



October 4, 2022

North Dakota Public Service Commission
ATTN: Victor Schock
600E. Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0408

RE: PU-14-852 Reclamation Inspection

Mr. Schock,

Carlson McCain, Inc. is pleased to submit the attached Reclamation Inspection Report for the Basin Electric Lonesome Creek Station (PU-14-852). If you have questions or need further information, you can contact me at ctucker@carlsonmccain.com or (701) 255-1475.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chad Tucker".

Chad Tucker

Overview

Carlson McCain biologist, Chad Tucker, visited the Basin Electric Power Cooperative’s Lonesome Creek Station on September 8, 2022, to conduct the final reclamation inspection. Reclamation of the Project was completed in September 2021. A pedestrian inspection of the reclamation was performed. Overall, the revegetation of the reclaimed areas appears to be successful, and no erosion issues were observed. Only one area of concern was noted. The Laydown Yard is dominated by kochia weed and may require spraying and reseeding. Further monitoring of this location may be necessary.

Photos



Photo 1. View of the Entrance to the Lonesome Creek Station.



Photo 2. Drainage ditches are well-vegetated and free of erosion.



Photo 3. View looking east down the access road on the north side of the Phase III addition.



Photo 4. Culvert with rip-rap and revegetated.



Photo 5. The Laydown Yard is dominated by kochia weed.



Photo 6. View looking south towards the Switchyard. Annual weeds should be sprayed along drainage ditches.



Photo 7. View looking east along the south side of the Switchyard. Grass planting is successful with no erosion observed.