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Dated: January 27, 2026

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Katie Foiles", is written over a horizontal line.

Print Name/Title: Katie Foiles, Advertising Placement Coordinator

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My commission expires: May 4, 2027



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WARRANTY DEED, EIDE, DARRELL, EIDE, DAWN to PATTEN, RONALD, LOCKEN, MELISSA, 5-3-GARRISON WALSH;

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QUIT CLAIM DEED, CO-OP ELEVATOR OF MCCLUSKY to LELM, GERALD L., LELM, CHARLENE M., 1-MERCER CO-OP ADDITION;

WARRANTY DEED, DALEN, JASON P., DALEN, HOLLY to YOUNG, AARON J., YOUNG, JENNA R., 07-148-84-NE4NE4 (OUTLOT A);

WARRANTY DEED, SCHWANDT, RYAN SCHWANDT, CYNTHIA to AUCKER, REBEKAH, 2-NORTHVIEW ESTATES 7TH ADDITION, 3-NORTHVIEW ESTATES 7TH ADDITION;

WARRANTY DEED, SAND, DARRIN to SUNDSLOTT REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST, 11-HILLSIDE ACRES;

WARRANTY DEED, SAND, DARRIN to SUNDSLOTT REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST, 6-HILLSIDE ACRES;

WARRANTY DEED, FROEHLICH, ROBERTA R., FROEHLICH, ROBERTA M. (AKA), AKOVENKO, DEBRA J. ESTATE to AKOVENKO, CHAD,

AKOVENKO, MISTY, 7-BRUSH LAKE COMMUNITY RESORT, 7A-BRUSH LAKE COMMUNITY RESORT 2ND ADDITION;

QUIT CLAIM DEED, ECKROTH, PATRICK (LE), ECKROTH, LYNN (LE), ECKROTH, LYNNE (AKA) (LE) to HOWRY, JODIE R., 2-1-RIVERDALE COTTONWOOD TERRACE NO. 2, 3-1-RIVERDALE COTTONWOOD TERRACE NO. 2;

WARRANTY DEED, HOGER, WARREN M. to KRUCKENBERG, KIM, KRUCKENBERG, TASHA, 1-3-COLEHARBOR ORIGINAL TOWNSITE, 2-3-COLEHARBOR ORIGINAL TOWNSITE, 3-3-COLEHARBOR ORIGINAL TOWNSITE (N 49');

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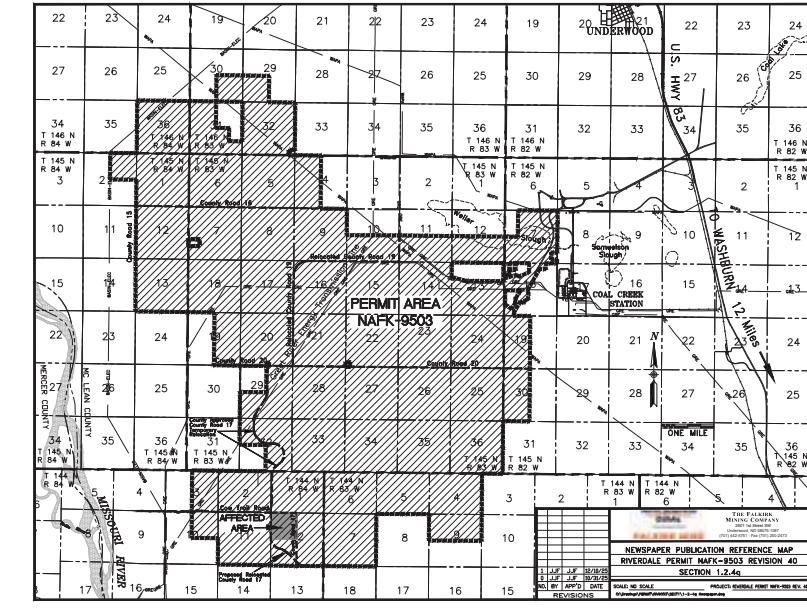
WARRANTY DEED, 5 MUSKETEERS, LLC to COLLINGS, JENNIFER, 38-SNAKE CREEK COTTAGE SITE AREA;

