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MINNESOTA NATURAL HERITAGE INFORMATION SYSTEM DATA REQUEST FORM

DATE OF REQUEST 9/22/06

WHO IS REQUESTING THE INFORMATION?

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THIS INFORMATION IS BEING REQUESTED ON BEHALF OF (if applicable): _____

WHAT INFORMATION DO YOU NEED?

- Printouts of known occurrences of federally and state listed plants and animals; native plant communities; and aggregation sites such as bat hibernacula, colonial waterbird nesting sites, and prairie chicken booming grounds.
- Information listed above, plus geological features and state rare species with no legal status.
- Other (specify): _____

Frequent applicants: Check here if you DO NOT need a copy of the field-by-field explanation of the printouts: _____

WHERE IS THE AREA OF INTEREST? 1) ENCLOSE A MAP showing detailed boundaries of the project area (topographic maps or aerial photos are preferred). 2) If a GIS shapefile of the project area is available, please provide a copy projected in UTM Zone 15, NAD83).

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| For Agency Use Only: REGION _____ _____ _____ _____ | PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING REQUIRED PROJECT INFORMATION | | | |
| | <u>County</u> | <u>Twshp#</u> | <u>Range#</u> | <u>Section(s) (and half-section, quarter-section, etc., if known)</u> |
| | <u>Moxer</u> | <u>T101N</u> | <u>R15W</u> | <u>2-9, 18</u> |
| | | <u>T102N</u> | <u>R14W</u> | <u>3-8, 17-21, 28, 29</u> |
| | | <u>T102N</u> | <u>R15W</u> | <u>1-36</u> |
| ↓ | <u>T102N</u> | <u>R16W</u> | <u>1, 12-14, 23-25</u> | |
| ↓ | <u>T103N</u> | <u>R15W</u> | <u>26, 27, 33-35</u> | |
| Project Name <u>High Prairie Wind Farm #</u> | | | | |
| Project Proposer <u>High Prairie Wind Farm, LLC.</u> | | | | |
| Detailed Project Description (attach additional sheets if necessary) <u>Construction of 61, 1.65 Megawatt turbines & associated transmission lines within the proposed project area boundary as indicated on the attached figure.</u> | | | | |
| Past Land-Use of Project Site <u>Agriculture & rangeland</u> | | | | |

HOW WILL THE INFORMATION BE USED? Describe the planned use of the information, including in what form and detail you wish to publish this information, if any. The information will be used in the preparation of the Site Permit Application, which will be submitted to & reviewed by the Public Utilities Commission.

TURN-AROUND TIME

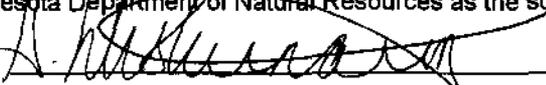
Requests generally take 3 weeks from date of receipt to process, and are processed in the order received. Rush requests are processed in 2 weeks or less.

FEES

For-profit organizations, including consultants working for governmental agencies, are charged a fee for this service. In addition, a fee may be charged for large requests from any source. A surcharge (currently \$50) is applied for rush orders; if this is a rush order, please check the blank below. Fees subject to change. A fee schedule is available upon request. Please do not include payment with your request; an invoice will be sent to you.

 Rush

"The information supplied above is complete and accurate. I understand that material supplied to me from the Minnesota Natural Heritage Information System is copyrighted and that I am not permitted to reproduce or publish any of this copyrighted material without prior written permission from the Minnesota DNR. Further, if permission to publish is given, I understand that I must credit the Minnesota Natural Heritage and Nongame Research Program, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources as the source of the material."

Signature 

Mail or email completed forms to:

For further information call:

Endangered Species Environmental Review Coordinator *(for project reviews)* (651) 259-5107 or 259-5109
Sarah.hoffmann@dnr.state.mn.us e.g. EAWs
or
Assistant Database Manager *(for general requests)* (651) 259-5123
Sharron.nelson@dnr.state.mn.us
at
Natural Heritage and Nongame Research Program
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
500 Lafayette Road, Box 25
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

Or FAX completed forms to: (651) 296-1811

Additional information about the Natural Heritage & Nongame Research Program is available at http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/ecological_services/nhnrp/index.html

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| Sources contacted | Topic | Response |
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Response Summary _____

Responder _____

Instructions for the Minnesota Natural Heritage Information System Data Request Form

Please read the following!

- < Legible **maps** clearly showing the location and boundaries of the project are required for processing all project reviews.
- < We cannot begin processing information requests until we receive all parts of the request, including a map and a completed, signed information request form.
- < Please provide as detailed a **project description** as possible, attaching separate pages to the form if necessary (i.e. identify the type of development to be constructed (housing, commercial, utility, etc.), the size and # of units, if applicable, any associated infrastructure and utility connections, and construction methods).
- < **Responses** are returned to the party which appears in the "Who is requesting the information?" section. This must also be the person who signs the form on the second page, acknowledging the State of Minnesota's copyright on all printouts generated in response to project reviews.
- < On the form, note the first sentence under the subheading "**FEES**". As a courtesy, we provide database searches to other governmental agencies and non-profit entities free of charge. For-profit entities, including consultants working for governmental agencies, are charged a fee. Please do not include payment with your request; an invoice will be sent to you.
- < There is generally a 3-week **turn-around time** on environmental reviews. Rush jobs (2 week turn-around) are charged an additional \$50 (only applies to for-profit entities).
- < For **large projects** (>30 sections) we request that the township/range/section information be submitted on disk or via e-mail. Please submit the file in Word or ASCII, and in the following format: Township#,Range#,Section#s separated by commas. There should be no ending punctuation, no spaces, no letters, except an "E" after appropriate ranges, and each Township / Range combination should be typed on a separate line. For example, T62N R1W Sections 1-3, 11, 12 and T62N R3E Sections 4-9, 17, 18 should be listed as:

62,1,1-3,11,12
62,3E,4-9,17,18
- If a **GIS shapefile** of the project area is available, please provide a copy projected in UTM Zone 15, NAD83 .
- < **Gray wolf** locations are not tracked in the Natural Heritage databaes. Please contact the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service for information on this species.
- < An **electronic copy** of the form is available at the DNR's web site – http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/ecological_services/nhnrp/nhis_data_request.pdf
- < You may reproduce this form for your own use or to distribute.