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Katie Foiles, being duly sworn, states as follows:

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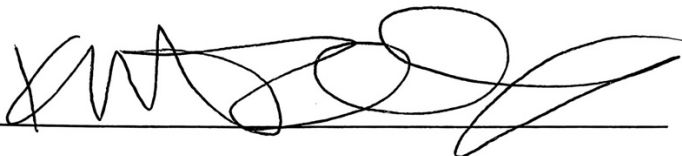
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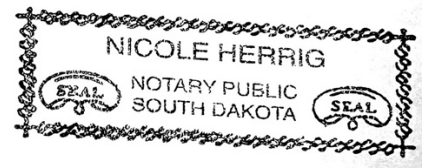
Dated: September 3, 2026

Signed: 

Print Name/Title: Katie Foiles, Advertising Placement Coordinator

Notary Public: 

My commission expires: May 4, 2027



ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO N.D. ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CHAPTER 33-03-38 COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to N.D. Admin. Code chapter 33-03-38 relating to recertification and continuing education requirements waiver at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, September 14, 2026, in Bismarck, N.D. in Room 210, located on the second floor of the Judicial Wing of the State Capitol.

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Dated this 28th day of July, 2026.

Notice to Creditors

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF
GOLDEN VALLEY
IN DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHWEST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

In the Matter of the Estate of
DEBBIE BURGER, Deceased.
Probate No.
17-2026-PR-00006

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three (3) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be presented to RONALD S. EFTA, attorney for the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at P.O. Box 300, Wibaux, Montana 59353, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court.

DATED March 9, 2026.
/s/ Chuck Ellibee
Chuck Ellibee
A.K.A. Charles Ellibee
1621 Circle Dr.,
Petersburg, VA 23803
(Published Aug. 6, 13 & 20, 2026)

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Notice of Hearing

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
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North Plains Connector LLC
North Plains Connector
Transmission Project
Siting Application
Case No. PU-26-82

NOTICE OF TECHNICAL HEARING

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For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, please notify the Commission at least 24 hours in advance.

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TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to N.D. Admin. Code chapter 75-03-21 relating to definitions, applications, licenses, types of licenses, facilities, adult foster care facility temporary assistants, and provisional licenses, and chapter 75-03-21.1 relating to definitions, types of licenses, provisional licenses, standards of the department, temporary loss of Medicaid benefits, verifications and demonstration of competence, and applicant guarantees and assurances at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, September 18, 2026, in Bismarck, N.D. in Room 210, located on the second floor of the Judicial Wing of the State Capitol.

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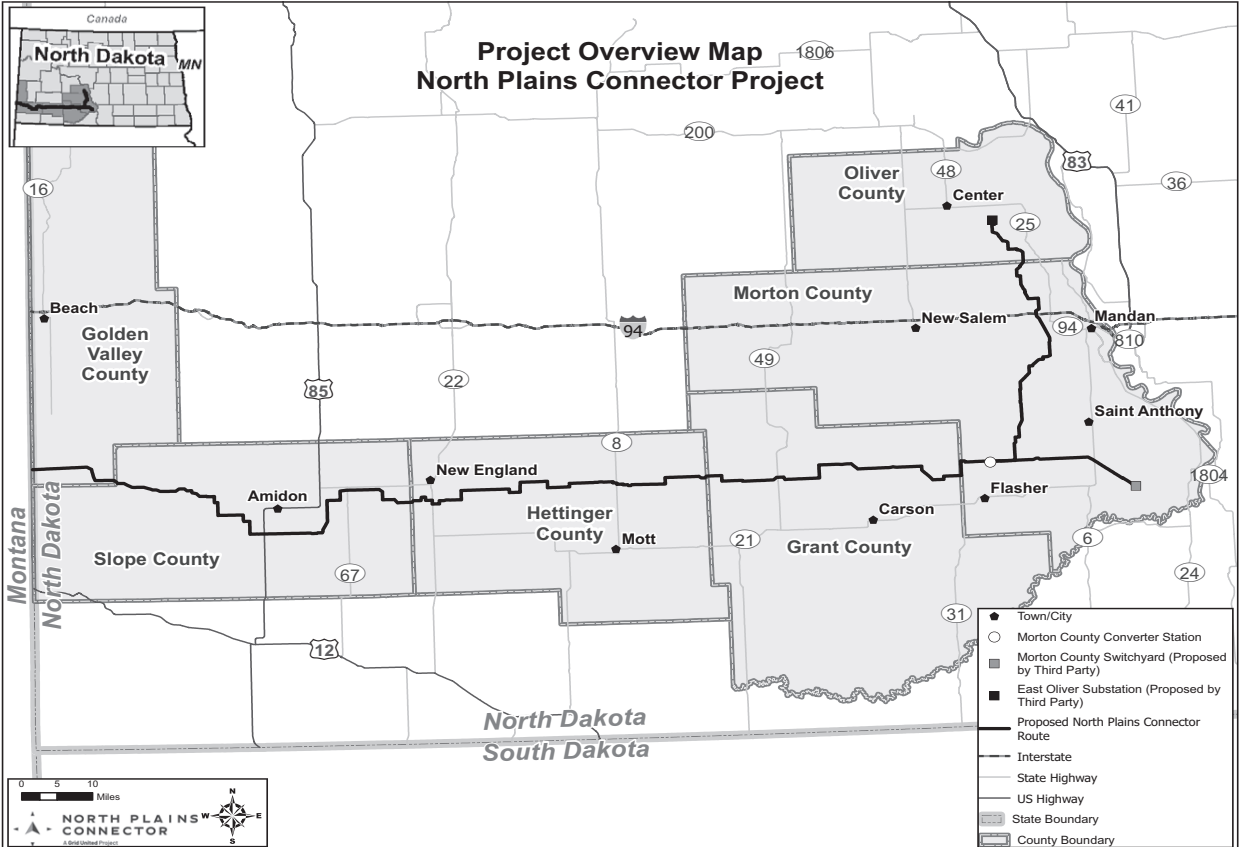
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**Project Overview Map
North Plains Connector Project**

The map shows the project route through North Dakota, passing through Golden Valley, Slope, Hettinger, Morton, Oliver, and Grant counties. Key locations marked include Beach, Amidon, New England, Mott, Carson, Flasher, New Salem, Center, Mandan, and Saint Anthony. The map also shows major highways (16, 22, 85, 94, 200, 1806, 41, 36, 25, 49, 8, 21, 67, 12, 31, 24, 1804) and county boundaries. An inset map shows the project location within North Dakota and its proximity to Canada and Montana.

Legend:

- Town/City
- Morton County Converter Station
- Morton County Switchyard (Proposed by Third Party)
- East Oliver Substation (Proposed by Third Party)
- Proposed North Plains Connector Route
- Interstate
- State Highway
- US Highway
- State Boundary
- County Boundary

Lady Bucs have new head volleyball coach

By Gary Howard

The Lady Bucs are preparing for another volleyball season, this year with a new head coach.

Ashley Lechler of Beach will be the new head coach, after serving as an assistant coach under former head coach Taryn Sweet for the last several years.

Coach Lechler has been playing volleyball since elementary school and played throughout high school. She also played for two years at Bismarck State College and continues to play in an “old ladies league.”

Asked how her prior experience lends itself to her new head coach position, Lechler said, “I think that being able

to keep up with the evolving fundamentals of the game, because a lot of things have changed, a lot of people have been smarter about how they teach things. Being able to keep up with that and be able to demonstrate all of those things was a big part of the last few years of volunteer coaching.

“For me, I’ve noticed that the girls respond really well to being able to see what I am saying rather than me just trying to explain it. If they can see what I want them to do, it’s a lot easier, because people interpret things differently, so being able to show them has been a strong suit of mine.

“I think also being

able to put myself in their head space, mentally, because I’m still, you know, I mean, I’m almost twenty years out of high school, but I can still put myself back in that player’s mindset and connect with them on that level.”

Lechler went on to explain that while volunteer coaching under Sweet she learn more of the mental side of the game. “She has given me ways to deal with kids in this generation, because kids are so much different these days than they were when I was in high school.”

As for her coaching staff, Lechler has Seth Bishop coming back as an assistant and Heather Dykins and Catie Loftsgard will be joining the staff as assistants. Savannah Sweet returns as an assistant for the elementary and junior high volleyball programs.

“Seth has been a staple for a long time,” Lechler stated. “He can physically keep up with the kids. He can do all of

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Photo | Kevin Utz

THREE BEACH BUCS have a Napoleon athlete in a hold, attempting to take back the ball.

Bucs play first game

By Jordanna Garland

The first varsity football game of the season saw the Beach Buccaneers go head-to-head with Napoleon/Gackle-Streeter in the Region 4 Rumble on Aug. 22 at the Starion Sports Complex in Mandan.

The game ended in a 38 point loss for the Bucs, with a score of 52-14.

Touchdown scorers include senior running back/line backer

Sawyer Noll and quarterback Trent Ambo. Two extra points were earned by wide receiver Kirby Dietz from a good pass reception.

One honorable mention from the game was the 188 yard pass thrown by Ambo.

Head Coach Mike Zier shared this in regards to their first game of the season:

“We played with good effort but made too many mistakes. What

really killed us was giving up too many big plays on defense. That’s on me. I didn’t have the kids in a position to make plays,” he said. “I was happy with the offense and special teams. Napoleon’s not the 5th ranked team in state for nothing. They took it to us.”

