

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**ALLETE, Inc.  
Bison 4 Wind Project – Mercer Morton Oliver Cty  
Siting Application**

**Case No. PU-13-127**

**NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF HEARING**

**July 10, 2013**

On May 6, 2013, Minnesota Power, an operating division of ALLETE, Inc., (Allete) filed an application for a certificate of site compatibility to authorize construction of a 210 MW Bison 4 Wind Project consisting of up to 70 wind turbine generators and associated facilities in Mercer, Morton and Oliver Counties of North Dakota as shown on the attached map.

A **Public Hearing** on the application is scheduled to begin **August 21, 2013, at 1:30 p.m. CDT, at the Oliver County Courthouse, 11 West Main, Center, North Dakota 58530.** The issues to be considered are:

1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the proposed facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Are the proposed facilities compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. Will the proposed facility locations minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

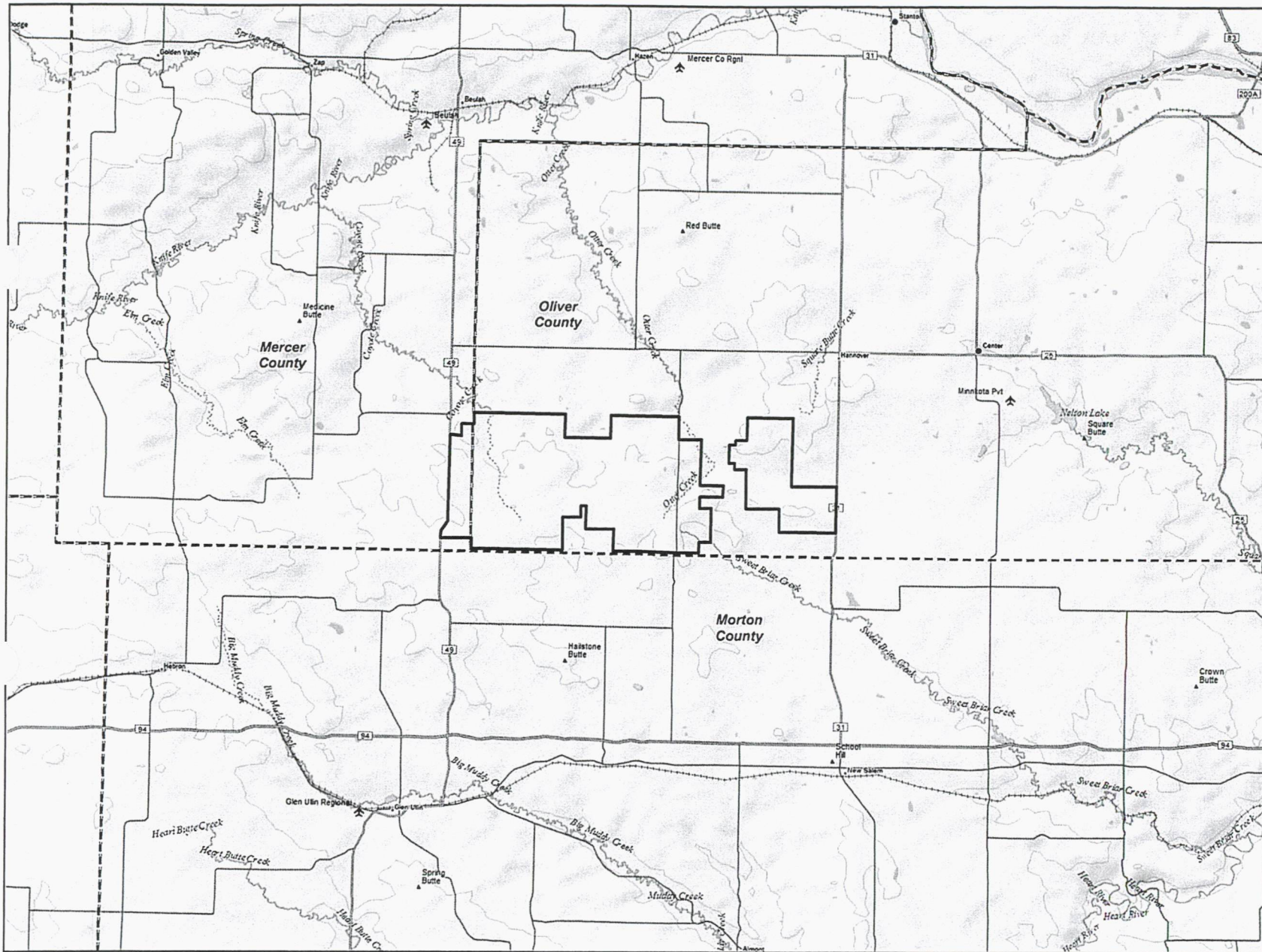
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-  Preliminary Project Boundary
-  County Boundary

**Exhibit 1  
Preliminary Project  
Study Area Map**

**Minnesota Power  
Bison 4 Wind Project**

**Mercer and Oliver  
Counties, North Dakota**