

# Exhibit 4 Avoidance and Exclusion Map 1 of 6

Map indicating avoidance and exclusion areas, survey areas, occupied residences, and proposed project



Due to the sensitive nature of cultural resources, cultural resource avoidance areas are not identified in this exhibit

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proposed Pole</li> <li>Existing Pole</li> <li>Occupied Residence</li> <li>Occupied Residence - Waiver Pending</li> <li>Existing Transmission Line</li> <li>Proposed Transmission Line</li> <li>State Highway</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cultural/Natural Resources Inventory Area: 200-foot Corridor</li> <li>1-Mile Study Area</li> <li>County Boundary</li> <li>Section Boundary</li> <li><b>Avoidance Area</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Historic Landslide Structure Avoidance (500ft)</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Exclusion Area</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Critical Habitat</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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Morton County ND

NAD 1983 UTM Zone 14N  
100° 53'21"W 46° 52'13"N

Base Map: ESRI ArcGIS Online, accessed July 2021

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North Dakota

# State and Federal Agencies Notified

All agencies notified on December 18, 2020

- North Dakota Aeronautics Commission
- North Dakota Office of Attorney General
- North Dakota Department of Agriculture
- North Dakota Department of Equality
- North Dakota Department of Human Services
- North Dakota Department of Labor
- North Dakota Department of Career and Technical Education
- North Dakota Department of Commerce
- North Dakota Energy Development Impact Office
- North Dakota Game and Fish Department
- North Dakota Industrial Commission
- North Dakota Office of the Governor
- North Dakota Department of Transportation
- State Historical Society of North Dakota
- Indian Affairs Commission
- Job Service North Dakota
- Parks and Recreation Department
- North Dakota State University Extension Service, North Dakota State Soil Conservation Committee
- North Dakota State Water Commission
- U.S. Department of Defense
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Federal Aviation Administration
- County Commission of Morton County, North Dakota
- North Dakota Transmission Authority
- North Dakota Pipeline Authority
- North Dakota Geological Survey

# Exclusion Areas Considered

- Designated or registered national: parks; memorial parks; historic sites and landmarks; natural landmarks; monuments; and wilderness areas.
- Designated or registered state: parks; historic sites; monuments; historical markers; archaeological sites; and nature preserves.
- County parks and recreational areas; municipal parks; and parks owned or administered by other governmental subdivisions.
- Areas critical to the life stages of threatened or endangered animal or plant species.
- Areas where animal or plant species that are unique or rare to this state would be irreversibly damaged.
- Areas within 1,200 feet of the geographic center of an intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) launch or launch control facility
- Areas within 30 feet on either side of a direct line between ICBM launch or launch control facility.

# Avoidance Areas Considered

- Designated or registered national: historic districts; wildlife areas; wild, scenic, or recreational rivers; wildlife refuges; and grasslands.
- Designated or registered state: wild, scenic, or recreational rivers; game refuges; game management areas; management areas; forests; forest management lands; and grasslands.
- Historical resources which are not specifically designated as exclusion or avoidance areas
- Areas that are geologically unstable
- Within 500 feet of a residence, school, or place of business
- Reservoirs and municipal water supplies
- Water sources for organized rural water districts.
- Irrigated land. This criterion shall not apply to an underground transmission facility
- Areas of recreational significance which are not designated as exclusion areas

# Selection Criteria Considered

Impacts upon:

- Agriculture:
  - Agricultural Production
  - Family Farms and Ranches
  - Land which the owner demonstrates has soil, topography, drainage, and an available water supply that cause the land to be economically suitable for irrigation
  - Surface drainage patterns and ground water flow patterns
- Sound-sensitive land uses
- The visual effect on the adjacent area
- Extractive and storage resources
- Wetlands, woodlands, and wooded areas
- Radio and television reception, and other communication or electronic control facilities
- Human health and safety
- Animal health and Safety
- The impact upon plant life