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October 31, 2011

Mr. James R. Deutsch
Director Reclamation Division
Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Department 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Dear Mr. Deutsch:

Enclosed are affidavits of publication from the Beulah Beacon and Hazen Star. These affidavits are for final bond release application #5 to Permit NACT-9101.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

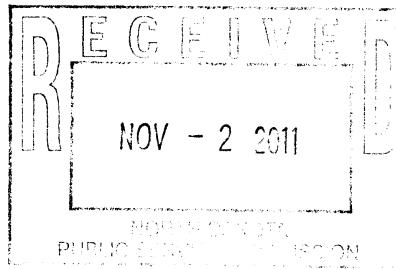
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Lisa D. Ryan CPS/CAP
Office Administrator

LDR
Enc.

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION



STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA)
) SS
COUNTY OF Mercer)

I SHELLEY CHASE, being first duly sworn, on my own oath, say, that I am the bookkeeper of the Beulah Beacon, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published in the city of Beulah, that the advertisement headed:

COTEAU PROPERTIES/LISA RYAN BH-BOND RELEASE FBR#5 TO 9101/LEGAL

a printed copy of which is here annexed, was published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper during the period and time of publication, and that the notice was published in the newspaper proper, and not in a supplement,

for 4 consecutive week 10/20/2011 to wit:

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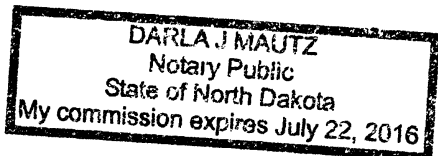
Shelley Chase

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of October A.D. 2011.

(Seal) Darla J. Mautz

Notary Public, State of North Dakota

My Commission Expires



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I remember my very first job interview when I was only 14. My hands, once again super damp, remained on my lap while I sat in a booth listening to my future boss examine my application. Part of me wished my mom was sitting next to me instead of outside in the car in the parking lot. The other part wondered if I could work in an environment alongside adults who I could address by their first names.

Who knew adults were normal human beings? As a teenager, that would be no one.

I prided myself upon my ability to earn my money and spend it however I saw fit. Early on I understood the necessity of saving your money in order to purchase something expensive. When I told my mom I had enough money to buy my CD player, I think she was both overjoyed and saddened. It was noteworthy that I was able to afford it myself, but that also meant she would soon see me less out of my room because I wanted to spend much time listening to music in my room.

Neither of my sisters owned a CD player yet; actu-

ally I was the only one in the house with one. Therefore I was the first to buy a CD. I wanted it to be memorable and not just a random purchase. Nothing was random when you had only \$100 in the savings account and no guarantee that mom and dad would be helping out with any extravagant purchases.

It came down to a boy band or a girl band. Remember, this was the late '90s, an era filled with boy bands.

