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COTEAU PROPERTIES/AMANDA HOFFER BH-NOTICE FINAL BOND RELEASE 30.579 ACRES/LEGAL

a printed copy of which is here annexed, was published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper during the period and time of publication, and that the notice was published in the newspaper proper, and not in a supplement,

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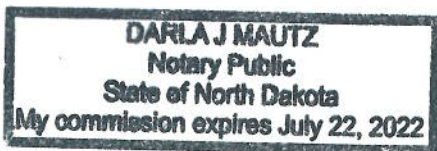
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*Shelley Chase*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D. 2016

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 Notary Public, State of North Dakota

My Commission Expires



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 NOTICE MAP  
 FINAL BOND RELEASE NO. 7  
 PERMIT NACT-9101



Left to Right: Ethan Johnson, Kenzie Opdahl, Weston Cline, Cael Voight, Isak Olson, Sean Gierke, Jacob Weigel, Jillian McDonald, Shay Yaeger, Kelsi Knutson, Tyler Erickson, Tasia Horning, Kenady Smith, Warren Swenson, ChristAnna Schmidt, Josh Hotz, Michael Schmidt, and Evan Beir.

# Beulah FFA members compete at District

BY KELSI KNUTSON, CLUB REPORTER

On Sept. 29, 19 Beulah FFA members loaded on a bus and headed to Center for the District 7 FFA Leadership competition. Beulah placed third as a chapter, right behind Mandan and Hebron.

At this contest, members from District 7 come to compete in contests like Greenhand quiz, senior quiz, creed, demonstration, job interview, prepared public speaking, extemporaneous public speaking, and parliamentary procedure. Winners will proceed to state in the springtime to see if they have what it takes to be a state winner.

Individual results are as follows.

**Parliamentary Procedure:** The team placed 4th earning a silver award. The team consisted of Weston Cline, bronze; Jacob Weigel, vice president, gold; Ren Swenson, secretary, gold; treasurer Kenzi Opdahl, gold; reporter Kelsi Knutson, gold; and Tyler Erickson, sentinel, gold.

**The Greenhand quiz team** placed second with members Josh Hotz, top individual, gold; ChristAnna Schmidt, gold; Evan Bier, gold; Cael Voigt, bronze; Tasia Horning, bronze; and Kenady Smith, bronze.

**The quiz team placed first,** with team members Kenzi Opdahl, high individual, gold; Isak Olson, gold; and Michael Schmidt, gold; Jillian McDonald, silver; and Weston Cline,

silver. The team will be heading to State in the spring.

**Creed:** ChristAnna Schmidt competed, taking home a gold award.

**Demonstration:** Ethan Johnson received gold.

**Prepared Public Speaking:** Michael Schmidt won silver.

**Extemporaneous Speaking:** Ren Swenson represented the chapter, earning a gold award.

**Job Interview:** Ren Swenson took home a gold award.

The Beulah FFA chapter had a successful day in Center and is preparing for state. Overall they were awarded 11 golds, two silvers and 1 bronze. Alongside all the competition, the chapter plans to head to Indianapolis for the National FFA Convention Oct. 16-22 to have a little fun.



Left to Right: Shay Yaeger, Tyler Erickson, Isak Olson, Warren Swenson, Ethan Johnson, Jacob Weigel, Weston Cline, Michael Schmidt, Kenzi Opdahl, Kelsi Knutson, Sean Gierke, and Jillian McDonald.



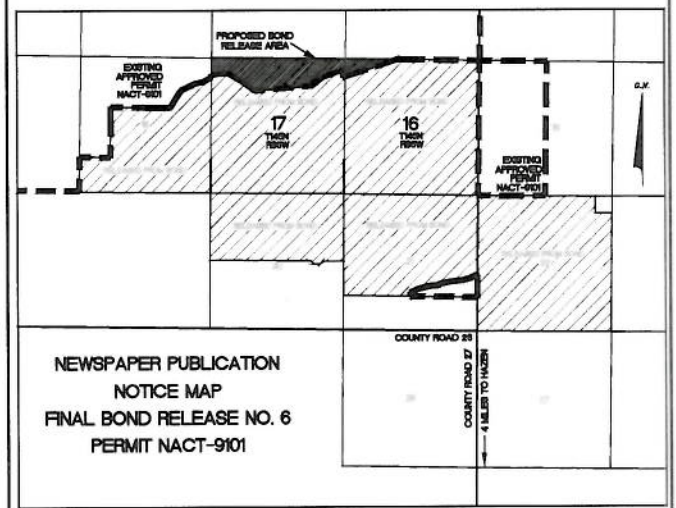
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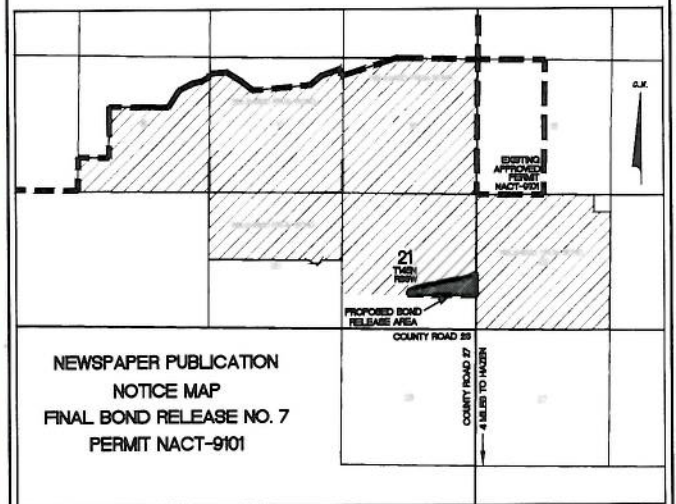


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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission does hereby approve the conducting of surface coal mining operations, except actual coal removal, by Coteau within 100 feet of the outside right-of-way line of the following public road:

The south side of the section line road between Section 23, Township 146 North, Range 87 West and Section 26, Township 146 North, Range 87 West.

The west side of the section line road between the SE 1/4 Section 22, Township 146 North, Range 87 West and the SW 1/4 Section 23, Township 146 North, Range 87 West.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution, the Petition involved herein, and the Affidavits of Publication of Notice of Hearing be filed with the Mercer County Auditor.

DATED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016, MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/William L. Tveit, Chairman  
/s/Duane F. Scheurer, Vice-Chairman  
/s/Wes Gunsch, Commissioner  
/s/Wayne Entze, Commissioner  
/s/Gary Murray, Commissioner

ATTEST  
Shana L. Brost, Mercer County Auditor

The board recessed at 10:35 AM. The board reconvened at 11:00 AM. Motion made by Commissioner Scheurer, second by Commissioner Murray to recess the regular meeting and open the public hearing on the 2017 Budget. All members voted "Aye", motion carried.

