



March 20 ,2026

INSERT AGENCY
AGENCY ADDRESS

RE: Project Notification - Harmony Storage Project, Cass County, North Dakota

Dear INSERT AGENCY CONTACT,

Harmony Storage, LLC (Harmony Storage), a subsidiary of Geronimo Power, LLC, is developing the Harmony Storage Project (Project), a proposed 200-megawatt (mW) 4-hour (800 MWh) battery energy storage system (BESS) located on approximately 12 acres of land in Township 140N, Range 51W, Section 12 of Harmony Township in west central Cass County, North Dakota. Harmony Storage anticipates starting construction in 2027 and commencing operation by 2028.

The proposed BESS site would be accessed off 162nd Avenue SE by a gravel access road. Proposed Project facilities on the approximately 12-acre BESS site include energy storage (battery) modules, inverters and transformers, electrical collection and communication lines, access roads, security fencing, and associated temporary facilities.

The Project will utilize the operations and maintenance facility and substation being constructed as part of a separate project ("Harmony Solar Project"). An underground collection line would connect the Project to the future Harmony Solar substation. The Project will interconnect to the electrical grid at the existing Bison Substation via the proposed Harmony Solar Project's substation.

Harmony Storage plans to submit an Application for a Certificate of Site Compatibility (CSC) for the Project to the North Dakota Public Service Commission (NDPSC) in May 2026. In conjunction with preparing the NDPSC CSC application, Harmony Storage is seeking input from your agency or entity regarding any sensitive resources, current or planned development, or property interests your agency or entity may have in or around the Project Area and associated Study Area (1 mile buffer around the proposed Project Area) that Harmony Storage should consider as it moves forward with Project development. In addition, we ask that you provide information regarding any applicable permits that may be required from your office. The Project Area and Study Area are depicted on the attached map.

Harmony Storage respectfully requests your response within 30 days of receipt of this letter. Copies of all correspondence received in response to this letter will be included with the NDPSC CSC application.



If you have any questions or would like any additional information, please contact me at 952-988-9000 or at amohammad@geronimopower.com. I am happy to discuss any questions that you may have about the Project.

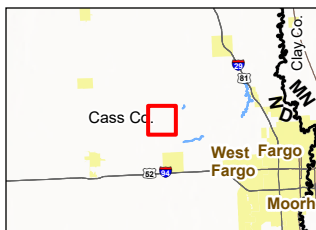
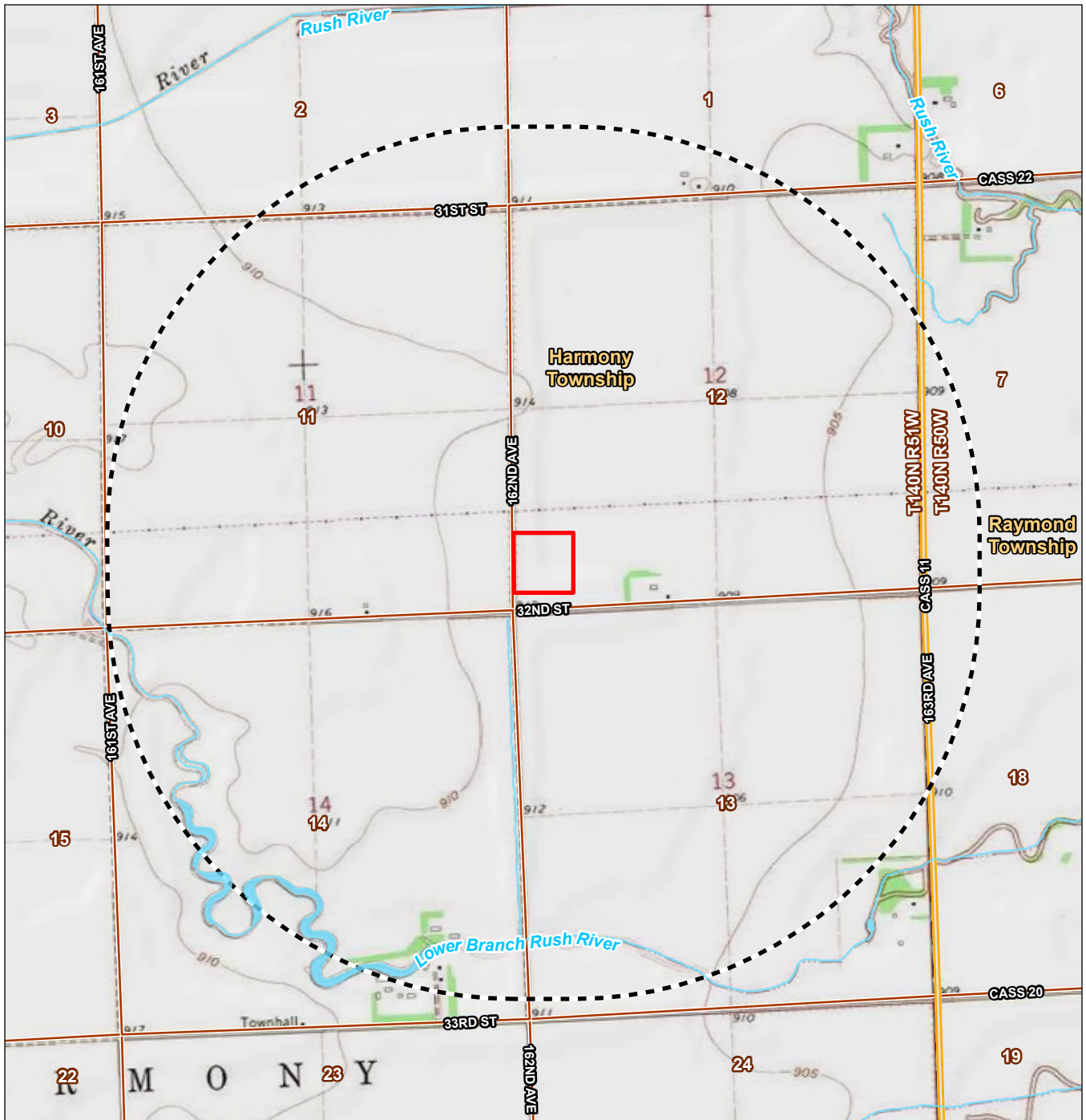
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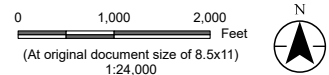
Alia Mohammad
Senior Permitting Specialist

