

Center to Grand Forks Project



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Case No. PU-09-670

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Week 43

Extraordinary Events

Safety: Two Minor Injuries

Environmental: None

Damage: None

Threatened or endangered Species: None

Cultural or Historical: None

Attachments: None

Construction Summary To-Date:

Foundations Installed =605

Structures Set = 386

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Safety/Damages

A line worker became momentarily inattentive and caught clothing in moving reels during wire stringing operations and received minor bruising to knee. Worker returned to work same day.

Additional accident occurred when a second worker slipped on icy ground along ROW and slightly twisted ankle or knee. Worker iced down ankle and returned to work.

Environmental

No issues over the past week.

Work Progress

Structure staking has been completed for structures 666-673, 1327-1329

Material delivery continues with deliveries of structures and materials to the BI-Mercer, DI-Carrington, FI-Northwood, and GI-Grand Forks. Four (4) loads to BI – Mercer, Six (6) loads to DI – Carrington, Four (4) loads to FI – Northwood, One (1) load GI – Grand Forks.

Foundation installation has completed 696-697, 763, 767-770, 1059, 1074, 1302 and 1310 over the past week for a total of 11 whole foundations, with 605 completed in total.

Line construction crews performed structure setting at 1275-1277 and 1279-1293 over the past week for a total of 18 structures, with 386 completed in total.

Work Planned for Next Week

Structure staking at 642-666, 1330-1331

Foundation installation of structures: 692-695, 702, 722, 763-764, 775-779, 781, 786, 950-951, 1117, 1323, 1327-1330, 70N and 70S.

Structure setting: 1267, 1278, H-Frame Structure (1302-1318) Wire Stringing: 1219-1222

Land Owner/Public Issues

During wire stringing operations for OPGW (optical ground wire) in the first section pulled, tangent structures that OPGW was being connected to on either end (dead ending) showed deflection when pulling in the OPGW. This caused the need to install temporary guys within ROW to hold structure in order to establish proper tensions. In the case of structures at 801 and 815, these temporary guys will be required to be left in place until wire stringing operations come back into that section (scheduled for July 2013). Contacts are being made with land owners to discuss this situation with them and develop alternatives.

Cultural or Historical Events

None

Extraordinary Events

None

Structure Move Requests

None