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Mr. Patrick Fahn
Director – Compliance and Competitive Markets
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408
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**RE: RANGELAND PIPELINE, LLC
CRUDE OIL PIPELINE – WILLIAMS
COUNTY
CASE NUMBER PU-10-637**

Dear Mr. Fahn:

As requested, Rangeland Pipeline, LLC (“Rangeland Pipeline”), provides the following supplemental information in conjunction with its Consolidated Application for a Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and a Route Permit (“Application”) for the COLT Connector Pipeline Project (“Project”):

1. Project Map: Enclosed is a Project map revised so as to be suitable for publication (*i.e.*, black and white, landscape format, and enlarged county, city and highway names/numbers).
2. Ray Aquifer Map Reference: In the second sentence of the second full paragraph under “Groundwater” on page 40 of the Application, it states: “Maps in Appendix J illustrate the location of [the Ray] aquifer.” The reference to Appendix J was in error; instead, a map depicting the location of the Ray aquifer is provided on Sheet 3 of Appendix H.
3. Appendix I: Appendix I (Rangeland’s Unanticipated Discovery Plan) will be filed with the Public Service Commission once the plan has been approved by the North Dakota State Historic Preservation Office.
4. N.D.C.C. § 49-22-09 Factors: You requested additional information with respect to the factors identified in Sections B.6.b. and B.6.c. on page 74 of the Application. Rangeland provides the following supplemental information:

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b. The effects of new energy conversion and transmission technologies and systems designed to minimize adverse environmental effects.

Pipeline construction technology and methodology has improved greatly in the last several decades with respect to minimizing adverse effects to the environment, and Rangeland will utilize these improved technologies and methodologies in the construction of the proposed Project. For example, as discussed on page 52 of the Application, Rangeland proposes to cross Beaver Creek, a North Dakota Game and Fish Department (NDGFD) Class III fishery, using a single horizontal directional drilling (HDD) crossing. While such a small stream would typically be crossed using an open-cut crossing method that still would cause few, if any, long-term environmental effects, Rangeland has agreed to use the HDD method for this stream crossing as requested by the NDGFD in order to minimize the likelihood of short-term environmental effects that could result from multiple open-cut crossings. In addition to the use of HDD technology, Rangeland is proposing to use several other construction technologies and methods that will serve to minimize adverse environmental effects. These technologies and methods, which are discussed in detail in Section D.5 of the Certificate of Corridor Compatibility application, include: the stripping and segregation of topsoil in agricultural lands, wetlands, and grasslands; measures to prevent the spread of noxious weeds; reducing the width of the construction work area within or adjacent to wetlands and wooded areas; and replacing trees and shrubs on a 2-to-1 basis.

During the operating phase, Rangeland Pipeline also plans to implement a pipeline Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system that will include remote monitoring of key operating parameters to assist in the detection of an anomalous pipeline event so that early action can be initiated to minimize potential adverse environmental impacts.

c. The potential for beneficial uses of waste energy from a proposed energy conversion facility.

The proposed Project does not include an energy conversion facility. In addition, modern pipeline pump facilities, especially of the size that will be used for the proposed Project, are highly energy efficient and therefore do not produce a substantial amount of waste energy that could be put to beneficial use. As such, the Project does not offer the possibility for the beneficial use of waste energy.

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Ten (10) copies of the Project map and this letter, as well as a CD with copies of both documents in pdf format, are provided herewith. If you have questions or need additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