The next game of the season for Beach will be against Grant County/Flasher at Flasher on Aug. 28 at 6 p.m. MDT.



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NEW HEAD COACH ASHLEY LECHLER gives instructions during the Aug. 19 practice as the high school and junior high players listen.

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parties or as holding any claim adverse to Plaintiff’s ownership or any cloud upon Plaintiff’s title thereto. Defendants.

Case No. 44-2026-CV-00015
Amended Summons
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:
You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the Complaint in this action which is herewith served upon you, by serving upon the undersigned an Answer or other proper response within twenty-one (21) days after the service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.
Dated this 22nd day of July, 2026.
WILD & WEISS LAW OFFICE, P.C.
Andrew J. Q. Weiss, #07205
PO Box 260
Bowman, ND 58623
701.523.3112
office@wildandweisslaw.com
Attorney for Plaintiffs

NOTICE OF NO PERSONAL CLAIM
TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that this action is brought for the purpose of quieting title to the following described real property being located and situated in

Slope County, North Dakota:
CITY OF MARMARTH, NORTH DAKOTA
Original Townsite
Block 23: Lots 4, 8, 9, 10 and 11
and that no personal claim is made against any of said named Defendants. WILD & WEISS LAW OFFICE, P.C. Andrew J. Q. Weiss, #07205 PO Box 260 Bowman, ND 58623 701.523.3112 office@wildandweisslaw.com Attorney for Plaintiffs
*This Summons is being amended to include Defendant, John Woods, Jr. and the Estate of John Woods, Jr. and to include Exhibit “H”.
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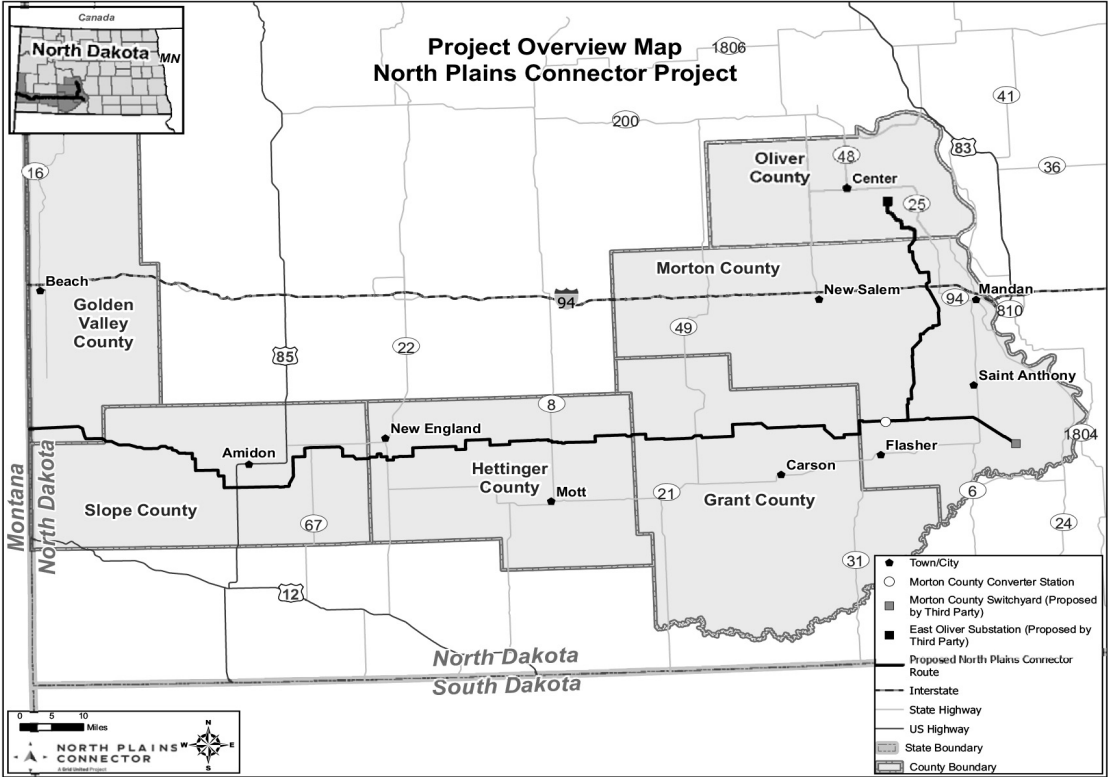
The North Dakota Game & Fish Department announces the following summary of regulations and changes for the 2026 pronghorn hunting proclamation.
Bow season will run from Sept. 4 (noon) through Sept. 27. Gun season will run from Oct. 2 (noon) through Oct. 18. There are 1,310 licenses available. All units are open. Bag limit is restricted to species of pronghorn described on license.
Only residents are eligible. Apply online at gf.nd.gov. Licenses issued by weighted lottery.
A complete 2026 pronghorn proclamation is available from the NDGF Department, 100 North Bismarck Expressway Bismarck, ND 58501-5095, Ph: (701) 328-6300, or online at gf.nd.gov.

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Dated this 24th day of July, 2026.
Jim Upgren, Assistant Director
Office of School Approval and Opportunity
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Dated this 27th day of July, 2026.

Clean Sweep

Bowman County runners start with Killdeer victories

Staff Report

Bowman County cross country runners picked up a pair of easy wins Friday at the Killdeer Rodeo Grounds.

The defending Class B State Champion boys squad won the Killdeer Early Bird Invitational with a 51-point victory margin over second place New Town.

In the girls competition, the Bulldogs did even better with a low score of 23 points, and placed six runners in the top ten finishers.

The varsity teams were running over a 3,000 meter course, which is approximately 2,000 meters shorter than the usual 5-kilometer competition distance.

Boys

The seniors led the boys to victory, with Warner Bowman winning the race individually

with a time of 10:17, while teammates Gabe Sarsland, Thomas Bowman and Zak Njos placed third (10:49), sixth (11:10) and tenth (11:33), respectively.

With four finishers in the top ten, the Bulldogs brought in their final scoring runner when Silas Mark placed 16th (11:59).

Mark finished in front of New Town’s third runner, Dickinson Trinity’s third runner, and right behind Dickinson’s top runner.

Eighth grader Aiden Wanner was the Bulldogs’ first underclassman to finish, placing 19th overall (12:08).

Junior Jude Maher was the seventh Bulldog to finish, taking 44th with a time of 13:13 over the course.

The rest of the Bulldogs’ runners followed across the line with Brannick Bowman (55th, 13:55), Cason Doerr (56th, 13:56), Canon Doerr

(59th, 14:13), Vedder Swanson (60th, 14:19), Dallas Jacobson (73rd, 14:45), Grayson Bowman (88th, 15:35), Brodey Salzseider (91st, 16:34), Greyson DeMorrett (97th, 17:21), Jace Schmalz (105th, 19:53) and Jayden Olsen (107th, 22:06).

New Town, which placed second in the team race with 87 points, had their fifth runner and final scorer place 30th, while Dickinson Trinity came in third place with 106 points.

Kenmare-Bowbells and Southern McLean rounded out the rest of the top five teams, scoring 116 and 122 points, respectively.

There were 17 teams competing in the boys race.

Easy win

The Bowman County girls cross country team picked up an easy win in Killdeer, scoring just 23 points.

Stanley placed a distant second with 89 points, while Dickinson Trinity finished third (111 points).

New Town (146 points) and Kenmare-Bowbells (177) rounded out the top five teams in the race.

Dickinson Trinity runner Carley Bullinger won the race with a time of 12:11.

But, the Bulldogs packed five runners in the top seven to easily ice the victory.

Bowman County’s Jordyn Honeyman and Anna Sarsland

placed second (12:27) and third (12:32) respectively.

After Hadyn Chase of Parshall came in fourth, the Bulldogs packed in three runners -- Ericka Berg (fifth, 12:47), Jaylee Fischer (sixth, 12:54) and Abigail Burke (seventh, 13:04) to easily lock in the victory.

Aspen Brewer placed ninth (13:14) to give the Bulldogs six finishers in the top ten.

Chloe Mark was the seventh Bulldog to cross the line, placing 13 th overall with a 13:37 time.

Claire L. Erickson was next, placing 26th with a 14:33 time. She was followed by Hadyn Hlebechuk (31st, 14:58), Avery Burke (34th, 15:01), Trinity Brown (45th, 15:36), Elsie Allerdings (48th, 16:06), Keira Stotts (55th, 16:34), Marl- ie Allerdings (59th, 16:56), Brooklynn Sense (68th, 18:03).

KILLDEER
EARLY BIRD
Aug. 21 at Killdeer
Rodeo Grounds
Results

BOYS
TEAM SCORES

1- Bowman County	36
2- New Town	87

3- Dickinson Trinity	103
4- Kenmare-Bowbells	116
5- Southern McLean	122
6- Dickinson	215
7- Killdeer	224
8- Stanley	268
9- Trinity Chr (Williston)	269
10-Richardton-Taylor/H	308
11- Tioga	329
12- Mandaree	346
13- Parshall	383
14- Center Stanton	403
15- White Shield	424
16- Lewis & Clark NSP	445
17-Berthold/Lewis &Clark	533

GIRLS
TEAM SCORES

1- Bowman County	23
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15- Tioga	393

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Project Overview Map
North Plains Connector Project

Town/City

Morton County Converter Station

Morton County Switchyard (Proposed by Third Party)

East Oliver Substation (Proposed by Third Party)

Proposed North Plains Connector Route

Interstate

State Highway

US Highway

State Boundary

County Boundary

North Dakota newspapers take center stage at Medora Musical

Courtesy of NDNA

Because this year’s Medora Musical features a skit spotlighting newspapers, NDNA partnered with the show’s organizers to place 2,000 newspapers beneath audience members’ seats on Saturday, April 15. Before the performance, after a brief introduction to NDNA’s READ Local program, attendees held up their newspapers in unison — copies sourced from across the state, representing nearly all of North Dakota’s 71 newspapers.

