

**Addendum: Natural Resource  
Survey Report  
DAPL Connector Pipeline Project  
Williams County, North Dakota**

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**OVERVIEW:**

E3 Environmental, LLC (E3), at the request of Epping Transmission Company, LLC (Epping Transmission), performed pre-construction natural resource surveys for a re-route and two HDD pull-back areas for the DAPL Connector Pipeline Project (Survey Area). Appendix A depicts the additional survey area addressed by this report. The original alignment and survey corridor was originally surveyed by E3, following North Dakota Public Service Commission (NDPSC) regulations, in June and July of 2016. These surveys included:

- Raptor nest documentation and status determination,
- Wetland and waterbody delineation and jurisdictional characterization,
- Woody vegetation delineation and inventory,
- Noxious weed inventory and delineation, and
- Protected species surveillance and habitat assessment

This report serves as an addendum to the DAPL Connector Pipeline Project Natural Resource Survey Report. The original report was submitted as Appendix D in the Consolidated Application filed with the NDPSC on August 25, 2016 (PU-16-614)

**SURVEY CORRIDOR:**

The Survey Area includes; a re-route and buffered survey corridor located in Section 6 T155N:98W and Section 31 T156N:R98W (0.54 acres); one pull-back area located in Section 6 T155N:98W (0.27 acres); and one additional pull-back area located in Section 31 T156N:R98W (0.27 acres). The total Survey Area is approximately 1.04 acres in size and is comprised of mostly agricultural fields and disturbed grassland. Refer to Appendix A for maps depicting Project alignment and Survey Corridor.

**METHODOLOGY:**

E3 biologists followed standard survey protocols which are consistent with those utilized during surveys conducted previously for the Project. One field visit was required to cover the entire Survey Area, on August 16, 2016.

**SURVEY RESULTS:**

**Raptor Nests**

No previously unrecorded raptor nests were identified within the Survey Area or within line-of-sight on August 16, 2016.



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**Wetlands and Waterbodies**

No previously unrecorded wetland or waterbodies were identified or mapped within the Survey Area on August 16, 2016.

**Woody Vegetation**

No previously unrecorded woody vegetation patches were identified or mapped within the Survey Area August 16, 2016.

**Noxious Weeds**

No previously unrecorded woody vegetation patches were identified or mapped within the Survey Area August 16, 2016.

