

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Quarterly Schedule of Proposed Actions

First and Second Quarters, January - June 2003

Dakota Prairie Grasslands
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Hello!

Enclosed is the Schedule of Proposed Actions for the Dakota Prairie Grasslands.

Each year we conduct environmental analysis and planning for a wide variety of projects. Your participation in the analysis for these projects can promote better decisions by informing us of your concerns regarding the potential impacts of our proposed projects and by reviewing our analysis and alternatives.

This Schedule is produced quarterly and includes project proposals we anticipate working on in the coming months. Some of the projects on this list are repeated from the previous Quarter, while projects that are just getting underway appear here for the first time.

The Schedule is not exhaustive. Analysis of some projects may start and finish before the next Schedule is published and mailed. When this happens, we will include the project in the Schedule as "completed".

The Schedule is used solely to provide notice to interested and affected agencies, organizations, and individuals of upcoming proposals that may undergo environmental analysis and documentation. The purpose of the schedule is to give early, informal notice of proposals so the public can become aware of Forest Service activities and indicate their interest in specific proposals. It is not intended as a substitute for routine scoping described in Section 11 of the NEPA Handbook.

This schedule is not a NEPA document nor is it a solicitation for comments. Comments addressed to this schedule do not provide standing for appeal purposes. There is a contact person listed for each project, feel free to contact that person for additional information on projects that interest you.

If you have general questions or suggestions regarding this Schedule, please call our NEPA Coordinator, Charlene Bucha Gentry, at (701) 250-4443.

A map is included to show approximate proposal locations.

If you are no longer interested in receiving the Schedule, please let us know and your name will be removed from the mailing list.

Thank you for your interest in the Dakota Prairie Grasslands.

Sincerely,

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NEPA Decision Terms

The Forest Service documents decisions in different ways depending on the type of environmental analysis conducted to inform the decision.

ROD (Record of Decision) - This type of decision is used when an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been produced. Decisions documented in a Record Of Decision are subject to administrative appeal.

EIS (Environmental Impact Statement) - This document discloses the environmental impacts to be expected from the proposed action and from specific alternatives to the proposed action. An EIS is prepared when significant environmental impacts are anticipated. Your comments are requested within 45 days of release of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). **Your comments are considered prior to making the final decision** and are responded to in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS).

DN (Decision Notice) - This type of decision is used when an Environmental Assessment (EA) is conducted and it is concluded that no significant environmental impact will result from implementing the preferred alternative. (If a significant environmental impact will result, an EIS must be prepared.) Decisions documented in a Decision Notice are subject to administrative appeal unless there has been no expression of public interest in the action.

EA (Environmental Assessment) - This document discloses the environmental impacts to be expected from the proposed action and from specific alternatives to the proposed action. An EA is prepared when significant environmental impacts are not anticipated or when there is a question as to the extent of the impacts. Your comments are requested within 30 days of release of an EA. **Your comments are considered prior to making the final decision** and are responded to in an appendix to the EA.

DM (Decision Memo) - This type of decision is used when the environmental analysis has been "categorically excluded" (CE) from documentation in an EA or an EIS. Ordinarily, decisions documented in a Decision Memo are not subject to administrative appeal.

CE (Categorical Exclusion) - A number of categories of action have been determined from prior experience and analysis to result in no significant impact to the environment. If a proposed action falls into one of these categories, and if no extraordinary circumstances exist which might cause a significant impact in the specific case, these actions can be "categorically excluded" from documentation in an EA or EIS. Unlike an EA or EIS, there is no formal pre-decision comment period with a categorical exclusion (except for scoping).

The following categories have been created to provide consistency in the Project Status portion of the Schedule. Please refer to this table if you have questions regarding the meaning of a specific status.

Project Status	<p>Public Involvement: Public Involvement also described as scoping is an early and open process for determining the scope of issues to be addressed and for identifying significant issues related to a proposed action. During scoping the Forest Service invites participation from anyone interested in the proposed action, as well as affected Federal, State and local agencies and Indian Tribes. Scoping is often accomplished through letters, meetings, field trips, or telephone.</p> <p>Developing Alternatives: For an EA or EIS, alternatives are developed to address issues raised during scoping. Alternatives considered in detail must respond to the purpose of the project.</p> <p>Analysis: The analysis phase includes managing issues identified during scoping, developing alternatives to the proposed action, and analyzing effects.</p> <p>Comment Period: There is a 30-day comment period for an EA. There is a 45-day comment period on a Draft EIS. Solicitation of comments for an EA and EIS will include a legal notice in the Forest's Newspaper of Record. The appropriate decisional document is prepared for each project. Once a decision has been made, a legal notice is published in the Bismarck Tribune or the Rapid City Journal. The next step is to implement the project.</p> <p>Decision Pending: Comments received on the proposal will be considered in decision-making.</p> <p>Completed: Once a Decision Notice, Record of Decision, or Decision Memo is signed it will be entered in the Schedule as completed.</p>
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Grassland-Wide Assessments, Amendments

Dave Pieper, Grasslands Supervisor

Map No.	Project Name	Contact or Team Leader	Project Description	Tentative Decision Date	Project Status
N/A	Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service Off-Highway Vehicle Plan Amendment for Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota	Jerry Majerus (BLM) 406-538-1924	A joint proposal between the US Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management for managing off-highway vehicle (OHV) use on public land.	January 2001	Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) and Record of Decision signed January 4, 2001 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Appealed - Lawsuit in ND
N/A	Northern Great Plains Land Management Plan Revisions	Northern Great Plains Planning Team; USDA Forest Service, 125 North Main St., Chadron, NE 69337 308-432-0300	The Northern Great Plains Management Plans Revisions is a combined planning effort of the Dakota Prairie Grasslands, Medicine Bow-Routt, and Nebraska National Forests. This effort will revise the Three Land and Resource Management Plans for the National Grassland units on the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest, all the units of the Nebraska National Forest, and the Dakota Prairie Grasslands. The three Management Plans describe the desired conditions for these public lands and set direction to maintain or move toward those conditions.	July 2002	Record of Decision signed July 31, 2002 by Regional Forester Bradley Powell. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Appealed
N/A	Forest Service Roadless Area Conservation	Scott Conroy National Forest System Roadless Project, PO Box 96090 Washington, DC 20090-6090 703-605-5299	Forest Service proposes new regulations to protect certain roadless areas within the National Forest System. The proposed action would prohibit road construction and reconstruction in inventoried roadless areas and require responsible Forest Service officials to evaluate whether and how to protect roadless characteristics as part of the forest planning process at the next forest plan revision.	January 2001	FEIS and Record of Decision signed January 5, 2001 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In Litigation - Enjoined - Under Review
N/A	Dakota Prairie Grasslands Oil and Gas Leasing Record of Decision	Jim Wickel Dakota Prairie Grasslands 701-250-4443	Forest Service and Bureau of Land (BLM) Management decisions concerning specific lands in the Little Missouri and Cedar River National Grasslands that the Forest Service is authorizing the BLM to offer for lease in accordance with 36 CFR 228.102(e). The FS calls this the "Leasing for Specific Lands" decision. This ROD is based on analysis documented in the Northern Great Plains FEIS, and the previous Northern and Southern FEIS's.	April 2003	Decision Pending
N/A	Dakota Prairie Grasslands Noxious Weed EIS	Gary Petik 701-250-4443	The Dakota Prairie Grasslands will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the treatment and control of noxious weeds on the Little Missouri, Cedar River, Grand River, and Sheyenne National Grasslands.	Summer 2004	Public Involvement