Shields/Selfridge Sportsman Club hosts Egg Shoot

The Shields/Selfridge Sportsmen Club hosted its third Egg Shoot on July 25, 2026. It was an incredibly hot day and there was lots of hot shooting!

Shooters get 10 chances to shoot 5 eggs at a distance of 100 or 200 yards, using either custom or factory stock guns. There was also a division for youth at 100 yards. Shooters shoot their first 5 eggs, or their 10 bullets to get their score. A perfect score is 5/5, 5 eggs shot with 5 bullets. They do that 3 times to complete that relay. They can compete in any classification and distance they like for the 3 sets then switch to a different category for the next relay.

The competition was fierce. The 100-yard custom class had a 7-way tie for first place. All those shooters had shot a perfect 15/15 in the three-set relay. To break the tie, a shoot off was needed. Those seven shooters then had to shoot at pool cue chalk instead of eggs. That narrowed the field down to 2 shooters. Those 2 then shot at 2-inch target of concentric circles, with the one closest to the center being the winner. Those two were Hunter Baumeister and



PICTURED (L-R): Harley Baumeister, Dale Baumeister, Hunter Baumeister, Terry McQuoid, and Cye Kluck. Not pictured: Jeremy Deason and Thomas Deason.

Terry McQuoid. Terry took first place. Hunter did extremely well, considering he is still in high school and shooting against some seasoned shooters! The 200-yard custom class had a shoot off for second place between brothers Dale and Harley Baumeister. They had both shot 14/15 in the three-set relay. They also shot pool cue chalk and the tiny targets. Dale came out ahead in that competition. Trophy winners for the Custom 200-yard

shoot were: 1st place Terry McQuoid; 2nd place Dale Baumeister; 3rd place Harley Baumeister. The Custom 100-yard winners were: 1st place Terry McQuoid; 2nd place Hunter Baumeister; 3rd place Cye Kluck. The factory 200-yard competition had only one participant, Harley Baumeister. Trophy winners for the factory 100-yard shoot were: 1st place Terry McQuoid; 2nd

place Jeremy Deason; 3rd place Thomas Deason. The Rim Fire competition had only one competitor, Hunter Baumeister. Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make this event a success. It was an enjoyable day with a delicious meal provided by Michael (P-Dog) Ramella and lots of water provided by Sioux County Farmers Union.

JMHCC ACTIVITY REPORT

Lori Miller, Activity Director

Hello! We hope everyone has been well. We have received some serious heat this past month! We have been staying cool and hydrated in the shade. It has been said August is a time to pretend we love the heat while secretly longing for the fall. I know that is true for me. August marks the start of the harvest season, too. We enjoy seeing the farmers begin to gather their crops that have ripened over the summer. August also is the month we enjoy the county fairs. The residents at Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center (JMHCC) enjoy reminiscing about the fairs and how much they enjoyed that time with family and friends.

We have planned some fun days for the month of August at JMHCC. Some of these days are Root Beer Float Day Aug. 6, Lazy Day Aug. 10, Peach Pie Day Aug. 24, Banana Split Day Aug. 25, Dog Day Aug. 26 and Cherry Turnover Day is Aug. 28. Janice and Friends visited us on Aug. 3 and Germans from Russia will be here on Aug. 17. We will worship every Wednesday during the month of August at 2:30 p.m. MT. There will be some spirited games of Farkle, Uno, Bingo, balloon volleyball and others during the month. Remember to stay cool and enjoy all the August activities. You are welcome to stop in and visit us anytime!

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LUNCH & EVENING MEAL - Hamburgers, hot dogs, walking tacos, pizza by the slice or 16" and drinks

August 13-15

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Saturday 7am - 4pm

All profits go to support the Country Community Cupboard Food Pantry. We are proud to serve the needs of this community. Thank you to all volunteers that make these efforts possible.

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APLD BIS-01-Temp. Service Switch Yard - Center, ND
Public Convenience & Necessity
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Case No. PU-26-219
APLD BIS-01 Temporary Construction Load-Center, ND
Public Convenience & Necessity
NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR CONSOLIDATED HEARING
On July 17, 2026, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU), an electric public utility, filed applications under North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-03 to extend service to APLD BIS-01 LLC (Applied) at two locations in Oliver County, North Dakota.

Service is to be provided at points located in: Section 24, Township 142 North, Range 85 West, Oliver County, North Dakota
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. has made a prima facie showing that it should serve the customer at both locations.
Any interested party has the right to file written objections, based on issues of public convenience and necessity, with the Commission by September 7, 2026, and the matters will then be set for hearings. If no objections are received by that date, the applications may be granted as requested.
Issued: July 27, 2026
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(08-06-2026)

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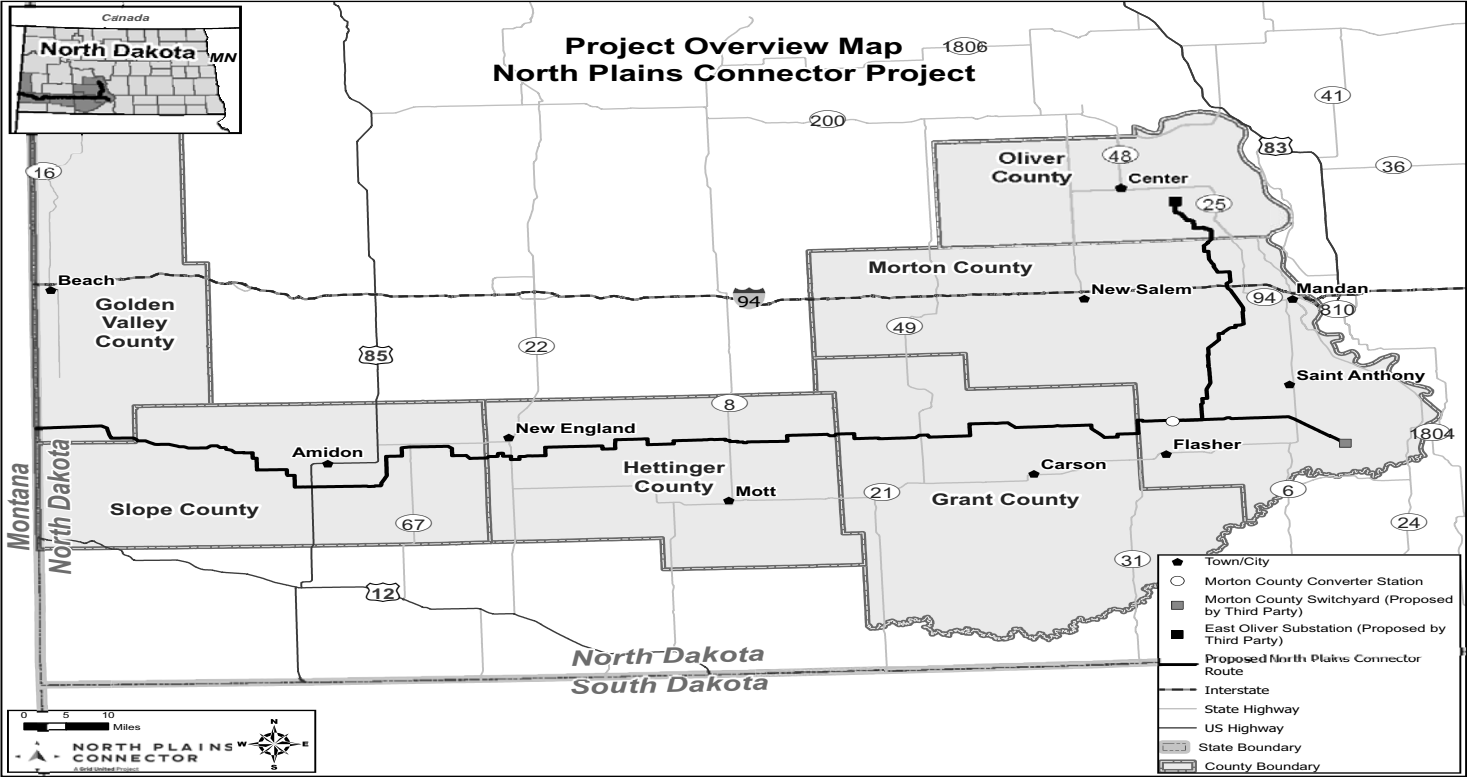
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Dated this 28th day of July, 2026.

