



September 14, 2022

Mark Steele  
NDPSC  
600 East Blvd.  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Abandoned Mine Land Site – Sinkhole Maintenance

Dear Mr. Steele,

The North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department (NDPRD) has reviewed the above-referenced Abandoned Mine Land Sites near the cities of Beulah, Bowman, Scranton, Dickinson, Richardton, New Salem, Washburn, Turtle Lake, Underwood, Noonan, Velva, Williston, and Zap, North Dakota

NDPRD's scope of authority and expertise covers properties that NDPRD owns, leases, or manages; properties protected under Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF); rare plants; and ecological communities established through the Natural Heritage Program.

The project does not appear to affect properties NDPRD owns, leases, or manages.

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A North Dakota Natural Heritage biological conservation database query determines if any current or historical plant or animal species of concern or other significant ecological communities are known to occur within an approximate one-mile radius of the project area. Based on this review, we have known plant and animal species of concern and significant ecological communities documented within and adjacent to the project sites. See the attached maps for a reference regarding these occurrences.

We appreciate your commitment to rare plant, animal, and ecological community conservation, management, and inter-agency cooperation. For additional information, please me at 701-328-5370, 701-220-3377 (cell), or kgduttenhefner@nd.gov.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathy Duttenhefner".

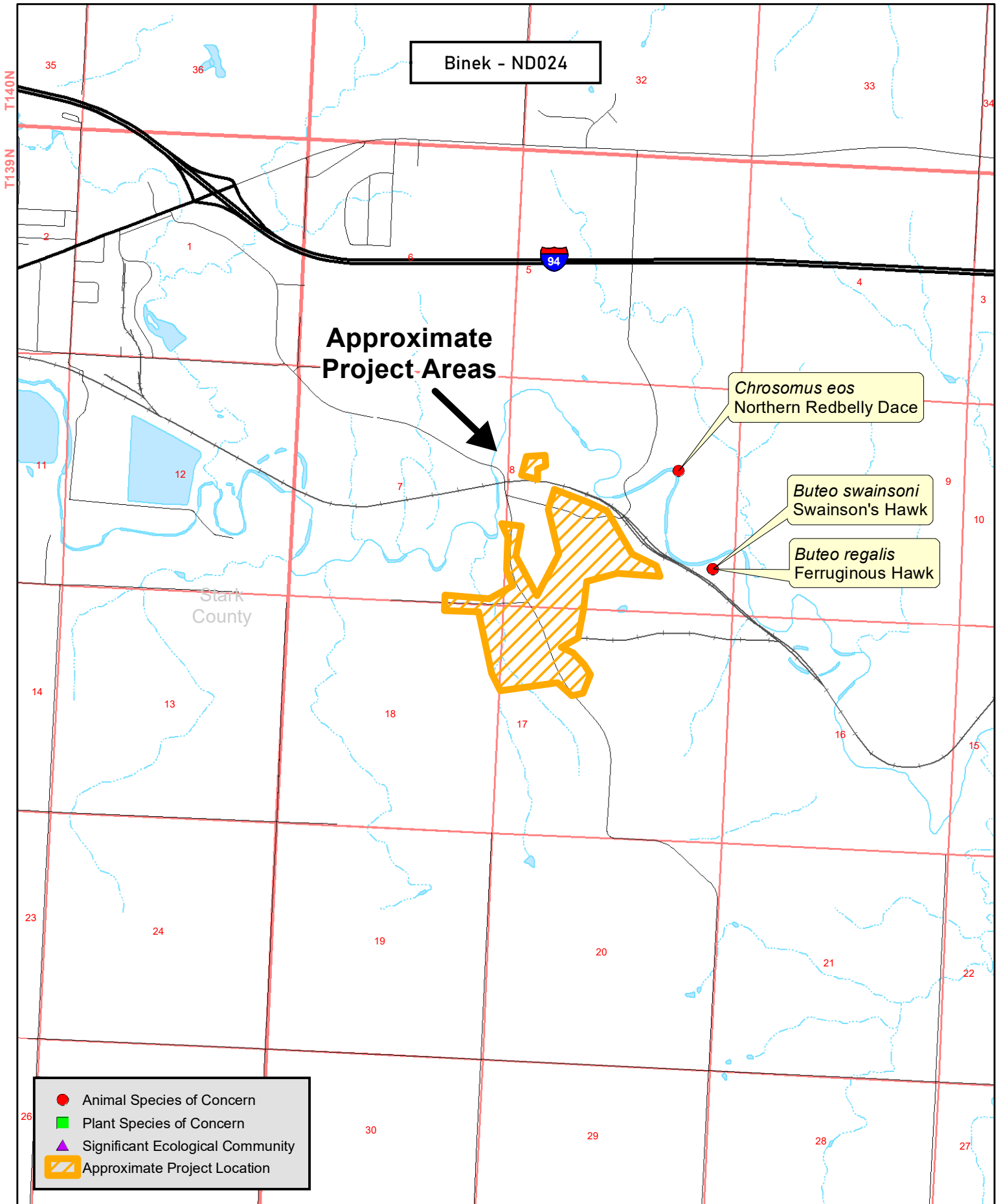
Kathy Duttenhefner, Chief Natural Resources Division

