

Notice of Rescheduled Hearing

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**
Minnkota Power Coop, Inc.
345 kV Transmission Line-Center to
Grand Forks
Siting Application
Case No. PU-09-670

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED HEARINGS

April 20, 2011

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On February 18, 2011, Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. (Minnkota) filed an application for a Certificate of Site Compatibility for Transmission Facility Corridor for approximately 260 miles of 345 kV transmission line and associated facilities to be constructed from the Center Substation near Center, North Dakota to the Prairie Substation near Grand Forks, North Dakota, as shown on the attached map.

Minnkota requests the Commission approve a 1,000 foot-wide corridor under N.D. Admin. Code section 69-06-04-02(b). If a corridor certificate is granted then a separate route permit application and hearing is

required before designating a transmission line route within the approved corridor.

On March 24, 2011 the Commission issued a Notice of Filing and Notice of Hearing, scheduling three separate public hearings for May 3, 4, and 13, 2011. The Commission has since received several requests to postpone the hearings until after the spring planting season. Therefore, please take notice that Public Hearings on the application are rescheduled to be held:

June 16, 2011, 10:00 AM at the Northwood High School, 300 35th St. NE, Northwood, ND 58267.

June 17, 2011, 10:00 AM at the Chieftain Conference Center, Tepee Room, 60 4th Ave. S, Carrington, ND 58204.

June 24, 2011, 10:00 AM At Memorial Hall, 805 Main Ave., Washburn, ND 58577.

The issues to be considered are:

1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the proposed facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?

2. Are the proposed facilities compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?

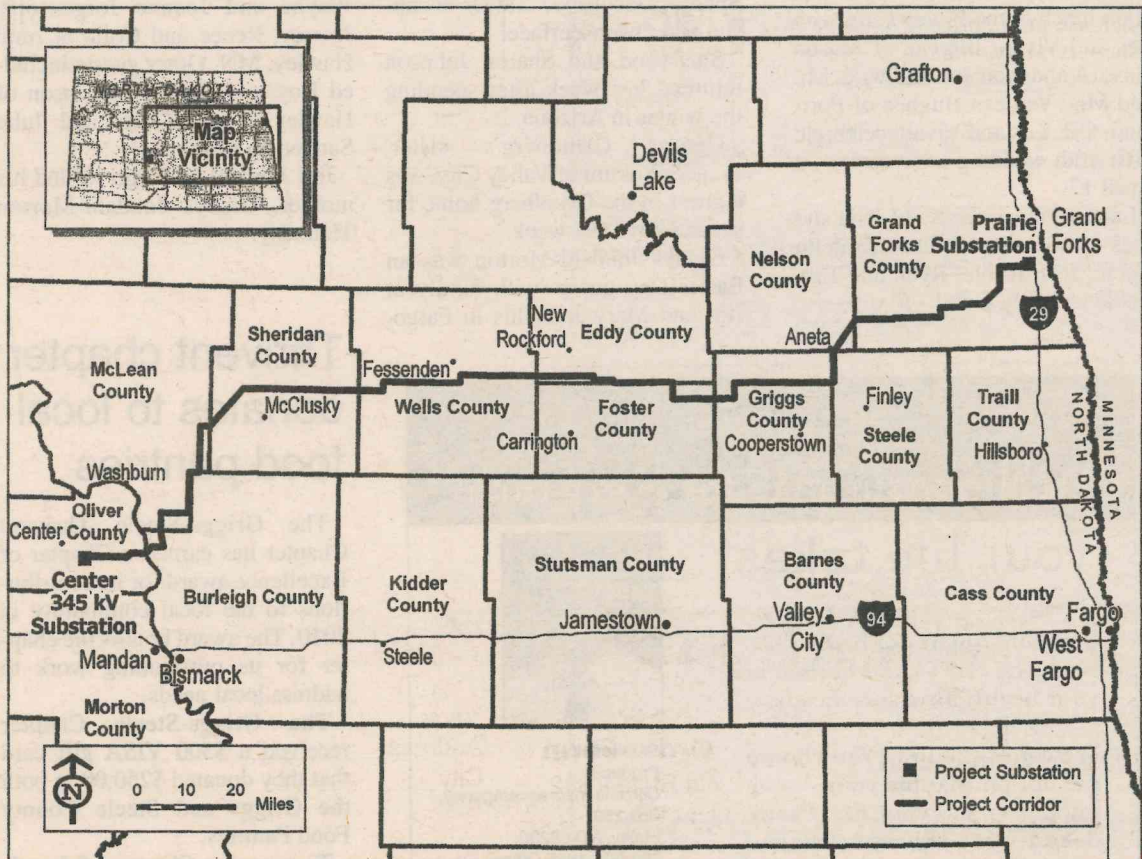
3. Will the proposed facility locations minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

4. Is it appropriate for the Commission to approve a 1,000 foot-wide corridor as requested in the application?

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission.

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