CENTER REPUBLICAN PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF LEASING STATE SCHOOL LANDS

The Board of University and School Lands will offer the following lands for lease in Oliver County.				16 SW4	158	5	\$3134				
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278				16 SW4	156	5	\$3129				
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TURKEY PROCLAMATION

The North Dakota Game & Fish Department announces the following summary of regulations and changes for the 2026 fall wild turkey hunting proclamation. The season will run from Oct. 10 through Jan. 3. There are 3,700 licenses available in 21 open units. Bag limit is one wild turkey of any sex or age. Deadline to apply is Sept. 2. Only residents

are eligible in first lottery. Apply online at gf.nd.gov. Licenses issued by weighted lottery. A complete 2026 fall wild turkey proclamation is available from the NDGF Department, 100 N Bismarck Expy Bismarck, ND 58501-5086, Ph: (701) 328-6300, or online at gf.nd.gov. (08-27-2026)

CITY OF CENTER COUNCIL – SPECIAL MEETING

July 20, 2026
Betty Hagel Civic Center
The Center City Council met in special session on July 20, 2026, at 3:30 p.m. at the Betty Hagel Civic Center. Mayor Kevin Hoffman called the meeting to order at 3:36 p.m. Present: Mayor Kevin Hoffman; Council Members Troy Hatzenbihler, Becky Berg, Brittany Hagen and Dean Windhorst by phone. No public comments were received. Governance Actions
CDBG Grant/ South Water Tower Rehab: After discussion, Hatzenbihler moved and Hagen seconded approval of the water storage improvements and downtown utility replacements including water storage rehab of the north tower and demolition of the south reservoir. Hatzenbihler rescinded his motion and then moved to move forward with the CDBG Grant fund in the amount of \$709,550. Berg seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Pool AC Compressor Funding
There are multiple entities that are willing to assist with funding the repair of the compressor for the pool's air conditioning unit. Hatzenbihler moved to accept the repair bid from Cooling & Heating Unlimited for \$10,151.38. Hagen seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Adjournment
Mayor Hoffman adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m. Kevin Hoffman, Mayor
Cassie Smith, Auditor
(08-27-2026)

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality ("Department") will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to North Dakota Administrative Code chapter 33.1-16-2.1 regarding updates to language, changes to the designated uses, classifications, and numeric criteria for clarity purposes:

2nd Floor Conference Room
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4201 Normandy St, Bismarck, ND 58503-1324
October 7, 2026
5:00 pm CT

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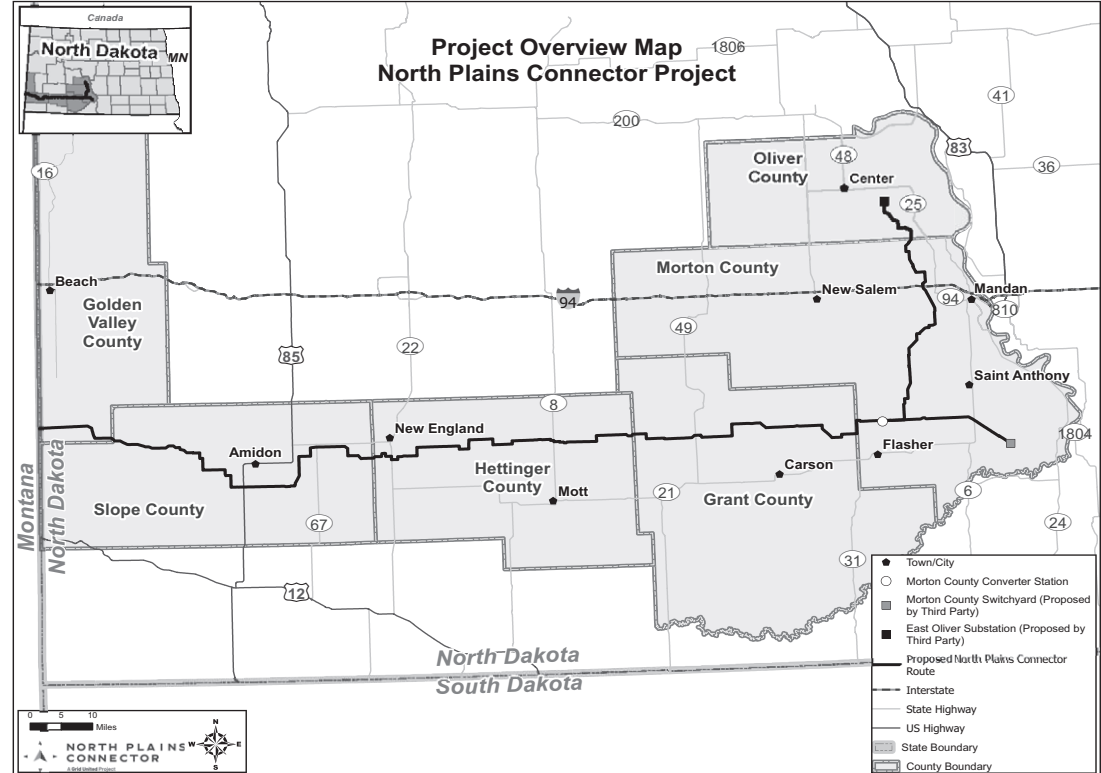
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There will be real time public streaming of the public hearing through Microsoft Teams. Information concerning access via telephone or through Microsoft Teams can be obtained by calling (701) 328-5210. Dated this 21st day of August, 2026.
Marty Haroldson
Director, Division of Water Quality
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July 23, 2026
Betty Hagel Memorial Civic Center
The Center City Council met in special session on July 23, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Betty Hagel Civic Center. Mayor Kevin Hoffman called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Present: Mayor Kevin Hoffman; Council Members Troy Hatzenbihler, Becky Berg, Brittany Hagen and Dean Windhorst
Guests Present: Will Sherwin and Patrick Waters by phone.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Governance Actions
City Attorney Appointment
After reviewing the proposal submissions from the attorneys interested, Kevin Hoffman appointed Attorney Patrick Waters as the City Attorney. Hatzenbihler moved and Hagen seconded to accept the appointment of Patrick Waters of Heartland Law Office. Roll call vote: Hatzenbihler – aye, Hagen – aye, Windhorst – nay, Berg – aye. Motion carried. Hatzenbihler moved and Hagen seconded to move into Executive Session at 7:11 p.m.

to discuss reasonable predictable litigation. Roll call vote: Hatzenbihler – aye, Hagen – aye, Hoffman – aye, Berg – aye, Windhorst – aye. Motion carried.
Open meeting resumed at 7:46 p.m. No further business to discuss.
Adjournment
Mayor Hoffman adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.
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Wednesday we will be called into a special session with the biggest reason is to address Kratom and it's uses.

So what is Kratom? Kratom is a tropical tree native to Southeast Asia. Consumption of its leaves produces both stimulant effects (in low doses) and sedative effects (in high doses), and can lead to psychotic symptoms and psychological and physiological dependence.

Kratom leaves contain two major psychoactive ingredients (mitragynine and 7-hydroxymitragynine) These leaves are crushed and then smoked, brewed with tea, or placed into a gel capsules. Kratom has a long history of use in Southeast Asia but in the U. S. the abuse of kratom has increased markedly in recent years. It is mostly abused by oral ingestion in the form of tablets, capsule or extract.

Kratom leaves may also be dried or powdered and ingested as a tea, or the kratom leaf may be chewed.

Products containing synthetically concentrated or chemically modified 7-OH and other kratom alkaloids are pervasive in unregulated retail markets. The level of synthetic kratom found in products on the market often exceeds the amount found naturally in the plant, prompting concern from health officials, regulators, and lawmakers.

Kratom has several side effects, including liver damage, high blood pressure, weight loss, constipation, olfactory hallucinations, delusions, difficulty breathing, tremors, seizures, and confusion. The kratom synthetic 7-OH binds to opioid receptors and may produce physical dependence, difficulty breathing, and withdrawal symptoms consistent with those of other opioids.

Twenty-four kratom, 7-OH, or kratom derivative associated deaths have occurred in this state since 2019, 23 of which the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services has indicated were primarily caused by kratom. The toxicology reports of 26 additional individuals indicated kratom was present in their system at the time of nonnatural death. Kratom is commonly used with other drugs or alcohol which also compounds the effects of this stimulant. Kratom is an opioid-acting drug, not a benign herbal supplement.

Because it is sold as a dietary supplement in gas stations, vape shops, and online, families and teenagers often perceive it as natural and safe. It is not. Kratom has been linked to physical and psychological dependence, opioid-type withdrawal, liver toxicity, seizures, and death, with risks compounded when it is combined with other substances. Next week, in the special session, we will have to determine the best way to regulate Kratom. As of now, 11 states have banned Kratom, and 15 others have adopted rules and regulations addressing age labeling and doses.

A study group has been appointed to do the research and gather information to bring forth bills to ban or regulate Kratom. Governor Kelly Armstrong has issued an executive order to totally ban Kratom, but the governor executive power is limited to 30 days and that is why he has called us back to session.

I will support a total ban for the special session and if there is a place in North Dakota for Kratom, that could be addressed in the regular session when there is adequate time for hearings, public input and debate.

PASTOR’S NOTES

Pastor Ed Zimmerman

Hope Congregational Church, Elgin

The year 2026 marks the 500th anniversary of the first translation of the New Testament into English. The translator was William Tyndale, who for his effort was rewarded by being burned at the stake.

This anniversary is well worth more than a passing notice. Access to the Bible in our own language is a benefit to English speaking people that is incalculable.

It is probably also true that those who condemned Tyndale somehow believed in the justice of their own views and actions.

To repeat what has been written earlier, the truth can be allusive. And an actual thorough openness to (objective) truth is difficult. This is in part because we all have a natural bias in favor of continuing to believe what we have come believe to be true. This necessary natural bias contributes importantly to mental efficiency and stability.

Yet there is objective truth. Distinct from that which is sometimes called "my truth". And exceptional openness to truth also has its value.

