners
Town of Alpena
Town of Wessington Springs
Tripp County
Tripp County Board of Commissioners

Organizations

Basin Electric Power Cooperative
Ducks Unlimited
Sierra Club
The Nature Conservancy
Wessington Springs Area Development Corporation

Elected Officials

South Dakota Governor – Honorable Mike Rounds
South Dakota Senator – Honorable Tim Johnson
South Dakota Senator – Honorable John Thune
South Dakota U.S. House of Representatives – Representative Stephanie Herseth

Native American Tribes and Communities

Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe
Crow Creek Sioux Tribe
Flandreau Santee Sioux Executive Committee
Fort Peck Sioux and Assiniboine Tribe
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
Lower Sioux Indian Community
Oglala Sioux Tribe
Rosebud Sioux Tribe of Indians  
Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska  
Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate  
Spirit Lake Tribal Council  
Standing Rock Sioux Tribe  
Three Affiliated Tribes Business Council  
Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa  
Upper Sioux Indian Community  
Wahpetkute Band of the Dakota  
Yankton Sioux Tribe  
South Dakota State Historical Society

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Cozard Memorial Library in Chamberlain – Brule County  
Kimball Public Library – Brule County  
Plankinton City Library – Aurora County  
Winner Public Library – Tripp County  
Wessington Springs Carnegie Library – Jerauld County
9.3 LIST OF PREPARERS

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| David Swanson – Technical            | • B.A., Biological Sciences  
• 32 years experience                      | NEPA compliance review   |
| Liana G. Reilly, PMP – Project Manager | • B.S., Biological Psychology  
• Masters of Environmental Management  
• Masters of Public Health  
• 8 years experience | Project management |
| Misti K. Schriner – Biologist         | • B.S., Biology  
• M.S., Environmental Science | Review of biological resources |
| Rod O’Sullivan – Environmental Protection Specialist | | Project management |
| Stephen Tromly – Tribal Energy Program Manager | • B.S., Resource Conservation, MA Anthropology  
• 19 years experience | Cultural resources |

Western Area Power Administration  
Upper Great Plains Customer Service Region  
South Dakota Maintenance Office  
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Huron, SD 57350  

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1400 Independence Ave. SW.  
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| Joe Gregory – Senior GIS Analyst  | ▪ M.S., GIS  
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| Kenda Pollio – Project Manager    | ▪ B.S., Environmental/Urban & Regional Planning  
▪ M.A., Political Science – International Environmental Policy  
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| Molly Cresto – Assistant Project Manager | ▪ M.S., Science Technology and Policy (expected 2010)  
▪ Graduate Certificate in Sustainable Technology Management  
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