Chairman Tveit stated the mill levy increase was not published early enough and it was an oversight, so the county will not be increasing the mill levy. Auditor Brost stated the budget needs to be reduced by \$189,102.80 to comply with the zero percent increase. Danny Bakken asked what the county needs the money for and Chairman Tveit responded for the operating budget. Commissioner Gunsch stated things go up and the board wanted to implement a pay plan to equalize the pay. Commissioner Scheurer stated he met with several agencies that they used to get grants for certain functions, but those have gone away too. Bakken asked the board if they could cut back on cops and cop vehicles. Casey Voigt stated the road projects total \$1.3 million and LIDAR should be benefitting the county by cutting back on engineering costs. Commissioner Scheurer asked how LIDAR would help. Voigt stated all the surveying information can be pulled up on a computer. Commissioner Gunsch stated they do use LIDAR to help out but it cannot cover all the engineering services. Voigt asked why the board allocates one mill levy to the Southwest Water Authority. Auditor Brost stated it is a state mandate. Commissioner Entze stated the cuts need to come out of the bigger departments such as the road and sheriff departments. Commissioner Scheurer stated when it comes to salaries, he doesn't want to see them froze because he has fought for some departments to get adjustments that he felt were needed. Bakken asked why the Library is appropriated the funds they are. Chairman Tveit stated it is mandated they receive more levied funds than the previous year to continue to receive their state aid. Tveit added the funds allocated to the McLean Mercer Regional Library covers eight (8) libraries. Commissioner Entze stated if certain entities do not budget a certain number of mills, they do not receive state aid. Chairman Tveit suggested the constituents contact their legislatures. Delmar Sailer stated the board should freeze the wages if the county does not have the money for it and something needs to be done, so it only makes sense to table it. Dwight Berger stated the Sheriff's Department made no cuts and there are a lot of departments that have too many people and could be part time. If people work over in the sheriff's Department and are in the courthouse, they are just extra people. Chairman Tveit stated within the Sheriff's department there are various people that cover several duties. Tveit explained in larger counties jailers just work in the jail and deputies are just on the road. If Mercer County would categorize their employees, the Sheriff's department would need many more than they do now. Berger questioned if the Sheriff's department staff that helped the Auditor's office with the ballots this spring, if it was part of her job. Auditor Brost stated she utilized this employee because she was already on the payroll. Berger asked why she was on the payroll if she isn't needed. Bakken stated the board should look at the computer system that was approved for

\$37,000. Auditor Brost stated that was just the start up fees. Bakken asked if it worked perfect. Auditor Brost stated nothing works perfect 100% of the time, ever. State's Attorney Binder called for a point of order, stating there is a lot of talk between the gallery and it needs to be brought back to the board. Chairman Tveit stated good point. Voigt asked the board about the unorganized road and its levy. Auditor Brost discussed the total proposed mill levies with the inclusion of unorganized road, stating at the zero percent increase the total mill levy will be 88.82. Brost explained to Voigt how mill levies are calculated. Wes Klein stated the county would be better off changing or reducing the courthouse/jail expansion to save themselves the same headache next year. Commissioner Gunsch stated when the first round of bids came in much higher than the \$9.8 million, the board looked at making cuts and it would have cost nearly \$1 million in redesign fees. Gunsch stated to go make changes now would be even more expensive. Chairman Tveit stated all the contracts have been signed at this point in time. Frank Bitterman asked since the board requested all entities cut back on their budget, have they cut services too. Chairman Tveit stated at this time no services have been cut and no positions have been laid off. Bitterman asked where the money came from to cut. Chairman Tveit stated he didn't understand the question, stating department heads made cuts where they felt they could in their budgets. Bitterman suggested a complete freeze of the road department and wages and asked the board where they will go next year. Chairman Tveit stated they would deal with next year, next year. Commissioner Gunsch stated he is all in favor of the zero percent increase, but he is uncomfortable being pressured in making decisions within five to ten minutes. He stated he would be in very much in favor of taking a recess and coming back this afternoon. He asked the public to let the board make these decisions that is what they were elected for. Commissioner Gunsch stated he heard it last night and heard it again today to cut here, cut there, and about things being not fair. Commissioner Gunsch questioned why the board was elected and asked the public to let the board make those decisions and come back this afternoon. Gunsch added if they make the decision now it is going to be unfair and that's what has happened to them in the past with wages and they were rushed into too much. Commissioner Gunsch noted this year he wanted to make all the wages fair for the county employees because he values the employees. The county hired a consultant to come in and do a wage survey for \$3,000, which was budgeted at \$30,000 saving the county \$27,000. Gunsch stated it's not perfect and needs to be tweaked in the future but it was much cheaper than hiring an HR person. Commissioner Gunsch added he would hate to freeze the wages this year and throw the survey all out because that would be throwing the employees under the bus.

Wes Klein stated this problem is one the board created because the budget process should have started a month ago they would have time to correct things. Commissioner Gunsch stated the board has been working on this budget since back in August.

The board recessed at 11:37 AM. The board reconvened at 1:00 PM.

Chairman Tveit suggested passing the budget as presented and use the next couple of months to look at cutting \$189,102, and two suggestions from the public were to freeze salaries and trim the Sheriff's department. Motion made by Commissioner Gunsch, second by Commissioner Murray to approve the 2017 budget as it stands and make cuts as needed to reduce the 2017 budget by \$189,102 through the rest of 2016. Commissioner Gunsch stated the safest way to go is to not make a hasty decision today and as they go, the board can look at cutting budgets as needed. Gunsch added from 2015 to 2016 health insurance alone increased nearly \$250,000 and Social Services went from \$887,166 to \$915,399 and the county has no control over these things. Chairman Tveit added the county has to budget Social Services to that extent because of state cutbacks and the county has to pick it up. Commissioner Gunsch stated he thinks the county can cut \$189,000 but is not at all in favor of freezing wages. Commissioner Entze stated there are several miscellaneous dues that Mercer County is obligated to pay such as the Hazen Fire and Rescue, Mercer County Fair Board, RC&D, and Vison West. Entze added the dues from the

county pays for various things and the board doesn't have much control over them. Commissioner Scheurer stated he agreed with Gunsch and the increase in insurance costs alone is astronomical and he will fight for not freezing the wages because some people needed adjustments. Chairman Tveit wanted to clarify in the motion that the board is not saying they will not freeze wages or they will not cut from the Sheriff's department, but they will diligently do the cuts that are necessary between now and December 31. Commissioner Gunsch stated he feels they can cut out that dollar amount without cutting the wages. State's Attorney Binder asked if the board was leaving the salary door open, noting elected officials cannot have their salaries reduced. Chairman Tveit stated McLean County had budgeted a 2% increase for all employees and at the last minute approved a zero percent increase to make their budget balance. Tveit added he would rather not go there, but asked the board not to tie their hands by saying they will not decrease wages. On roll call vote: Gunsch, "Aye", Murray, "Aye", Scheurer, "Aye", Entze, "Aye", Tveit, "Aye", motion carried. Commissioner Gunsch asked the department heads for their help and support in cutting the budget and to work together with the board.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and second, the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 PM CST. The next regular meeting of the commission will be October 19, 2016 at 9:00 AM CT in the courtroom of the Mercer County Courthouse, Stanton, North Dakota. APPROVED: WILLIAM L. TVEIT, CHAIRMAN  
ATTEST: SHANA L. BROST, AUDITOR (10-27-16)

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**  
The North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) will receive bids for the construction of the following project(s):  
Job No.: 6  
Project No(s): SC-CNOC-2913(058)  
Length: 10.156  
Type: HBP OVERLAY, STRIPING, AND INCIDENTALS  
County(s): MERCER Co  
Location: CMC 2913 FROM ZA NORTH TO ND 1806  
Bids will be received via the Bid Express on-line bidding exchange at www.bidx.com until 09:30AM, November 14, 2016. Bids will be opened at that time at the NDDOT building on the capital grounds in Bismarck and the bid results will be distributed and posted online at https://www.dot.nd.gov/business/bidinfo.htm approximately 30 minutes after bid are opened.

The proposal forms, plans, and specifications are available on the NDDOT website at http://www.dot.nd.gov and may be inspected at the Construction Services Division, 608 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, North Dakota. All bidders not currently prequalified with NDDOT must submit a Contractor Prequalification Statement (SFN 938) to the Department at least ten (10) business days prior to the bid opening. The form can be found on the NDDOT website. NDDOT reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, waive technicalities, or to accept such as may be determined in the best interests of the state.

