

APPENDIX D

Project Notification Letters

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February 28, 2011

John Schumacher
North Dakota Game and Fish Department
100 N Bismarck Expressway
Bismarck, ND 58501

Subject: Proposed New Frontier Wind Energy Project,
McHenry County, North Dakota
Sensitive Species/Sensitive Habitat Review Request

Dear Mr. Schumacher:

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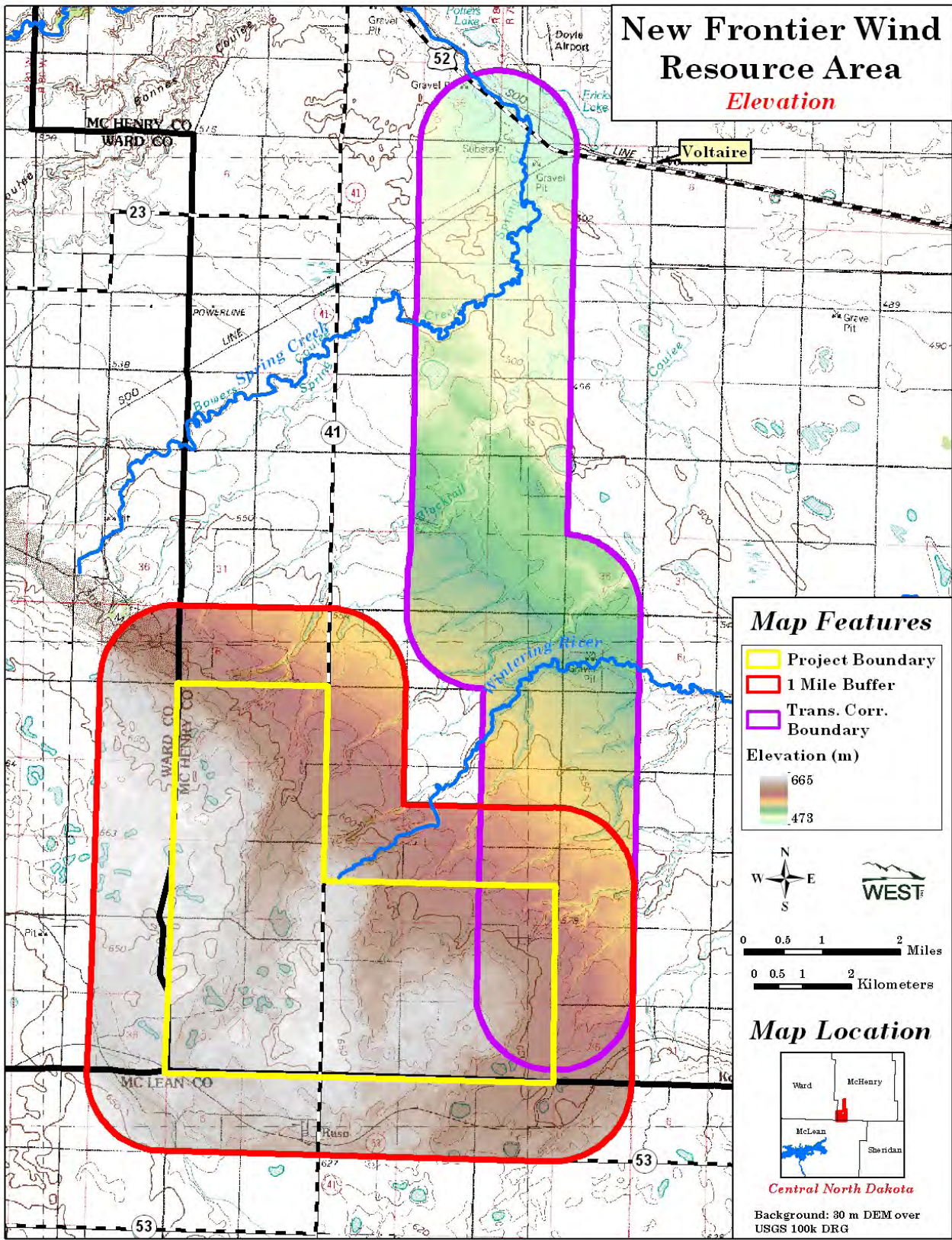
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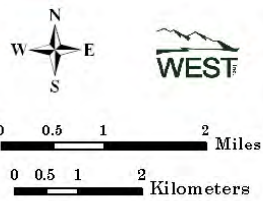
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Map Features

