

## Decision Summary – Energy Infrastructure

<b>Project Name</b>	Niobrara Electric Association, Inc., Powerline Extension, Fall River		
<b>Forest</b>	Nebraska National Forests & Grasslands	<b>Region</b>	R2
<b>Choose Type of Activity</b> (Wilderness, Roadless, Energy infrastructure, Minerals, Vegetation CE, Land Management Plan) <b>and level of Decision (No DM, DM, DN/FONSI, ROD)</b>			
Energy infrastructure; DM, 36 CFR 220.6(e)(3)			
<b>Planned Decision Date</b>	March 20, 2021		

### Summary Description

<b>Purpose/Need</b>
The purpose is to provide electrical power to serve Magellan Midstream Partner's, L.P. ("Magellan") rectifier and ground bed site to be installed by Magellan for cathodic protection to Magellan's existing pipeline. The project is required for Magellan to provide for public safety and protection for buried petroleum product pipelines.
<b>Intended Selected Action</b>
This single-phase distribution powerline includes 8 electrical poles, for approximately 2565 ft., and a 30 ft. wide easement for construction and maintenance of the 14,400 KV Powerline. The project is an extension of an existing distribution line authorized under FRD11.
<b>Potentially Significant Effects or Extraordinary Circumstances (if any)</b>
No significant effects or extraordinary circumstances are expected.
<b>Public Involvement (include State, local governments and Tribal consultation)</b>
Project information was provided to the District and Forest program area specialists for review and input. This project takes place on both private land and NFS land. Niobrara Electric has contacted the landowners and they are in full support of the project. State or local county officials were not consulted. Tribal agencies have not yet been consulted due to the potential need for an additional cultural survey.
<b>Timeline Considerations (statutory, court-related, administrative) and Objections Status</b>
The decision is not subject to objections. The existing permit holder Niobrara Electric is requesting to install a single-phase overhead distribution line to serve Magellan's ground bed and rectifier site. The powerline project will support management of buried petroleum product pipelines and ensure public safety.