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Response to Request for Auth. to Proceed for Sinkhole Filling Projects  
North Dakota Parks & Recreation Department  
Kathy Duttenhefner  
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North Dakota Natural Heritage Inventory  
Rare Animal and Plant Species and Significant Ecological Communities

State Scientific Name	State Common Name	State Rank	Global Rank	Federal Status	Township Range Section	County	Last Observation	Estimated Representation Accuracy	Precision
<i>Buteo regalis</i>	Ferruginous Hawk	SU	G4		139N095W - 08; 139N095W - 05; 139N095W - 07; 139N095W - 10; 139N095W - 04; 139N095W - 06; 139N095W - 18; 139N095W - 21; 139N095W - 15; 139N095W - 16; 139N095W - 20; 139N095W - 09; 139N095W - 17	Stark	1994-06		M
<i>Buteo swainsoni</i>	Swainson's Hawk	SU	G5		139N095W - 08; 139N095W - 05; 139N095W - 07; 139N095W - 10; 139N095W - 04; 139N095W - 06; 139N095W - 18; 139N095W - 21; 139N095W - 15; 139N095W - 16; 139N095W - 20; 139N095W - 09; 139N095W - 17	Stark	1994-06		M
<i>Chrosomus eos</i>	Northern Redbelly Dace	S4	G5		139N095W - 08; 139N095W - 07; 139N095W - 09; 139N095W - 17; 139N095W - 18; 139N095W - 04; 139N095W - 05; 139N095W - 16; 139N095W - 06	Stark	1976-06-21		M