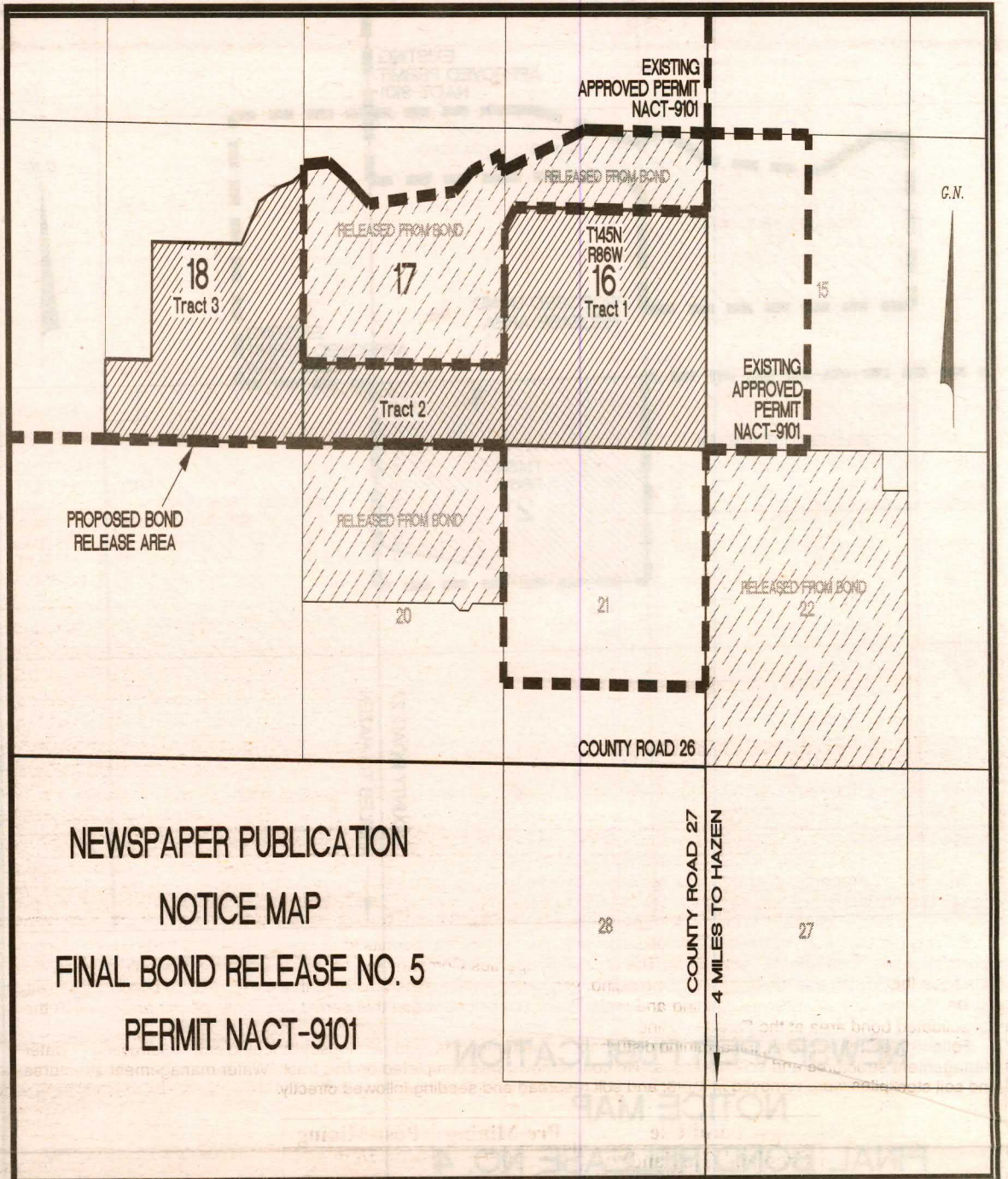
But I had to go with my familiar girls, the Spice Girls.

Yes, they rocked. I was a huge fan of Ginger Spice, but loved all five girls equally. In a time when boys seemed to rule every aspect of life, it was nice to see such a large following for this band of women.

I don't remember every first occurrence in my life. First kiss – mediocre; first drive in a car – frightening; first sip of beer – horrible; first cell phone – wow ... that thing was huge.

But the ones that you remember are the ones that really matter. Hopefully we've all had some good firsts, while we definitely have all had some terrible firsts that are enjoyable to laugh at.

PUBLIC NOTICES



**NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION
NOTICE MAP
FINAL BOND RELEASE NO. 5
PERMIT NACT-9101**

NOTICE OF FILING FOR FINAL RELEASE OF RECLAMATION BOND

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Tract 1	
Land Use	Acres
Cropland	156.4
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Seasonal Wetland	0.4
Stock Pond	1.0
Roadway	6.9
Total	477.9

Following permit approval, initial mining disturbance in Tract 2 commenced with soil stripping for coal removal that same year. Soil stripping was completed by the end of 1993. Coal removal began in 1993, and was completed by 1996. Spoil grading was conducted behind coal loading operations. Grading occurred from 1994 to 2000. Soil respread and seeding followed from 1994 to 2000.

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Tract 2	
Land Use	Acres
Native Grassland	146.3
Seasonal Wetland	1.5
Stock Pond	0.5
Conservation Tree Planting	1.4
Previously Mined	8.9
Total	158.6

Following permit approval, initial mining disturbance in Tract 3 commenced with soil stripping for coal removal, and piling of suitable plant growth material that same year. Soil stripping was completed in 1996. Coal removal began in 1994, and was completed by 1998. Spoil grading was conducted behind coal loading operations. Grading occurred in 1999. Soil respread and seeding followed from 1999 to 2000.

