

Lein, Jerry R.

From: Lein, Jerry R.
Sent: Monday, July 20, 2009 9:05 AM
To: 'Kevin Solie'
Cc: Hamre, John G.; Marquart, Janet R.
Subject: RE: Basin Electric Belfield to Rhame structure move request

Kevin – Please consider this e-mail as staff approval of the structure location changes requested below in Case No. PU-07-169. Thanks.

Jerry Lein
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From: Kevin Solie [mailto:KSolie@bepc.com]
Sent: Monday, July 06, 2009 3:14 PM
To: Lein, Jerry R.
Subject: Basin Electric Belfield to Rhame structure move request

Jerry,

Basin Electric is requesting changes in the locations for two structures in Section 14, T132N, R101W on the Belfield to Rhame 230kV transmission line.

The proposed changes are along the permitted centerline alignment. Structure 159 would move approximately 70 feet SW and structure 160 would move approximately 30 feet SW.

The line was originally routed diagonally through this section because the land use was pasture. The landowner requested we locate the line along the edge of the property because he planned to change the use to cropland. The line was moved as requested. The route still crosses diagonally, but only on the far west end of the parcel, out of the cropland. This revised route was the one presented at the hearing and later approved by the PSC.

An archeological survey was done on the original route. Metcalf performed the archeological survey on the revised route and a cultural site was found about 30 feet from the proposed location for structure 159. To provide additional clearance, Basin Electric proposes to move the structure location 70 feet to the southwest along the approved centerline. This move required the adjacent structure 160 to be moved 30 feet in the same direction. A diagram and revised plan and profile drawings are attached.

The landowner, Mr. Wayne Dingfelder, approved the structure location changes.

Please contact me if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

Thanks,

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**Please note new prefix effective immediately.
The 355 prefix will no longer work after March 1, 2009.*

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Email Staff Approval of Structure Location Changes