Tyndale's translation made the Bible's information more widely accessible. Access isn't enough. Truth sometimes must also be pursued.

(The 93 minute movie memorializing Tyndale and his times is title: "God's Outlaw: The Story of William Tyndale", and Hope church will show it in early November.)

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Recipe: Oatmeal Coconut Cookies

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- Ingredients:
- 1 C. shortening

1 C. sugar

1 C. packed brown sugar

2 large eggs, room temperature

1 tsp. vanilla extract

2 C. all-purpose flour

1 tsp. baking powder

1 tsp. baking soda

¼ tsp. salt

1 C. old fashioned oats

1 C. sweetened shredded coconut

Directions:

In a large bowl, beat shortening and sugars until blended. Beat in eggs and vanilla. In another bowl, whisk flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt; gradually beat into sugar mixture. Stir in oats and coconut. Divide dough into four portions. On a lightly floured surface, shape each into a 6-inch long log. Wrap in waxed paper; freeze two hours or until firm. Preheat oven to 350°. Unwrap and cut dough crosswise into ½-inch slices, reshaping as needed. Place 2-inches apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake until golden brown, 10-12 minutes. Cool on pans for five minutes. Remove to wire racks to cool completely.

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For an appointment call West Plains Public Health 701-622-3591.

AA Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are held every Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm CT, at meeting place Bethel Assembly of God Church in Glen Ullin.

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Thursday, August 6:

Cobb salad with dressing, bread stick, berries with shipped topping

Friday, August 7:

Turkey sandwich on a hoagie, tator tots, corn & black bean salad, strawberry applesauce

Monday, August 10:

Meatballs, mashed potatoes with gravy, steamed carrots, sliced apples

Tuesday, August 11:

Parmesan chicken, spaghetti with marinara, seasoned broccoli, fresh grapes

Wednesday, August 12:

Baked ham, auGratin potatoes, peas & onions, banana

Menus items subject to change daily based on availability. All meals include 8 oz. of 1% milk, 2 slices of bread, unless otherwise indicated. One slice of bread served with option of second slice upon request. Coffee and water is served at meal sites

Back to School Walk-In Immunization Clinics

Is your student ready for the new school year? Western Plains Public Health is making it easy to get caught up on required immunizations.

Join us at our Mandan office every Monday in August (August 10, 17, 24 and 31) from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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Walk ins are welcome, but you can preregister or call with questions at 701-667-3370.

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Moscow girls relay makes top 10 at middle school Nike Nationals

Moscow Middle School's Sarah Niehenke, Lila Beard, Palmer McLuen and Demi Frei placed eighth in the 400 relay in Eugene on Monday

Moscow has been well known in recent years for the strength of its girls track and field community - and though the majority of the attention has gone to the high school level, the pipeline does not start there.

Sarah Niehenke, Lila Beard, Palmer McLuen and Demi Frei - four recent eighth graders each headed for their freshman year at Moscow High - made that abundantly clear on Monday as they placed in the top 10 of the middle school girls division 400-meter relay at the Nike Outdoor Nationals USATF meet in Eugene, Ore.

The quartet, who competed under the team name "Motivated Sprinters Track Club," clocked in at 53.33 seconds to finish eighth.

"My greatest pleasure as a coach has been having the opportunity to work with Lila Beard, Palmer McLuen, Demi Frei and Sarah Niehenke over the past two seasons," Moscow Middle School sprints coach Euricka Hardy said. "They have bought into the process, trusted their training and consistently put in the work necessary to improve."

McLuen grandfather Gary Thomas said that these four girls have been running together for four years in total, during which time he has "watched them just getting progressively faster and faster.

With two of their members recovering from injuries as of Monday, the group clocked in slightly behind their school record time of 53.12, which won them a Bi-State Championship to cap off their spring season and middle school careers last month.

"While I am proud of the results they achieved at this meet, I am ever more proud of the dedication, perseverance and character they have displayed throughout the past two seasons," Hardy said. "It has truly been a privilege to coach them and watch them grow into the athletes they are today."

Judging by these results, the two-time defending high school state champion Bear girls might have high hopes of continued excellence for years to come.

Submitted from the Lewiston Tribune, written by the sports staff. Palmer McLuen is the granddaughter of Gary and Sharon (Serr) Thomas of Moscow, Idaho. Sharon, a Glen Ullin native and 1968 Glen Ullin High graduate was a very talented track star as a Glen Ullin Rattler and that speed in high school track has apparently been passed on to the grandchildren.

Dockter convicted in cattle theft case

Daniel Wayne Dockter, 44, of Colfax, N.D., was ordered to surrender to jail by noon today following his sentencing in Southeast District Court in Richland County for the theft of more than 130 head of cattle.

Dockter pleaded guilty July 30 to four counts – two Class A felonies for theft over \$50,000 and two Class A misdemeanors for the unlawful transport of livestock from the state.

Dockter received a 10-year sentence, with eight years suspended. He will serve two years before being placed on three years of supervised probation. He was also ordered to pay \$341,000 in restitution to two victims. Dockter had been feeding their cattle under share agreements, but the cattle disappeared. One producer was out 93 cows and three bulls valued at \$460,500, and the other was out 40 cows valued at \$190,000. When the producers asked where their animals were, Dockter allegedly told them they were at a South Dakota feedlot, which was later determined not to exist.

North Dakota Stockmen's Association (NDSA) Deputy Brand Inspector Nick Marolt led the investigation with support from the Richland County Sheriff's Department, the North Dakota Bureau of Criminal Investigation and special prosecutor Fallon Kelly.

"Every animal represents years of investment, hard work and careful stewardship," said Randy Schmitt, NDSA president, a Rugby, N.D., cow-calf producer. "When someone steals cattle, they're stealing from families and businesses that depend on those animals. We are grateful to everyone involved in ensuring justice was served and for protecting the integrity of North Dakota's livestock industry."



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Moana Showing at Mayer Theatre

This weekend Moana rated PG, is showing at Mayer Theatre in Hebron. Show times are Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at 7:30pm nightly.

Moana (2026) is Disney's live-action reimagining of the beloved animated adventure, following a young wayfinder who answers the Ocean's call and sails beyond her island with the demigod Maui to restore her people's prosperity. With stunning Polynesian landscapes, re-orchestrated songs, and a cast led by Catherine Laga'aia and Dwayne Johnson, it promises a visually rich, heartfelt journey that honors the original while expanding its world.

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Shields/Selfridge Sportsman Club hosts Egg Shoot

The Shields/Selfridge Sportsmen Club hosted its third Egg Shoot on July 25, 2026. It was an incredibly hot day and there was lots of hot shooting!

Shooters get 10 chances to shoot 5 eggs at a distance of 100 or 200 yards, using either custom or factory stock guns. There was also a division for youth at 100 yards. Shooters shoot their first 5 eggs, or their 10 bullets to get their score. A perfect score is 5/5, 5 eggs shot with 5 bullets. They do that 3 times to complete that relay. They can compete in any classification and distance they like for the 3 sets then switch to a different category for the next relay.

The competition was fierce. The 100-yard custom class had a 7-way tie for first place. All those shooters had shot a perfect 15/15 in the three-set relay. To break the tie, a shoot off was needed. Those seven shooters then had to shoot at pool cue chalk instead of eggs. That narrowed the field down to 2 shooters. Those 2 then shot at 2-inch target of concentric circles, with the one closest to the center being the winner. Those two were Hunter Baumeister and



PICTURED (L-R): Harley Baumeister, Dale Baumeister, Hunter Baumeister, Terry McQuoid, and Cye Kluck. Not pictured: Jeremy Deason and Thomas Deason.

Terry McQuoid. Terry took first place. Hunter did extremely well, considering he is still in high school and shooting against some seasoned shooters! The 200-yard custom class had a shoot off for second place between brothers Dale and Harley Baumeister. They had both shot 14/15 in the three-set relay. They also shot pool cue chalk and the tiny targets. Dale came out ahead in that competition. Trophy winners for the Custom 200-yard

shoot were: 1st place Terry McQuoid; 2nd place Dale Baumeister; 3rd place Harley Baumeister. The Custom 100-yard winners were: 1st place Terry McQuoid; 2nd place Hunter Baumeister; 3rd place Cye Kluck. The factory 200-yard competition had only one participant, Harley Baumeister. Trophy winners for the factory 100-yard shoot were: 1st place Terry McQuoid; 2nd

place Jeremy Deason; 3rd place Thomas Deason. The Rim Fire competition had only one competitor, Hunter Baumeister. Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make this event a success. It was an enjoyable day with a delicious meal provided by Michael (P-Dog) Ramella and lots of water provided by Sioux County Farmers Union.

JMHCC ACTIVITY REPORT

Lori Miller, Activity Director

Hello! We hope everyone has been well. We have received some serious heat this past month! We have been staying cool and hydrated in the shade. It has been said August is a time to pretend we love the heat while secretly longing for the fall. I know that is true for me. August marks the start of the harvest season, too. We enjoy seeing the farmers begin to gather their crops that have ripened over the summer. August also is the month we enjoy the county fairs. The residents at Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center (JMHCC) enjoy reminiscing about the fairs and how much they enjoyed that time with family and friends.