[Attachment: Figure 1 – Project Location](#)

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- Legend**
- Project Area
 - Study Area (1-Mile Buffer)
 - Civil Township
 - Township, Range & Section Boundary



Project Location Prepared by KJM on 2026-03-13
T140N, R51W, S12 TR by NP on 2026-03-13
T. Harmony, Cass Co., ND

Client/Project Geronimo Power 193711746

Harmony BESS
Notification Letter

Figure No.

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Title

Project Location



United States Department of Agriculture

March 27, 2026

Natural Resources
Conservation Service

Bismarck State Office
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Bismarck, ND
58502-1458

Alia Mohammad
Geronimo Power
8400 Normandale Lake Blvd, Suite 1200
Bloomington, MN 55437

Voice 701.530.2000
Fax 855-813-7556

Dear Alia Mohammad:

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has reviewed your letter dated March 20, 2026, regarding the Harmony Storage Project in Cass County, North Dakota.

NRCS has a major responsibility with the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) in documenting conversion of farmland (i.e., Prime, Statewide Importance and/or Local Importance) to non-agricultural use when a federal funding source is utilized. The proposed project is not supported by federal funding; therefore, FPPA does not apply, and no further action is needed.

If you have additional questions pertaining to FPPA, please contact Lance Duey, Assistant State Soil Scientist, NRCS, Bismarck, North Dakota, at (701) 530-2109.

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Acting State Soil Scientist

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To: [Pahl, Nicole](#); [Schmidt, Chris](#)
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Hi Nicole,
See attached for the response from USACE.
Thanks!



☐ 952.988.9000



Alia Mohammad

Senior Permitting Specialist

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From: Nygard, Jeremy S CIV USARMY CENWO (USA)

Sent: Tuesday, April 14, 2026 3:43 PM

To: Alia Mohammad

Subject: NWO-2026-00515-BIS, Geronimo Power, Harmony Storage Project

Good Afternoon Alia Mohammad,

Our office has reviewed the information you provided regarding the proposed project and determined that a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permit may be required for your project if any waters or wetlands are impacted. Please see attached letter and blank application form. Thank you,

v/r

Jeremy Nygard

Regulatory Program Assistant

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

North Dakota Regulatory Office

3319 University Drive

Bismarck, ND 58504

Direct: 701-989-6425

Office General Line: 701-255-0015



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CORPS OF ENGINEERS, OMAHA DISTRICT
NORTH DAKOTA REGULATORY OFFICE
3319 UNIVERSITY DRIVE
BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA 58504-7565

April 13, 2026

NWO-2026-00515-BIS

Geronimo Power
Attn: Ms. Alia Mohammad
8400 Normandale Lake Blvd, Suite 1200
Bloomington, North Dakota 55437

Dear Ms. Mohammad:

This is in response to information received on March 10, 2026 regarding the proposed Harmony Storage Project. The project is located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 12, Township 140 North, Range 51 West, Cass County, North Dakota.

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers Regulatory Offices administer Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (Section 404). A Section 404 permit would be required for the discharge of dredge or fill material (temporarily or permanently) in waters of the United States. Waters of the United States may include, but are not limited to, rivers, streams, ditches, coulees, lakes, ponds, and their adjacent wetlands. Fill material includes, but is not limited to, rock, sand, soil, clay, plastics, construction debris, wood chips, overburden from mines or other excavation activities and materials used to create any structure or infrastructure in waters of the United States.