Miscellaneous Projects

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Sheyenne District Wide	District Transportation Plan	Colleen Rufsvold 701-683-4342	Evaluate which roads will be needed for future management and which roads may be removed from the system.	Winter 2003	Public Involvement
GR-3	Perkins County Rural Water Users	Mary Haase 605-374-3592	Construction of approx. 450 miles of water supply pipeline, pump stations, and storage facilities to provide potable water to Perkins County, SD. Approx. 15 miles of the pipeline will cross the Grand River NG.	Winter 2002	Decision Pending
N/A	Livestock Water Dam Reclamation	Kevin Sullivan 701-842-2393	Reclamation of seven abandoned stock water dams. Contact Kevin Sullivan for locations.	November 2002	COMPLETED, Decision Memo signed 1/30/03 (2 dams were dropped)
N/A	Livestock Water Dam Reclamation	Kevin Sullivan 701-842-2393	Reclamation of 22 abandoned stock water dams on the Medora and McKenzie Ranger Districts. Contact Kevin Sullivan for locations.	November 2003	Public Involvement
ME-1	Ponderosa Pine Prescribed Burn	Maure Sand 701-250-4443	Fuel hazard reduction prescribed burn.	Fall 2003	Analysis
ME-6	North Dakota State Water Commission	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury approx. 12 miles of 1-inch southwest water pipeline.	March 2003	Public Involvement NEPA to be completed by Bureau of Reclamation
ME-7	West Plains Electric Coop, Electric Line	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury 1,690 feet of 7.2 KV line to the Upton 3-13H well.	December 2002	ON HOLD
ME-8	West Plains Electric Coop, Electric Line	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to replace 2,454 feet of 7.2 KV line.	July 2003	Analysis
ME-9	Midstate Telephone	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to replace 6,100 feet of telecommunications line	April 2003	Analysis
ME-10	Whiting Petroleum Corp	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury approx. 15,000 ft. of 4-inch poly saltwater pipeline and 15,000 ft. of 4 inch gas pipeline. Both pipelines would be located in same trench.	December 2002	DROPPED
ME-12	Upton resources	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury 2100 feet of 2 inch gas pipeline to connect 2-13 and 3-13H wells	March 2003	Decision Pending
ME-13	Consolidated Telecom	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury 10,420 feet of telephone cable to private residence.	September 2002	COMPLETED, Decision Memo signed 9/25/02
ME-14	Bear Paw Energy	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury 2,640 feet of 6-inch poly gas pipeline to connect to an existing pipeline.	December 2002	DROPPED
ME-19	West Palins Electric Coop, Electric Line	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury 4,977 feet of 14.4 KV line to the Continental 1-32H & Burlington 1-29H oil wells.	July 2003	Public Involvement
ME-21	West Plains Electric Coop, Electric Line	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury 5,508 feet of 7.2 KV line to the Upton 2-13 well.	November 2002	ON HOLD
ME-26	West Plains Electric Coop, Electric Line	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to replace 2,570 feet of 7.2 KV line to the Whiting 8-14 oil well.	June 2003	Public Involvement
ME-29	West Plains Electric Coop, Electric Line	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to replace 645 feet of 7.2 KV line to a tank battery.	July 2003	Public Involvement

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ME-30	Westport	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury 50 feet of saltwater disposal pipeline to the 2-34H oil well.	November 2002	COMPLETED, Decision Memo Signed 12/17/02
ME-31	West Plains Electric Coop, Electric Line	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury 151 feet of 7.2 KV line to a substation.	July 2002	COMPLETED, Decision Memo Signed 8/14/02
ME-32	U.S. Coastguard	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Equipment upgrade	July 2002	COMPLETED, Decision Memo Signed 7/17/02
ME-43	West Plains Electric Coop, Electric Line	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury 1,117 feet of 14.4 KV electric line to connect the Slawson 5-1 oil well to electric service.	Summer 2002	DROPPED
ME-45	West Plains Electric Coop, Electric Line	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury 4,295 feet of 14.4 KV electric line to connect JV Tower Butte Tank Battery and oil well to electric service.	Summer 2002	DROPPED
ME-54	Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to bury 16-inch gas pipeline in existing pipeline corridor that crosses the Medora district. An EIS is being completed for this project.	October 2003	Comment Period DEIS issued January 2003 The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is conducting NEPA analysis.
ME-56	West Plains Electric Line	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to replace 2,898 feet of 7.2 KV electric line to connect Westport #1-1 oil well to electric service.	Spring 2002	DROPPED
MC-1	Tesoro High Plains Pipeline Company Re-Routed Crude Oil Replacement Pipeline	Jess Anne Knutson 701-842-2393	Proposal to construct 9,504 feet of replacement 6 inch steel crude oil pipeline in the an existing road and pipeline corridor in the Mon-Dak Oil Field.	March 2003	Decision Pending

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Minerals, Oil, and Gas Projects