Requested by:  
Grant Levi, P.E., Director  
North Dakota Department of Transportation (11-27-16)

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# Beulah's annual Music Booster fundraiser

By KATE JOHNSON

Beulah's Annual Music Booster's Soup, Sandwich and Sound Fundraiser is here once again. Thursday, November 17 the Booster Club will begin serving soup and a sandwich at 5 p.m. at the Beulah Middle School.

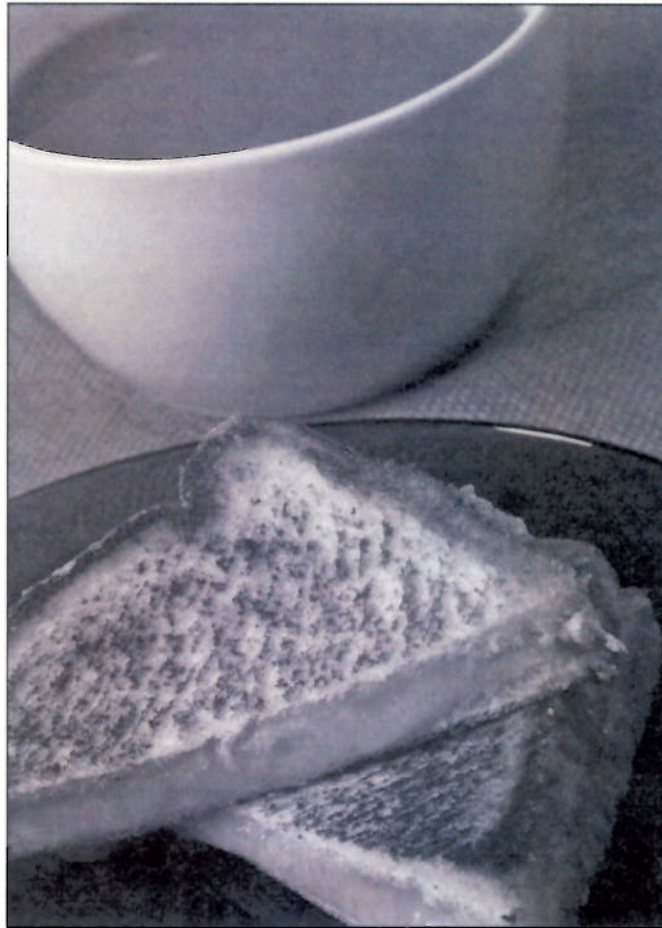
Starting at 5:30 p.m., slide on over into the auditorium for some sound as the seventh and eighth grade band gives their opening performance. All other performances will follow after the previous performance ends, having no set start time, keeping the sound continuous.

Other performances will be the high school band, choir set up, fifth and sixth grade choir performance, and high school choir performance.

At 7:30 p.m. the kitchen will close for the evening.

By participating in Soup, Sandwich and Sound you can find the family some supper and entertainment, meanwhile supporting a great cause. Soup, Sandwich and Sound is the Beulah Music Booster's event that raises money for music programs throughout the year. Adults have an entrance fee of \$6, students have a fee of \$5, with \$3 for preschool and younger.

Patrons will have their



choice between two different soups, sandwiches, and desserts. Parents, along with the

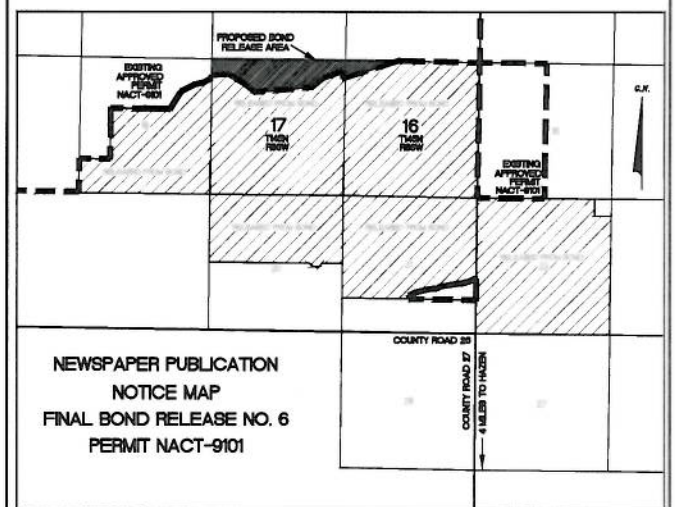
students, have donated their time and volunteered to prepare and help with this event.

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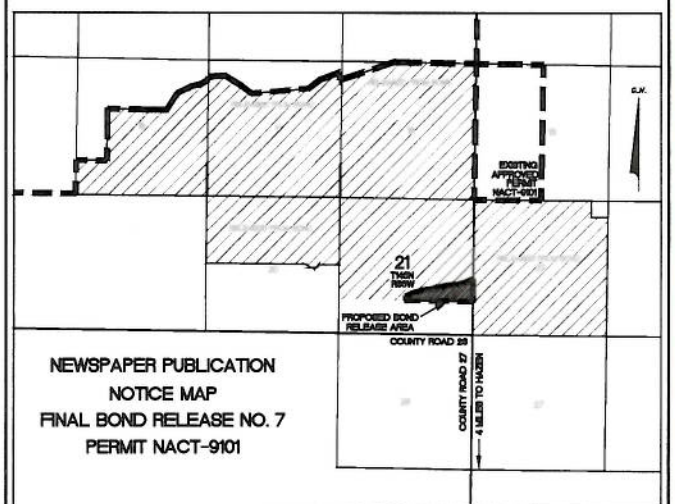
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call vote; Gunsch, "Aye", Entze, "Aye", Scheurer, "Aye", Murray, "Aye", Tveit, "Aye", motion carried.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and second, the meeting was adjourned at 11:42 AM CST. The next regular meeting of the commission will be November 2, 2016 at 9:00 AM CT in the courtroom of the Mercer County Courthouse, Stanton, North Dakota.

Approved: William L. Tveit, Chairman  
Attest: Shana L. Brost, Auditor  
(11-10-16)

## PUBLIC MEETINGS NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, KNIFE RIVER INDIAN VILLAGES NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site will hold public meetings to gather comments on the Draft Archeological Resources Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement. On Wednesday, November 30, 2016 a meeting will be held at the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation Satellite Office, 107 West Main Avenue, Suite #200, Bismarck, ND, 58501. The public meeting will run from 6:30 to 8:00 pm CT. A second public meeting will be held in Stanton from 2:00 to 3:30 pm CT on Thursday, December 1 at the park visitor center. The park visitor center is located ½ mile of Stanton, ND on County Road 37. Light refreshments will be provided. A short presentation will be followed by discussion. The public comment period is open November 4, 2016 until January 4, 2017. For more information, please contact the park at 701-745-3300 or visit <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/> KNRIIdraftEIS.

(11-10-16)

## ORDINANCE NO. 420 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF 1977 OF THE CITY OF BEULAH, MERCER COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA.

(C) Penalty

(1) Any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Zoning Ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). Each and every day that a violation of this Zoning Ordinance shall be continued shall constitute and be considered a separate offense. A violation of any provision of this Zoning Ordinance or the regulations and restrictions made herein shall constitute the maintenance of a public nuisance and shall be an infraction.

The title and penalty section of the above Ordinance is published in accordance with the Laws of the State of North Dakota.

