

Sunflower Wind Project, LLC

c/o Novatus Energy, LLC
767 Third Ave, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10017

9/9/2019

North Dakota Public Service Commission
Attn: Jerry Lein
12th Floor, Dept. 408
600 E. Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Submittal via email to ndpsc@nd.gov
Case Number: PU-14-105

Re: Sunflower Wind Project – Tree and Shrub Inspection Report

Dear Mr. Lein,

The North Dakota Administrative Code chapter 69-09-09 Tree and Shrub Mitigation Specifications require tree and shrub replacements be inspected annually, in September, for a three-year period. The first annual inspection must be at least one year from the anniversary date of the original plantings. A report of each annual inspection must be submitted to the Commission by October 1 of each year, documenting the condition of plantings and any woodlands work completed as of September of each year.

Please consider this report as the Year 2 inspection for the trees/shrubs planted in May 2017 for the Sunflower Wind Project. Due to the harsh winter some of the trees/shrubs did not survive. These trees were replanted by the landowner and Sunflower Wind Project's team in the spring of 2019 to supplement the remaining trees that survived from the previous year.

Please refer to Attachment 1 for the Sunflower Wind Project Year 2 tree inspection.

Sincerely,

SUNFLOWER WIND PROJECT, LLC
A Delaware limited liability company



Patrick Caramante, SVP- EC&O
Authorized Signatory

SUNFLOWER WIND PROJECT TREE AND SHRUB INVENTORY, YEAR 2.

Landowner: Steven Kitzan

Location: Address: 4130 80th Ave SW Richardton
 TRS: NW 1/4 of S26, T139, R91

Contact: Work: 701.878.4860
 Home: 701.400.9356



Original Plant Date: 5/11/2016 Original Planted By: RK

Replant Date: 4/2019 Replant By: Steven Kitzan

2nd Replant Date: 2nd Replant By:

Inspection Date: 9/5/2019 Inspection By: Raitis Sipols

2nd Inspection Date: 2nd Inspection By:

Soil Type: E2741D, E0651C Suitability Group: 10, 4C

Grazing Protection: Yes Row Spacing: 12 ft

Species	Number Originally Planted	Total Re-Planted	Total Alive	Total Dead	Total Observed (Alive + Dead)	% Alive
RM Juniper	45	14	42	3	45	93%
Silverberry	69	8	57	12	69	82%
Russian Olive	27	7	21	6	27	77%

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2 nd Inspection Date:		2 nd Inspection By:	
Soil Type:	E2741D, E0651C	Suitability Group:	10, 4C
Grazing Protection:	Yes	Row Spacing:	12 ft

Species	Number Originally Planted	Total Re-Planted	Total Alive	Total Dead	Total Observed (Alive + Dead)	% Alive
RM Juniper	138	31	138	0	138	100%
Russian Olive	69	9	57	12	69	82%
Silverberry	104	10	95	9	104	91%
Eastern Red Cedar	84	20	84	0	84	100%

SUNFLOWER WIND PROJECT TREE AND SHRUB INVENTORY, YEAR 2.

Landowner: Lynn Underdahl

Location: Address: 7540 Co Rd 139, Hebron, ND
 TRS: SW 1/4 of S33 T140 R90
 Contact: Work:
 Home: 701.878.4471



Original Plant Date:	9/21/2016	Original Planted By:	RK
Replant Date:	5/30/2019	Replant By:	Raitis Sipols
2nd Replant Date:		2nd Replant By:	
Inspection Date:	9/5/2019	Inspection By:	Raitis Sipols
2 nd Inspection Date:		2 nd Inspection By:	
Soil Type:	E0617A	Suitability Group:	4
Grazing Protection:	Yes	Row Spacing:	16 ft

Species	Number Originally Planted	Total Re-Planted	Total Alive	Total Dead	Total Observed (Alive + Dead)	% Alive
Ponderosa Pine	100	86	35	65	100	35%
Red Maple	36	20	18	18	36	50%
Juneberry	37	10	36	1	37	97%
Nanking Cherry	36	7	32	4	36	88%
Yellow Apple	10	10	0	10	10	0%