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Central North Dakota

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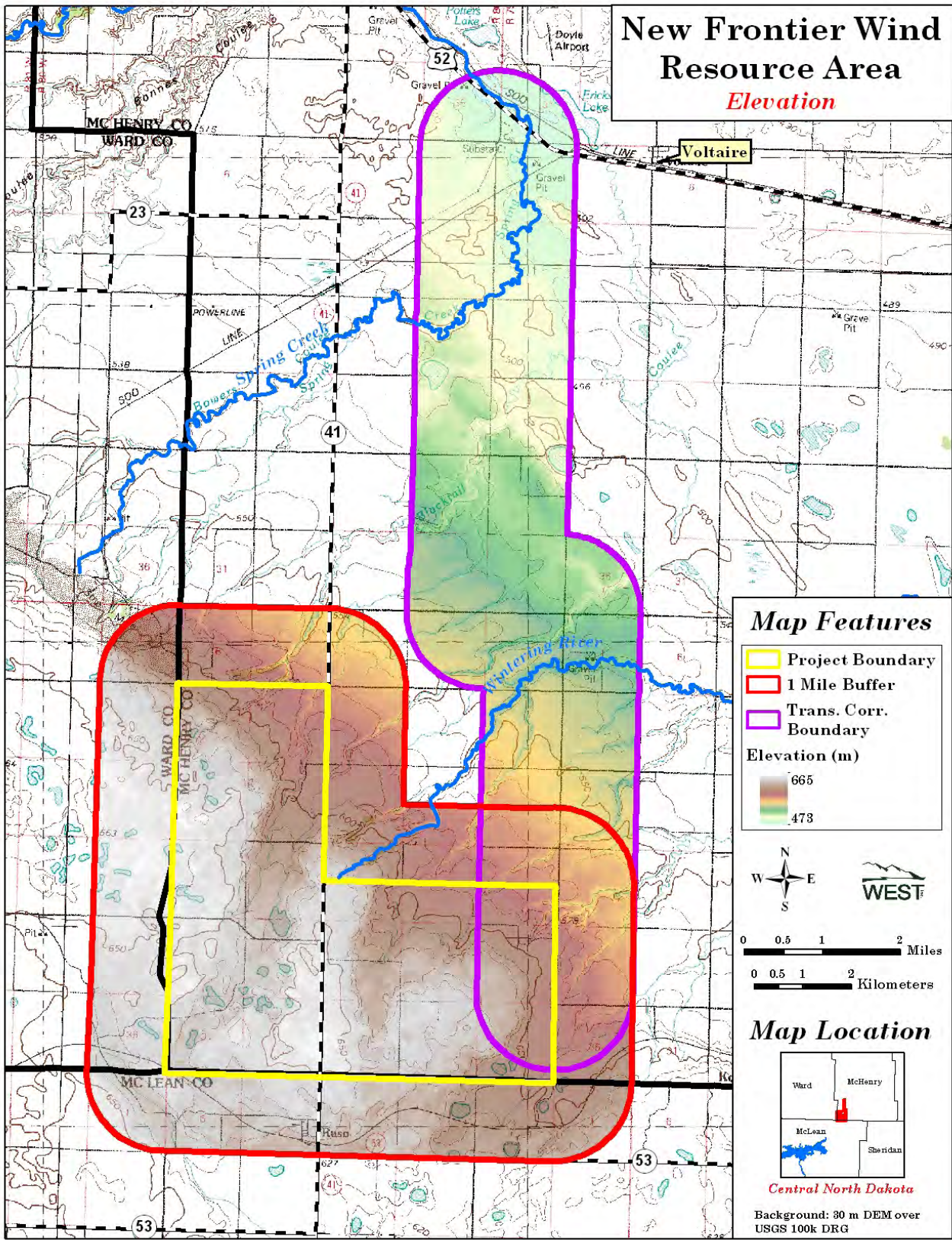
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U.S. Department of Agriculture
North Dakota Farm Service Agency
1025 28th Street South
Fargo, ND 58103-2372