DATED this 17th day of October, 2016.  
HEATHER FEREBEE, CITY AUDITOR  
CITY OF BEULAH  
(11-10-16)

## STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION BNI Coal, Ltd.

Case No. RC-16-256

Revision No. 39, Permit No. BNCR-9702

Approval

### NOTICE OF PERMIT REVISION APPROVAL

NOVEMBER 2, 2016

### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

On June 3, 2016, BNI Coal, Ltd. filed the application for Revision No. 39 to Surface Coal Mining Permit No. BNCR-9702 to revise the postmine topography around Minnkota Power Cooperative's bottom ash inert waste landfill in Section 3, T141N, R84W, and to make some minor updates to the permit.

The Commission has completed its review of the revision application and approved the permit revision. The revision will give BNI Coal, Ltd. the right to modify the mining and reclamation plans in Permit No. BNCR-9702 as described in Revision No. 39.

### NOTICE

Any person with an interest which is or may be adversely affected by this permit revision approval may request a formal hearing with the Commission within thirty days of the publication of this notice. The request should be addressed to the Public Service Commission, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480. PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
Randy Christmann, Commissioner  
Julie Fedorchak, Chairman  
Brian P. Kalk, Commissioner  
(11-10-16)

### NOTICE OF BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, the Mercer County Board of Commissioners will receive bids until 10:00 a.m. (CT), on December 7th, 2016, for one (1) new 2016 or newer end dump truck. Expected gross vehicle G.V.W. 54,000 lbs. Bids will be opened and read thereafter in the commission meeting room of the Mercer County Courthouse located in Stanton, North Dakota. Specifications are available from the Mercer County Road Superintendent office PO Box 412, Beulah, North Dakota 58523 and the Mercer County Auditor's office PO Box 39, Stanton, North Dakota 58571. Bids shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to: Mercer County Auditor, PO Box 39 Stanton, North Dakota 58571, and shall designate on the outside of the envelope "Truck Bids". The bid shall be accompanied by a separate envelope containing a bidder's bond, pursuant to Section 11-11-28 NDCC, in the sum of five percent (5%) of the full amount of the bid, executed by the bidder as principal and by a security company authorized to do business in this state as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into the contract if awarded. All forms must be filled out completely.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to waive any technical defects or irregularities in any bids, and to hold all bids for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date of the bid opening.

All bids shall be submitted on the bidder's proposal furnished by Mercer County.

The price bid for the new truck(s) shall be F.O.B. Beulah, North Dakota. The unit shall be assembled, and ready to operate at the point of delivery.

By Order of the Board of Mercer County Commissioners  
Dated this 2nd November 2016

/s/  
Shana Brost  
Mercer County Auditor  
Stanton, North Dakota 58571  
(11-10-16) (11-17-16) (11-24-16)

IN DISTRICT COURT SOUTH CENTRAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT MERCER COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
Probate No. 29-2016-PR-00038  
In the Matter of the Estate of Harold Entze, Deceased.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication or mailing of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Marlin Entze, personal representative of the estate, 508 15th St. N, Bismarck, ND 58501, or filed with the Court.

Dated this 2nd day of November, 2016.

Marlin Entze  
Personal Representative  
508 15th St. N, Bismarck, ND 58501  
Address  
Lange Donovan & Kaffar, PLLP  
Gregory L. Lange #03491  
Attorneys for the personal representative  
P.O. Box 488  
Hazen, ND 58545-0488  
hazenlaw@westriv.com  
First publication on the 10th day of November, 2016.  
(11-10-16) (11-17-16) (11-24-16)

### NORTH DAKOTA STATE ENGINEER NOTICE OF HEARING CONCERNING FORFEITURE PROCEEDINGS ON WATER PERMIT NO. 3273

Please take notice that under N.D.C.C. § 61-04-24, a hearing concerning forfeiture proceedings on Water Permit No. 3273 will be held by the State Engineer on December 5, 2016, at 9:30 a.m. in the first floor conference room of the Office of the State Engineer, 900 East Boulevard, Bismarck, North Dakota. The hearing will give the permit holder, the owners of land benefited by the appropriation or works, and other interested parties whose rights to use water may be affected by a cancellation of the appropriation an opportunity to show cause why the appropriation, or a portion thereof, should not be canceled.

The water permit that is the subject of this hearing is:  
Water Permit No. 3273.

1. A perfected water permit issued to Duane Walz, Beulah, ND, on December 26, 2000, to appropriate 213 acre-feet of ground water annually at a pumping rate of 735 gallons per minute for irrigation purposes.

2. The priority date is June 2, 1980.

3. The point of diversion is located in the SW/4 of Section 27, T146N, R88W, Mercer Co., ND.

4. The land to be irrigated is 142 acres located in the E/2NE/4 and E/2SE/4 of Section 33, T146N, R88W, Mercer Co., ND.

Forfeiture proceedings have been initiated against this permit because the water is no longer being beneficially used for irrigation purposes.

TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that if no individual appears at the hearing or files a written protest by the hearing date, the water permit or portion thereof will be declared forfeited and canceled. If interested parties appear and contest the cancellation, the State Engineer will hear the evidence and if it appears that the water has not been put to a beneficial use or, having been so used at one time, has ceased to be used for such purposes for more than three years, unless the failure or cessation of use was due to the unavailability of water, a justifiable inability to complete the works, or other good and sufficient cause, the same, or a portion thereof, will be declared forfeited and canceled.

If auxiliary aids or services such as readers, signers, or Braille material are required, please contact the Office of the State Engineer, 900 East Boulevard, Bismarck, ND 58505; or call (701) 328-4941 at least seven working days before the hearing. TTY-Relay ND 1-800-366-6888 or 711.

DATED November 1, 2016.  
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
By: Garland Erbele, P.E.  
State Engineer  
(11-10-16) (11-17-16)

### NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR TEMPORARY CLOSING OF SECTION LINE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Petition by Dakota Westmoreland Corporation, 6204 13th Street SW, Beulah, North Dakota 58523-0039, has filed with the Board of Mercer County Commissioners requesting that the following section line be temporarily closed for the purpose of conducting surface coal mining and reclamation operations:

The section line common to Sections 20 and 29, Township 143 North, Range 88 West, Mercer County, North Dakota.

A hearing on the Petition will be held by the Board of Mercer County Commissioners in the Mercer County Courthouse in Stanton, North Dakota, on the 7th day of December, 2016, at 10:30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence bearing upon the above request by the Petitioner. Statements may be made orally or in writing at the time of the public hearing. The Petition for closing said section line is on file in the Office of the County Auditor and may be viewed by interested persons during regular office hours.

By order of the Board of Mercer County Commissioners.  
SHANA BROST, MERCER COUNTY AUDITOR  
(11-07-16)