We have planned some fun days for the month of August at JMHCC. Some of these days are Root Beer Float Day Aug. 6, Lazy Day Aug. 10, Peach Pie Day Aug. 24, Banana Split Day Aug. 25, Dog Day Aug. 26 and Cherry Turnover Day is Aug. 28. Janice and Friends visited us on Aug. 3 and Germans from Russia will be here on Aug. 17. We will worship every Wednesday during the month of August at 2:30 p.m. MT. There will be some spirited games of Farkle, Uno, Bingo, balloon volleyball and others during the month. Remember to stay cool and enjoy all the August activities. You are welcome to stop in and visit us anytime!

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“Let’s Chalk” and “Let’s Eat” Sunday

Sunday, August 16, will be fun for the young and old alike when two events are being held – a “Let’s Chalk” on Hebron’s Main Street and a “Burgers and Brats”, a Hebron Fire Department Fundraiser in the Main Street Park.

The Hebron Fire Department is holding a fund raiser and will serve burgers and brats with some great ‘trimmings’ beginning at 6 p.m. The fire department is asking for a free will donation. Across Main Street from 6:30

to 9 p.m. CT many artists, both young and a little older, will use chalk to “paint”or “chalk” some great pictures.

The chalk has been provided by local business donations. This is a free event and everyone is invited to take part.

Just three days later, school will begin for the 2026 – 2027 year so this is the last “let’s have a really good time” evening to remember during the school months including the winter holidays.



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Those with questions or needing further information telephone the City of Hebron offices between 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. at 878-4600. Bids can be dropped off at the Hebron city offices, 600 Washington Avenue.
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Deadline is August 5 to apply for 2026 pronghorn hunting
Today, August 5, is the deadline to apply for the 2026 pronghorn hunting season. Only North Dakota residents are eligible to apply.

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Armstrong bans kratom, calls for special legislative session

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North Dakota Gov. Kelly Armstrong on Monday called for a special session of the Legislature to respond to what he called a public health crisis caused by the unregulated substance kratom.

Armstrong issued an executive order declaring a public health crisis and banning the sale, use and possession of all kratom products, and announced he would call the Legislature into special session Sept. 2 to make the ban permanent.

He also signed a Board of Pharmacy emergency rule classifying 7-OH, a synthetic kratom derivative, as a Schedule I controlled substance, which he indicated the Legislature would also make permanent during

September's special session. Both the emergency rule and executive order went into effect Wednesday. Kratom is a tropical tree native to Southeast Asia whose leaves act as a stimulant in low doses and as an opioid-like sedative in higher doses. There are currently no restrictions or regulations on the possession or sale of kratom or kratom-derived products in the state, according to Armstrong.

From 2019 through June 2026, kratom or kratom derivatives have been attributed as the primary cause of death in 23 North Dakota cases, according to the State Epidemiology Office. Statewide calls to poison control relating to kratom or kratom derivatives have also spiked from seven in 2024 to 22 last year, according to Armstrong.

North Dakota Attorney General Drew Wrigley said kratom-derived products often come in colorful packages and appear to

be marketed in a way that appeals to children.

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration

moved to temporarily classify 7-OH as a Schedule 1 controlled substance at the beginning of July.

Armstrong said it is important to have state law align with federal law because local law enforcement does

not enforce federal law, and prosecutors rely on state law when making charging decisions.

LEGAL NOTICES

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ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO N.D. ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CHAPTERS 75-03-23 AND 75-03-24 PROVISION OF HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE SERVICE PAYMENTS FOR ELDERLY AND DISABLED PROGRAM AND THE MEDICAID WAIVER FOR THE AGED AND DISABLED PROGRAM AND EXPANDED SERVICE PAYMENTS FOR ELDERLY AND DISABLED

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to N.D. Admin. Code chapter 75-03-23 relating to definitions, programmatic criteria, limitations on payment for residential habilitation and community support services provided by a family member, qualified service provider standards and agreements, denials of applications to become a qualified service provider, sanctions and terminations of qualified service providers, applications and reapplications, comprehensive assessments, and residential habilitation and community support service requirements and chapter 75-03-24 relating to definitions, eligibility criteria, eligibility determinations, applications, duty to establish eligibility, and comprehensive assessments, at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, September 18, 2026, in Bismarck, N.D. in Room 210, located on the second floor of the Judicial Wing of the State Capitol.

Copies of the proposed rules are available for review at human service zones offices and at the state-operated behavioral health clinics. Copies of the proposed rules and the regulatory analysis relating to these rules may be requested by telephoning (701) 328-2311. Written or oral data, views, or arguments may be entered at the hearing or sent to: Rules Administrator, North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services, State Capitol - Judicial Wing, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250. Written data, views, or arguments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 28, 2026.

ATTENTION PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If you plan to attend the hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services at the above telephone number or address at least two weeks prior to the hearing.

Dated this 28th day of July, 2026
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Bids shall be upon cash payment on the following estimated quantities and types of work:

1 LSUM Contract Bond; 1 LSUM Clearing & Grubbing; 1 LSUM Removal of Structure; 44 LF Removal of Pipe All Types and Sizes; 7,619 CY Common Excavation-Type B; 2,519 CY Topsoil; 1 EA Box Culvert Excavation; 260 CY Foundation Fill; 1 EA Foundation Preparation-Box Culvert; 133 MGAL Water; 3.04 ACRE Seeding Class II; 3.04 ACRE Temporary Cover Crop; 6.08 ACRE Straw Mulch; 163 CY Riprap Grade II; 704 LF Silt Fence Supported; 7,003 LF Fiber Rolls 12IN; 3,408 LF Remove Fiber Rolls 12IN; 30 LF Flotation Silt Curtain; 1,586 TON Aggregate Surface Course CL 13; 56 LF 16FT X 12FT Precast RCB Culvert; 2 EA 16FT X 12FT Precast RCB End Section; 1 LSUM Mobilization; 672 UNIT Traffic Control Signs; 7 EA Type III Barricade; 193 SY Geosynthetic Material Type G; 244 SY Geosynthetic Material Type RR; 60 LF Pipe Conduit 36IN-Approach; 20 SF Flat Sheet For Signs-Type XI Refl Sheeting; 64.4 LF Steel Galv Posts-Telescoping Perforated Tube; 4 EA Object Markers - Type III; 1 EA Temporary Stream Diversion

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All bids are to be submitted on the basis of cash payment for the work and materials, and each bid shall be accompanied by a separate envelope containing the contractor's license and bid security. The bid security must be in a sum equal to five per cent (5%) of the full amount of the bid and must be in the form of a bidder's bond. A bidder's bond must be executed by the bidder as principal and by a surety company authorized to do business in this state, conditioned that if the principal's bid be accepted and the contract awarded to the principal, the principal, within ten (10) days after notice of award, will execute and effect a contract in accordance with the terms of his bid and the bid bond as required by the laws of the State of North Dakota and the regulations and determinations of the governing body. If a successful bidder does not execute a contract within ten (10) days allowed, the bidder's bond must be forfeited to the governing body and the project awarded to the next lowest responsible bidder.

All bidders must be licensed for the full amount of the bid as required by Section 43 07 07 and 43-07-12 of the North Dakota Century Code. The successful Bidder will be required to furnish Contract Performance and Payment Bonds in the full amount of the contract.

Contracts shall be awarded on the basis of the low bid submitted by a responsible and responsive bidder for the aggregate sum of all bid items. A single contract will be awarded for the work.

All bids will be contained in a sealed envelope, as above provided; plainly marked showing that such envelope contains a bid for the above project. In addition, the bidder shall place upon the exterior of such envelope the following information:

1. The work covered by the bidder
2. The name of the bidder
3. Separate envelope containing bid bond and a copy of North Dakota Contractor's License or certificate of renewal.
4. Acknowledgement of the Addenda.

No Bid will be read or considered which does not fully comply with the above provisions as to Bond and licenses and any deficient Bid submitted will be resealed and returned to the Bidder immediately. The work on the improvement will be completed by **July 30th, 2027**.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in any bid, to hold all bids for a period not to exceed 30 days from the date of opening bids, and to accept the bid deemed most favorable to the interest of the Owner.

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Dated this 3rd day of August, 2026

Morton County
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s/John Saiki, PE
Morton County Engineer
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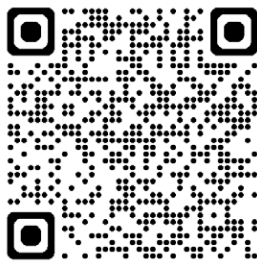
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A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by writing to WSI, Legal Department, P.O. Box 5585, Bismarck, North Dakota 58506 or by calling 800-777-5033 or TTY 800-366-6888. Written comments may be submitted to WSI, Legal Department, P.O. Box 5585, Bismarck, ND 58506 until close of business on Monday, October 5, 2026. The Full Notice may be viewed by scanning the below QR code. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact WSI at the above telephone number or address at least five days prior to hearing.

