

CENTER REPUBLICAN PUBLIC NOTICES

NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PUBLIC NOTICE REISSUE OF AN NDPDES PERMIT

North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality Public Notice
Reissue of an NDPDES Permit
Public Notice Date: November 20, 2025
Purpose of Public Notice
The Department intends to reissue the following North Dakota Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NDPDES) Discharge Permit under the authority of Section 61-28-04 of the North Dakota Century Code.
Permit Information
Public Notice Number: ND-2025-026
Permit Number: ND0024601
Application Date: October 22, 2025
Applicant Name: BNI Coal Ltd Center
Mailing Address: 2360 35th Ave SW Center, ND 58530
Telephone Number: (701) 355-5500
Proposed Permit Expiration Date: December 31, 2030
Facility Description
The reapplication is for a surface coal mining operation near Center, ND. Discharges consist of groundwater and/or surface runoff, and wash water from the washdown facility. Discharges are to Hagel Creek, Square Butte Creek, or Nelson Lake. Hagel Creek is an unclassified stream. Square Butte Creek, below Nelson Lake, is a Class IA stream; elsewhere, it is unclassified. Nelson Lake is a Class 3 lake. Discharges covered by this permit are subject to surface water management conditions and designated locations described in surface mining permits approved following public review. Discharge structures are located within the boundaries of BNI Coal's approved surface mining permits which encompass all or part of the following: T142N,

R84W; T141N, R84W; T142N, R83W; and T141N, R83W.
Tentative Determinations
Proposed effluent limitations and other permit conditions have been made by the Department. They assure that State Water Quality Standards and applicable provisions of the FWPCA will be protected. Information Requests and Public Comments
Copies of the application, draft permit, and related documents are available for review. Comments or requests should be directed to the ND Dept of Env Quality, Div of Water Quality, 4201 Normandy Street, Bismarck ND 58503-1324 or by calling 701.328.5210. All comments received by December 20, 2025, will be considered prior to finalizing the permit. If there is significant interest, a public hearing will be scheduled. Otherwise, the Department will issue the final permit within sixty (60) days of this notice. The NDDEQ will consider every request for reasonable accommodation to provide an accessible meeting facility or other accommodation for people with disabilities, language interpretation for people with limited English proficiency (LEP), and translations of written material necessary to access programs and information. To request accommodations, contact the NDDEQ Non-discrimination Coordinator at 701-328-5210 or deqEJ@nd.gov. TTY users may use Relay North Dakota at 711 or 1-800-366-6888.

(11-20-2025)

SUMMONS FOR FORFEITURE

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF OLIVER IN DISTRICT COURT SOUTH CENTRAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT

State of North Dakota
Plaintiff,
v.
\$1,655.00 in U.S. Currency,
Defendant.

Summons for Forfeiture
Case No. 33-2024-CV-33-2024-CV-00040

¶1.] THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO: Billy Baker PO Box 236 Parshall ND 58770
¶2.] You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the Complaint in this action, which is herewith served, by filing with the Court and serving upon the undersigned an Answer or other proper written response within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so judgment by default maybe taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.
Dated: 9/18/2024

Isl Patrick W Waters
Patrick W. Waters (#08505) Oliver County State's Attorney
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Center, ND 58530
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E-Filing Address: patrick@701justice.com

(11-13-2025)(11-20-2025)(11-27-2025)

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT, AMEND AND REPEAL ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS UTILIZATION COMMISSION, ANIMAL HEALTH, DAIRY, EGGS, ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION, PESTICIDES, AND POULTRY BOARD
TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Agriculture and the State Board of Animal Health will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code at 10:00 AM on December 17, 2025, at the 6th floor conference room in the State Capitol in Bismarck.