Tract 3	
Land Use	Acres
Cropland	271.3
Native Grassland	29.0
Seasonal Wetland	2.0
Conservation Tree Planting	3.7
Previously Mined	58.5
Total	364.5

Written comments, objections, or requests for an informal conference or public hearing on this bond release may be submitted by any person having a valid legal interest which is or may be adversely affected by this action, to the North Dakota Public Service Commission, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Department 408, Bismarck, ND 58505-0480, within 30 days after the last publication of this notice. Any request for an informal conference or hearing should be in writing to the Commission, and must state specifically the issues or objections that an affected party has regarding this bond release.

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204 County Road 15
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(9-29-11-10-6-11-10-13-11-10-20-11)

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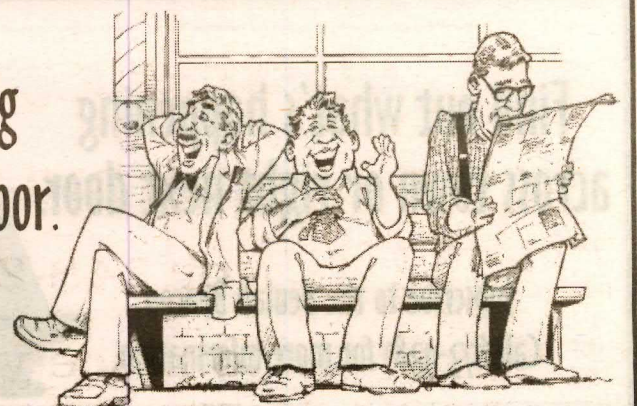


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Public Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PETITION TO CLOSE SECTION LINE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mercer County Commission will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, November 2, 2011, beginning at 11:00 AM CT, at the Mercer County Court-house, Stanton. The commission will review and give consideration to a petition to close the following described section lines:

Common section line of Sections 10 & 15, T 145 N, R 88 W; and Common section line of Sections 15 & 16, T 145 N, R 88 W.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the public is invited to comment on the petition to close these section lines at this public hearing or forward written comments, prior to the hearing, to: Mercer County Auditor, PO Box 39, Stanton ND 58571. The petition is available for review or copying Monday through Friday during regular business hours, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM CT at the office of the County Auditor. Monte J. Erhardt
Mercer County Auditor
(10-13-11-10-20-11)

IN DISTRICT COURT, SOUTH CENTRAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF MERCER COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA CASE NO. 29-2011-PR-1035 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BETTY L. HUBER, DECEASED. NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed co-personal representatives of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication or mailing of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to Norman Albers, 2032 Grimsrud Dr, Bismarck, ND 58501; or Wayne Reuther, 4746 Glenwood Dr, Bismarck, ND 58504, co-personal representatives of the estate, or filed with the Court.

Dated this 4th day of October, 2011.

Norman Albers
Co-Personal Representative
2032 Grimsrud Dr,
Bismarck, ND 58501
Wayne Reuther
Co-Personal Representative
4746 Glenwood Dr,
Bismarck, ND 58504
Lange & Donovan, PLLP
Patrick A. Donovan #04685
Attorneys for the personal representative
P.O. Box 488
Hazen, ND 58545-0488
(10-13-11-10-20-11-10-27-11)

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT, AMEND OR REPEAL ADMINISTRATIVE RULES relating to the Practice of Pharmacy, including Pharmaceutical Compounding Standards. North Dakota State Board of Pharmacy

will hold a public hearing to address proposed N.D. Admin. Code Article 61:61-02-01-03 Pharmaceutical Compounding Standards.

**Board of Pharmacy Office
1906 E. Broadway
Bismarck, ND
Thurs., Nov. 17, 2011
10:00 a.m. CT**

The proposed rules may be reviewed at the office of the ND State Board of Pharmacy, 1906 E. Broadway, Bismarck, ND 58501 or Board website www.nodakpharmacy.com. A copy of the proposed rules and/or a regulatory analysis may be requested by writing PO Box 1354, Bismarck, ND 58502-1354; emailing ndboph2@btinet.net or calling 701-328-9535. Written or oral comments on the proposed rules sent to the above address or email address and received by January 2nd, 2012, will be fully considered. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the ND State Board of Pharmacy at the above telephone number or address at least two weeks (14 days) prior to the public hearing.