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ME-3	Amerada Hess MHMU 32H Oil well pad and access road	Cheryl Enderud 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad and approximately 1200 feet of access road. This well would develop outstanding (private) mineral estate.	Winter 2002	DROPPED
ME-4	Upton 1-3H Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Curt Decker 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad and approximately 400 feet of access road. This well would develop federal mineral estate.	Winter 2003	Public Involvement
ME-5	Equity Oil Company, 23-21 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Jeff Adams 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre oil well pad and approximately 3,507 feet of access road. This well would develop Federal minerals. The proposed project is located in the Bell Lake Inventoried Roadless Area. An EIS will be completed for this well and will include the Equity 32-4 well proposal, see ME-34.	December 2003	Public Involvement Notice of Intent (NOI) issued on 12/26/02 in the Federal Register
ME-20	Belco Energy Corp. Federal 4-21H Oil well pad and access road.	Jason Dekker 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad and reconstruction of approximately .5 miles of access road. This well would develop Federal minerals.	Summer 2003	DROPPED
ME-22	Whiting Petroleum Corp. 1-21H Oil well Pad and Access Road	Cheryl Enderud 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.7-acre well pad and approximately 1 mile of access road. This well would develop Federal minerals.	Summer 2003	Analysis
ME-23	Upton 4-2 Oil Well Pad and access Road	Curt Decker 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 3.2-acre well pad and approximately 2900 feet of access road. This well would develop Private minerals. The proposed project is located in the Tracy Mountain Inventoried Roadless Area.	Summer 2003	Public Involvement
ME-24	Upton 2A-11 Oil Well Pad and access Road	Curt Decker 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 3.2-acre well pad and approximately 1500 feet of access road. This well would develop Private minerals. The proposed project is located in the Tracy Mountain Inventoried Roadless Area.	Summer 2003	Public Involvement
ME-25	Upton 12-2 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Mark Sexton 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.6-acre oil well pad and approximately 2,700 feet of access road. This well would develop Federal minerals. The proposed project is located in the Tracy Mountain Inventoried Roadless Area.	March 2003	Decision Pending
ME-27	Whiting Petroleum Corp. 1-24H Oil well Pad and Access Road	Cheryl Enderud 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.7-acre well pad and approximately 950 feet of access road. This well would develop Federal minerals. The proposed project is located in the Easy Hill Inventoried Roadless Area.	Summer 2003	Analysis
ME-28	Whiting Petroleum Corp. 1-30H Oil well Pad and Access Road	Cheryl Enderud 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.7-acre well pad and approximately 1 mile of access road. This well would develop Federal minerals. The proposed project is located in the Easy Hill Inventoried Roadless Area.	Summer 2003	Analysis

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ME-34	Equity Oil Company, 32-4 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Jeff Adams 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre oil well pad and approximately .5 miles of access road. This well would develop Federal minerals. The proposed project is located in the Bell Lake Inventoried Roadless Area. An EIS will be completed for this well and will include the Equity 23-21 well proposal, see ME-5	Winter 2003	Public Involvement Notice of Intent (NOI) issued on 12/26/02 in the Federal Register
ME-36	Upton 1A-11H Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Curt Decker 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 3.7acre oil well pad (4 wells) and approximately 2,000 feet of access road. This well would develop Federal minerals. The proposed project is located in the Tracy Mountain Inventoried Roadless Area.	Spring 2003	Public Involvement
ME-46	Upton 10-2 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Curt Decker 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 3.2-acre oil well pad and approximately 50 feet of access road. This well would develop Federal minerals. The proposed project is located in the Tracy Mountain Inventoried Roadless Area.	Winter 2003	Public Involvement
ME-48	Upton 1-23H Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Cheryl Enderud 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 3.7-acre oil well pad and approximately 2000 feet of access road. This well would develop Outstanding private minerals.	Spring 2003	Comment Period
ME-52	Westport 14-24 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Jason Dekker 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad and approximately 800 feet of access road. This well would develop federal mineral estate.	Winter 2003	Public Involvement
ME-53	Upton 2-23 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Cheryl Enderud 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 3.2-acre oil well pad and approximately 4,000 feet of access road. This well would develop outstanding private minerals.	Spring 2003	Comment Period
ME-55	Westport 21-1H Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Jason Dekker 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad and approximately 2,000 feet of access road. This well would develop federal mineral estate.	Summer 2003	Public Involvement Pending
ME-57	Westport 41-25H Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Jason Dekker 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad and approximately 200 feet of access road. This well would develop federal mineral estate.	Summer 2003	ON HOLD
ME-58	Continental 1-29 NH Well Pad and Access Road	Marvin Giese 701-842-2393	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad and approximately 50 feet of access road. This well would develop federal mineral estate.	Fall 2002	COMPLETED, Decision Memo signed 11/5/02
ME-59	Continental 1-20 NH Well Pad and Access Road	Marvin Giese 701-842-2393	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad and approximately 2,000 feet of access road. This well would develop federal mineral estate.	Winter 2003	Analysis

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ME-60	Continental 41-19 SH NH Well Pad and Access Road	Cheryl Enderud 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad and approximately 3,500 feet of access road. This well would develop federal mineral estate.	June 2003	Analysis
ME-61	Continental 1-32 SH Well Pad	Marvin Giese 701-842-2393	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad. This well would develop federal mineral estate.	Fall 2002	COMPLETED, Decision Memo Signed 12/11/02
ME-62	Continental 1-31 SH Well Pad and Access Road	Cheryl Enderud 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad and approximately 1,000 feet of access road. This well would develop federal mineral estate.	Winter 2003	Public Involvement
ME-63	Griffon 15-42 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Cheryl Enderud 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad and approximately 500 feet of access road. This well would develop federal mineral estate.	Summer 2003	Public Involvement
ME-64	Chandler 11 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Cheryl Enderud 701-225-5151	Proposed construction of 2.5-acre well pad and approximately 1,200 feet of access road. This well would develop federal mineral estate.	Fall 2002	COMPLETED, Decision Memo Signed 1/29/03
MC-14	Griffon 8-32 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	Elmer Nordsven 701-842-2393	Proposed construction of 2.7 acre oil well pad and approximately 20 feet of access road.	May 2003	Decision Pending
MC-3	Nance Bowline Field 3D Seismic	Elmer Nordsven 701-842-2393	Geophysical exploration in the Bowline oil field.	Spring 2003	Public Involvement