QUIT CLAIM DEED, BETHANIA LUTHERAN CHURCH OF BENEDICT to CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH, 16-150-81-NW4 (363' X 363' / 3.025 A.);

QUIT CLAIM DEED, SAGERT, NEILA A., SAGERT, NEIL ALLEN (AKA), SAGERT, MARY J., SAGERT, MARY JEAN (AKA) to NEIL & MARY SAGERT ASSET PROTECTION TRUST, SAGERT, NEIL & MARY ASSET PROTECTION TRUST, 1-1-GARRISON SCHEMPP'S 3RD ADDITION;

QUIT CLAIM DEED, CITY OF MAX, VERT, CHRISTOPHER to VERT, KATIE, 5-2-MAX ORIGINAL TOWNSITE, 6-2-MAX ORIGINAL TOWNSITE, 7-2-MAX ORIGINAL TOWNSITE;

DEATH CERTIFICATE/CERTIFICATE OF DEATH, DAVENPORT, LOIS MAE to PUBLIC, 25-147-79-E2SE4, 39-147-79-NE4;



Notice Of Filing A Permit Revision To Conduct Surface Coal Mining Operations

The Falkirk Mining Company, P.O. Box 1087, Underwood, ND 58576, has filed an application (Revision No. 40) to Permit NAFK-9503 to mine federal coal and add mining plans in the NW 1/4 of Section 12, T144N, R84W. As a result of mine plan changes due to federal coal, there will be minor delays in the coal removal on adjacent tracts. As a result of this permit revision, Falkirk updated the introductory, legal, surface and coal interest ownership, geology, operations plans, transportation facilities and reclamation plans.

The permit area is located southwest of Underwood, North Dakota. The map shows the location of the City of Underwood, North Dakota, and the boundaries of the permit area.

The owners of the surface and coal in the area affected by the permit revision are as follows:

TRACT 110
Township 144 North, Range 84 West
Section 12: NW 1/4

Surface Ownership: Ryan Peterson and Kristin Peterson
Coal Ownership: United States of America

County Road 17 located between the NW 1/4 and NE 1/4 and the SW 1/4 and SE 1/4 of Section 12, T144N, R84W, will be proposed to be closed and temporarily relocated in 2026. The temporarily relocated road will be approximately 1/2 mile to the west of its current location to accommodate the interception of mining in this permit. If approved, the temporarily relocated road will be in place for approximately 4 years under this proposed mine plan. This road closure and temporarily relocated road will be developed through input from McLean County Commissioners, McLean County Highway Superintendent, and local landowners. The road closure and temporarily relocated road will be subjected to a petition and hearing process conducted by the McLean County Board of Commissioners.

A copy of the application for revision of a surface coal mining permit is available for public inspection at the offices of the North Dakota Public Service Commission, 600 East Boulevard Ave, Bismarck, ND, 58505-0480 and at the offices of the County Auditor, McLean County Courthouse, Washburn, ND, 58577.

Written comments, objections, or requests for informal conferences on the application may be submitted by any person with an interest which is or may be adversely affected to the North Dakota Public Service Commission, 600 East Boulevard Ave, Bismarck, ND, 58505-0480, within 30 days after the last publication of this notice. The written request should state the concerns or objections regarding the revision.

(Jan. 15, 22, 29 & Feb. 5, 2026)

Notice of Informal Conference

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Falkirk Mining Company
Revision 39, Permit NAFK-9503
Case No. RC-25-254
Application
NOTICE OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE

January 16, 2026
Preliminary Statement

On September 18, 2025 the Public Service Commission received the applications for Revision 39 and Renewal 6 to Surface Coal Mining Permit NAFK-9503 from The Falkirk Mining Company for its Falkirk Mine located southwest of Underwood, North Dakota in McLean County. Revision 39 identifies the next five-year coal removal subareas that will be mined during the next five-year permit term and updates the mining and reclamation plans prior to the permit renewal. The five-year permit renewal allows The Falkirk Mining Company to continue to operate within the existing permit area until April 17, 2031.

On January 15, 2026, the Commission received a request from Jason

(Jan. 22, 2026)

Sauer for an Informal Conference on the application for Revision 39, citing concerns related to the applicant's ability to restore land productivity, soil handling, hydrological balance, and property rights.