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Approximate  
Project Areas

*Chrosomus eos*  
Northern Redbelly Dace

*Buteo swainsoni*  
Swainson's Hawk

*Buteo regalis*  
Ferruginous Hawk

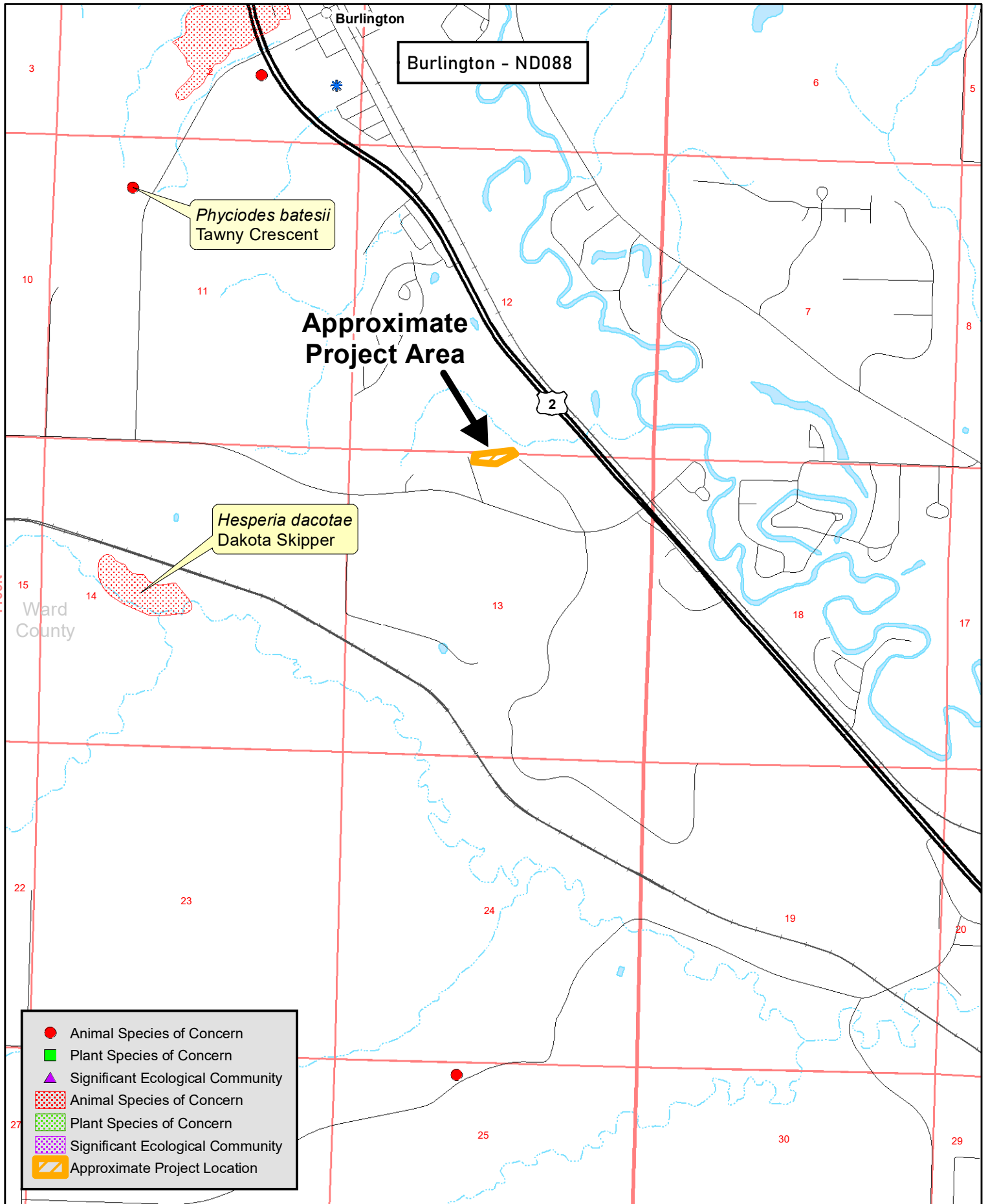
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County

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- Plant Species of Concern
- ▲ Significant Ecological Community
- ▨ Approximate Project Location

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Hesperia dacotae	Dakota Skipper	S2	G2	LT	155N084W - 14	Ward	1991-06-27	Medium	S
Phyciodes batesii	Tawny Crescent	S3	G4		155N084W - 11	Ward	1991-06-27		S