Range and Vegetation Management Projects

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Map No.	Project Name	Contact or Team Leader	Project Description	Tentative Decision Date	Project Status
S-6	West I Riparian Fence	Bernadette Braun 701-683-4342	Fence out rare plant habitat	July 2002	COMPLETED Decision Memo signed 3/10/30
Cedar River National Grassland	Cedar River National Grassland Vegetation Management Plan	Kurt Hansen 605-374-3592	Proposal is to evaluate vegetation management on the Cedar River National Grasslands utilizing such tools as livestock grazing and prescribed fire. This project will result in the revision of the Allotment Management Plans on 9 allotments.		On Hold
GR-4	Cedar River/Grand River Prescribed Burns	Bob Anderson 605-374-3592	Proposal to prescribed burn approx. 400 acres on the Cedar River NG and 1000 acres on Grand River NG	May 2003	Decision Pending
Grand River District Wide	Grand River National Grasslands Wells	Kurt Hansen 605-374-3592	Proposal is to evaluate the effects of installing water wells in several grazing allotments across the Grand River National Grasslands.		DROPPED
GR-5	Munderloh Fence-Cedar River NG	Kurt Hansen 605-374-3592	Proposal is to install 1 mile of permanent fence to replace an electric fence that separates FS land from private within the allotment	June 2003	Analysis
GR-6	1A Well Replacement	Kurt Hansen 605-374-3592	Drill a new well adjacent to an old well that is going bad. Old well will be plugged.		DROPPED
GR-7	5B Well Replacement	Kurt Hansen 605-374-3592	Drill a new well adjacent to an old well that is going bad. Old well will be plugged.	Sept. 2002	DROPPED
GR-8	6B Well Replacement	Kurt Hansen 605-374-3592	Proposal is to drill a new well adjacent to the existing well which is beyond repair.	Sept. 2002	DROPPED
GR-9	Hay Creek Well and Tank	Kurt Hansen 605-374-3592	Proposal is to drill a new well and put a tank at the well in the Hay creek allotment to provide a water source away from the south fork of the Grand River.	Sept. 2002	DROPPED
MC-10	NE McKenzie Range Project	Libby Knotts 701-842-2393	Update allotment management plans for pastures 12, 13, and 14.	July 2004	Public Involvement
MC-12	Fencing	Lyndon Johnson 701-842-2393	Proposal to 1) Fence woody draw in Pasture 2-5 for rehabilitation purposes—DROPPED FROM PROJECT; and 2) Relocate approximately 2 miles of fence in Pasture 2-5 – DROPPED ALSO.	Fall 2002	DROPPED

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MC-13	Pasture 6 Water Tank Relocation	Kim Brunelle 701-842-2393	Relocate water tanks to mitigate adverse impacts to range and archeological Resources	September 2002	COMPLETED, Decision Memo signed 9/16/02
MC-7	P1-A4 Permanent Cross-Fence	Lyndon Johnson 701-842-2393	Convert ~6 miles of existing, temporary, electric fence to permanent, barbed-wire fence in Pasture 1, Allotment 4, east unit.	October 2002	COMPLETED, Decision Memo signed 10/18/02
MC-District-Wide	Noxious Weed Treatment	Rick Hager 701-842-2393	Herbicide treatments of sites infested with noxious weeds.	Spring 2003	Public Involvement
MC-4	Pasture 13 Fence Relocation	Dean George 701-842-2393	Relocate approximately 1,000 feet of fence in order to avoid impacts to an archeological site.	Summer 2003	Public Involvement
MC-5	Pasture 13 Water Pipeline Relocation	Dean George 701-842-2393	Relocate approximately ½ mile of water pipeline in order to avoid impacts to an archeological site.	Summer 2003	Public Involvement
MC-8	Bighorn Sheep Habitat Enhancement Prescribed Burn	Arden Warm 701-225-5151	Prescribed burn to kill juniper and improve forage habitat for bighorn sheep, approximately 15 acres.	August 2003	Public Involvement
ME-2	Allotment 266 water Pipeline	Dean Williams 701-225-5151	Proposal to install approx. 1.5 miles of 1.25 inch poly pipe. The pipeline originates at a well on private property and connects into an existing water pipeline located on national forest system lands.	August 2003	Public Involvement
ME-11	Horse Creek GA Pipeline Extension	Jack Dahl 701-225-5151	Proposal to extend existing 1.25-inch water pipeline by approx. 1.5 miles as replacement water source for an existing windmill.	June 2003	Analysis
ME-65	Blacktail Water Well	Dean Williams 701-225-5151	Proposal to drill water well as replacement water source for nonfunctional developed spring.	September 2002	COMPLETED, Decision Memo signed 9/17/02

Recreation Projects

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S-3	Hankinson Hills Recreation Project	Colleen Rufsvold 701-683-4342	Proposal is to build a campground and trail as well as reconstruct an existing road	August 2003	Analysis
S-4	Hoofda Hotel Outfitter and Guide Permit	Colleen Rufsvold 701-683-4342	Proposal to issue a O/G permit for horseback riding in the Hankinson Hills	December 2003	Project Initiation
GR-1	Little Egypt Road and Recreation Area Improvement	Mary Haase 605-374-3592	Proposal is to improve approximately 1.5 miles of system road for better access, construct approximately 5 miles of trail and trail head at the Pasture 9 reservoir.	Fall 2002	Analysis Renamed "Blacktail Trail and Trailhead"
MC-2	Corral Creek Bridge	Marvin Giese 701-842-2393	Proposal to construct a trail bridge across Creek	September 2002	DROPPED, a new alternative to relocate trail without a bridge is part of project MC-11.
MC-11	Maah-Daah-Hey and Long X Trail Relocation Segments	Marvin Giese 701-842-2393	Proposal to relocate short segments of trail for safety and to reduce erosion.	April 2003	Decision Pending
MC-9	Jutta Schmidt Long X Endurance Ride	Jess Anne Knutson 701-842-2393	Two-day endurance and competitive horseback trail ride.	July 2003	Public Involvement
ME-15	Eagle Ridge Lodge Outfitter and Guide Permit	Libby Knotts 701-842-2393	Proposal to issue a five year term special use outfitter and guide permit for guiding cross-country horse rides.	Spring 2003	Public Involvement
ME-17	Maah Daah Hey Trail Extension	Rus Walsh 701-225-5151	Proposed extension of the Maah Daah Hey trail from Sully Creek State Park to the Burning Coal Vein campground.	Fall 2003	Public Involvement
ME-47	Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation Outfitter & Guide Permit	Jeff Adams 701-225-5151	Proposal to issue a five year term special use outfitter and guide permit for guiding trail rides	2003	ON HOLD
ME-49	Logging Camp Ranch Outfitter & Guide Permit	Jeff Adams 701-225-5151	Proposal to issue a five year term special use outfitter and guide permit for guiding big game archery hunts.	March 2003	Analysis

Dakota Prairie Grasslands Annual Monitoring Report

The DPG has completed their annual Land and Resource Management Plan Monitoring Report for FY 2001. The report is available in hardcopy printed format, or on the web at www.fs.fed.us/r1/dakotaprairie/resources.htm.

