

Center to Grand Forks Project



► CGF Project Weekly Status Report

Case No. PU-09-670

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Week 10

Extraordinary Events

Safety: None

Environmental: None

Damage: None

Threatened or endangered Species: One: Dakota Skipper found during Survey

Cultural or Historical: None

Attachments: None

Construction Summary To-Date:

Foundations Installed = 60

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Safety

No events, injuries, or near misses over the past week.

Environmental

Additional surveys have been completed in July for Dakota Skipper and avian nesting within specified areas (which have been on hold) within the right-of-way. Preliminary results show Dakota Skipper activity an area in the vicinity of structure 476.

Work Progress

Survey crews have complete ESA marking to I 158 in Grand Forks Co.

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

Tree clearing will re-commence this week starting at 790 and working westward.

Material delivery continues with deliveries of structures to the DI-Foster laydown yard. Thirty nine (39) loads worth of material was delivered to DI and three (3) loads to EI-Griggs yard over the past week.

Foundation installation has completed 822, 851, 852, 858, 859, over the past week for a total of five (5) foundations, with sixty (60) completed total.

Crews completed civil work at FI-Northwood laydown yard, and have mobilized to just north of McHenry on ND-20 to begin civil work for Michels man-camp.

Work Planned for Next Week

ROW marking to I253, then to start westward.

ESA marking to Structure I253.

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

Tree clearing starting at 790 working westward to 735.

Foundation installation of Structures 790, 823, 829, 831-833, 848-850, 855, 858, 862-865, 883-885, 888, 895 – 20 total with 4 drill rigs.

Land Owner/Public Issues

No new land owner or public issues this past week.

Extraordinary Events

One Threatened Species find. See below

Threatened or Endangered Species Events

Preliminary survey results show Dakota Skipper activity an area in the vicinity of structure 476. The areas between structures 475 – 479 will be re-evaluated for appropriate site access in order to minimize the ground disturbance during construction (planned for 2013).