Based on the information contained in your letter, the Corps has determined that your proposed project may need a Clean Water Act Section 404 permit if there is a discharge of dredge or fill material into any types of waters listed in the paragraph above. If you decide to submit a permit application, the permit application and instructions for completing the application are enclosed and may also be found at: <http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Regulatory-Program-and-Permits/Obtain-a-Permit>. Be sure to accurately describe all proposed work and construction methodology. Once the application is complete, mail it to the letterhead address or to the email address (preferred) below.

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Please refer to identification number NWO-2026-00515-BIS in any correspondence concerning this project. If you have any questions, please contact Jeremy Nygard at U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, North Dakota Regulatory Office, 3319 University Drive, Bismarck, North Dakota 58504-7565, by email at Jeremy.S.Nygard@usace.army.mil, or telephone at 701-989-6425. For more information regarding our program, please visit our website at: <http://www.nwo.usace.army.mil/Missions/RegulatoryProgram/NorthDakota.aspx>.

Sincerely,

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Benjamin N. Soiseth
Chief, North Dakota Section

Enclosure:

- ENG Form 6082



United States Department of the Interior

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
North Dakota Ecological Services Field Office
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Phone: (701) 250-4481 Fax: (701) 355-8513



In Reply Refer To:
Project Code: 2026-0077444
Project Name: Harmony Storage Project

06/09/2026 16:24:16 UTC

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

The Act requires that actions authorized, funded, or carried out by Federal agencies not jeopardize federally threatened or endangered species or adversely modify designated critical habitat. To fulfill this mandate, Federal agencies (or their designated non-federal representative) must consult with the Service *if they determine their project and associated actions "may affect" listed species or critical habitat*. If Federal agencies or their non-federal representatives determine their project and associated actions will have "no effect" on listed species, their habitats, or designated critical habitat, consultation is not required. However, if a "no effect" is determined, we recommend that you maintain a written record in support of your conclusion.

Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act and Migratory Bird Treaty Act

Additionally, while not all are listed as threatened or endangered, eagles and migratory birds

have protections under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA) and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA). The BGEPA prohibits take which is defined as, “pursue, shoot, shoot at, poison, wound, kill, capture, trap, collect, destroy, molest, or disturb” (50 CFR 22.3). Disturb is defined in regulations as, “to agitate or bother a bald or golden eagle to a degree that causes, or is likely to cause, based on the best scientific information available, 1) injury to an eagle, 2) decrease in its productivity, by substantially interfering with normal breeding, feeding, or sheltering behavior, or 3) nest abandonment, by substantially interfering with normal breeding, feeding, or sheltering behavior.”. The MBTA makes it unlawful without a waiver to pursue, hunt, take, capture, kill, or sell birds listed as migratory birds, including eagles. The statute does not discriminate between live or dead birds and also grants full protection to any bird parts including feathers, eggs, and nests.

Service Property Interests

As part of the National Wildlife Refuge System, the Service administers fee title Refuge and Waterfowl Production Areas, as well as wetland and grassland easements, throughout North Dakota. For exact locations of Service interest lands, please contact the appropriate Wetland Management Districts (WMD) for guidance regarding FWS easements.

Northwest ND WMD Complex: Kyle Flanery, (701) 768-2548

Eastern ND WMD Complex: Dave Azure, (701) 285-3341

Central ND WMD Complex (also covers south and west): Todd Luke, (701) 442-5474

Attachment(s):

- Official Species List
- USFWS National Wildlife Refuges and Fish Hatcheries
- Wetlands

OFFICIAL SPECIES LIST

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

North Dakota Ecological Services Field Office

3425 Miriam Avenue

Bismarck, ND 58501-7926

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PROJECT SUMMARY

Project Code: 2026-0077444
Project Name: Harmony Storage Project
Project Type: Battery Energy Storage Systems
Project Description: Harmony Storage, LLC (Harmony Storage), a subsidiary of Geronimo Power, LLC, is developing the Harmony Storage Project (Project), a proposed 200-megawatt (mW) 4-hour (800 MWh) battery energy storage system. Harmony Storage anticipates starting construction in 2027 and commencing operation by 2028. The proposed BESS site would be accessed off 162nd Avenue SE by a gravel access road. Proposed Project facilities include energy storage (battery) modules, inverters and transformers, electrical collection (underground) and communication lines, access roads, security fencing, and associated temporary facilities.

Harmony Storage plans to submit an Application for a Certificate of Site Compatibility (CSC) for the Project to the North Dakota Public Service Commission (NDPSC) in spring/early summer 2026.

Project Location:

The approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/@46.9520124,-97.06795337692533,14z>



Counties: Cass County, North Dakota

ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT SPECIES

There is a total of 2 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries¹, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

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1. [NOAA Fisheries](#), also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

INSECTS

NAME	STATUS
Monarch Butterfly <i>Danaus plexippus</i> There is proposed critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9743	Proposed Threatened
Suckley's Cuckoo Bumble Bee <i>Bombus suckleyi</i> Population: No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10885 General project design guidelines: https://ipac.ecosphere.fws.gov/project/TCQ2EGTRTZCLZNTKMUIDK6YPKM/documents/generated/9852.pdf	Proposed Endangered

CRITICAL HABITATS

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA UNDER THIS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION.