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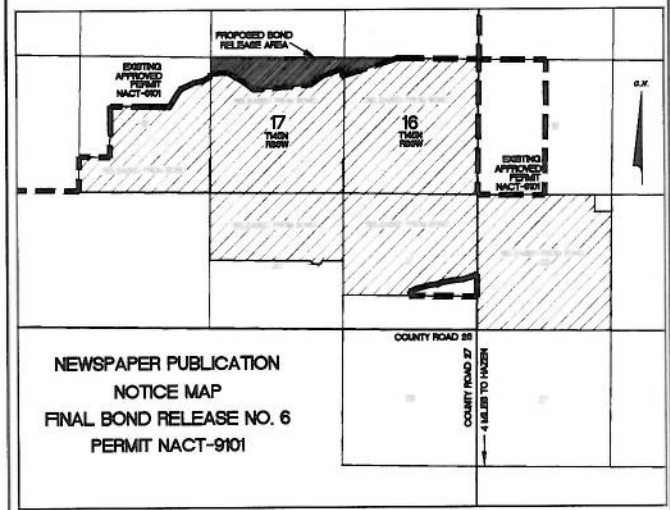
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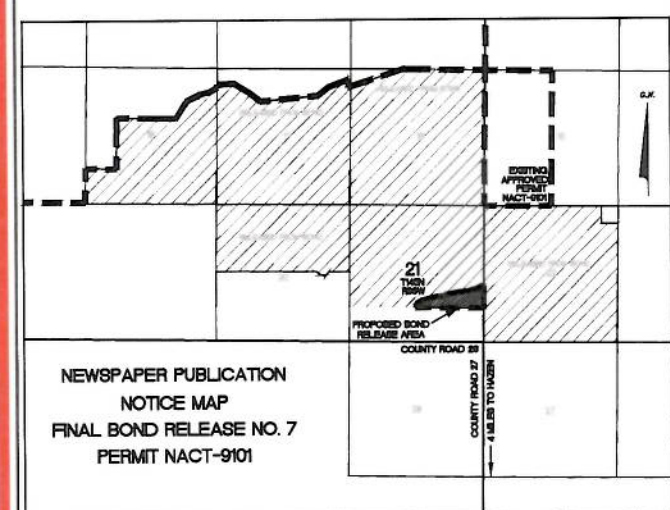
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COTEAU PROPERTIES/AMANDA HOFFER HZ-NOTICE FILING BOND RELEASE 30.579 AC

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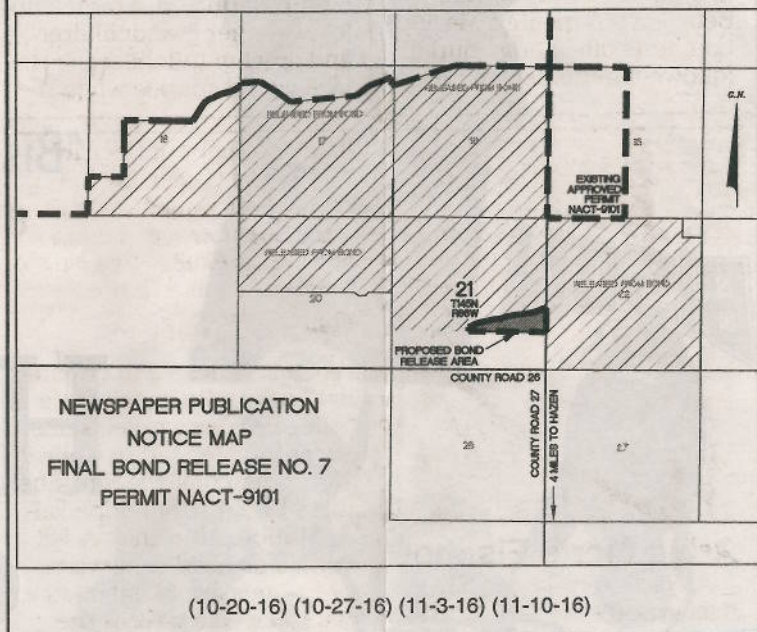
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# Public Notice

GENERAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 8, 2016			
D	STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA	E	MERCER COUNTY
<p><b>Judge of the District Court South Central Judicial District Judgeship No. 5</b> Vote for no more than ONE name</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Cynthia M Feland</p>	<p><b>MEASURES BALLOT</b></p> <p>Vote by darkening the oval (●) next to the word "YES" or "NO" following the explanation of each measure.</p>	<p><b>Initiated Statutory Measure No. 4</b></p> <p>This initiated measure would provide for a new veterans' tobacco tax trust fund in North Dakota Century Code Chapter 37-14 to fund certain veterans' programs. This fund, among others, would be supported by an increase in the excise tax on cigarettes from \$0.44 to \$2.20 per package of twenty cigarettes, as well as an increase in the excise tax on cigars from 28% to 56% of the wholesale purchase price at which the product is purchased by distributors. The excise tax on all other tobacco products is increased a commensurate amount. The measure also would create an inventory tax on cigarettes and tobacco products. All revenues received by the tax commissioner under this measure would be allocated among the State's general fund, the veterans' tobacco trust fund, and the community health trust fund. The measure would create and amend provisions in Chapter 57-36, including new definitions for inhalation devices, liquid nicotine, and tobacco products; prohibiting retailers from being distributors and requiring distributors to keep additional records; setting requirements for registration of liquid nicotine retailers; and regulating the alteration of liquid nicotine.</p> <p>Finally, the measure would repeal two provisions of current law related to an excise tax on cigarettes and the exemption for taxes on cigarettes and tobacco products given to occupants of the State's veterans' home and the state hospital.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES - means you approve the measure summarized above. <input type="radio"/> NO - means you reject the measure summarized above.</p>	
<p><b>Judge of the District Court South Central Judicial District Judgeship No. 8</b> Unexpired 4-Year Term Vote for no more than ONE name</p> <p style="text-align: center;">James S Hill</p>	<p><b>Constitutional Measure No. 1</b> (Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4010, 2015 Session Laws, Ch. 500)</p> <p>This constitutional measure would amend and reenact section 5 of Article IV of the North Dakota Constitution and prohibit an individual from serving in the legislative assembly, unless the individual lives in the district from which he or she was selected.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES - means you approve the measure summarized above. <input type="radio"/> NO - means you reject the measure summarized above.</p>		<p><b>Initiated Statutory Measure No. 5</b></p> <p>This initiated measure would add a new chapter to Title 19 of the North Dakota Century Code creating an Act which provides for the medical use of marijuana for defined medical conditions, such as cancer, AIDS, hepatitis C, ALS, glaucoma, and epilepsy. To participate in the program, the Act would provide for identification cards and certificates of registration which would be issued by the Department of Health for patients, caregivers, and qualified facilities, if all requirements are met. The Act would create provisions for monitoring, inventorying, dispensing, cultivating and growing marijuana to be regulated and enforced by the Department of Health. A qualified patient could be dispensed up to three ounces of usable marijuana, and could grow marijuana if his or her home is located more than forty miles from the nearest registered facility. For violations, the Act would authorize the Department of Health to provide for corrective action, suspension, revocation, appeal, hearings, and referral for criminal prosecution. The Act would require the Department of Health to submit an annual report to the legislature regarding program statistics.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES - means you approve the measure summarized above. <input type="radio"/> NO - means you reject the measure summarized above.</p>
<p><b>County Commissioner At Large Mercer County</b> Vote for no more than TWO names</p> <p style="text-align: center;">William L(Bill) Tveit Frank H Bitterman Duane Scheurer Dwight Berger</p>	<p><b>Constitutional Measure No. 2</b> (Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4003, 2015 Session Laws, Ch. 499)</p> <p>This constitutional measure would amend and reenact section 24 of Article X of the North Dakota Constitution by depositing ten percent of the revenue from oil extraction taxes in the common schools trust fund and ten percent of the revenue in the foundation aid stabilization fund. Except as otherwise provided, the principal of the foundation aid stabilization fund may be expended upon order of the Governor, only to offset reductions in state aid to school districts due to a revenue shortage. The measure also would allow the legislative assembly to use any excess principal balance of the foundation aid stabilization fund for education-related purposes whenever the balance exceeds fifteen percent of the general fund appropriation for state aid to school districts for the most recently completed biennium.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES - means you approve the measure summarized above. <input type="radio"/> NO - means you reject the measure summarized above.</p>		<p><b>Initiated Constitutional Measure No. 3</b></p> <p>This initiated measure would add a new section to Article I of the North Dakota Constitution which would provide certain rights to victims of crime in this state, including the right to be treated with respect, to be free from harassment, and to be protected from the accused. The measure would provide for the right to prevent the disclosure of confidential information about the victim; to refuse or limit questioning of the victim; to notice of, and presence at, court proceedings; and to notice of release or escape of the accused. The measure would provide for the right to be heard in court proceedings, to provide information about the impact of the offender's conduct, and to receive reports relevant to these rights. The measure would provide for the right to restitution from an offender for losses suffered as a result of criminal conduct; to be informed of the outcome of the case and of the detention or other disposition of the offender; and to be informed of, and participate in, post-judgment processes.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES - means you approve the measure summarized above. <input type="radio"/> NO - means you reject the measure summarized above.</p>
<p><b>Supervisor, Soil Conservation District</b> Vote for no more than ONE name</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Janet L Connolly</p>	<p><b>VOTE BOTH SIDES</b></p>		
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# Awards

