

Center to Grand Forks Project



► CGF Project Weekly Status Report

Case No. PU-09-670

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Week 8

Extraordinary Events

Safety: One: Near Miss Incident

Environmental: One: Artesian well issue

Damage: None

Threatened or endangered Species: None

Cultural or Historical: None

Attachments: None

Construction Summary To-Date:

Foundations Installed = 40

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Safety

One “Near Miss” Incident occurred in this reporting period.

The foundation contractor had an employee who fell down approximately four (4) feet on top of the concrete during the pour on Structure 869. Employee was not injured and was promptly removed. Had concrete not been close to setting or had employee fallen in a different manner or from a higher height this could have been a significant injury.

Environmental

Performing on-going field surveys to investigate and potentially release a number of areas currently on environmental hold for construction based on timing of avian and wildlife surveys. Field surveys will be completed in early July.

Artesian well discovered during drilling at Structure 869.

Work Progress

Survey crews have complete ESA marking to I106 (correction from last week) in Grand Forks Co.

Structure staking has been completed for structures 790 – 972. Further staking on hold until construction begins to catch up.

Tree clearing has progressed to Structure I296.

Material delivery continues with the receiving of structures to the DI-Foster laydown yard. Twenty five (25) loads worth of material was delivered to DI

and four (4) loads to EI-Griggs yard over the past week.

Foundation installation has completed 818, 826 – 828, 867 – 869, 896, 900 over the past week for a total of ten (10) foundations.

Crews completed 50% of FI-Northwood laydown yard, which will be completed July 3rd.

Work Planned for Next Week

ROW marking to I334, then to start westward.

ESA marking to Structure I253, then to 788 westward.

Structure staking of structures on hold until construction work catches up.

Tree Clearing to Structure 791.

Foundation installation of Structures 792 – 795, 821 – 827, 866 – 868, 872 – 875, 879 (3 drill rigs).

Land Owner/Public Issues

No new land owner issues occurred during the past week. Discussions were held with several land owners where construction work has already been in progress and they are very pleased with the minimal disruption to crops and land around the foundations.

Extraordinary Events

Foundation work at Structure 869 hit/tapped into an artesian well. Foundation was poured satisfactorily, but there remains a small amount of water flow along the southern side of the foundation permanent casing. Design and construction evaluation to determine repair methodology is in progress.

Additional Filing Documents

None