YOU ARE STILL REQUIRED TO DETERMINE IF YOUR PROJECT(S) MAY HAVE EFFECTS ON ALL ABOVE LISTED SPECIES.

USFWS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE LANDS AND FISH HATCHERIES

Any activity proposed on lands managed by the [National Wildlife Refuge](#) system must undergo a 'Compatibility Determination' conducted by the Refuge. Please contact the individual Refuges to discuss any questions or concerns.

THERE ARE NO REFUGE LANDS OR FISH HATCHERIES WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA.

WETLANDS

Impacts to [NWI wetlands](#) and other aquatic habitats may be subject to regulation under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, or other State/Federal statutes.

For more information please contact the Regulatory Program of the local [U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District](#).

Please note that the NWI data being shown may be out of date. We are currently working to update our NWI data set. We recommend you verify these results with a site visit to determine the actual extent of wetlands on site.

THERE ARE NO WETLANDS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA.

IPAC USER CONTACT INFORMATION

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LEAD AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Lead Agency: State of North Dakota

May 1, 2026

Alia Mohammad
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Dear Ms. Mohammad:

Re: Harmony Storage Project in Cass County, ND

Dear Ms. Mohammad:

The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (Department) has reviewed the information concerning the above-referenced project received at the Department on March 23, 2026, with respect to possible environmental impacts.

1. Necessary measures should be taken to minimize fugitive dust emissions created during construction activities. Any complaints that may arise should be dealt with in an efficient and effective manner.
2. Aggregate to be used for road construction should not contain any erionite. Aggregate sources should be tested for erionite following guidelines found at <https://deq.nd.gov/erionite>. For questions regarding erionite testing, please contact the Asbestos Program at 701-328-5166 or asbestos@nd.gov.
3. Care is to be taken during construction activity near any water of the state to minimize adverse effects on a water body. This includes minimal disturbance of stream beds and banks to prevent excess siltation, and the replacement and revegetation of any disturbed area as soon as possible after work has been completed. Caution must also be taken to prevent spills of oil and grease that may reach the receiving water from equipment maintenance and/or the handling of fuels on the site. Guidelines for minimizing degradation to waterways during construction are attached.
4. Projects disturbing one or more acres are required to have a permit to discharge stormwater runoff until the site is stabilized by the re-establishment of vegetation or other permanent cover. Further information on the stormwater permit may be obtained from the Department's website or by calling the Division of Water Quality at 701-328-5210. Also, cities may impose additional requirements and/or specific best management practices for construction affecting their storm drainage system. Check with the local officials to be sure any local stormwater management considerations are addressed.

5. All solid waste materials must be managed and transported in accordance with the state's solid and hazardous waste rules. Appropriate efforts to reduce, reuse and/or recycle waste materials are strongly encouraged. As appropriate, segregation of inert waste from non-inert waste can generally reduce the cost of waste management. Further information on waste management and recycling is available from the Department's Division of Waste Management at 701-328-5166.

The Department owns no land in or adjacent to the proposed improvements, nor does it have any projects scheduled in the area. In addition, we believe the proposed activities are consistent with the State Implementation Plan for the Control of Air Pollution for the State of North Dakota.

If you have any questions regarding our comments, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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Karl Rockeman, P.E., Deputy Director
North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality

KR:ll
Attach.

Construction and Environmental Disturbance Requirements

The following are the minimum requirements of the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (Department) for projects that involve construction and environmental disturbance in or near waters of the State of North Dakota. They ensure that minimal environmental degradation occurs as a result of construction or related work which has the potential to affect waters of the state. All projects must be constructed to minimize the loss of soil, vegetative cover, and pollutants (chemical or biological) from a site.

Soils

Prevent the erosion and sediment loss using erosion and sediment controls. Fragile and sensitive areas such as wetlands, riparian zones, delicate flora, and land resources must be prohibited against compaction, vegetation loss and unnecessary damage.

Surface Waters

All construction must be managed to minimize impacts to aquatic systems. Follow safe storage and handling procedures to prevent the contamination of water from fuel spills, lubricants, and chemicals. Stream bank and stream bed disturbances must be contained to minimize silt movement, nutrient upsurges, plant dislocations, and any physical chemicals, or biological disruption. The use of pesticides or herbicides in or near surface waters is allowed under the Department's pesticide application permit with notification to the Department.

Fill Material

Any fill material placed below the ordinary high-water mark must be free of topsoil, decomposable materials, and persistent synthetic organic compounds, including, but not limited to, asphalt, tires, treated lumber, and construction debris. The Department may require testing of fill material. All temporary fills must be removed. Debris and solid waste must be properly disposed or recycled. Impacted areas must be restored to near original condition.

From: [Alia Mohammad](#)
To: [Pahl, Nicole](#); [Schmidt, Chris](#)
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Hi Nicole,

Here is our response from North Dakota Transportation. Seems straightforward.

Thanks!