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## CENTER/STANTON PUBLIC SCHOOL OCTOBER 13, 2016 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Chairman Loren Henke called the regular board meeting of the Center/Stanton School Board to order at 7:00 p.m. on October 13, 2016. Roll call was taken and board members present in addition to Chairman Henke were Scott Jaeger, Richard Schmidt, Cassandra DuMond, and Stacey Olander. Administrators present were Superintendent Tracy Peterson, Elementary Principal Kathy Bullinger, and High School Principal George Duenas. Also present were Business Manager Jacob Erhardt and BHG representative Annette Tait.

Set Agenda: Jaeger moved to set the agenda. Schmidt seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried (M/C).  
Approval of Minutes: Schmidt moved to approve the minutes from the September 7, 2016 Regular Board meeting. DuMond seconded the motion. All in favor. M/C.

Financial Reports: Monthly Financial Reports consisting of the General Fund, Activity Fund, Building Fund, Hot Lunch Fund and September payroll totals were presented to the Board. Schmidt moved to accept the financial reports (consent agenda) until audited. Jaeger seconded the motion. All in favor. M/C.

Bills: Jaeger moved to pay the following bills as presented: 412-PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC. 808.87; ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS 1,491.14; ANDERSON CUSTOM CABINETS 1,310.00; ANDERSON MOTORS LLC 340.00; BADLANDS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS 300.00; BARCLAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES 141.06; BHG INC 213.50; BISHMAN LAWNSPRINKLERS & SEEDING 150.00; BPS CAREER ACADEMY 4,550.00; CASSON, JOHN 85.00; CENTER COAL COMPANY 1,066.96; CITY OF CENTER 509.77; CKEN-11 DPI FALL CONFERENCE 640.00; COAL COUNTRY CHC 242.00; COLE PAPERS INC 1,658.78; CORNER EXPRESS 689.37; DECKER EQUIPMENT 42.90; DOLL, MARY 97.25; DUENAS, GEORGE 108.00; ERHARDT, JACOB 63.30; FIDELDY, NICOLE 43.65; FROSETH-SORGE, MELISSA 46.14; GERRELLS & COMPANY 32.00; GREAT AMERICAN OPPORTUNITIES 846.60; HANSON, LACEY 251.00; HARLOW'S BUS SALES, INC 642.54; HAZEN DRUG STORE 16.46; HINTZ, JODI 90.00; HOUGHTON MIFFLIN 305.47; HOOPSTER 20.00; JAVA ROSE FLORAL 40.00; JW PEPPER & SON INC 94.65; LILLIS ELECTRIC INC 1,427.80; LRP PUBLICATIONS 308.50; MANDAN PLUMBING & HEATING INC 3,613.52; MARKLEVITZ, DAVE 6,430.00; MCGRAW HILL 584.82; MCLEAN-MERCER REGIONAL LIBRARY 1,920.00; MECKLE, MELISSA 300.00; MENARDS 1,302.84; MERCER COUNTY TREASURER 8.00; MEYHOFF, RUBY 40.28; MISSOURI RIVER EDUCATIONAL COOP 50.00; MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES COMPANY 3,049.05; MSU DIVISION OF MUSIC 60.00; ND SCIENCE OLYMPIAD 340.00; ND CENTER FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION 1,016.30; NDACDA 21.00; NDCEL 1,910.00; NDSBA 530.00; NDCU GROUP ACCOUNT 1,926.73; NETWORK CENTER INC 350.00; OFFICE MAX INCORPORATED 285.18; PEARSON EDUCATION 283.86; PETERSON, TRACY 162.00; RDO EQUIPMENT 60.06; REGION VII SPEECH, MUSIC, DRAMA 485.00; ROTO ROOTER INC 370.00; ROUGHRIDER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE 58.30; RUD PROPANE LLP 95.00; RUNNINGS SUPPLY INC 307.02; SCHOLASTIC INC 98.89; SCHOOL SPECIALTY INC

284.20; SECURITY FIRST BANK OF ND VISA 7,065.29; SLETEN EXCAVATING INC 21,239.08; SPIFFY BIFFS 184.00; SQUARE BUTTE CREEK GOLF COURSE 35.19; STAGERIGHT CORP. 1,845.00; STEINS INC 66.52; SYSCO NORTH DAKOTA INC 259.62; TRAINING ROOM INC 31.20; TWIN CITY ROOFING INC 759.00; US FOODS 21.11; US POSTAL SERVICE 232.63; VITEK, KEITH 477.28; WALMART COMMUNITY 452.60; WARDS SCIENCE 119.22; WEX BANK 1,505.42; WRT 726.97. General Fund Total: \$79,634.89. Olander seconded the motion. All in favor. M/C.

Administrative Reports:  
Elementary Principal's Report: Mrs. Bullinger reported on Enrollment; Trainings; End of Quarter 1; and Red Ribbon Month.

Secondary Principal's Report: Mr. Duenas reported on Enrollment; Zap Program; Snapchat; WAT Time; Parent/Teacher Conference; and End of Quarter 1.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Peterson reported on the School Pamphlet; Buildings/Grounds Update; Extra-Curricular Update; ACT Composite Certificate; and Superintendent Evaluation.

Old Business:  
NDSBA/NDASBM Convention. Erhardt reported Jaeger, Schmidt, and Henke are registered for the School Board Convention and on October 27th and 28th.

New Business:  
Extra-Curricular Meeting Update: September 12, 2016

Dance. Mr. Peterson informed the board that he will be sending out a conclusion and status update of the dance program to parents.

Personnel Committee Update: September 13, 2016

Temporary Custodian - Mr. Peterson informed the board that the committee has discussed hiring John Casson part-time. Rick made a motion to hire John Casson part-time at 20 hours per week. Olander seconded the motion. Jaeger made a motion to amend the motion to hire John Casson for up to 25 hours per week. Olander seconded the amendment. Roll call vote on amendment to the motion: Schmidt-yes, Jaeger-yes, Olander-yes, DuMond-yes, and Henke-yes. Motion Amended.

Roll call vote on the amendment motion: DuMond-yes, Olander-yes, Jaeger-yes, Schmidt-yes, and Henke-yes. M/C.

Aide Position. Mr. Peterson informed the board on the discussion of advertising for a certified teacher to be a full time aide/sub for the school. Schmidt made a motion to advertise for a full time certified teacher aide/sub for the school with the deadline for applications being November 15, 2016. Olander seconded the motion. All in favor. M/C.

Policy Update: GABAA - English Language Learner. Mr. Peterson informed the board that the current GABAA Policy needs to have the date revised. Schmidt made a motion to revise the GABAA - English Language Learner date. DuMond seconded the motion. All in favor. M/C.

Meeting Dates:  
Buildings/Grounds/Transportation - November 8, 2016 at 7:00 a.m. CT

Regular Board Meeting - November 14, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. CT

Jaeger moved to adjourn the meeting. Schmidt seconded the motion. All in favor. M/C.

