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October 9, 2024

North Dakota Department of Trust Lands
Attn: Kayla Spangelo
1707 N 9th St
Bismarck, ND 58501

Dear Ms. Spangelo:

As a part of the Basin Electric's Round-up to Kummer Ridge Transmission Line Project, we are required by the North Dakota Public Service Commission (ND PSC) to quantify the trees and shrubs that were removed during the construction of our Project.

The inventory for your parcel(s) indicate the following trees and shrubs were removed due to our construction activity:

Number of Trees & Shrubs	Replacement 2:1
193	386

The trees and shrubs are to be replaced at a 2:1 ratio with 2-year-old saplings or shrubs by the same or similar species suitable for North Dakota growing conditions as recommended by the North Dakota Forest Service and by your County Soil Conservation Service. Based on the requirement to replace the removed trees at a 2:1 ratio, you are entitled to the above number of trees and/or shrubs (your discretion) of the recommended species.

You have the choice of having the replacement trees planted off of the transmission right-of-way on your property, or waiving this requirement and allowing the trees/shrubs to be planted on other parcels near the project. If you waive this requirement, you will be compensated ten dollars (\$10.00) per tree (\$250 minimum). Basin Electric will coordinate all tree plantings through the local county Soil Conservation Service. Tree plantings would most likely be scheduled for 2025.

Please respond by October 31, 2024, by signing and noting your preference on the enclosed return form. In the event that no response is received, Basin Electric will proceed as though you waived the tree replacement program on your property and the damage compensation of \$10.00 per tree (\$250 minimum) will be mailed to you within fourteen days of receipt of this signed letter agreement. Due to the number of trees removed from your property at the 2:1 replacement ratio, your compensation amount will be \$3,860.00.

We appreciate your cooperation. Please contact me if you have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Jerry Haas
Senior Property & Right-of-Way Specialist
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October 9, 2024
Line 366 Tree_Shrub Replacement

Name: **North Dakota Department of Trust Lands**

Please check one of the boxes below indicating your choice of:

I would like replacement trees planted on the ND Department of Trust Lands property within Dunn and McKenzie Counties.

I would like the damage compensation in lieu of the requirement for having replacement trees planted on the property.

Signed: _____

Date _____