 952.988.9000



Alia Mohammad

Senior Permitting Specialist

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From: Thompson, Pamela <pamthompson@nd.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2026 3:26 PM
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Alia Mohammad,

Please see the attached response to your request.

The hard copy will be placed in the mail today.

Thank you,

Pamela Thompson

Executive Assistant

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Dear Alia Mohammad:

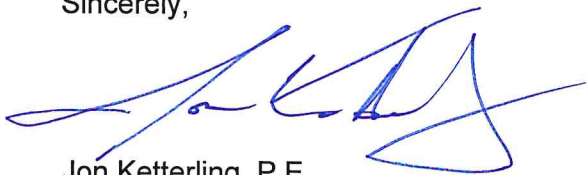
SUBJECT: HARMONY STORAGE PROJECT, CASS COUNTY

We have reviewed your March 20, 2026, letter.

If your project requires any work to be done on highway right of way, it will be necessary to obtain the appropriate permits and risk management documents from the Department of Transportation Fargo District Engineer, Aaron Murra at 701-239-8974.

Any Utility line work performed on NDDOT highway right of way will require a NDDOT Utility Permit from the NDDOT's Fargo District Office. Please contact Department of Transportation Fargo District Engineer, Aaron Murra at 701-239-8974.

Sincerely,



Jon Ketterling, P.E.
Director – Office of Project Development

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C: Aaron Murra, Fargo District Engineer

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Hi everyone,

Please see attached from North Dakota Department of Water Resources.

Thanks!



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Good morning,

Please see the attached information on the environmental review that was requested.

Thank you!

Michelle Gerrity

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Apr. 15, 2026

Ms. Alia Mohammad

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Dear Ms. Mohammad,

This is in response to your request for a review of the environmental impacts associated with the Harmony Storage Project, located in Cass County, North Dakota.

The proposed project has been reviewed by Department of Water Resources (DWR), and the following comments are provided:

- Projects that take place within the ordinary high water mark of a North Dakota navigable waterbody (as outlined in North Dakota Century Code ch. 61-33) require prior authorization to construct from DWR. The Project(s), as described, does not appear to take place within a currently identified navigable waterbody, and does not require a North Dakota state sovereign land permit. For further information, contact Amy Winkelman, State Sovereign Land Manager, at awinkelman@nd.gov, (701) 328-4935 or Travis Thyberg, State Sovereign Land Specialist, at tbthyberg@nd.gov (701) 328-4988.
- Initial review indicates the project does not require a conditional or temporary permit for water appropriation. However, if surface water or groundwater will be diverted for construction of any future projects identified in the plan, a water permit will be required per North Dakota Century Code § 61-04-02. Please consult with the DWR Water Appropriation Division if you have any questions at (701) 328-2754 or appropinfo@nd.gov.
- There are no FEMA National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) floodplains identified or mapped where the proposed project is to take place. No permits relative to the NFIP are likely required based on the current Flood Insurance Rate Map and State minimum standards. However, flood risk has been identified

through the North Dakota Risk Assessment Mapservice and Base Level Engineering (BLE) (ndram.dwr.nd.gov). In the absence of FEMA NFIP data, BLE is often considered best available data and is recommended to be considered in the design process. The State of North Dakota has no formal NFIP permitting authority as all NFIP permitting decisions are considered by impacted NFIP participating communities, the community with zoning authority for the area in question. Please work directly with the local floodplain administrators of the zoning authorities impacted. Tyler Spomer, NFIP Coordinator, (701) 328-2452, tlspomer@nd.gov.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide review comments. Should you have further questions, please contact me at (701) 328-4970 or kyrkoski@nd.gov.

Sincerely,

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Kyle Yrkoski
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From: [Mueller, Elisha K.](#)
To: [Pahl, Nicole](#)
Cc: [Harmony BESS Project](#); [Isakson, Patrick T.](#); [Kreft, Bruce L.](#)
Subject: RE: Pre-Application Coordination - Harmony BESS Project
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Hi Nicole,

Please find our letter in response to the solicitation attached. If you have any questions or would like to discuss further, please feel free to reach out.

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From: Pahl, Nicole
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Good afternoon,

Please see the attached Pre-Application Notification Letter that was mailed to NDGFD March 20, 2026, regarding the Harmony Storage Project located in Cass County, North Dakota. We respectfully ask you to review the letter and please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Nicole Pahl

Project Manager

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April 20, 2026

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Subject: Proposed Harmon Storage Project in Cass County, North Dakota

Dear Alia Mohammad,

Thank you for reaching out to the North Dakota Game and Fish Department (Department) regarding the proposed Harmon Storage Project. Ensuring we develop efficient and clean energy responsibly is beneficial to both the residents of the state and its wildlife. The addition of battery storage to increase the deliverability and reliability of existing energy infrastructure is a promising next step in ensuring projects remain efficient and effective at meeting increased demands. However, as this is a newer technology in general and new to the state, it is imperative that due diligence is taken, especially early in the siting process.

