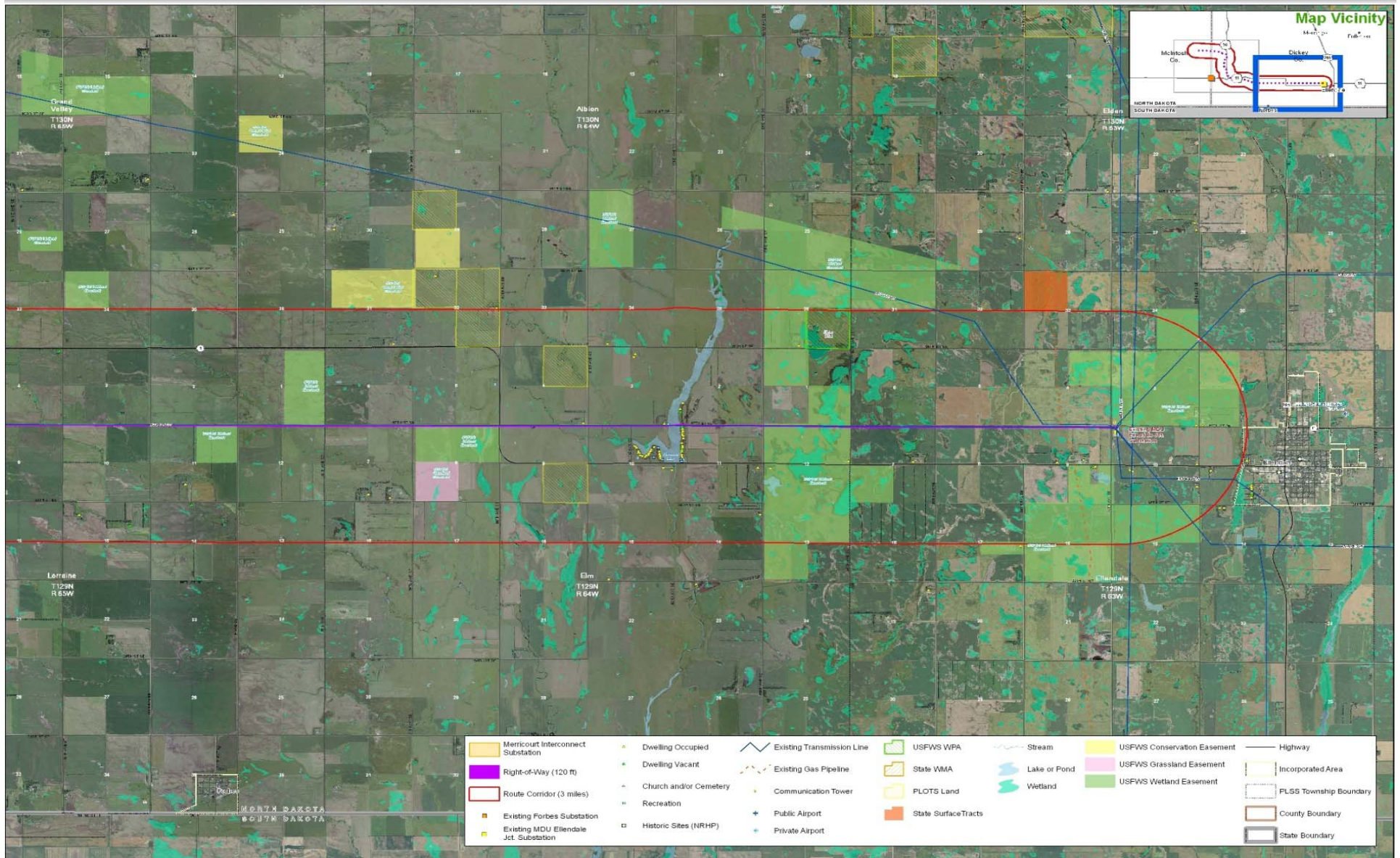


MWFE 230kV Transmission Line



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Project Area Overview



Commission Siting Criteria



Exclusion Area

- There are no exclusion areas in the corridor or route

Avoidance Areas

- Designated national wildlife areas
- Historical resources
- Residences
- Recreation Areas

Commission Siting Criteria



Selection Criteria

- The project meets the selection criteria outlined in the rule.

Policy Criteria

- The project meets the policy criteria outlined in the rule.
- Over half the route will be double circuited with existing MDU 41.6 kV transmission line

Studies/Letters



Document	Status
Class I Cultural Resources Literature Search	Submitted with Application (Exhibit 1)
Archaeological Survey Memo and SHPO Concurrence	Exhibits 6a and 6b
Class III Cultural Resources Survey	To be filed in May/June 2011
Merricourt Sub Class III Survey, SHPO Concurrence, and enXco Permission Letter	Exhibits 5a, 5b, and 5c
Wetland Delineation Report	Exhibit 8
Jurisdictional Determination request letter to USACE and USACE Response	Exhibits 7a and 7b
Tree Inventory Report	Exhibit 9
Tree Replacement Plan	To be filed in June 2011
Conservation Measures and Line Marking Plan	Exhibit 3
USFWS Concurrence with Conservation Measures and Line Marking Plan	Exhibit 4

Overview of Public and Agency Input



- Developed website to share project activities
- Created hotline to call for project information
- Mailed 31 agency notification letters in May 2010
- Mailed 131 public meeting invitations in June 2010
- Attended Interagency Meeting in June 2010
- Advertise public meetings in 3 newspapers in June 2010
- Held two open house meetings in June 2010
- Sent letter to Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Tribe in September 2010 and called in October 2010
- On-site route review with USFWS in November 2010

Permit and Approval List



Agency	Type of Approval	Status
US Army Corps of Engineer	Section 404 Permit	Not Anticipated
Environmental Protection Agency	Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan	Revising Company Plan to Include Project
Federal Aviation Administration	Acknowledgement of Receipt of Notice, FAA form 7460-I and Receipt of Study Results	Drafting
Public Service Commission	Waiver of Procedures and Time Schedules	Applied
	Certificate of Corridor Compatibility	Applied
	Route Permit	Applied
	Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity	Order received 11/2/10
Department of Health	NPDES Permit: General Construction Storm Water Discharges	To be submitted late April
	Section 401 Water Quality Certification	Received with NPDES
Division of Emergency Management	Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) Tier II report	To be determined
SHPO	SHPO Concurrence	Class III Surveys to be conducted Spring 2011
Department of Transportation	Road Approach/Access Permit	Drafting
	Utility Permit/Risk Management Documents	Drafting
Highway Patrol	Over Height/Over Weight Permit	To be submitted by contractor
Dickey County	Road Haul Permit	To be submitted by contractor
Spring Valley Township	Conditional Use Permit	Applied