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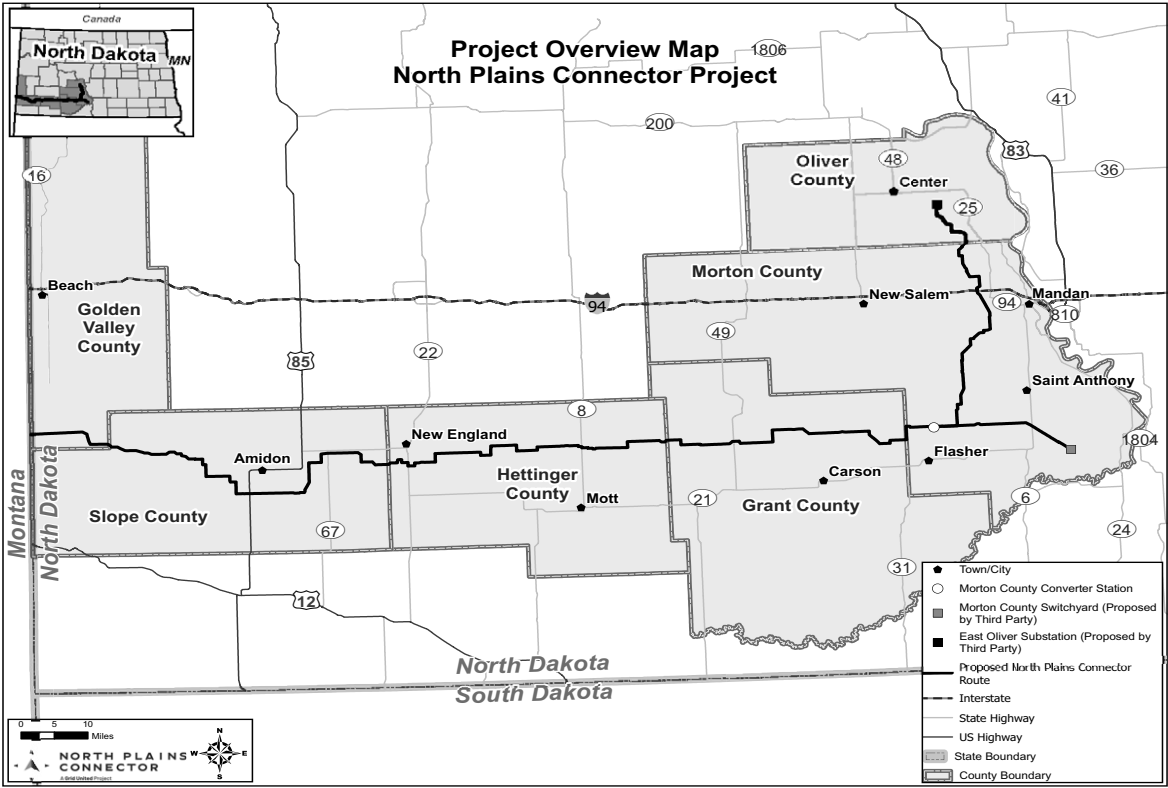
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“All the steel used in the transmission line construction will be American sourced, so it’ll be mined in America, it’ll be fabricated in America by Americans, so this project’s putting a lot of Americans to work,” said Adam Smith, a lineworker by trade who will be managing project construction for Pattern Energy. The project will use over 100 million pounds of steel and 3,800 miles of wire, or about 48 million pounds of wire on the monopoles.

This will be the largest order for American-made steel for a transmission project in U.S. history, according to Grid United representatives.

The company has also been examining all the rural roads that will be involved in the project as haul routes. Any roads or bridges that need to be improved will be made sufficient by the company, working with the local counties and townships.

“They’ll do that initial assessment, and they’ll figure out what needs to be upgraded and what bridges might need to be improved. All of that work will start happening next year as well,” Johnson said.

Crossings will also be assessed anywhere where the line will cross another utility, a railroad or a highway, and will be documented and permitted with those companies or jurisdictions.

Construction of the converter stations will take the most time, Johnson said. Those are the facilities where direct current electricity at transmission voltages is converted to lower-voltage alternating current.

A converter station north of Flasher will be a several hundred-million-dollar facility, Johnson said. That piece will be shipped from Sweden. Another converter station will be near Colstrip, Mont.

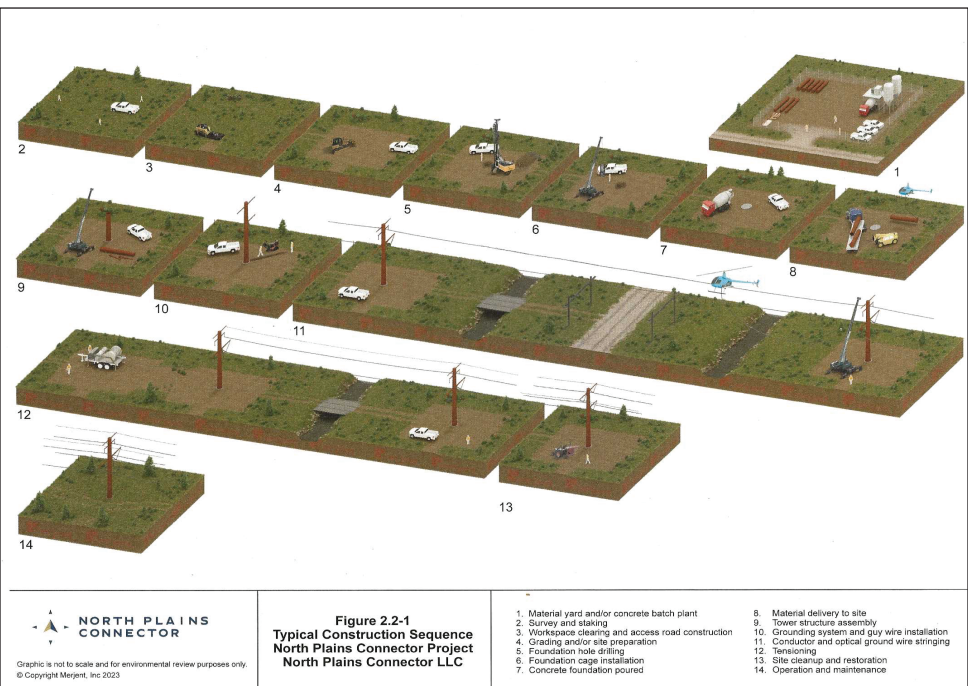
During construction

of the transmission line, laydown yards will temporarily store materials. North Plains Connector expects to have these sites, likely five or six across the project area from Montana to North Dakota, identified by the end of the year. The monopole structures will be 110 to 160 feet tall, placed about one-quarter mile apart. The 1.5- to 2-inch thick conductor will be strung using cranes and helicopters. Following construction, restoration of the site is completed.

The project will bring approximately 400 workers on any given day at different points of the project for construction, though peak construction for both the line and converter stations could see 800 workers.

Crews will start in different spots, with different crews working specialty areas, from foundation crews to wire crews.

Stringing the conductor from



This graphic depicts the build process for the North Plains Connector project, which will include helicopters pulling the lead lines. The project is expected to begin in 2028 and to be completed in 2032. | COURTESY GRAPHIC

structure to structure in approximately 3-mile segments will often be initiated by helicopters pulling the lead line then returning to attach the conductors to the structure or for other work.

The project has been years in the planning stages, with the first meeting about the project in the fall

of 2021.

“I always say in this business, you have to have 10 years of patience,” Johnson said. “We spent two years working with communities and landowners to design a good process and a good route. I don’t think you could do it much faster than this.”

This 3,000-megawatt type of connector is fairly unique in North Dakota, and the United States, Johnson said. And as an HVDC line, it will be able to transmit power over longer spans with less line loss.

Through the transmission line, generators of power will have access to new markets going both directions.

This line is being developed by Grid United, an independent developer of high-voltage transmission lines whose projects are intended for incumbent utilities to

operate and own. As such, North Plains Connector is expected to be owned, operated and maintained by a consortium of public utilities, including electric cooperatives.

“We have a consortium of utilities that will own it,” Johnson said. “We have a lot of folks who have signed non-binding MOUs that are interested in a certain number of megawatts.”

The public utility partners also must get regulatory approvals in their states in a way that’s prudent for the ratepayers. They will either be transmission services agreement or a direct ownership arrangement.

The bidirectional line will improve reliability and resiliency of the electrical grid across the region and broaden market connections, according to Grid United.