The Project is a unique case, as it is one of the first battery storage projects to be introduced in North Dakota. There is much uncertainty of the risk these projects pose to wildlife, and as such, it is quite difficult to minimize risk, when so little about the risk is known. In the absence of state specific guidelines or best management practices, general recommendations can be made to avoid/minimize impacts based on the best science available at the time.

1. Site Selection
 - a. Adhere to criteria laid out in 69-06-08-01 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, which specifies areas of exclusion and avoidance for energy conversion facilities (<https://www.ndlegis.gov/information/acdata/pdf/69-06-08.pdf>).
 - b. Select a site with minimal risk to wildlife. Refer to Figure B11, Key Native Wildlife and Habitat Areas, in Wind Energy Development in North Dakota – Best Management Practices, to assess the potential risk of the site selected (<https://gf.nd.gov/node/4800>).
 - c. Avoid areas of unstable land surfaces such as slopes and areas prone to erosion.
 - d. Avoid state or federally owned/operated land (including, but not limited to, Wildlife Management Areas, Private Land Open To Sportsmen, National Wildlife Refuges, etc.)
2. Micro-sitting
 - a. Habitat loss:
 - i. Focus on avoidance: micro-sitting sites away from native/unbroken habitat (grasslands, woodlands, and wetlands), before moving to mitigation strategies. Impacts to rare, unique, and declining species will be much greater if the habitat they depend on is disturbed or lost.
 - ii. Avoid installing new drain tile systems that may drain or hinder replenishment of adjacent wetlands or that flood adjacent wetlands during drastic precipitation events.
 - b. Habitat fragmentation:
 - i. Consolidate all facilities and roads to the extent possible to reduce habitat fragmentation.

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- c. Threatened and Endangered species
 - i. Coordinate with the US Fish and Wildlife Service to assess and minimize risk to species listed under the Endangered Species Act.
- 3. Construction
 - a. Wildlife safe fencing should be used, and efforts should be taken to ensure wildlife is not trapped within the facility, such as constructing structures installed to allow animals to escape or checking for entrapped animals routinely.
 - b. Any lighting installed should be designed to minimize light pollution and initiatives that aim to reduce impacts to wildlife should be considered.
 - c. A plan for managing noxious weeds should be created and approved by the local weed board/s.
 - d. Wildlife friendly plantings should be utilized to the extent possible (i.e. native wildflower and grass seed mixes over non-native mixes and natural hedgerows versus fencing).
- 4. Voluntary Offsets
 - a. It is recommended that when impacts to unbroken grasslands, wetlands, and woodlands cannot be avoided, suitable replacements be applied back onto the landscape. Ensuring these habitats remain on the landscape is the only way to stem the decline of our state's rare and sensitive species and prevent listings through the Endangered Species Act, which could impact both the state and its citizens. The Department recommends that any acre of habitat broken due to development be replaced at a minimum of a 1:1 ratio. For example, if 100 acres of native grasslands are going to be developed for energy conversion, a minimum of 100 acres of grasslands should be planted within the county to offset that impact. These plantings should also be protected for the life of the project.
- 5. Safety plans
 - a. If the batteries used pose a risk to either wildlife or human life (fire/explosion risk, chemical leakage, etc.) safety plans should be developed.
- 6. Recycling plans
 - a. An end-of-life/ recycling plan should be developed so that safe and effective disposal of the batteries is ensured when the project reaches the end of its life.

As the project moves forward, the Department requests to remain informed. To accurately analyze the project and provide valuable feedback to the Public Service Commission, it is important that the Department receives all documents, including wildlife surveys, spatial data, and any voluntary offsets being proposed 100 days prior to the hearing date.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed project. Sincerely,



Bruce Kreft
Chief, Conservation and Communications Division

From: [Alia Mohammad](#)
To: [Pahl, Nicole](#); [Schmidt, Chris](#); [Wiater, John](#)
Cc: [Smith, Mollie](#); [Duffus, Bridget](#)
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Hi Nicole,
Please see below and attached from ND Geological Survey.
Thanks,



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Good morning.

Please find attached our comments on the proposed project.

We have recently completed two geologic mapping publications that may be of interest to you regarding this project:

- [Offshore Glaciolacustrine Deposits of Glacial Lake Agassiz: The Brenna Formation in Cass County, North Dakota](#)
- [BedrockGeology Cass County.pdf](#)

If there are any additional questions or comments, please contact us.

Regards,

Fred J. Anderson

Surface Geology Section Manager

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March 24, 2026

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Re: Harmony Battery Energy Storage System Project - Cass County, North Dakota

The North Dakota Geological Survey appreciates the notification and opportunity to review and provide comments on this proposed energy development project. The project notification letter, dated March 20, 2026, was reviewed by our office on March 24, 2026. Regarding the proposed project at the location described in the notification, we would offer the following general comments related to the shallow subsurface geology at the proposed project site.

The location specified for this project is in the western portion of the former glacial Lake Agassiz plain. Shallow drilling records and recent engineering geologic mapping indicate that the site is likely underlain by approximately 35 feet of soft and expansive glacial lake clay of the Brenna Formation at a depth of approximately 25 feet across the site. The expansive clays of the Brenna Formation are problematic throughout the Red River Valley and can make for difficult construction conditions for surface engineered works. These glacial lake sediments mantle subglacial till of the Red Lake Falls Formation and other similar units down to Cretaceous age shale bedrock at depths of approximately 250 feet below land surface.