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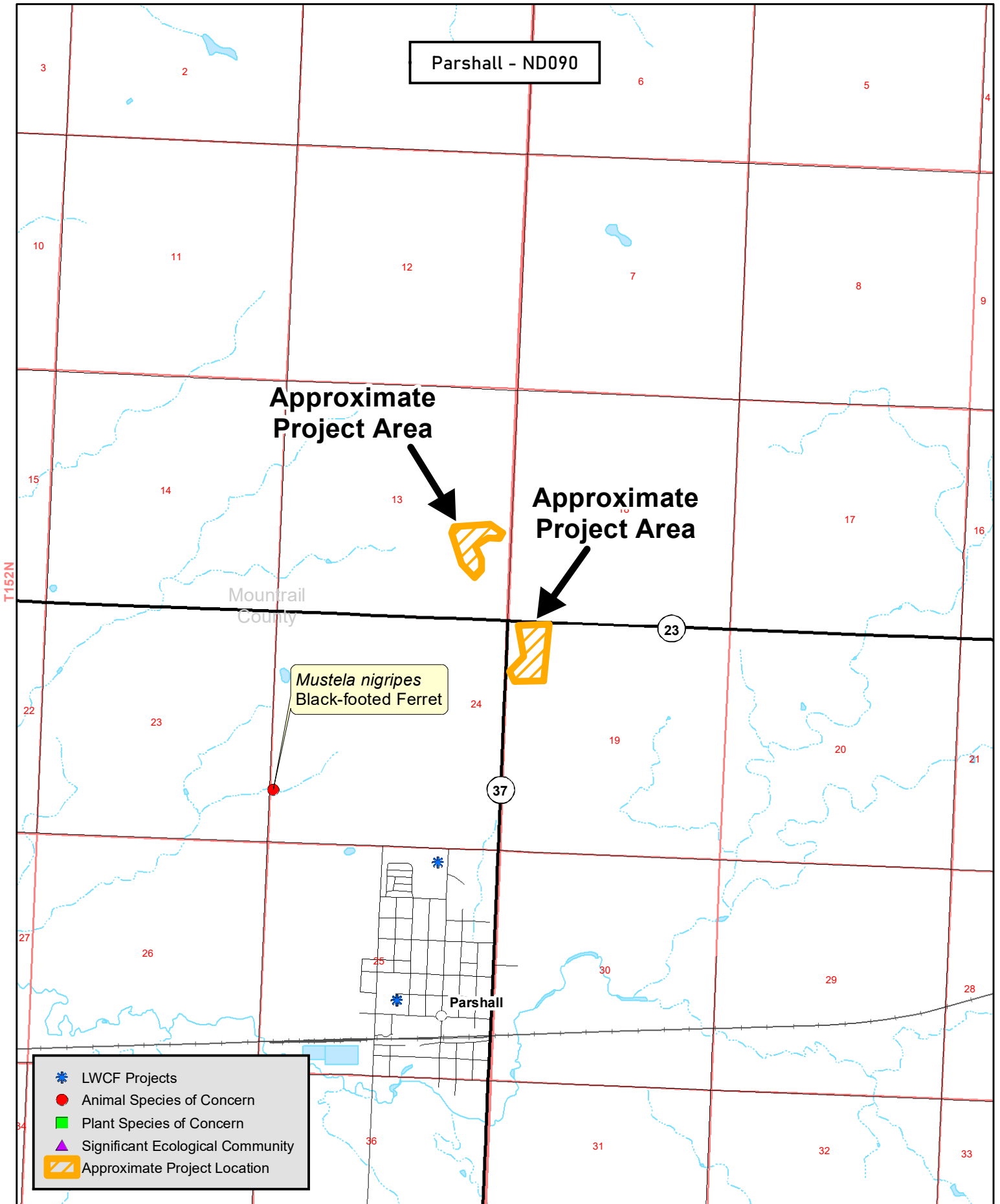


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Mustela nigripes	Black-footed Ferret	S1	G1	LE,XN	152N090W - 23; 152N089W - 30; 152N090W - 36; 152N090W - 14; 152N090W - 22; 152N090W - 35; 152N089W - 19; 152N090W - 25; 152N090W - 27; 152N090W - 24; 152N090W - 26; 152N090W - 13	Mountrail	1967	Low	M