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Omaha District
North Dakota Regulatory Office
1513 South 12th St
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Natural Resources Conservation Service
705 Main Street South, Suite 2
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State of North Dakota
Office of Attorney General
600 E Boulevard Ave, Dept. 125
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 1st Floor, Judicial Wing, Room 117
 Bismarck, ND 58505

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 2718 Gateway Avenue, Suite 104
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Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to call me at 612-294-4630.

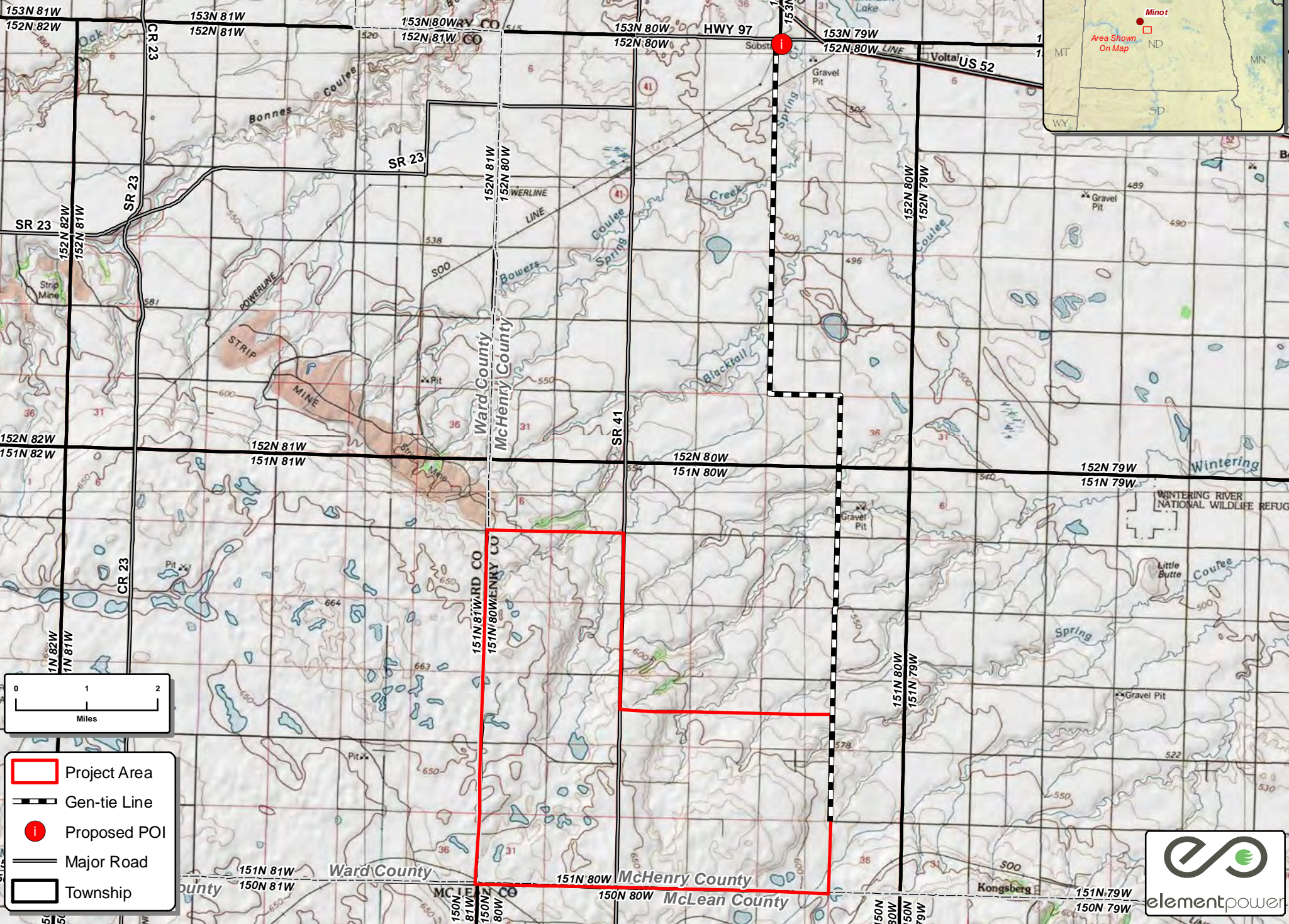
Sincerely,

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Scott Koziar

Enclosure

New Frontier Wind Project



- Project Area
- Gen-tie Line
- Proposed POI
- Major Road
- Township



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Metcalf Archaeological Consultants, Inc.

August 11, 2011

Mr. Paul Picha, Chief Archaeologist
State Historic Preservation Office of North Dakota
North Dakota Heritage Center
612 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505

RE: New Frontier Wind Energy Center in McHenry County, North Dakota - A Class I
Cultural Resource Inventory (Literature Review)

Dear Mr. Picha,

ElementPower, on behalf of Meadowlark Wind I LLC, requested Metcalf Archaeological Consultants, Inc. (MAC) conduct a Class I file search at the State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND) of 17 ½ sections for the proposed New Frontier Wind Energy Center in southwestern McHenry County, North Dakota. The legal description of the search area is T151N, R80W, sections 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35. The search area is depicted on the USGS 7.5' Blacktail Coulee (1981), Ruso (1981), Kongsberg (1981) and Kongsberg NE (1981) topographic maps, the relevant portions of which are reproduced on the attached maps. The Public Service Commission (PSC) is the regulatory agency.

