

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES relating to N.D.A.C. Chapter 75-02-07.1 Ratesetting for Basic Care.

North Dakota Department of Human Services

will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code.

**AV Room - Room 210
Second Floor
Judicial Wing
State Capitol, Bismarck
Thurs., June 16, 2011
2:30 pm. CT**

Copies of the proposed rules are available for review at county social services offices and human service centers. Copies of the proposed rules and the regulatory analysis relating to these rules may be requested by telephoning (701) 328-2311. Written or oral data, views, or arguments may be entered at the hearing or sent to: Rules Administrator, North Dakota Department of Human Services, State Capitol - Judicial Wing, 600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250. Written data, views, or arguments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 27, 2011. If you plan to attend the hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department of Human Services at the above telephone number or address at least two weeks prior to the hearing.
Dated this 12th day of May, 2011.

(May 25, 2011)

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES relating to N.D.A.C. Chapter 75-02-09 Ratesetting for Psychiatric Residential Treatment

North Dakota Department of Human Services

will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code.

**AV Room - Room 212
Second Floor
Judicial Wing
State Capitol, Bismarck
Thurs., June 16, 2011
9:00 a.m. CT**

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Otter Tail Power Company
Advance Determination of Prudence - CapX2020 Group 1 Application

Case No. PU-09-676
Northern States Power Company
Advance Determination of Prudence - CapX2020 Group 1 Application

Case No. PU-09-678
NOTICE OF HEARING
May 18, 2011

On October 6, 2010, the Commission adopted an order granting an advance determination of prudence for Otter Tail Power Company's (Otter Tail) participation and ownership in three high-voltage transmission line

tion line projects and, in addition, a 150-mile long, 345 kV transmission line between La Crosse, Wisconsin and the southeast Twin Cities, Minnesota area and two associated 161 kV lines in the Rochester, Minnesota area, Case No. PU-09-678.
The Commission's October 6, 2010 order required that Otter Tail and NSP (Applicants) make a filing providing additional information on the resolution of cost allocation issues relevant to the Brookings Project, including the impact on North Dakota. The Commission also required that Applicants make a filing evidencing the continued prudence of the Brookings Project and seeking Commission confirmation of continued prudence prior to executing a legally binding investment commitment for the major procurement and construction of the Brookings Project. On April 29, 2011, Applicants made a compliance filing.
The issue to be considered in each case is whether the Brookings Project continues to be prudent.
A formal hearing on this matter has been scheduled for July 25, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. CDT in the Commission Hearing Room on the 12th Floor of the State Capitol in Bismarck.
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 contact the Commission at least 24 hours in advance.
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Kevin Cramer, Commissioner
Tony Clark, Chairman
Brian P. Kalk, Commissioner

(May 25, 2011)

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

The North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) will receive bids for the construction of the following project(s):
Job No.: 15
Project No(s): CER-0222(072)
Length: 0.568
Type: GRADE RAISE, AGGREGATE BASE, HOT BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT, RIPRAP, & INCIDENTALS
County(s): BARNES Co
Location: CMC 0222 - WEST OF ND 1

Bids will be received until 09:30AM, June 17, 2011, IN THE FOYER, LOCATED ON 3RD FLOOR, OUTSIDE ROOM 330 OF THE NDDOT BUILDING, ON THE CAPITOL GROUNDS, IN BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA. Bids will be opened at that time and the bid result will be distributed and posted online at <http://www.dot.nd.gov/business/> approximately 30 minutes after bids are opened.

All bidders are required to be prequalified at least seven (7) days before the date of the bid opening.
The proposal forms, plans, and specifications are available on the NDDOT website at <http://www.dot.nd.gov> and may be inspected at the Construction Services Division, NDDOT, Room 333, 608 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, North Dakota, 58505-0700. NDDOT reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, waive technicalities, or to accept such as may be determined in the best interests of the state.