Notice of Informal Conference

Notice is hereby given that the captioned matters are set for an Informal Conference, commencing at 9:00 a.m. CST, on February 11, 2026, Public Service Commission Hearing Room, 12th Floor, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota.

If you require any auxiliary aids, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission, at (701) 328-2400, or Relay North Dakota TTY: 1-800-366-6888 at least 24 hours prior to the hearing.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Brian Johnson
Executive Secretary
Falkirk Mine\Permits\NAFK - 9503\Revisions\Rev39_Ren6\Informal Conference\Ntc_Informal_Conference_1-16-26

CITY OF MAX 2026 ELECTION

Positions coming up on the 2026 election ballot, is Mayor (4-year term), two full term council members (4-year terms), and one-half term council member position (2-year term). Anyone interested in running for Max City Council can pick up a Petition to run, and a Statement of Interest in the Auditor's office, or online on the McLean County Website. Candidates must have petitions turned into the Max Auditor's office by April 06, 2026 no later than 4:00 pm.

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Adams resumes chase of 'mythical' Super Bowl

ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Davante Adams reached the NFC championship game four times during his eight seasons with Aaron Rodgers and the Packers.

Every time, Green Bay came up just short of the Super Bowl — and Adams still feels the pain.

"It just feels almost like a mythical thing to me at this point," Adams said Wednesday. "You do everything you can to get there, and it's been so hard. Been working so hard at it."

After an ensuing three years spent nowhere near a Super Bowl, Adams is back for his fifth shot when his Los Angeles Rams (14-5) visit the Seattle Seahawks (16-3) on Sunday for another NFC title game.

The 33-year-old Adams is still going strong as the league leader in touchdown receptions and a key component of the NFL's top offense. But when the decorated receiver says he craves that final, ultimate team success far more than individual accolades, it's clear he's among the rare athletes who absolutely mean it.

"Forgive me if I'm not smiling ear-to-ear after the first win or the second (playoff) win, having been here so many times and understanding what it takes to get where we're ultimately trying to go," Adams said. "We're close, and we've just got to finish it off."

Although Adams has been waiting the longest, he's far from the only Rams player who will be playing for a chance at a Super Bowl debut when they face the top-seeded Seahawks for the third time this season.

Sean McVay led the Rams to a championship four seasons ago, but only a handful of players are left from that team — just two on defense.

Matthew Stafford, tight end Tyler Higbee and cornerback Darius Williams are the only players left who made major contributions to that Super Bowl title run and also played extensively for the current team. Williams left and returned to the Rams, as did linebacker Troy Reeder and center Coleman Shelton.

Reeder now plays mostly special teams, while Shelton and starting left tackle Alaric Jackson were backups in 2021. Receiver Tutu Atwell was injured as a rookie and right tackle Rob Havenstein is injured now.

But nobody has been waiting longer than Adams for his first shot at a championship ring. He is one of the most consistent receivers of his generation, posting eight seasons with at least 997 yards while moving up to 26th in NFL history with 12,633 yards.

Darnold feeling 'really good' after playing with injury

RENTON, Wash. — After playing with an oblique injury in the Seattle Seahawks' 41-6 win over the San Francisco 49ers in the divisional round, quarterback Sam Darnold said he has felt "really good" in the days since the victory.

"Just attacking rehab these last couple days," Darnold said Wednesday. "Obviously will be throughout the week. Like I said, just got to continue to prepare and get my body right for Sunday."

The eighth-year quarterback was confident last week he would be able to play in the Seahawks' first home playoff game in front of fans in nearly a decade and followed through.

Before being pulled in the fourth quarter of a blowout win, Darnold completed 12 of 17 passes for 124 yards and a touchdown.

Coach Mike Macdonald said that Darnold's health continues to improve, but that he will not be a full-go in practice during the week leading up to Sunday's NFC championship game against



RUSTY JONES, ASSOCIATED PRESS

Los Angeles Rams wide receiver Davante Adams is tackled by Carolina Panthers linebacker Christian Rozeboom during the second half of a wild-card playoff game on Jan. 10 in Charlotte, N.C.

the Los Angeles Rams.