The physiography of the project area consists of a kame and kettle topography characterized by numerous "prairie potholes". The project area lies along the escarpment above Wintering River. Several tributaries of the river have their headwaters along this escarpment

MAC staff searched the appropriate sections in the site and manuscript files, obtained copies of the site forms and manuscripts at the SHSND, electronically mapped the results on the appropriate USGS 7.5' quadrangle maps, and prepared a database for review and planning use. The objective of the search was to identify any cultural resources that have been recorded and any cultural resource investigations that have been undertaken within the search area. MAC has provided these data to the SHSND to assess the potential for significant cultural resources within the project area and the need for further cultural resource investigations of the project area.

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August 11, 2011
Mr. Paul Picha
New Frontier Wind Energy Center
Class I Cultural Resource Inventory

The results of the site and manuscript files search results are documented in the attached tables 1 and 2. The site files contained records of 8 site leads. All are cultural material scatters recorded by Benson. The available information is insufficient to determine their precise location and composition. The manuscript files contain reference to only one cultural resource inventory within the search area. This inventory was a preliminary reconnaissance survey undertaken in conjunction with the proposed Burlington Dam project (MS #136).

Please review the enclosed files search results and planning area and provide your recommendations to our client:

Mr. Todd Mattson, Director of Environmental Affairs
ElementPower
222 South Ninth Street, Suite 2870
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402

Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact the MAC Bismarck office at the address below.