Site-specific geotechnical engineering and materials testing in a manner consistent with the current standard-of-care for similar construction projects in the Red River Valley would be recommended given the scope and extent of this project.

Please feel free to contact us at (701) 328-8000 or via email at fjanderson@nd.gov at any time if there are any additional questions or comments.

Sincerely,

North Dakota Geological Survey:

Fred J. Anderson

Geologist

From: [Alia Mohammad](#)
To: [Pahl, Nicole](#); [Schmidt, Chris](#)
Cc: [Wiater, John](#)
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Hi Nicole,

Here's our response from ND SHPO.

Thanks!



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Ms. Mohammad,

Please see the attached letter and form for our review of SHSND Ref.: 26-9027 Harmony Storage, LLC Project.

Respectfully,

Lorna Meidinger
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SHSND Ref.: 26-9027 Harmony Storage, LLC Project in portions of [T140N R51W Section 12] in Cass County, North Dakota

Dear Ms. Mohammad,

We reviewed your request under SHSND Ref.: 26-9027 Harmony Storage, LLC Project in portions of [T140N R51W Section 12] in Cass County, North Dakota. Due to limited surveys in the area and the potential for historical archaeological resources, we recommend a Class III (pedestrian survey) of cultural resources in the project area. The survey must follow "North Dakota SHSND/SHPO Guidelines," which is available at <https://www.history.nd.gov/hp/PDFinfo/NorthDakota-SHSND-SHPO-Guidelines.pdf>.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project to date. We look forward to review of the Class III survey for cultural resources. If you have any questions please contact Lorna Meidinger, Lead Historic Preservation Specialist at (701) 328-2089 or lbmeidinger@nd.gov.

Sincerely,

for William D. Peterson, PhD
Director, State Historical Society of North Dakota

26-9027



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Project/Undertaking Name*	
Type of Project Permit/Funding ☐ State ☐ Federal	Name of State/Federal Agency*
Name of Agency Contact for Project	Title of Agency Contact for Project

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Has consultation with SHSND/SHPO been previously initiated for this project?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Approximate Date of Previous Consultation

Previous Consultation Initiated by

Describe the Project and/or Undertaking and Nature of State/Federal Agency Involvement*

Describe the Area of Potential Effects (APE)/Project Location*

Indicate additional Items included with submission

- ☐ File Search and Class I Results
☐ Manuscript/Class III Cultural Resources Report
☐ Section 106 consultation correspondence
☐ Maps, photographs, drawings, and/or plans
☐ Additional historic property information
☐ Other: _____

If Manuscript/Class III Report is included with this submission, please indicate Items included with manuscript (all items are required for report review)

- ☐ MS Datasheet
☐ Hard Copy
☐ Report pdf uploaded to ftp
☐ Survey Shapefiles uploaded to ftp
☐ Other: _____

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- ☐ No Historic Properties Affected
☐ No Adverse Effect
☐ Adverse Effect
☐ Survey Recommended
☐ Other: _____

- ☐ No Significant Sites
☐ Significant Sites in Area (map attached)
☐ Adverse Effect to Significant Sites
☐ Other: _____

- ☐ We concur with the above determination, if the project description changes, this concurrence is void.
☐ Additional information is requested, please see attached letter.

In response, please reference SHSND/SHPO#

ND State Historic Preservation Officer/SHSND Director or designated representative

Date



April 1, 2026

INSERT TRIBAL CONTACT
INSERT ADDRESS

RE: Project Notification - Harmony Storage Project, Cass County, North Dakota

DELIVERED VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Dear TRIBAL CONTACT

Harmony Storage, LLC (Harmony Storage), a subsidiary of Geronimo Power, LLC, is developing the Harmony Storage Project (Project), a proposed 200-megawatt (mW) 4-hour (800 MWh) battery energy storage system (BESS) located on approximately 12 acres of land in Township 140N, Range 51W, Section 12 of Harmony Township in west central Cass County, North Dakota. Harmony Storage anticipates starting construction in 2027 and commencing operation by 2028.

The proposed BESS site would be accessed off 162nd Avenue SE by a gravel access road. Proposed Project facilities on the approximately 12 acre BESS site include energy storage (battery) modules, inverters and transformers, electrical collection and communication lines, access roads, security fencing, and associated temporary facilities.

The Project will utilize the operations and maintenance facility and substation being constructed as part of a separate project (Harmony Solar Project). An underground collection line would connect the Project to the future Harmony Solar Project's substation. The Project will interconnect to the electrical grid at the existing Bison Substation via the proposed Harmony Solar Project's substation.