"We have a plan," Macdonald said. "We're going to work through it; see how the day goes; then kind of take it day by day and take it to tomorrow. But he won't be like throwing every ball every play for the whole week, no."

Mixon faces uncertain future after missing season

HOUSTON — Joe Mixon's status for next season remains uncertain after the Houston Texans running back missed all season with what general manager Nick Caserio called a "freak" foot injury Wednesday.

"We haven't seen Joe in a little bit, so I think at some point we'll see him and then we'll be able to evaluate kind of where he is and then based on information, we'll see where his status is," Caserio said.

The Texans provided few details on the 29-year-old Mixon's recovery throughout the season after announcing in training camp that he sustained a foot injury away from the facility in the offseason.

Asked for details about his injury Wednesday, Caserio gave a bit more information but still didn't specify exactly what the injury was.

"It wasn't like he was riding a snowmobile or anything like that," Caserio said. "It was more of a medical condition or situation that never... really didn't improve maybe as much as everybody would have hoped. I'm not trying to evade the question, that's the reality of the situation. He didn't jump off a building. He wasn't cliff diving or anything. He wasn't doing anything irresponsible. It was just a freak thing."

The Texans reached the divisional round of the playoffs for a third straight season, but their offense took a major hit with Mixon out all season with the injury. It came after he ran for 1,016 yards and 11 touchdowns in his first season with the team in 2024. He has one year remaining on a three-year, \$27 million contract extension he signed after joining the Texans following seven years with the Bengals.

Coleman draws attention after McDermott's firing

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — As if Buffalo Bills wide receiver Keon Coleman didn't attract enough negative attention for showing up late to meetings during an underperforming season.

On Wednesday, the second-year player was drawn into the conversation involving team owner Terry Pegula's abrupt decision to fire

coach Sean McDermott on Monday.

Pegula shared the podium with general manager Brandon Beane during an end-of-season news conference. And the owner interjected when questions turned to Beane's failure to improve the team's group of receivers last off-season and Coleman's lack of development.



DAVID ZALUBOWSKI, ASSOCIATED PRESS

Buffalo Bills wide receiver Keon Coleman scores a touchdown during the second half of a divisional round playoff game against the Denver Broncos on Saturday in Denver.

"That was Brandon being a team player and taking advice of his coaching staff who felt strongly about the player," he added. "He's taken, for some reason, heat over it, and not saying a word about it. But I'm here to tell you the true story."

Pegula later clarified to The Associated Press he was not referring to McDermott, but rather another coach, whom he declined to name.

Beane somewhat contradicted Pegula by saying Coleman was "my pick" before suggesting what Pegula meant is Buffalo could have considered addressing another position with the selection.

"Ultimately, I'm not turning a pick for a player that I don't think we can succeed with. So, don't misunderstand that," Beane added.

LEGAL NOTICES

Bismarck Republican District Convention

PUBLIC NOTICE
BISMARCK REPUBLICAN DISTRICT CONVENTIONS
Purpose to elect delegates to the state convention March 27-29, 2026 in Minot. Districts 7-35-47 will be endorsing candidates for legislature

District 7 Chair Jeri Hoplauf jhhoplauf@yahoo.com
District Convention & Candidate Endorsement
Monday, February 23 - 6:30 p.m.
Sunrise Elementary

District 30 Chair Aimee Copas 605-228-3804 aimee.copas@yahoo.com
District Convention
Monday, February 2 - 6:30 p.m.
Bismarck Public Library, Room A

District 32 Chair Brady Pelton 701-260-2479
brady.pelton@gmail.com
District Convention
Monday, February 2 - 6:30 p.m.
Wachter Middle School Cafetorium

District 35 Chair Karen Karls 258-6836 karls2k@bis.midco.net
District Convention & Candidate Endorsement
Monday, January 26 - Registration 6:00, Meeting 7:00 p.m.
ND Heritage Center Auditorium, East Entrance

District 47 Chair Karl Lembke 391-3405 lembkekarl@gmail.com District Convention & Candidate Endorsement
Wednesday, January 21 - Registration 6:30, meeting 7:00 p.m.
Century High School

Additional information available on calendar at NDGOP.org
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