

Big Stone South to Ellendale Project



► BSSE Line Construction Project Weekly Status Report

Case No. PU-13-840

Al Koeckeritz ► Otter Tail Power Company ► 7/23/2018

Project Overview – The BSSE Project is a 163-mile 345kV transmission line that runs from the Big Stone, South Dakota Substation to the Ellendale, North Dakota Substation. Approximately 10 miles of the line is in Dickey County North Dakota.

Weekly Progress –This week Brink hauled out all remaining steel to North Dakota, except for a few heavy pieces that require the use of the crane to lift them. They will be hauled at the time of setting those structures. We have counted them as complete with hauling, as most of the structure is hauled. Brink was hindered in steel activities last week due to weather conditions and were only able to frame ten structures. No setting has begun in ND yet. Dahn continues to place poly mats for access and pads to the structures as needed.

North Dakota Construction Activity	Completed this Week	Completed to date	Remaining to do	Total to do	UOM	% Complete
Tree Clearing (by parcel)	-	8	0	8	Parcel	100%
Drill Pier Foundations	-	41	0	41	EA	100%
Haul Structures	8	41	0	41	EA	100%
Set Structures	0	0	41	41	EA	0%
Pull Conductor (per thousand feet)	0	0	48	48	KFT	0%

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This week's plans

Brink will continue with framing in ND. If the schedule holds, they will begin setting structures in ND in mid to late August. Dahn will continue to place poly mats as needed for access.

Environmental – New critical habitat, T&E species, bald eagles or golden eagles

None to report this week

Cultural impacts – cultural, paleontological, archeological, historical, or grave discoveries

None to report this week

Damage to UG facilities

None to report this week

Landowner/Public Issues or complaints

None to report this week

Extraordinary Events – such as death of T&E species

None to report this week

Safety - injuries to any person or equipment damage

None to report this week

Additional Filing Documents

None to report this week.

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Weekly Update for July 14 to July 20, 2018

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Montana-Dakota Utilities Co's & Otter Tail Power Company's Big Stone South to Ellendale 345KV Transmission Line Project in Dickey County, ND Case No. PU 13-840 Notice of Ellendale 345kV Substation Construction weekly update from Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Email update #46)

Dear Mr. Lein:

MDU's general contractor Highmark Erectors continues to work on switches, setting equipment, and bus work. They are monitoring the re-seeded areas as needed due to recent storms. The site perimeter security fence is being installed.

As they relate to the PSC order and Substation construction: no safety issues, no property damage issues, no public roadway issues, no environmental or cultural issues were encountered or brought to our attention.

Thank you and if you have any further questions about substation construction activities, feel free to contact me at:

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