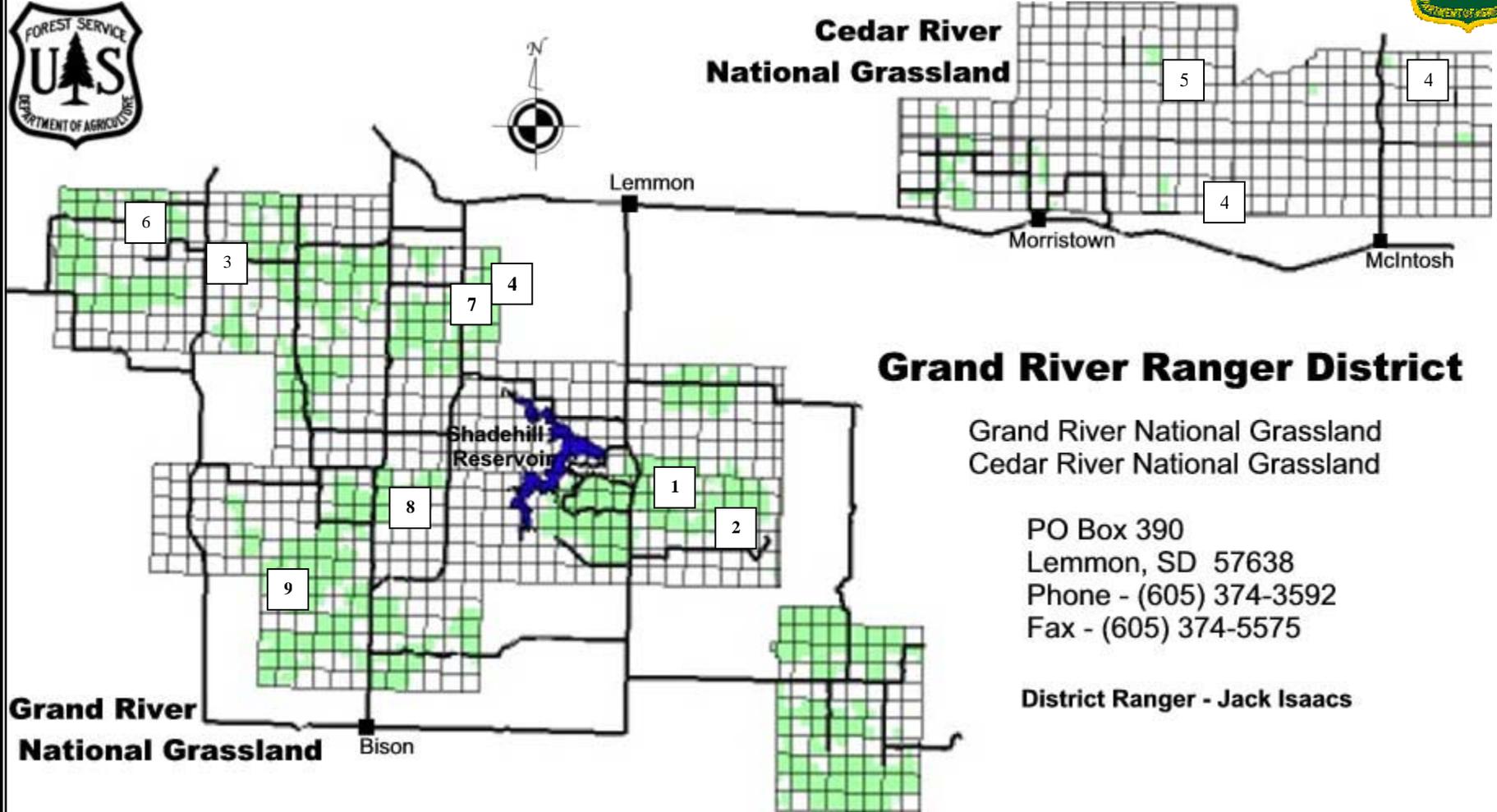
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Roads Projects

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ME-16	Billings and Golden Valley County – W. River Road (FH #12) Corridor Study	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to upgrade and realign Forest Highway 12 (West River Road) from Interstate I-94 to Bell Lake.	2002	ON HOLD NEPA document will be completed by Dept. of Transportation.
ME-18	Slope County Road Reconstruction	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposed reconstruction of 4.5 miles of Forest Highway 4	July 2003	Analysis NEPA document will be completed by Federal Dept. of Transportation.
ME-66	Continental 1-21NH Access Road	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to provide access to oil well sites located on private property.	Spring 2003	Analysis
ME-67	Continental 1-17SH Access Road	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposal to provide access to oil well sites located on private property.	Winter 2003	DROPPED
ME-40	Slope County Road Reconstruction	Tina Thornton 701-225-5151	Proposed reconstruction of 9,200 feet of FDR 784-3	September 2002	COMPLETED Decision memo Signed 9/25/02
GR-2	Pasture 9 Road Reconstruction	Mary Haase 605-374-3592	Proposal to upgrade approx. 8 miles of road in Pasture 9 due to safety concerns	Fall 2002	Analysis
S-2	1240 Road 1239 Road	Colleen Rufsvold 701-683-4342	Maintenance and reconstruction of 2 miles of road. Rehabilitation of abandoned road.	August 2003	Analysis
MC-2	McKenzie County Bridge Replacement and Easement Grant	Jess Anne Knutson 701-842-2393	McKenzie County is proposing to replace the existing timber bridge on FDR 893. An easement will be granted to McKenzie County to clarify jurisdiction on FDR 893.	August 2003	Public Involvement