Requested by:
Francis G. Ziegler, P.E., Director
North Dakota Department of Transportation

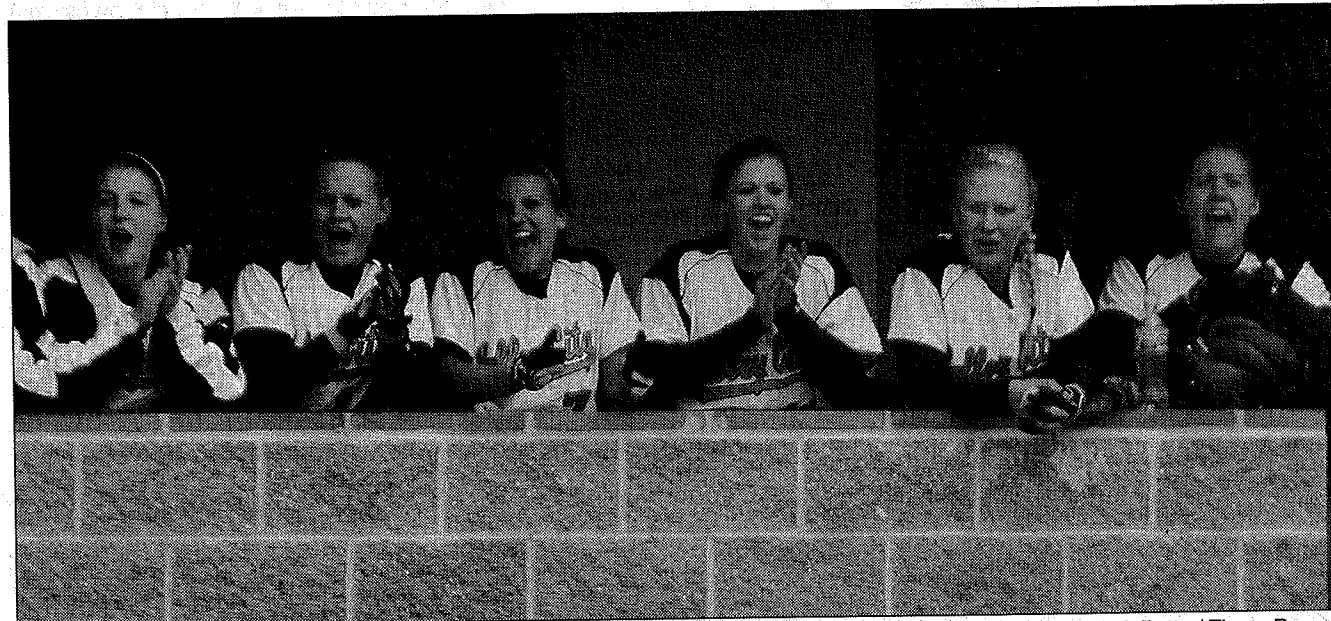
(May 25, 2011)

Airport Hay Bid

The Barnes County Park Board of the County of Barnes will receive written bids for the standing hay at Clausen Springs Park until 10:15 a.m. on Tuesday, June 7, 2011 at the office of the Barnes County Auditor, 230 4th Street NW, Valley City, ND. Bids can be mailed or delivered in person.

Bids are for a two (2) year period, payable annually. Due to varying conditions of the area to hay, bids will be based on a per bale dollar amount each. Due to various baler models, bidders should include type of bale, (round or square) and approximate average weight per bale.

Bids are to be sealed in an envelope marked "Hay Bid" containing a personal check in the amount of fifty and no/100 dollars (\$50) payable to the Barnes County Auditor, which check will be returnable when the successful bidder signs a contract. All hay to be cut at the expense of the bidder and removed from the park within 15 days of being cut unless other arrangements are agreed on.



Mark Potts / Times-Record

Valley City's softball players cheer during an at-bat by teammate Megan Beattie on Tuesday in Valley City.

HI-LINERS: Face Region 3 champion in opening round

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Region 1 at the state tournament. Lindgren said earning the state tournament berth is a defining moment for the program, which struggled through its first three years of existence.

"You can see the confidence in the girls. ... We have a little stability now," Lindgren said.

Entering Tuesday's game, Valley City knew it needed a win to secure the No. 3 seed. Playing the region's bottom team, it was almost a given that Valley City would get that win, but for two innings Hankinson hung tough.