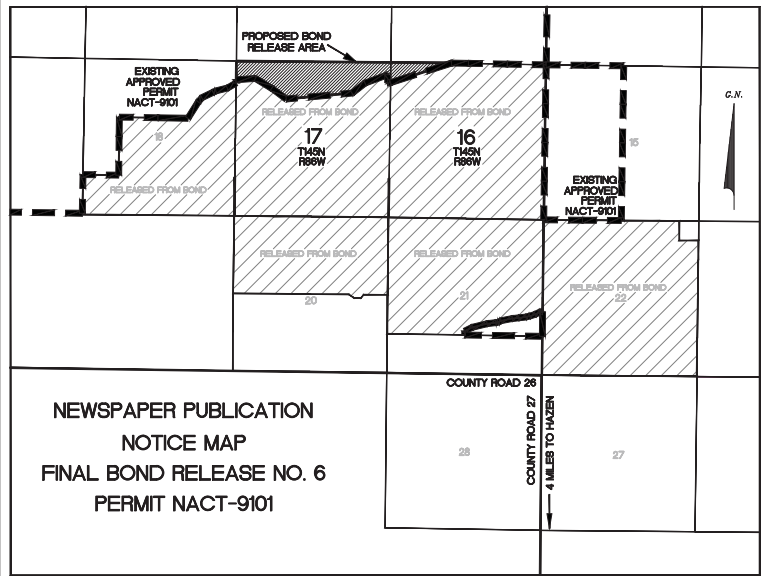
Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m. CT. These published proceedings are subject to review and revision by the Board.

Jacob Erhardt, Business Manager (10-20-16)

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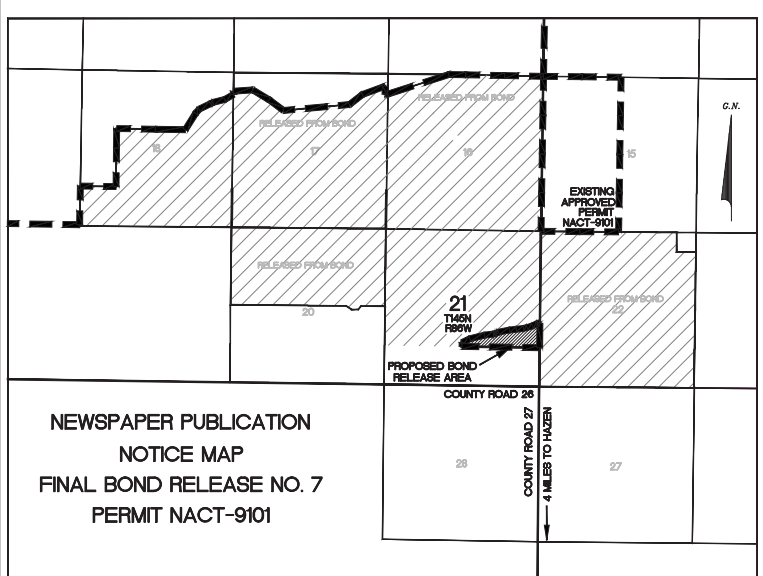


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Dan Dorschmidt with Butler Machinery was nominated for the outstanding service as a supplier to the area's lignite mines. Butler Machinery has recently expanded their lines of equipment beyond the traditional Caterpillar dealership.

Lyll Workman with Barr Engineering was also nominated for his long-term relationship with the area lignite mines including work on a study that was performed recently regarding soil stability at one of the mines.

Finally, the Lignite Energy Council recognized two of the pioneers in the lignite industry - Basin Electric Power Cooperative retirees Rich Fockler and Kent Janssen. Both were young engineers hired by Basin Electric soon after the first unit of the Leland Olds Station was built in the mid-1960s. Over the years, the two oversaw the construction and operation of numerous lignite facilities that are still in operation today.

Janssen retired in 1998 as vice president and chief operating officer for Dakota Gasification Company, and Fockler retired in 1999 as vice president of operations and engineering at Basin Electric. Both Fockler and Janssen received the Lignite Life Achievement Awards.

The Lignite Energy Council is a regional trade association representing North Dakota lignite producers, electric utilities and approximately 300 businesses providing goods and services to the mines and plants. The lignite industry generates approximately \$3 billion in gross business volume within the state.

## KRCC

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Gendreau complimented his staff on successfully cutting out the \$372,000 that was needed and meeting that requirement.

"By the steps we took, we looked at the non-labor items and concentrated on that, but you can't do that forever," Gendreau explained.

Heading into this next legislative session, Gendreau said he and administrators from other facilities scattered throughout North Dakota are working on a plan to get funding back up to where it needs to be.

"My concern would be, as we approach this next legislative session, with the way they are talking, this could get even worse," said Gendreau. Come January, during the legislative session, if they can't find the means to fund it's going to be even more negative impact on staffing ratios and, of course, we're a hands-on type of industry and those people need the help from staff."

Gendreau mentioned the action plan they have been preparing and the conversations already had by KRCC and legislators.

"We have to make them realize that the quality care is what will suffer if we have to continue down this path," explained Gendreau.

The projected \$25 million decrease is said to begin annually starting January 1, 2017.

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# Public Notice

GENERAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 8, 2016	
<b>B</b> STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA	<b>E</b> MERCER COUNTY
<p><b>Judge of the District Court South Central Judicial District Judgeship No. 5</b> Vote for no more than ONE name</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Cynthia M Feland</p>	<p><b>MEASURES BALLOT</b></p> <p>Vote by darkening the oval (●) next to the word "YES" or "NO" following the explanation of each measure.</p>
<p><b>Judge of the District Court South Central Judicial District Judgeship No. 8</b> Unexpired 4-Year Term Vote for no more than ONE name</p> <p><input type="radio"/> James S Hill</p>	
<p><b>County Commissioner At Large Mercer County</b> Vote for no more than TWO names</p> <p><input type="radio"/> William L(Bill) Tveit</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Frank H Bitterman</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Duane Scheurer</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Dwight Berger</p>	<p><b>Constitutional Measure No. 1</b> (Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4010, 2015 Session Laws, Ch. 500)</p> <p>This constitutional measure would amend and reenact section 5 of Article IV of the North Dakota Constitution and prohibit an individual from serving in the legislative assembly, unless the individual lives in the district from which he or she was selected.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES - means you approve the measure summarized above.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO - means you reject the measure summarized above.</p>
<p><b>Supervisor, Soil Conservation District</b> Vote for no more than ONE name</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Janet L Connolly</p>	
<p><b>Initiated Constitutional Measure No. 3</b></p> <p>This initiated measure would add a new section to Article I of the North Dakota Constitution which would provide certain rights to victims of crime in this state, including the right to be treated with respect, to be free from harassment, and to be protected from the accused. The measure would provide for the right to prevent the disclosure of confidential information about the victim; to refuse or limit questioning of the victim; to notice of, and presence at, court proceedings; and to notice of release or escape of the accused. The measure would provide for the right to be heard in court proceedings, to provide information about the impact of the offender's conduct, and to receive reports relevant to these rights. The measure would provide for the right to restitution from an offender for losses suffered as a result of criminal conduct; to be informed of the outcome of the case and of the detention or other disposition of the offender; and to be informed of, and participate in, post-judgment processes.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES - means you approve the measure summarized above.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO - means you reject the measure summarized above.</p>	<p><b>Initiated Statutory Measure No. 4</b></p> <p>This initiated measure would provide for a new veterans' tobacco tax trust fund in North Dakota Century Code Chapter 37-14 to fund certain veterans' programs. This fund, among others, would be supported by an increase in the excise tax on cigarettes from \$0.44 to \$2.20 per package of twenty cigarettes, as well as an increase in the excise tax on cigars from 28% to 56% of the wholesale purchase price at which the product is purchased by distributors. The excise tax on all other tobacco products is increased a commensurate amount. The measure also would create an inventory tax on cigarettes and tobacco products. All revenues received by the tax commissioner under this measure would be allocated among the State's general fund, the veterans' tobacco trust fund, and the community health trust fund. The measure would create and amend provisions in Chapter 57-36, including new definitions for inhalation devices, liquid nicotine, and tobacco products; prohibiting retailers from being distributors and requiring distributors to keep additional records; setting requirements for registration of liquid nicotine retailers; and regulating the alteration of liquid nicotine.</p> <p>Finally, the measure would repeal two provisions of current law related to an excise tax on cigarettes and the exemption for taxes on occupants of the State's veterans' home and the state hospital.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES - means you approve the measure summarized above.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO - means you reject the measure summarized above.</p>
<p><b>Initiated Statutory Measure No. 5</b></p> <p>This initiated measure would add a new chapter to Title 19 of the North Dakota Century Code creating an Act which provides for the medical use of marijuana for defined medical conditions, such as cancer, AIDS, hepatitis C, ALS, glaucoma, and epilepsy. To participate in the program, the Act would provide for identification cards and certificates of registration which would be issued by the Department of Health for patients, caregivers, and qualified facilities, if all requirements are met. The Act would create provisions for monitoring, inventorying, dispensing, cultivating and growing marijuana to be regulated and enforced by the Department of Health. A qualified patient could be dispensed up to three ounces of usable marijuana, and could grow marijuana if his or her home is located more than forty miles from the nearest registered facility. For violations, the Act would authorize the Department of Health to provide for corrective action, suspension, revocation, appeal, hearings, and referral for criminal prosecution. The Act would require the Department of Health to submit an annual report to the legislature regarding program statistics.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES - means you approve the measure summarized above.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO - means you reject the measure summarized above.</p>	
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## Hazen votes