Harmony Storage plans to submit an Application for a Certificate of Site Compatibility (CSC) for the Project to the North Dakota Public Service Commission (NDPSC) in May 2026. In conjunction with preparing the NDPSC CSC application, Harmony Storage is conducting pre-application coordination with tribes and local, state and federal agencies regarding the proposed BESS Project. Additionally, Harmony Storage is conducting cultural resources field surveys, as well as other environmental field surveys, to support the application.

We welcome comments you may have at this time and throughout the permit application process. If you have any questions or would like any additional information, please contact me at 952-988-9000 or at amohammad@geronimopower.com.

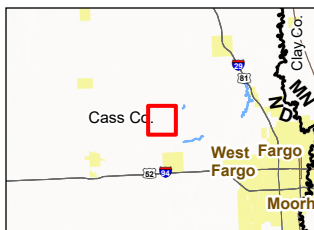
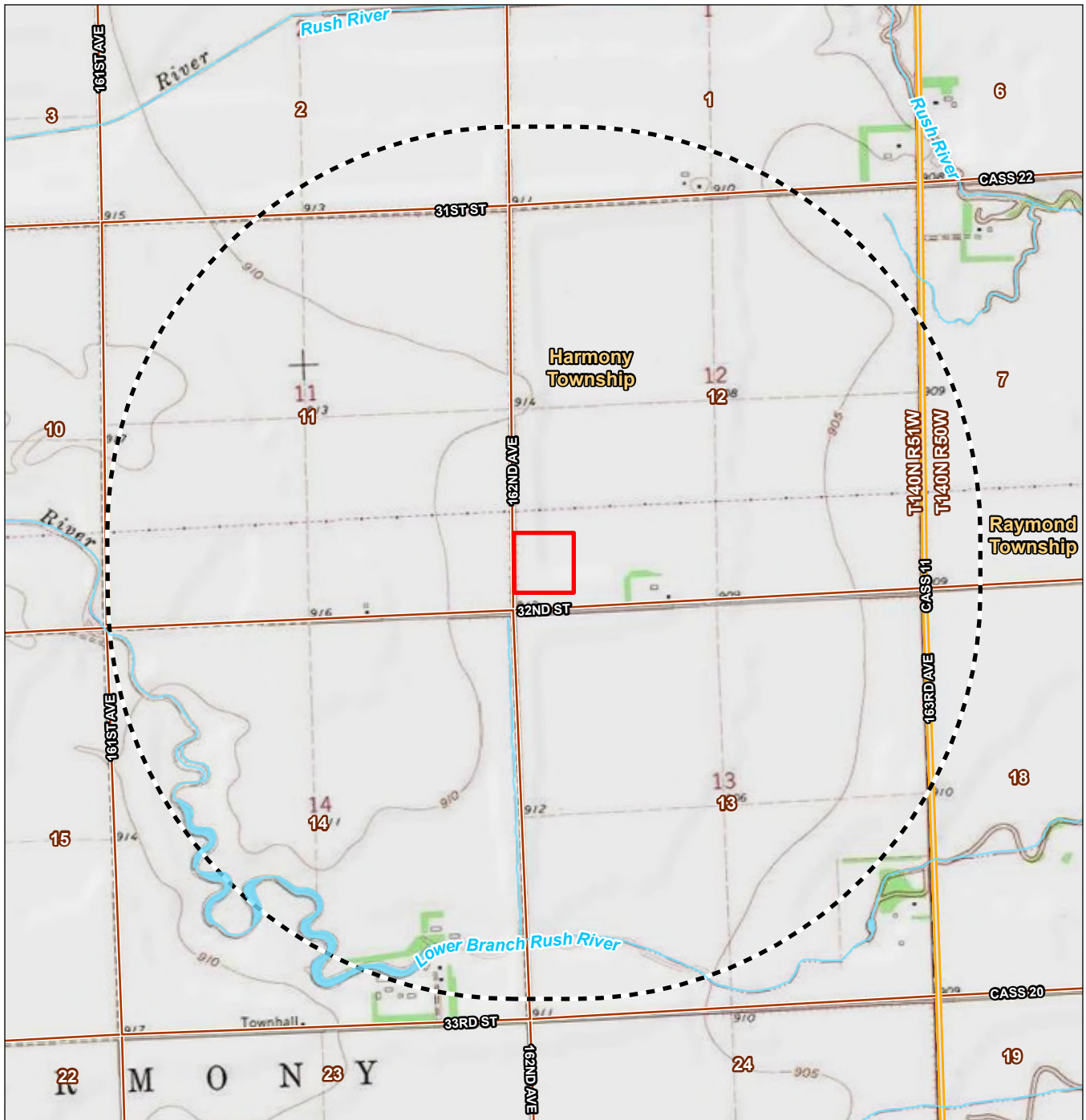
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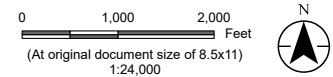
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Attachment 1: Project Location Map

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- Legend**
- Project Area
 - Study Area (1-Mile Buffer)
 - Civil Township
 - Township, Range & Section Boundary



Project Location Prepared by KJM on 2026-03-13
T140N, R51W, S12 TR by NP on 2026-03-13
T. Harmony, Cass Co., ND

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Project Location