The game was scoreless until Valley City broke through in the third inning. Pitcher Paige Brandvold helped her cause with an RBI bunt single that scored Alison Baasch, who had led off the inning with a double.

Valley City then loaded the bases with no outs, but Hankinson turned a quick double play, tagging the runner at third on a ground ball and then stepping on third for a force out. Hankinson was one out away from getting

out of the inning, but Valley City drew three straight walks to score two more runs, and then Keely Fogarty drove in a run on an infield single to make it 4-0.

In the fourth inning, Megan Beattie led off the inning with one of her two triples in the game. She scored on Brandvold's sacrifice bunt. Dierra Diegel restarted the inning with a double, and later came around to score on a wild pitch for a 6-0 lead.

Valley City ended the game with four runs in the bottom of the fifth. A two-run triple by Beattie made it 8-0; Brandvold's sacrifice fly made it 9-0; and with the bases loaded, Dierra Diegel scored on a wild pitch for a 10-0 margin — ending the game by 10-run rule.

Brandvold earned her ninth win of the season Tuesday — tying her own school record for wins in a season.

Just one week ago, Valley City was coming off a tough 5-3 loss to Fargo Shanley, the No. 2 team from Region 1. With just two region points to their name, and just three region games left, the Hi-Liners needed to run the table to secure a spot at state.

Helped by having all three games

at home, the Hi-Liners took advantage. Last Thursday, Valley City defeated Fargo South 8-4. On Friday, they knocked off Fargo North 10-4. And on Tuesday, the Hi-Liners complete their run to state with the 10-0 shutout of Hankinson.

"They responded really well (to the pressure)," Lindgren said of the final three region games. "Against South, we came out and played one of our better games, and then the next night, against North, that was probably our best game all-around this season.

"That was it for (the girls), that was the moment when they kind of knew they were in," he added.

The Hi-Liners will face the Region 3 Tournament champion in the opening round at state. Region 3 is playing its tournament this weekend, with Bismarck Century and Minot entering as the favorites.

While qualifying for state was one of their main goals this season, Lindgren said they're not done yet. Next up on the list of team goals is placing third or higher at state.

They'll get their chance starting June 2 in Grand Forks.

TWINS: Blackburn goes 3-0 in May with 1.72 ERA

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throwing on Monday night and right-hander Kevin Slowey was scheduled to be tested for a sports hernia on Wednesday and was not an option.

"I knew they were (unavailable)," Blackburn said. "They didn't specifically come up and tell me that, but even if they were to tell me that it wouldn't have changed anything in my game plan."

Blackburn finished May 3-0 with a 1.72 ERA in five starts.

"We've been working the last couple weeks to get my mechanics where they are and lately they've been working pretty well," he said. "I think tonight I was going to go in with the same exact plan regardless if we had everybody in the bullpen or we had nobody."

The Twins took a 2-0 lead in the third inning on a squeeze bunt from Matt Tolbert that scored Alexi Casilla.

Olivio's two-run homer in the fourth tied the game, but the Twins defense picked up Blackburn with a couple of stellar plays. Kubel made a brilliant diving catch in right field to end the fourth inning and Casilla charged a grounder to throw out Olivio at home plate and keep the game tied in the seventh.

The Twins were one of the favorites to win the AL

Central when the season began. But they have been ravaged by injuries to key players Joe Mauer, Jim Thome and Tsuyoshi Nishioka and plagued by sloppy play in the first two months of the season, a toxic mix that has resulted in the worst record in the majors.

"This was an old-fashioned Twins win," Kubel said. "Haven't been many of those this year."

The Mariners know a little something about not meeting expectations. They were expected to contend

for the AL West crown last year with a nucleus of Felix Hernandez, Cliff Lee, Chone Figgins and the guidance of aging icon Ken Griffey Jr. But they stumbled badly out of the gates and the season quickly descended into chaos, with Griffey retiring, Lee being traded to Texas and 101 losses.

They lost 11 of their first 15 games this season, but have rebounded of late. They had won seven of their last eight games and entered the game just one victory shy of .500 at 23-24.

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