Grand River Ranger District



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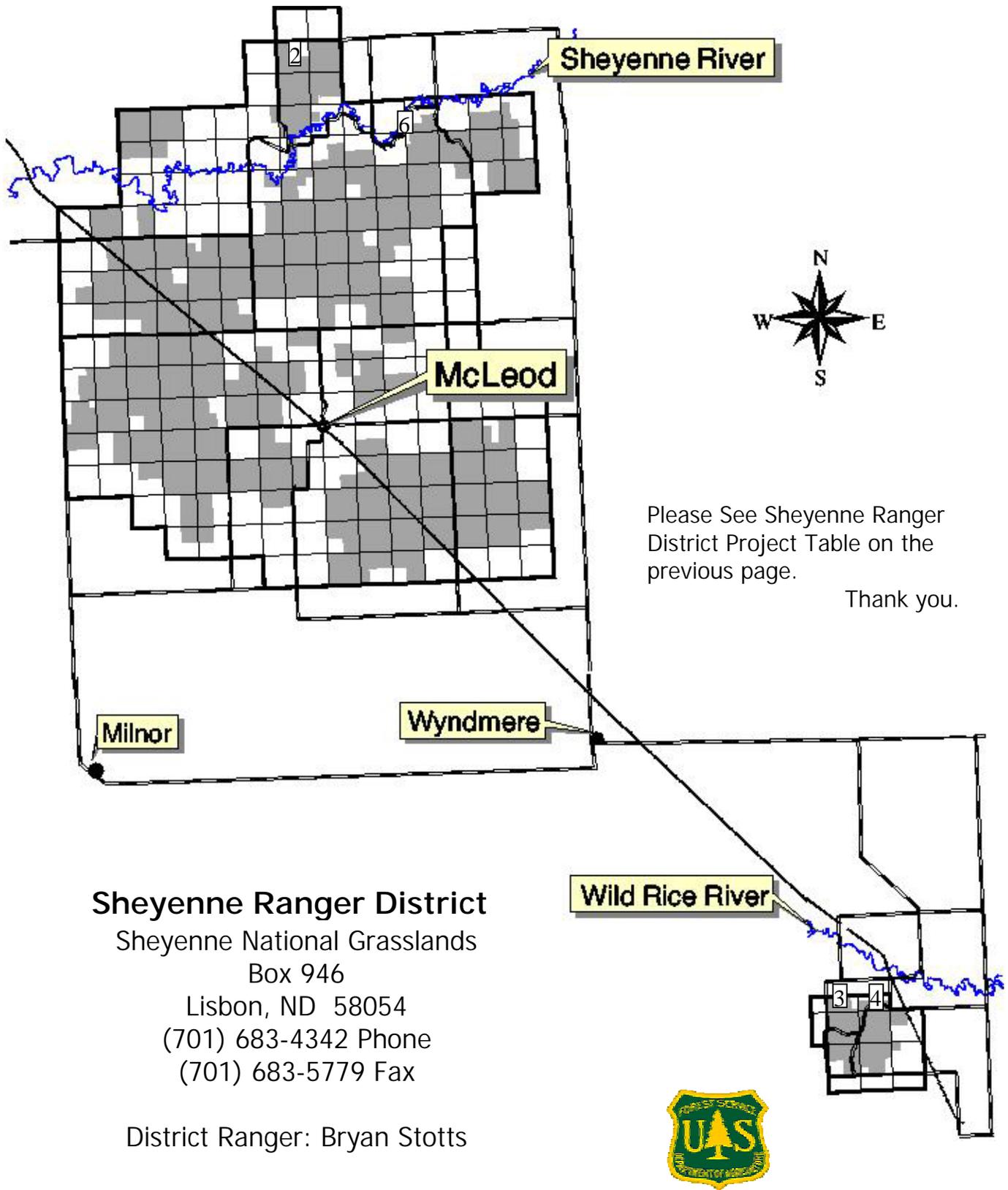
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1	Little Egypt Road and Recreation Area Improvement – Renamed “Blacktail Trail and Trailhead” Project	mhaase@fs.fed.us	Analysis
2	Pasture 9 Road Reconstruction	mhaase@fs.fed.us	Analysis
3	Perkins County Rural Water users	mhaase@fs.fed.us or Faye Streier, Bureau of Reclamation 605-394- 9757, ext. 3005	Decision Pending
4	Cedar River/Grand River NG Prescribed Burns	banderson02@fs.fed.us	Decision Pending
District Wide	Grand River National Grasslands Wells	kahansen@fs.fed.us	DROPPED
District Wide	Cedar River National Grasslands Vegetation Management Plan	kahansen@fs.fed.us	ON HOLD
5	Munderloh Fence/Cedar River NG	kahansen@fs.fed.us	Analysis
6	1A well replacement	kahansen@fs.fed.us	DROPPED
7	5B well replacement	kahansen@fs.fed.us	DROPPED
8	6B well replacement	kahansen@fs.fed.us	DROPPED
9	Hay Creek Well and Tank	kahansen@fs.fed.us	DROPPED

Sheyenne Ranger District Project Table

MAP NO.	PROJECT NAME	Email address for Contact or Team Leader	Other Information
2	1240 Road and 1239 Road	crufsvold@fs.fed.us	Analysis
3	Hankinson Hills Recreation Project	crufsvold@fs.fed.us	Analysis
4	Hoofda Hotel Outfitter and Guide Permit	crufsvold@fs.fed.us	Project Initiation
District Wide	Transportation Plan	crufsvold@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
6	West I Riparian Fence	bbraun@fs.fed.us	COMPLETED



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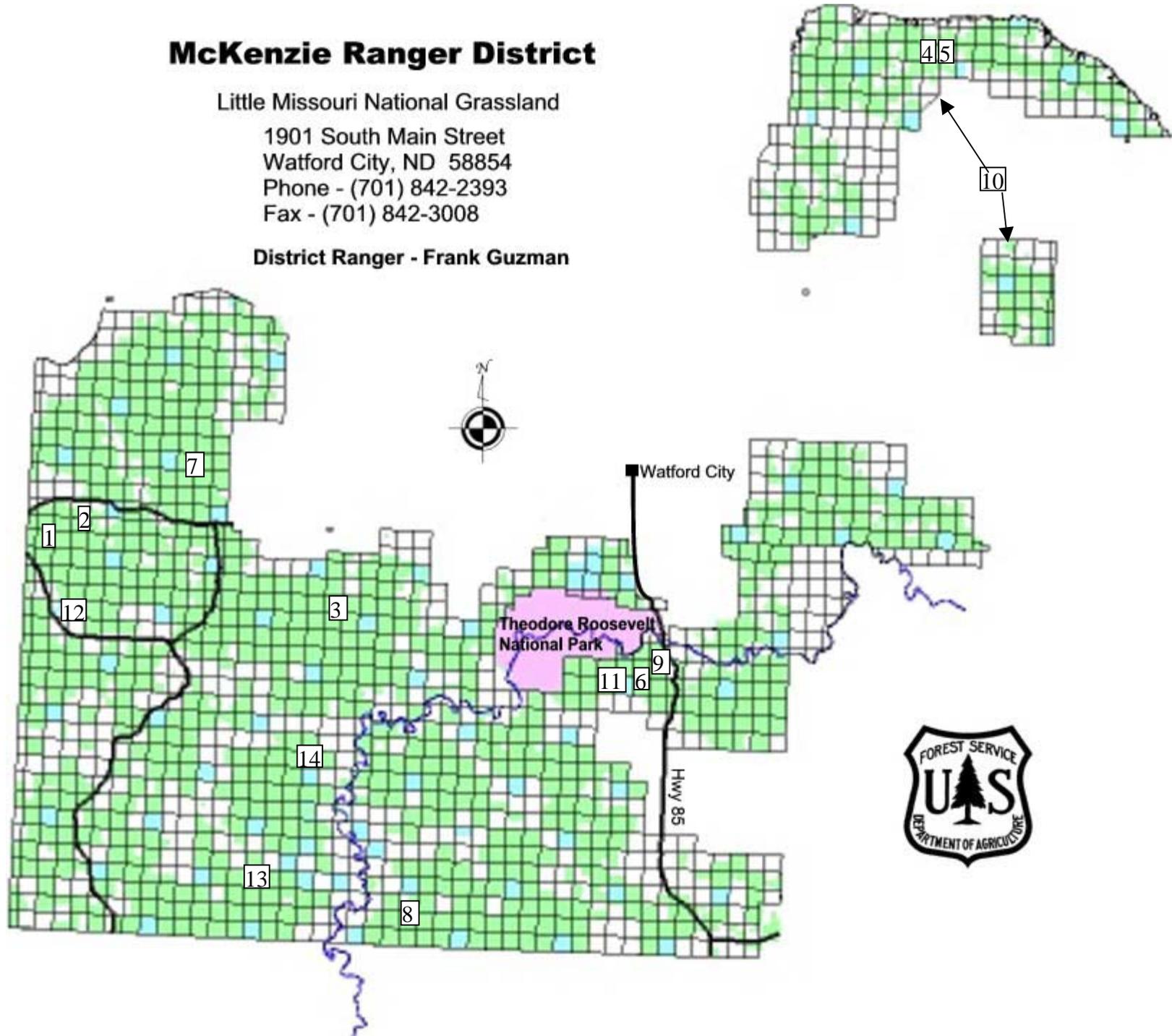