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Hazen residents of all ages line up to vote in the 2016 election and make their voices heard.

## KRIV seeking public comment on draft archeological, environmental material

The archeological resources and cultural landscape of the Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site are important in telling the story of the people who lived in this area over thousands of years. The park history did not end with the decimation of the village population from the widespread small pox epidemic in the early 1800's. Park resources continue to be an essential part of the heritage and contemporary culture of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation as their traditional homeland.

To preserve that story for years to come, KRIV has prepared an archeological resources management plan, which includes a draft environmental impact statement, to provide a framework for proactive, sustainable archeological resource management for the next 30 years. The National Park Service has identified four major threats to archeological resources at the park — river-bank erosion, infrastructure location, pocket gopher activity, and vegetation encroachment. The plan, prepared in consultation and coordination with state agencies, tribal governments, and others, evaluates three alternatives and a suite of adaptive management tools to address these threats and determine the potential effects of the alternatives on the human and natural environment.

The archeological resources management plan and draft environmental impact statement are available for a 60-day public review period through Jan. 4, 2017. The park will also hold public meetings Wednesday, Nov. 30, at the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation satellite office, Bismarck, and Thursday, Dec. 1, at the park visitor center, to gather comments on the plan and environmental impact

statement (see information box for details).

There are several ways to comment on the Archeological Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement. Comments

perintendent@nps.gov; or by mail to: Superintendent, Knife River Indian Villages NHS, PO Box 9 Stanton, ND 58571. Interested persons may also call the park, 701-745-3300, to be included in the contact list.

Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site was established in 1974 as the only one of 401 National Park Service sites that commemorates the extensive history and development of Northern Great Plains tribal cultures. The park is recognized as containing some of the nation's best-preserved examples of remnant earthlodge villages on the Missouri River in the Dakotas. The most identifiable archeological resources are the village sites, marked on the landscape by large earthlodge ring depressions. In addition to the village sites, dozens of archeological sites and features have been identified throughout the park.

For more information, contact KRIV, 701-745-3300.

### KRIV public meetings and comment options

**Wednesday, November 30**  
6:30 to 8 p.m. CT  
Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation  
Satellite Office  
107 West Main Avenue, Suite #200  
Bismarck, ND 58501

**Thursday, December 1**  
2 to 3:30 p.m. CT  
KRIV visitor center  
½ mile north of Stanton  
on County Road 37

Light refreshments will be provided. A short presentation will be followed by discussion.

**Submit comments**  
In person: At public meetings (see above)  
Online: [www.parkplanning.nps.gov/knri](http://www.parkplanning.nps.gov/knri)  
Email: [knri\\_superintendent@nps.gov](mailto:knri_superintendent@nps.gov)  
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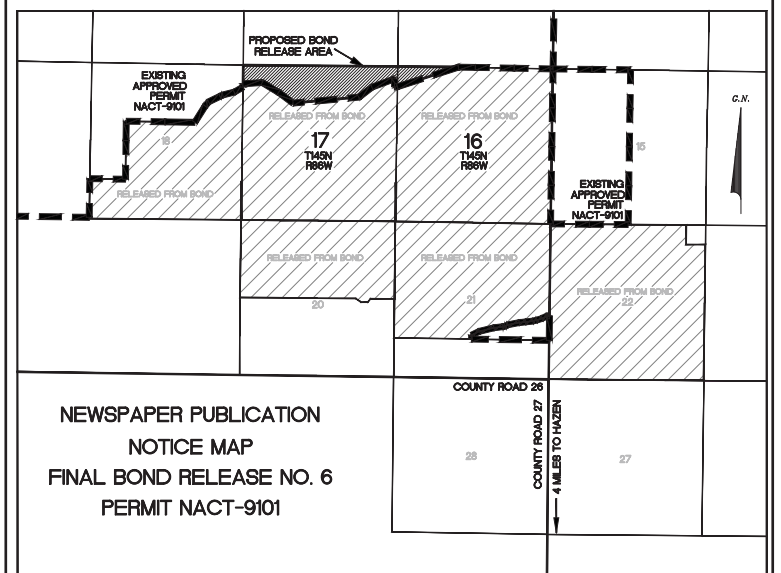
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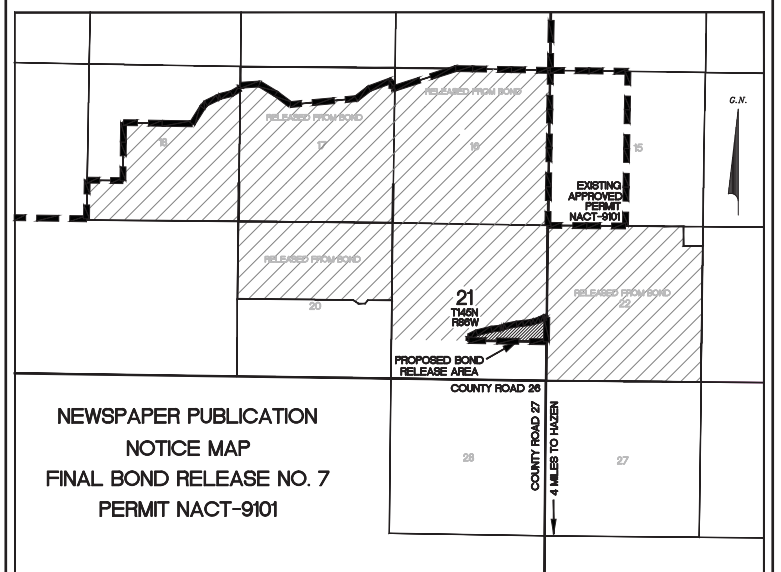
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