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Guy- FBR 3 notice publication dates

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Good Morning,

Can you publish the attached legal ad and map for Final Bond Release #3 to NACT-9501 in the Beulah Beacon, starting next Thursday, September 8th, and run the ad for four weeks (September 8th, September 15th, September 22nd, and September 29th)? Affidavits of Publication can be sent emailed to myself or sent to the address within this email signature, c/o Rylan Sundsbak.

Please reply to confirm this email receipt.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Rylan A. Sundsbak
Land Owner Relations

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Email with attachments regarding publication dates
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NOTICE OF FILING FOR FINAL RELEASE OF RECLAMATION BOND

The Coteau Properties Company, as applicant, has filed an application for final bond release on approximately 343 acres of land located in Section 22, T146N, R88W, as indicated on the map. This land is included in Surface Coal Mining Permit NACT-9501, approved by the North Dakota Public Service Commission on April 3, 1996. This permit area is covered under the Worst-Case Consolidated Bond for the Freedom Mine. The current bond amount is 186 million dollars. Upon approval of this bond release application, The Coteau Properties Company will be released from reclamation liability for all stages (backfilling and grading, soil respreading, vegetation establishment, and revegetation success) for the bond release area. The bond amount will not be reduced due to continued mining and reclamation operations within other permitted areas covered under the Worst-Case Consolidated Bond.

Following permit approval, initial mining disturbance commenced with sediment pond construction and soil stripping in 2004. Coal removal began in 2006 and continued through 2009. Reclamation began after coal removal and continued until 2014 when reclamation of the approximately 190.3 acres that were disturbed from mining or considered to be associated disturbance was complete. The bond release tract was granted a variance from the ten-year revegetation responsibility period on 19.7 acres on December 29, 2021. The entire bond release tract is owned by The Coteau Properties Company and has been successfully reclaimed according to the approved reclamation plan to native grassland, which includes three conservation tree plantings, and developed water resources. The bond release tract also includes undisturbed cropland as well as a Southwest Water tap, which was installed to enhance the agricultural value of the reclaimed land.

Written comments, objections, or requests for an informal conference or public hearing on this bond release may be submitted by any person having a valid legal interest which is or may be adversely affected by this action, to the North Dakota Public Service Commission, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Department 408, Bismarck, ND 58505-0480, within 30 days after the last publication of this notice. Any request for an informal conference or hearing should be in writing to the Commission, and must state specifically the issues or objections that an affected party has regarding this bond release.

The Coteau Properties Company
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Beulah, North Dakota 58523

NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION
NOTICE MAP

FINAL BOND RELEASE NO. 3

PERMIT NACT-9501

T146N
R88W
16

T146N
R88W
15

NACT-9501

PROPOSED BOND
RELEASE AREA

T146N
R88W
21

T146N
R88W
22

G.N.



12 Miles To Beulah, ND