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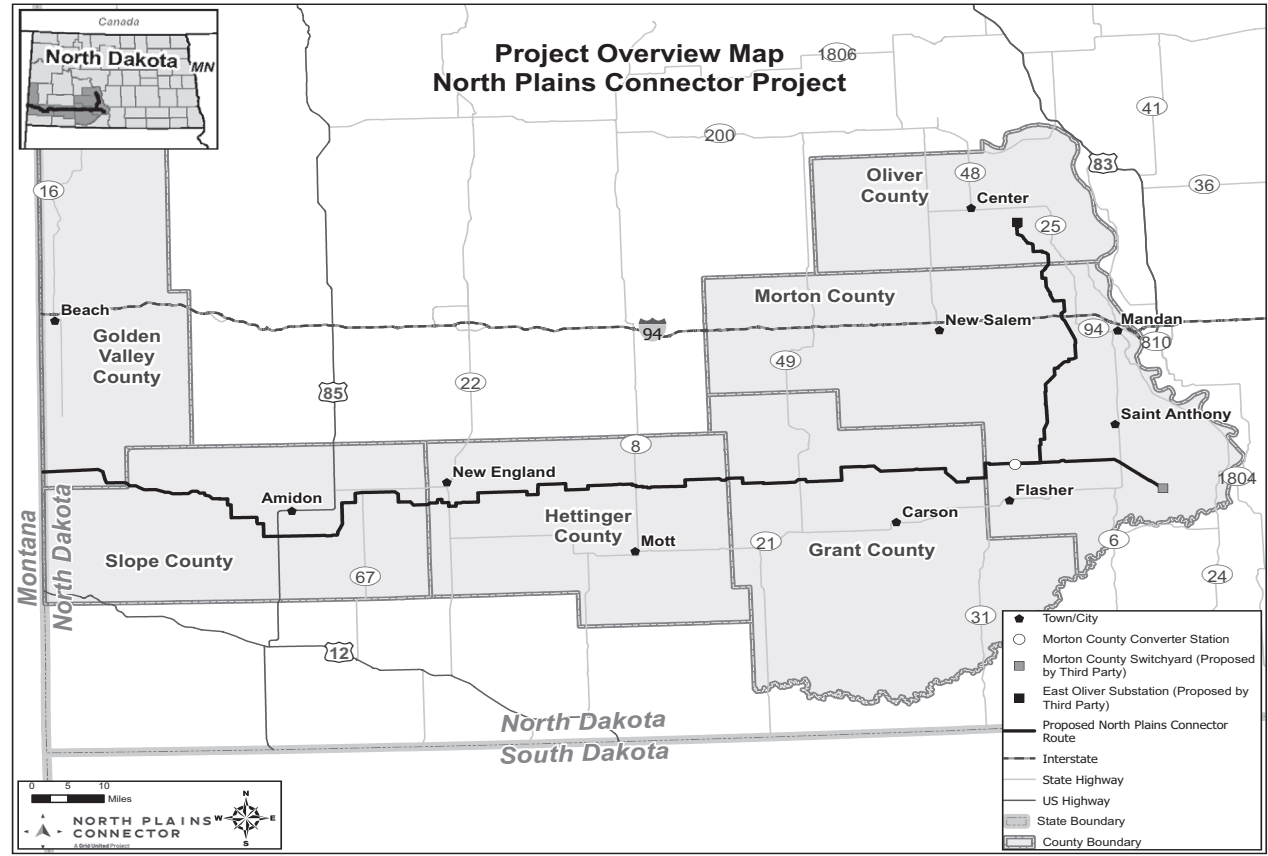
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JOB OPENING

CITY OF MOTT CITY WORKER

The City of Mott has a job opening for a full-time city worker. The job will be 40 hours weekly. Having or being able to obtain a Class B CDL with air brake endorsement is a plus. Must be willing to take training to become certified in state-required water and wastewater classifications. Salary will be dependent on experience/qualifications.

Send resume to:

City of Mott
Job Opening
P.O. Box 116
Mott, ND 58646

To receive job description:

Pick up at City Hall

Call Pam Steinke, city auditor, at 701-824-2163
Request via email: citymott@ndsupernet.com.

Resume submission/application deadline:

Noon on Sept. 11, 2026

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Morton County Commission Meeting

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The Morton County Commission discussed budgets for several organizations while providing an update on Greenwood Cemetery during its meeting on Tuesday, July 28.

Centre and the Lower Heart Water Resource District reported no changes in the budget while salary increases impacted the budgets for the Morton County Council on Aging, Morton Mandan Library, Western Plains Public Health and the Morton County Sheriff’s Department as each department raised its salaries in an effort to retain employees.

The Morton County Roads budget made significant cuts because there was no longer money left from Operation Prairie Dog, causing the budget to move from 11.3 million to roughly 8.5 million. Morton County Engineer John Saiki discussed all the changes to the budget to the



photo | Kevin Utz

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION reviewed budgets and explained the history of Greenwood Cemetery in its meeting on Tuesday, July 28.

commissioners. Most of the cuts came from the portion dedicated to funding contractors, but there will still be work done in the county. However, the projects will not be funded by the county.

In addition to a change in salaries, Morton County Council on Aging reported it would not have money from United Way in the upcoming budget because they felt they could raise the money without having to follow the United Way guidelines. Part of the guidelines included a blackout period that kept Morton County Council on Aging from fundraising while United Way raised its own

funds.

Following the budget hearing on Western Plains Public Health, Commissioner Andy Zachmeier asked for tonal noise detection to be discussed for the upcoming joint board meeting with the different counties. He said with all the talk about data centers, tonal noise detection may fall onto the county’s hospital so he was wondering if Western Plains Public Health could discuss it at the joint meeting between the different counties so they would be prepared to handle requests.

Before hearing budgets from the Morton County Sheriff and

Morton County Engineer, Commissioner Ray Morrell provided an update on Greenwood Cemetery and explained the history behind the cemetery with a presentation.

The presentation included the original 10-acre layout of Greenwood Cemetery imposed on the current 40-acre plot of land. Then, Morrell went on to show pictures from a flyover of the land on June 3, showing the depressions in the land from the graves in the cemetery. Morrell used the presentation to explain the history of the land and its connection to the original Morton County Charters. Morrell finished the presentation by saying that he is still in the process of conducting research on the cemetery. Morrell said he is working with the North Dakota State Historical Society to validate the history of Morton County and its establishment. Morrell said it is hard to establish the cemetery as a state historic site, but a connection with the es-

tablishment of Morton County would make the cemetery more than a cemetery, allowing it to be established as a state historic site.

The presentation about Greenwood Cemetery history with Morton County led to the next point of Morrell seeking a consensus for establishing a Morton County Historic Preservation Commission.

In support of the new commission, Morrell went through all the historic structures that are currently registered with the National Historic Registry throughout Morton County with a slideshow, including the Lewis and Clark Hotel as well as other buildings in downtown Mandan.

Morrell learned all this recently even though there is a county historical society. He said none of this is known and nothing is being done so the Morton County Historic Preservation Commission would allow for this information to be shared along with pursuing grants.

Morrell wanted a consensus so he could start having public input meetings. Chairman Nathan Boehm asked about a motion, but Commissioner Paul Tokach wanted to stay with a consensus because he wanted more input from the public.

Following the presentations, Patrick Martin asked the commission for approval for the Local Emergency Operations Plan, which helps connect departments throughout the county in a response to emergency services. After Martin spoke, Morrell made a motion that was seconded by Tokach. Boehm signed a paper for Martin, authorizing the plan for Morton County.

Before adjourning the meeting, the committee changed its next meeting from Aug. 6 to Aug. 13.

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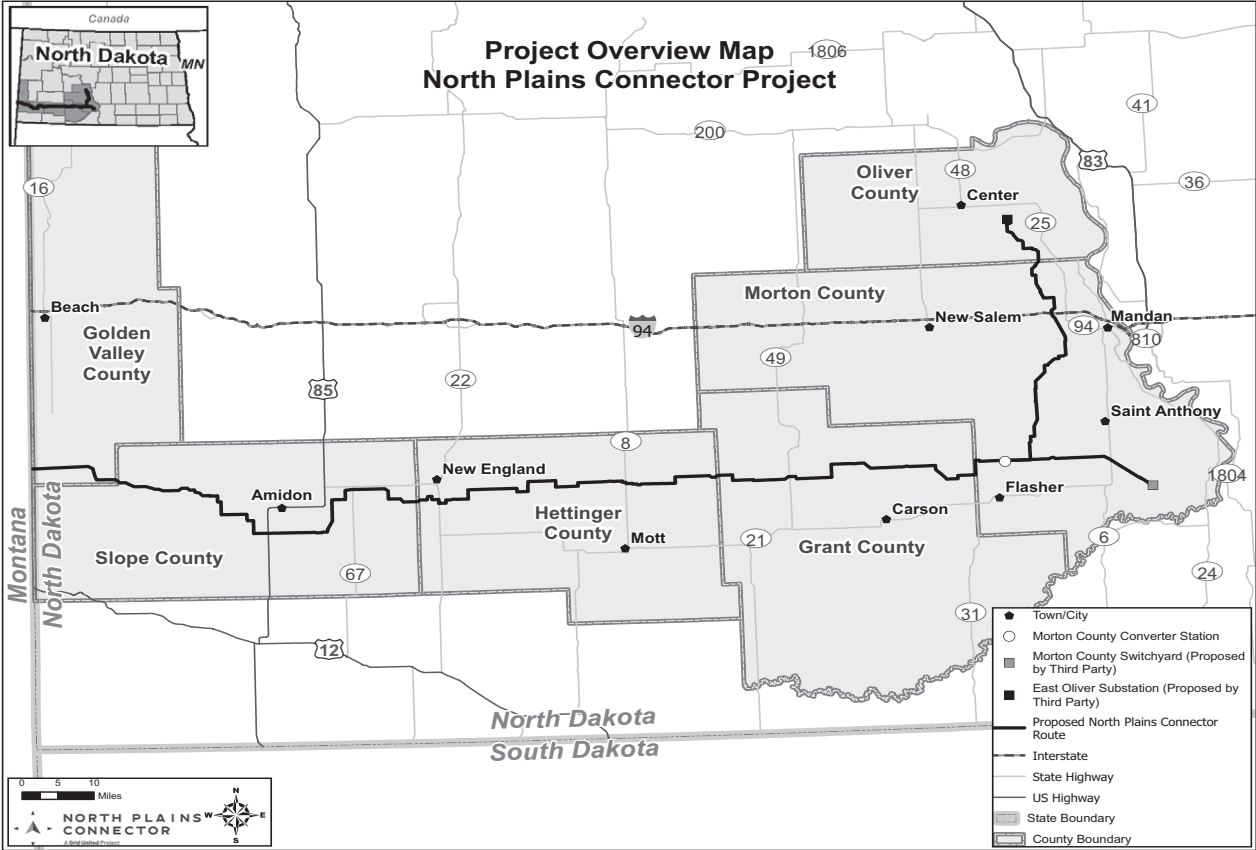
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