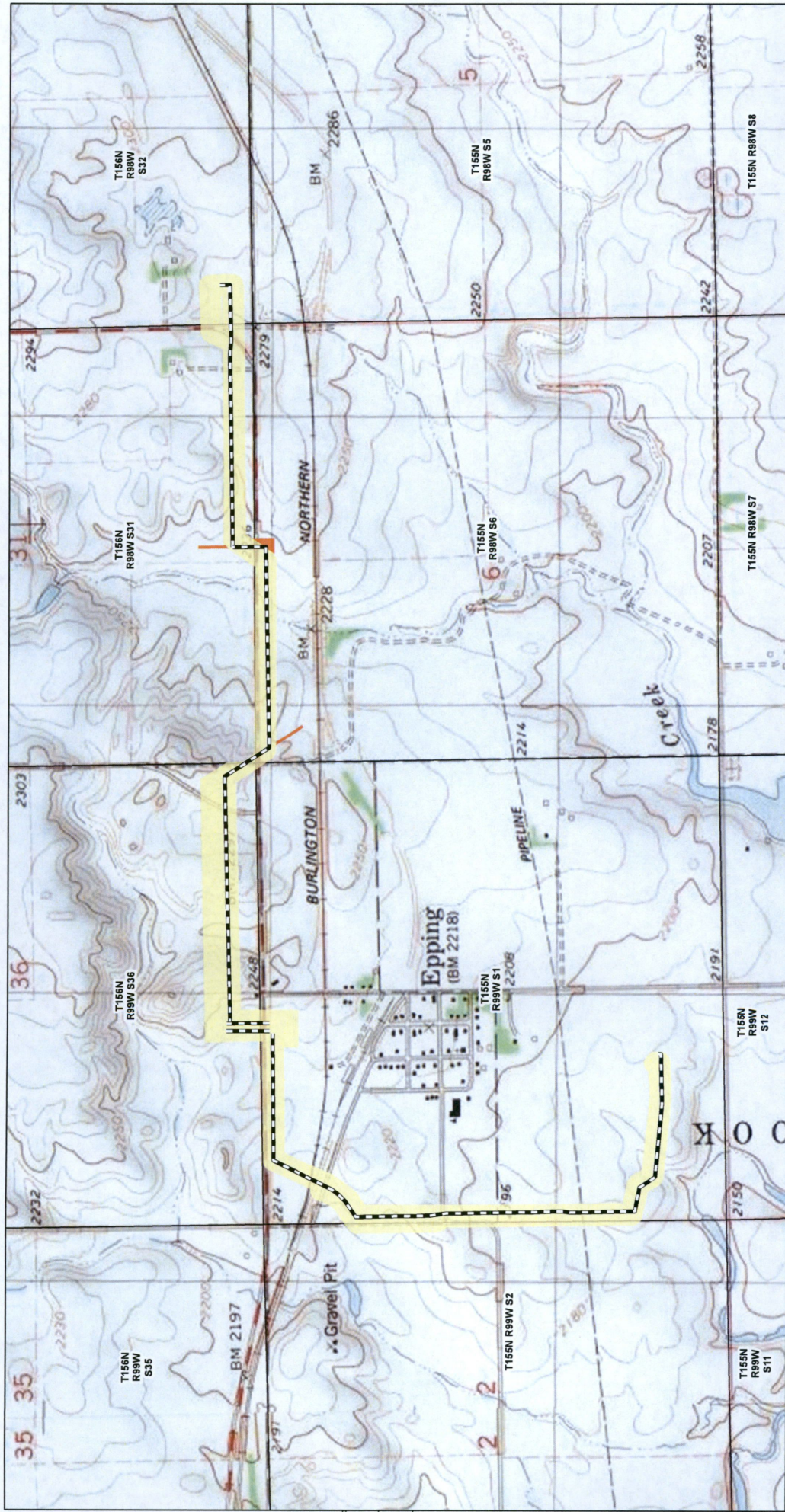
**Threatened and Endangered Species**

No threatened or endangered species or associated critical habitat were observed within the Survey Area.

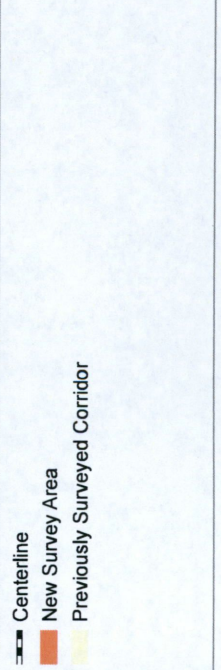
**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

No natural resource features targeted for survey were present or mapped within the Survey Area on August 16, 2016. E3 does not have additional recommendations beyond those stated in the DAPL Connector Pipeline Project Natural Resource Report.

**Appendix A**  
**Natural Resource Maps**



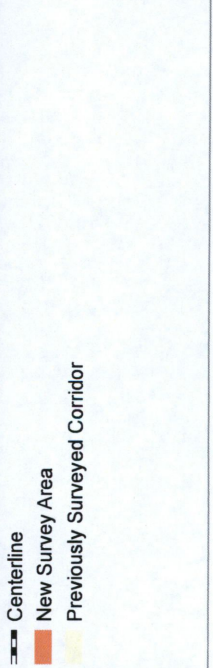
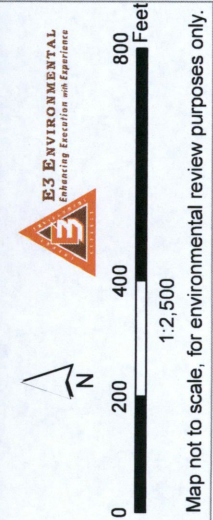
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