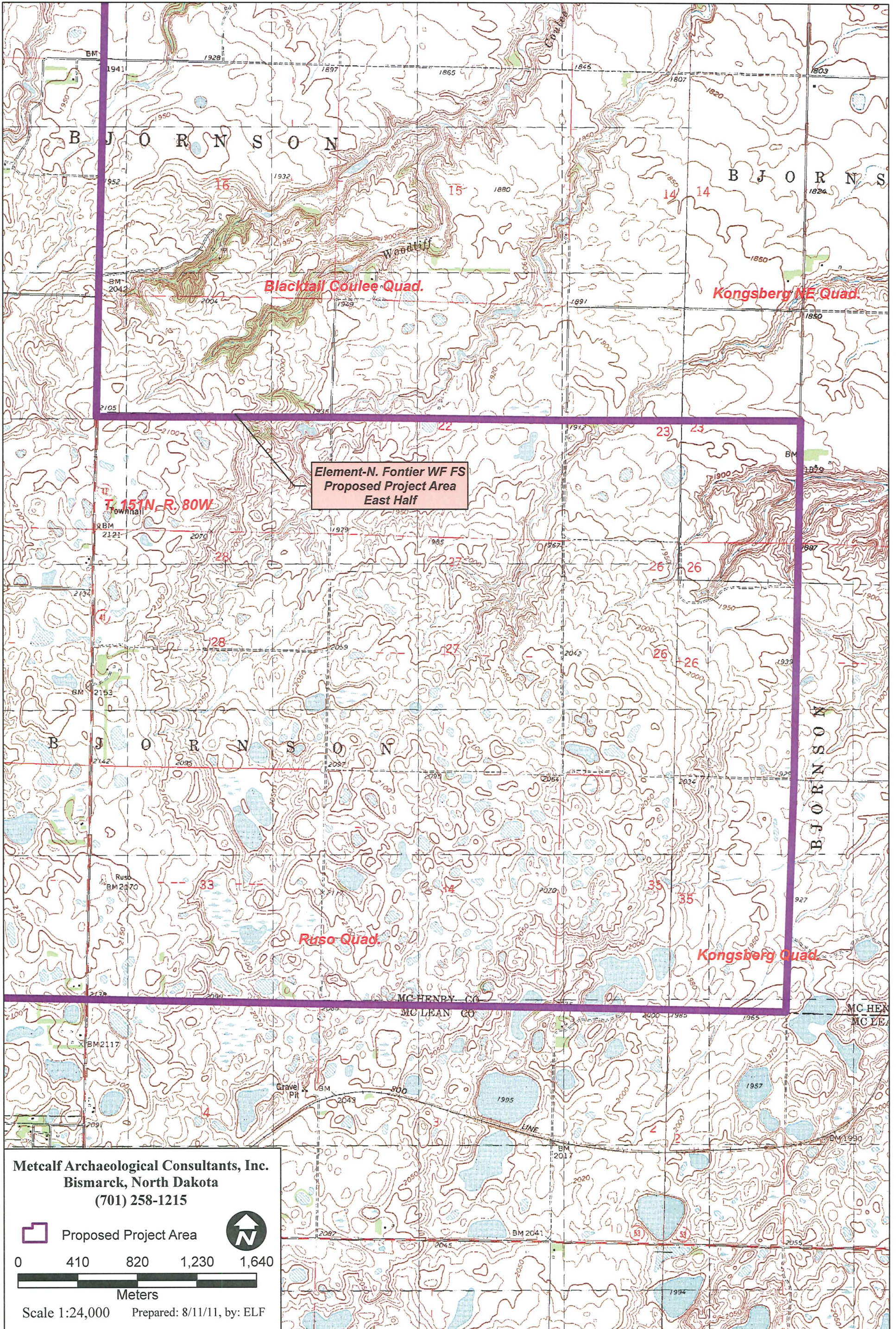
Sincerely,





Kimball M. Banks, PhD.
Branch Manager


cc: Mr. Todd Mattson

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 Proposed Project Area

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 Meters
 Scale 1:24,000 Prepared: 8/11/11, by: ELF

Map 2: Location of the east half of the proposed project area as depicted on the USGS 7.5' Blacktail Coulee (1981), Ruso (1981), Kongsberg (1981) and Kongsberg NE (1958) quadrangle maps.