



Fran Thompson is pictured hosting a table at Lakota Lutheran Table Extravaganza 2006. The Japanese themed table was inspired by a trip to Japan.

Reservations can be made beginning April 1 for the annual Table Extravaganza at Lakota Lutheran Church which is being held Saturday, May 7.

The viewing of tables begins at 11:00 a.m. There are 18 creatively decorated tables that you won't want to miss seeing. Some of the themes this year include "The Mad Hatter", "Gingham

Girls" and "Winter Wonderland". The table viewing will be followed by a brief program and luncheon.

The event is by reservation only and all seats are reserved. It is usually a sell-out so don't miss out on making your reservations. Tickets are \$10.00 and may be obtained by calling Mary Bagne 247-2965 or Nadine Peterson 247-2794.

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Dard's sparrow to Sprague's pipit, and check them off of your "lifetime" list. We invite you to choose your Legendary birding adventure this spring.

Catch a fly ball

There is something about "opening day" for baseball players and fans alike. North Dakota's colleges and high schools have started their seasons, while amateur soft-

Wind beneath your wings

It's spring training time for those interested in getting ready for athletic activities around the state. From the casual hiker to the hard-core competitor, North Dakota has a fitness adventure just for you. Cyclists are gearing up for road races and daring to take on the Maah Daah Hey

of species. Spring seasons include light goose, turkey and crow and North Dakota has a number of opportunities and locations across the state.

These are just a few ideas to help spread your wings and take an adventure through North Dakota. For more information, go to [NDtourism.com](http://NDtourism.com) or phone 800-435-5663 or 701-328-2525.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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 FILING AND NOTICE OF HEARINGS

March 24, 2011

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.

Three separate public hearings will be held with each covering an overview of the project, but focusing on specific portions of the project in the specific areas of each hearing. A Public Hearing on the application will be held:

May 3, 2011, 9:00 a.m. at the Grand Forks County Building Conference Room, 151 S 4th Street, Grand Forks, ND 58201. This hearing will focus primarily on portions of the project in Grand Forks, Nelson and Steele Counties

May 4, 2011, 9:00 a.m. at the Chieftain Conference Center Tepee Room, 60 4th Ave. S, Carrington, ND 58204. This hearing will focus primarily on portions of the project in Eddy, Foster, Griggs, eastern Sheridan and Wells Counties

May 13, 2011, 9:00 a.m. at Memorial Hall, 805 Main Ave. Washburn, ND 58577. This hearing will focus primarily on portions of the project in Burleigh, McLean, Oliver and western Sheridan Counties.

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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