Dated this 11th day of Oct. 2011.
Howard C. Anderson, Jr., R.Ph.
Executive Director

NOTICE CITY OF STANTON RESIDENTS

The City of Stanton will hold a public meeting on Monday October 24 at 6:30 pm to hear any and all comments on rezoning a 707 ft by 783 ft tract of land commonly known as the ball field and track lying in the SE 1/4 Section of 1-T144-R85 in Mercer County. The subject of the meeting is to zone this land from agricultural to Industrial. Richard Honeyman, City Auditor.
(10-13-11-10-20-11)

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES relating to Real Estate Licensees ND Real Estate Commission

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

**ND Real Estate Commission
Peace Garden Room
State Capitol
600 E. Boulevard Ave.
Bismarck, ND
Wed., December 7, 2011
1:00 p.m. CT**

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by writing the North Dakota Real Estate Commission, PO Box 727, Bismarck, ND 58502-0727, calling 701-328-9749, or downloaded from www.realestatend.org. Written comments may be submitted to this address until December 17, 2011. If you plan to attend the hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the North Dakota Real Estate Commission at the above telephone number or address at least 7 days prior to the public hearing.

Dated this 10th of October, 2011.
Patricia M. Jergenson

IN THE SOUTH CENTRAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF MERCER COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LYLE K. LORITZ, DECEASED NOTICE TO CREDITORS PROBATE NO. 29-11-PR-1013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed co-personal representatives of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Larry Loritz, 185 Timberlane, Evergreen, Colorado 80439 or Linda Dawson, 985 North Fir Villa Road, Dallas, Oregon 97338, co-personal representatives of the estate, or filed with the Court.

Scott T. Solem
SOLE LAW OFFICE
P. O. Box 33
705 Main Street
Hebron, North Dakota 58638
(701) 878-4560

Attorney for:
Larry Loritz and Linda Dawson
Co-Personal Representatives
Dated this 28th day of April, 2011.
(10-20-11-10-27-11-11-3-11)

NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PUBLIC NOTICE REISSUE OF AN NDPDES PERMIT

Public Notice Date: 10/20/2011
Purpose of Public Notice
The Department intends to reissue the following North Dakota Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NDPDES) Discharge Permit under the authority of Section 61-28-04 of the North Dakota Century Code.

Permit Information
Public Notice Number: ND-2011-033 Application Date: 7/18/2011
Application Number: ND0025038
Applicant Name: Coteau Properties Co
Mailing Address: 204 Co Rd 15, Beulah, ND 58523
Telephone Number: 701.873.7227
Proposed Permit Expiration Date: 12/31/2016

Facility Description
The reapplication is for a lignite coal surface mining operation located in north central Mercer County. Discharges consist of groundwater and/or surface runoff encountered during mining as well as discharges from a sewage lagoon and a vehicle wash system. Discharges are to Antelope Creek, Beulah Trench Creek, Coal Creek, Spring Creek, and Lake Sakakawea. Lake Sakakawea is a Class I lake and Spring Creek is a Class

IA stream. All other receiving waters are unclassified.

The discharges covered by this permit are subject to the surface water management conditions and the designated locations described in surface mining permits approved following public review in under NDCC Chapter 38-14.1. The current and proposed discharge structures are located within the boundaries of Coteau's approved surface mining permits which encompass all or part of the following: T144N, R88W; T145N, R87W; T145N, R88W; T145N, R86W; T146N, R87W; and T146N, R88W.

Tentative Determinations
Proposed effluent limitations and other permit conditions have been made by the Department. They assure that State Water Quality Standards and applicable provisions of the FWPCA will

be protected.
Information Requests and Public Comments

Copies of the application, draft permit, and related documents are available for review. Comments or requests should be directed to the ND Dept of Health, Div of Water Quality, 918 East Divide Ave, Bismarck ND 58501-1947 or by calling 701.328.5210.