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McKenzie Ranger District Project Table

MAP NO.	PROJECT NAME	Email address for Contact or Team Leader	Other Information
1	Tesoro High Plains Pipeline Company Re-Routed Crude Oil Replacement Pipeline	jknutson01@fs.fed.us	Decision Pending
2	McKenzie County Bridge Replacement and Easement Grant	jknutson01@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
District Wide	Livestock Water Dam Reclamation	ksullivan@fs.fed.us	Contact leader for locations.
3	Nance Bowline Field 3D Seismic	enordsven@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
4	Pasture 13 Fence Relocation	dgeorge@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
5	Pasture 13 Water Pipeline Relocation	dgeorge@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
7	P1-A4 Permanent Cross-Fence	ljohnson@fs.fed.us	COMPLETED
8	Bighorn Sheep Habitat Enhancement Prescribed Burn	awarm@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
9	Jutta Schmidt Long X Endurance Ride	jknutson01@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
10	NE McKenzie Range Project	lknotts@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
11	Maah-Daah-Hey and Long X Trail Relocation Segments	mgiese@fs.fed.us	Contact leader for exact locations.
12	Fence Relocation Pasture 2-5	ljohnson@fs.fed.us	DROPPED
13	Pasture 6 Water Tank Relocation	kbrunelle@fs.fed.us	COMPLETED
14	Griffon 8-32 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	enordsven@fs.fed.us	Decision Pending
District Wide	Noxious Weed Treatment	rhager@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement

Off-Highway Vehicle Travel (OHV)

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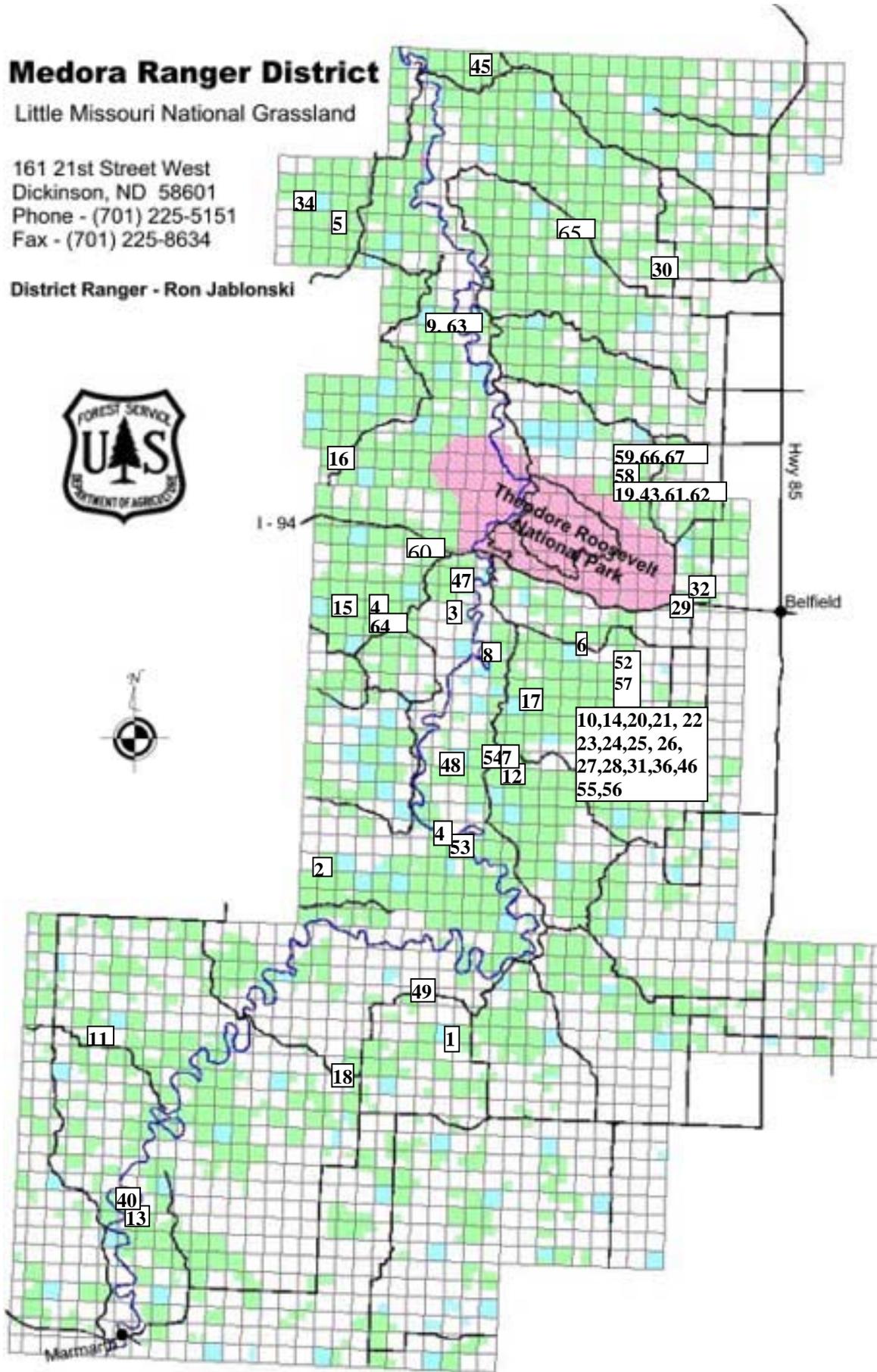
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 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) <http://www.epa.gov/>
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 USDI Bureau of Land Management (BLM) <http://www.blm.gov/>
 USDI Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) <http://www.fws.gov/>
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 Government Printing Office (GPO online) <http://www.access.gpo.gov/index.html>