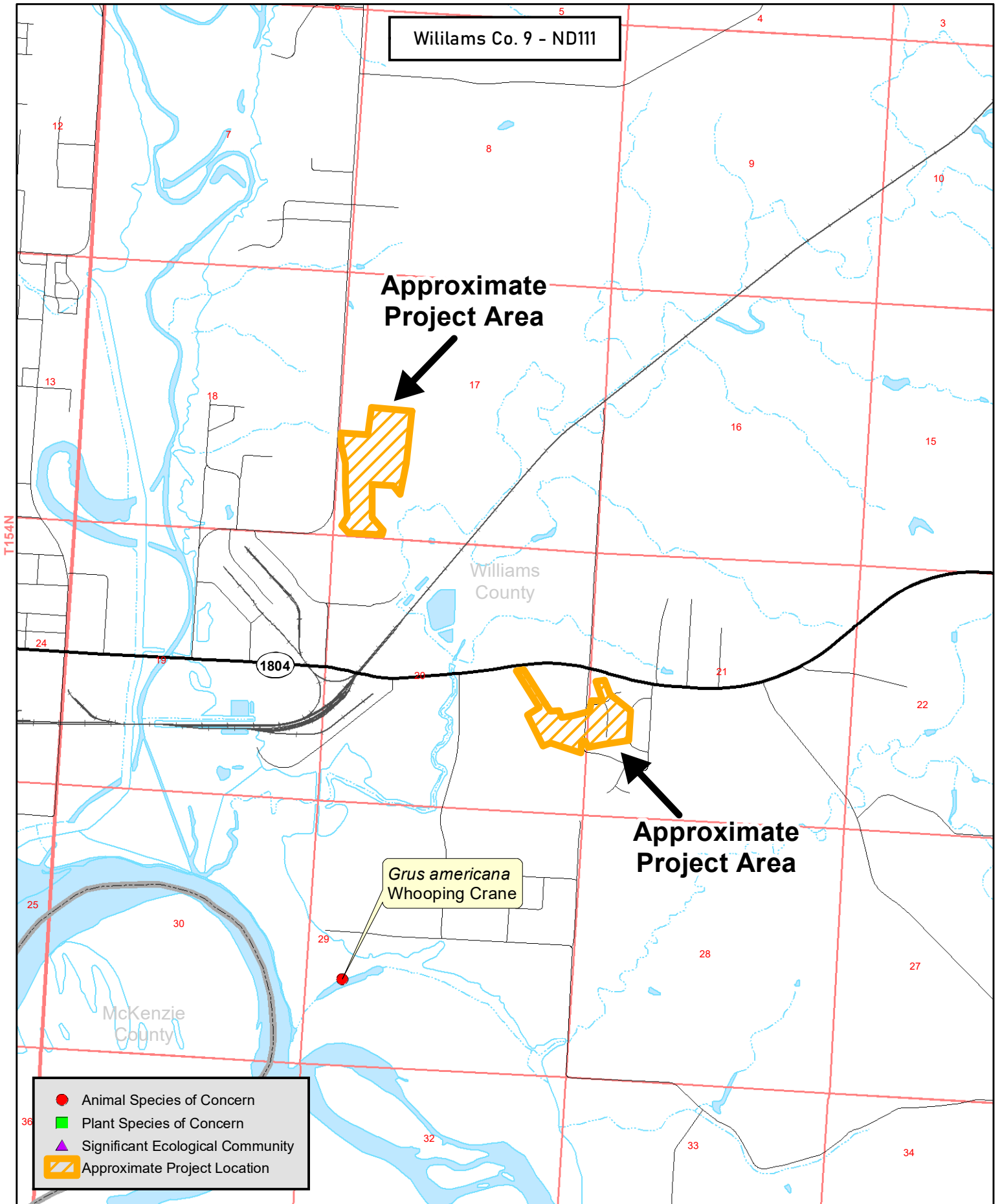
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Grus americana	Whooping Crane	SX	G1	LE,XN	154N100W - 29; 154N101W - 11; 154N100W - 30; 153N100W - 18; 154N100W - 06; 154N101W - 09; 154N100W - 19; 154N101W - 27; 153N100W - 10; 154N100W - 09; 153N100W - 06; 153N100W - 22; 154N099W - 30; 153N101W - 04; 153N101W - 15; 153N100W - 02; 153N101W - 12	McKenzie, Williams	1963-10-19	Very Low	G

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Numenius americanus	Long-billed Curlew	S2	G5		131N100W - 13; 131N100W - 12; 131N100W - 02; 131N099W - 07; 131N100W - 23; 131N100W - 11; 131N100W - 14; 131N099W - 18; 131N100W - 01; 131N100W - 15; 131N100W - 10; 131N100W - 24	Bowman	1965-06-11		M
Numenius americanus	Long-billed Curlew	S2	G5		131N099W - 19; 131N100W - 24; 131N099W - 20; 131N100W - 13; 131N099W - 07; 131N099W - 18; 131N099W - 30; 131N099W - 29; 131N099W - 17; 131N100W - 25	Bowman	1965-06-11		M

Land and Water Conservation Fund Projects

**Project Name**

Scranton Recreation Complex

**Project Number**

38-00661

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