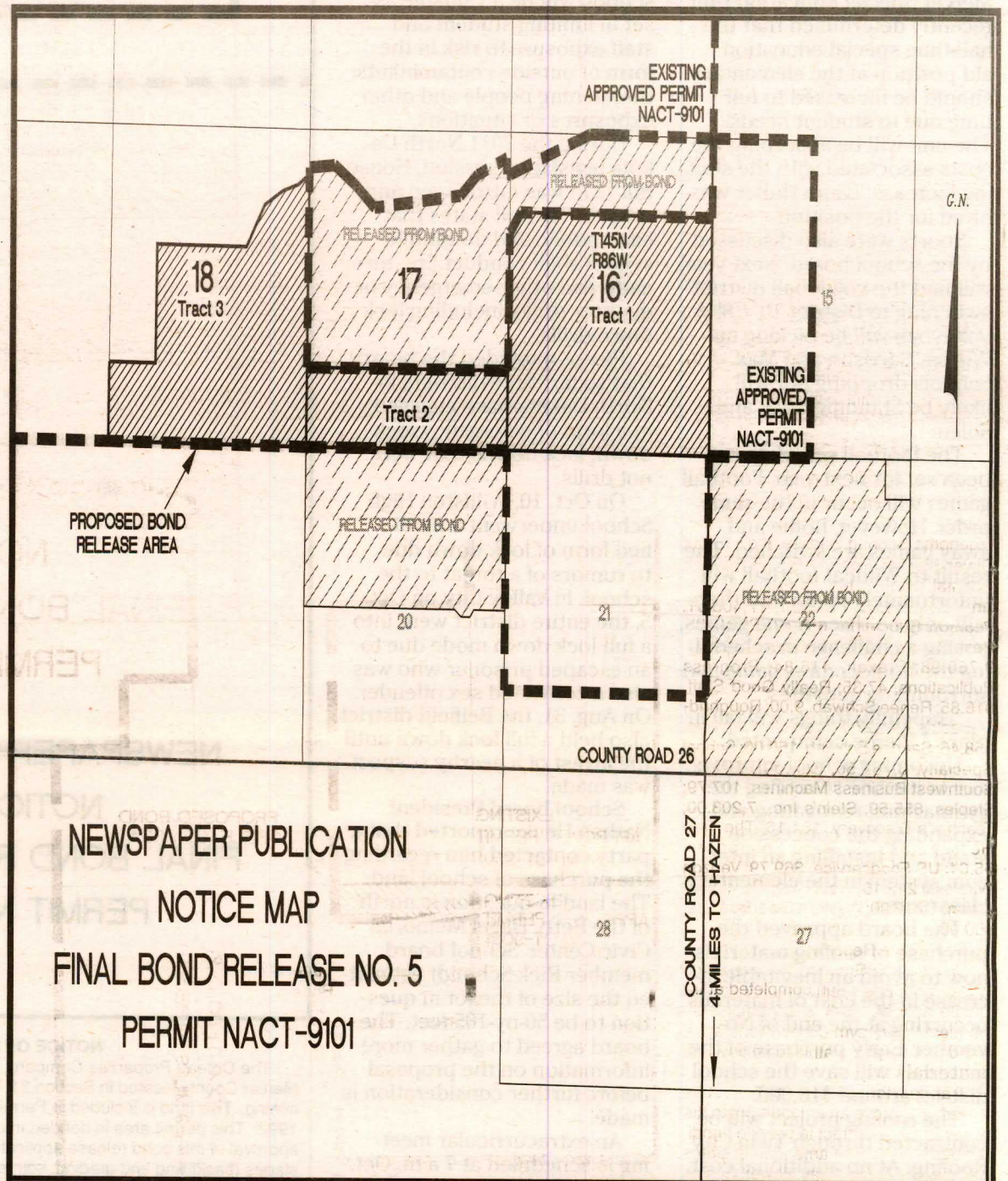
All comments received by November 20, 2011 will be considered prior to finalizing the permit. If there is significant interest, a public hearing will be scheduled. Otherwise, the Department will issue the final permit within sixty (60) days of this notice. If you require special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, call TDD at 1.800.366.6868.
(10-20-11)

HAZEN PUBLIC SCHOOL MONTHLY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 2011, 5:30 PM ELEMENTARY ROOM 325

Board members present were Cris Miller, Tammy Krause, and Mike Krause. Also present were Principals Buster Langowski, Brad Foss, and Ed Boger; Supt. Mike Ness, and Business Manager Connie Ellwein. Guests present were Justine Wiedrich, Bob Nelson and Chris Harvey. Board members Sonya Hansana and Jody Murschel were absent from the meeting.

Meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm.

T. Krause moved to approve the minutes from the August 15, 2011 board meeting and the September 7, 2011 special board meeting. M. Krause second. All voted in favor. Motion carried.



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