

McKenzie County Community Involvement Meetings

ONEOK was represented by the following personnel.

Dick Vande Bossche – Area Director of Operations

Mick Urban – Governmental Affairs, West Region

Russ Clark – Project Engineer, Garden Creek Plant

Meeting with the McKenzie County Commission

May 11, 2011, 10AM McKenzie County Courthouse

Ronald Anderson – County Commissioner

Richard Chinn - County Commissioner

Rick Lawler - County Commissioner

Dale Patten - County Commissioner

Additional members of McKenzie County Government

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The business relationship between ONEOK and ONEOK Partners and Bear Paw Energy, LLC was covered. Bear Paw Energy is a wholly owned subsidiary of ONEOK Partners. ONEOK Partners is a master limited partnership (MLP) of which ONEOK Inc. is the operator and primary partner. ONEOK Inc. owns 42.8% of the MLP. ONEOK is a publicly traded company in both the S&P 500 and Fortune 500. ONEOK started as Oklahoma Natural Gas (ONG) in 1906.

The conversation branched back to the construction needs of the NGL line. It is Bear Paw's desire to have a positive working relationship between local governments, landowners and the general public. Complaints are to be directed back to Dick Vande Bossche for remedy. Bear Paw expects to have 3 spreads with 30 workers and 5 to 10 3rd party inspectors in each spread. Spread 1 will be in Montana, Spread 2 will be the US Forest Service lands and Spread 3 will be the privately held land in North Dakota. Spread 3 is the longest as it is over 30 miles. The width of the right of way is 50' with an additional 25' added for construction. There will be some surface facilities located near roads or other access ways for block valves and check valves. These block valves are expected to be located every 5 miles on average.

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Meeting with Watford City Council and Chamber of Commerce
Numerous city businesses and members of the public attended but the main questioners were as follows:
Debbie Larson – Watford City Chamber of Commerce
Neil Shipman – McKenzie County Farmer
Kim Grotte – US Forest Service
“Skip” Drovdal – ND House Speaker
Trish Scopeland – City Auditor
Kristen Balken – McKenzie County Medical System, Chamber of Commerce

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A question was asked about the NGL pipeline and if it could handle a plant expansion. Russ Clark responded that we are not expanding the Garden Creek Plant and the capacity of the pipeline will be adequate for the throughput of the facility. If Bear Paw expands the gathering system beyond the capacity of Garden Creek, that gas would most likely be rerouted to either the Stateline facility in Williams County or our Grasslands facility in McKenzie County. It is expected that most of the buildout for the gathering systems will be completed by the end of 2012.

A question was asked about how the gathering system is established for these types of plants. Dick Vande Bossche stated that Bear Paw enters into contracts with producers to transport and process the associated gas and landowners to acquire right-of-way to install pipelines to take the gas away from the wellheads.

There was some discussion with coordination of personnel between the Garden Creek Plant and NGL pipeline. The Garden Creek Plant will have its peak construction level during the summer of 400 temporary workers in August and September. Plant and pipeline contractors are expected to coordinate on housing issues through Linde Process Plants (Garden Creek Plant General Contractor) and Bear Paw Energy. The idea is to maximize the use of existing housing availability. Bear Paw expects 4 months of over 250 people working at the plant site during the from June to September and ramping down to have only 50 construction workers at the site in mid-November.

A question was asked about additional pumping stations being required. It was stated that the only pumps for the pipeline would be located on the Plant property.

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Meeting with Alexander, ND City Council
May 11, 2011, 7:30 PM at Alexander City Hall

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Bear Paw is constructing a pipe yard to the northwest of Alexander for its gathering and transmission pipelines. It was important to address any of the city's concerns. Several issues were addressed for the pipe yard such as installing culverts at the corners going in and out of the facility, compacting the ground in the facility and installing erosion counter measures.

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Meeting with Arnegard City Council
May 12, 10 AM at Arnegard City Hall

[Mayor Virginia Elliot](#)

[Council Member Bryan Bjornstad](#)

[Auditor Maggie Woollings](#)

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A request for a map with the pipeline route showing the pipeline in a darker line than the section lines was requested for the fire department. The map was also requested to have locations of block valves shown on it once those locations have been determined.

There was a question about having the proper boring length for boring under US 85. US 85 is slated to be expanded to a 4 lane controlled access or minimal access highway. This would increase the necessary length of the bore to account for the added lanes and median. Bear Paw has accounted for the additional length necessary and will put the pipe in place at a depth where construction of the 4 lane highway can occur without impact to Bear Paw operations. The line will be clearly delineated with pipeline markers and will be entered into the 1-call system.

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