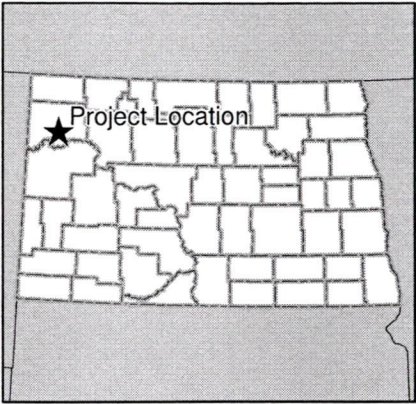
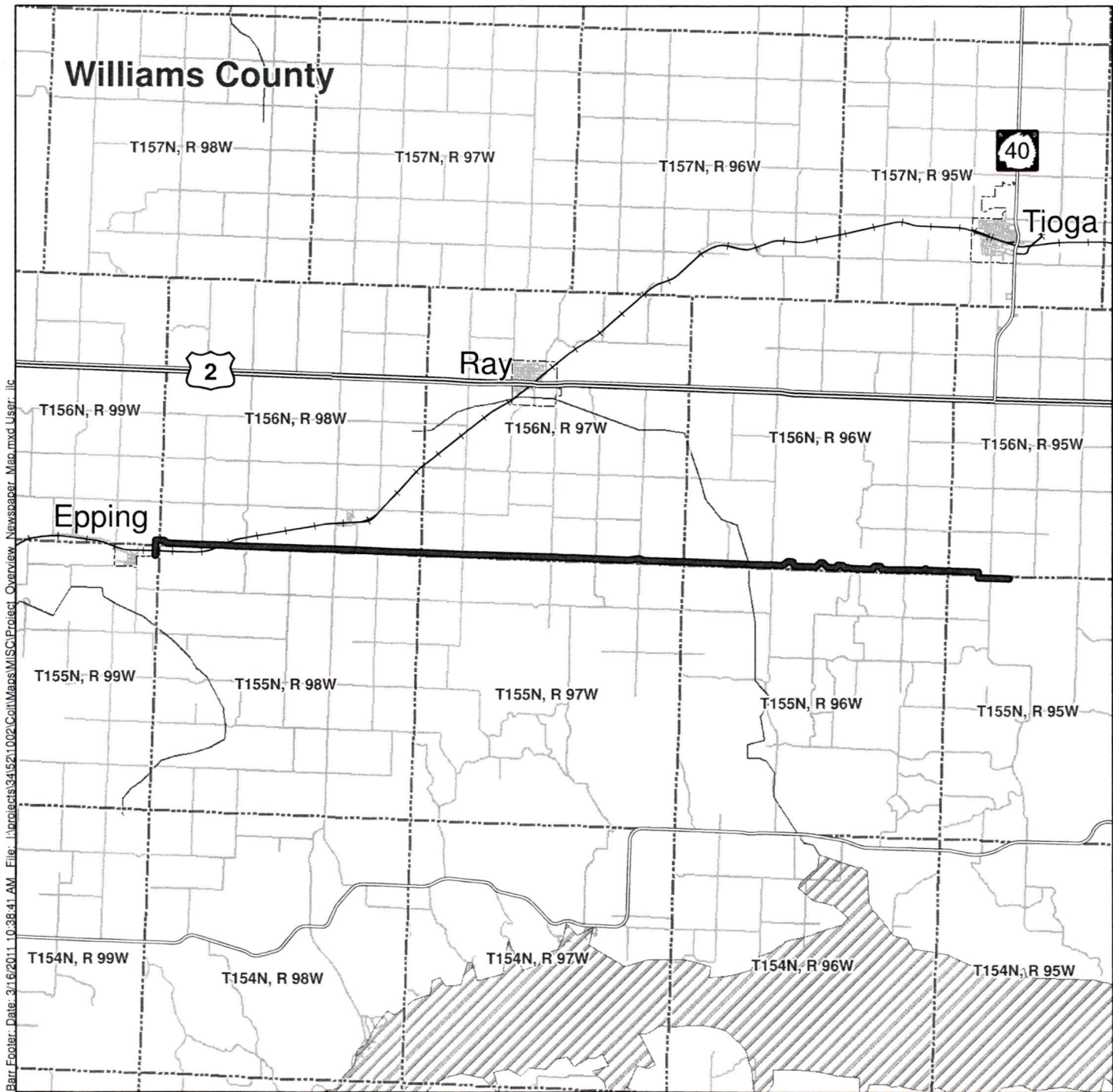


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- State Highway
- US Highway
- County Road
- Railroad
- River or Stream
- Surface Water
- Municipal Boundary
- Township Boundary



PROJECT OVERVIEW
COLT Connector Pipeline
Williams County, North Dakota

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