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Medora Ranger District Project Table

MAP NO.	PROJECT NAME	Email address for Contact or Team Leader	Other Information
1	Ponderosa Pines Prescribed Burn Project	msand@fs.fed.us	Analysis
2	Allotment 266 Water Pipeline	dwilliams@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
3	Amerada Hess MHMU 32H, Well Pad/Access Road	cenderud@fs.fed.us	DROPPED
4	Upton 1-3H Well Pad and Access Road	cdecker@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
5	Equity 23-21 Well Pad and Access Road	jscadams@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
6	ND State Water Commission SW Pipeline	mthornton@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
7	West Plains Electric 1,690 ft. 7.2 KV line	mthornton@fs.fed.us	ON HOLD
8	West Plains Electric Replace 2,454 ft 7.2 KV line	mthornton@fs.fed.us	Analysis
9	Midstate Telephone Replace 6,100 feet of line	mthornton@fs.fed.us	Analysis
10	Whiting Petroleum Corp. Saltwater pipeline	mthornton@fs.fed.us	DROPPED
11	Horse Creek GA Water Pipeline Extension	jdahl@fs.fed.us	Analysis
12	Upton Resources 2,100 ft. 2" gas pipeline	mthornton@fs.fed.us	Decision Pending
13	Consolidated Telecom bury 10,420 feet of telephone cable	mthornton@fs.fed.us	COMPLETED
14	Bear Paw bury 2,640 feet of poly gas pipeline	mthornton@fs.fed.us	DROPPED
15	Eagle Ridge Lodge term Special Use Permit	lknotts@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
16	Billings and Golden Valley County – W. River Road (FH #12) Corridor Study	mthornton@fs.fed.us	ON HOLD
17	Maah Daah Hey Trail Extension	rwalsh@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
18	Slope Country FH 4 Reconstruction	mthornton@fs.fed.us	Analysis
19	West Palins Electric 4,877 ft. 14.4 KV line	mthornton@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
20	Belco Energy Corp Federal 4-21H Well Pad & Access Road	jdekker@fs.fed.us	DROPPED
21	West Plains Electric 5,508 ft. of 7.2 KV line	mthornton@fs.fed.us	ON HOLD
22	Whiting 1-21H Oil Well Pad and Access Road	cenderud@fs.fed.us	Analysis
23	Upton 4-2 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	cdecker@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
24	Upton 2A-11 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	cdecker@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
25	Upton 12-2 Oil Well Pad and Access Road	msexton@fs.fed.us	Decision Pending
26	West Plains Electric Coop replace 2,570 feet of 7.2 KV line.	mthornton@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
27	Whiting 1-24H Oil Well Pad and Access Road	cenderud@fs.fed.us	Analysis
28	Whiting 1-30H Oil Well Pad and Access Road	cenderud@fs.fed.us	Analysis
29	West Plains Electric Coop replace 645 feet of 7.2 KV line.	mthornton@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
30	Westport saltwater disposal line	mthornton@fs.fed.us	COMPLETED
31	West Plains Electric Coop replace 151 feet of 7.2 KV line.	mthornton@fs.fed.us	COMPLETED
32	U.S. Coastguard	mthornton@fs.fed.us	COMPLETED
34	Equity Oil Company 32-4 Oil Well Pad/Access Road	jcadams@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
	Livestock Water Dam Reclamation	ksullivan@fs.fed.us	Contact leader for locations.

Medora Ranger District Project Table *Continued*

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36	Upton 1A-11H Oil Well Pad (4 wells) and Access Road	cenderud@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
40	Slope County Road Reconstruction	mthornton@fs.fed.us	COMPLETED
43	West Plains Electric Coop install 1,117 feet of 14.4 KV line.	mthornton@fs.fed.us	DROPPED
45	West Plains Electric Coop Electric 4,295 ft of 14.4 KV line.	mthornton@fs.fed.us	DROPPED
46	Upton 10-2 Oil Well Pad (4 wells) and Access Road	cdecker@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
47	Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation O&G Permit	jcadams@fs.fed.us	ON HOLD
48	Upton 1-23H Oil Well Pad (4 wells) and Access Road	cenderud@fs.fed.us	Comment Period
49	Logging Camp Ranch O&G Permit	jcadams@fs.fed.us	Analysis
52	Westport 14-24 Well Pad and Access Road	jdekker@fs.fed.us	
53	Upton 2-23 Oil Well Pad (4 wells) and Access Road	cenderud@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
54	Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Co.	mthornton@fs.fed.us	DEIS Comment Period
55	Westport 21-1H Well Pad and Access Road	jdekker@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
56	West Plains Electric Coop 2,898 ft. of 7.2 KV line.	mthornton@fs.fed.us	DROPPED
57	Westport 41-25H Well Pad and Access Road	jdekker@fs.fed.us	ON HOLD
58	Continental 1-29 NH Pad and Access Road	mgiese@fs.fed.us	COMPLETED
59	Continental 1-20 NH Pad and Access Road	mgiese@fs.fed.us	Analysis
60	Continental 41-19 SH Pad and Access Road	cenderud@fs.fed.us	Analysis
61	Continental 1-32 SH Pad	mgiese@fs.fed.us	COMPLETED
62	Continental 1-31 SH Pad and Access Road	cenderud@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
63	Griffon & Assoc. 15-42 Pad and Access Road	cenderud@fs.fed.us	Public Involvement
64	Chandler 11 Pad and Access Road	cenderud@fs.fed.us	COMPLETED
65	Blacktail Water Well	dwilliams@fs.fed.us	COMPLETED
66	Continental 1-21NH Access Road	mthornton@fs.fed.us	Analysis
67	Continental 1-17SH Access Road	mthornton@fs.fed.us	DROPPED



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