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by writing the North Dakota Department of Agriculture or calling 701-328-4764. Also, written comments may be submitted to North Dakota Department of Agriculture Attn: Rules Coordinator, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 602 Bismarck, ND 58505-0020 until December 30, 2025. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the North Dakota Department of Agriculture at the above telephone number or address at least three days prior to the public hearing.
Dated this 7th day of November 2025.
Doug Goehring
Agriculture Commissioner

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO
N.D. ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CHAPTER 33-39-01
LODGING ESTABLISHMENT SANITATION STANDARDS

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 33-39-01, Lodging Establishment Sanitation Standards, relating to definitions, general requirements, personnel, ice and ice dispensing, guest rooms, utensil and equipment warewashing, single-service and single-use articles, beds and linen, housekeeping and laundry facilities, water recreation facilities, submission of plans, fire safety, food establishment license requirements, toilets, poisonous or toxic materials, pests, grounds maintenance, and imminent health hazards at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, December 19, 2025, 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, December 29, 2025.
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 7th day of November, 2025.

CENTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 10th, 2025
Meeting called to order by Mayor John Lee at 6:00 p.m.
Council members present: Lisa Gusewelle, Eric Casson, Jennifer Gooss City Attorney and RaShell Simenson City Auditor.
Gusewelle moved the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Casson; all voting aye, motion carried
Treasurer Report
Gusewelle moved to approve the claims on hand, seconded by Casson; all voting aye, motion carried.
• Gusewelle moved the motion approve the transfer of \$150,000 from the City Savings account the City Checking account to cover October expenses, seconded by Casson; all voting aye, motion carried.
Dakota Supply Group \$40,966.28, Menards \$180.60, , DSG \$443.50, Rud Oil and Gas \$10, NDDOH Microbiology \$27.00, One Call Concepts \$19.50, Vestis \$411.63, Security First Bank \$1,514.11, Oliver County Sheriffs \$13,827.05, CB Accounting \$4,100, Marco \$264.10, Donovan & Kaffar \$1,711.80, Hawkins \$116.60, Cooling and Heating Unlimited \$642.86, Minnesota Valley Testing Labs \$47, Sletten Excavating \$9,725, Menards \$78.37, Swanston \$671.25, DSG \$667.22, D & E Supply \$199.37, Runnings \$39.95, Rud Oil and Gas \$1,407.22
Gusewelle moved to approve check register from October, seconded by Casson; all voting aye, motion carried.
Personal Appearance
Resident Michael Johnson appeared before the Council to discuss damage to his property that occurred when the City repaired the drainage ditch located on his land. He explained that the work left ruts in the soil and damaged areas of grass. Reuther provided pictures of the repair and stated he had reseeded the area. Council discussed to wait till spring to see how nature will take its course and address the situation at that time.
Mike Tietz, County Water Commissioner, appeared before the council to discuss that there had been complaints of outside companies pulling an over amount of water from the Square Butte Creek, which is causing water shortages to our local farmers. He asked the council to look into the idea of selling water to these companies, and he provided a document showing how profitable it is for other city's that do sell water. Mike explained that the Southwest Water infrastructure feeds Center from a north line and a west line which is more than capable

to handle for the city to sell water. Council agreed to look into this for the future.
CB Accounting Report- Tray Brownlee, via phone, updated the council after having technical issues with the city's accounting software Black Mountain and gaining access to the bank account he will begin to reconcile the accounts from September to current and provide a cash flow statement for revenue and expenditures.
Moore Engineering report: - Gusewelle moved the motion to approve Engineering invoice No. SIN005623 in the amount of \$12,000, seconded by Casson, all voting aye, motion carried.
Sheriff's Department Report- Gusewelle reported speeding tickets have been on the rise, mainly on HWY 25 east side of town.
Publics Works Maintenance Report- Reuther reported CC Steel relined the sewer lines under Lincoln Ave Thursday November 6th. He provided a bid from Sletten excavating in the amount of \$2,650 to fix the damaged four curb stops. Due to confusion of the bid Council decided to table to obtain more information.
Reuther updated the council that Northern Plains Plumbing, Heating, and Air is continuing work on installing the new propane boilers and is expected to complete the project by the end of this week. In the meantime, the Civic Center is being heated using the two backup propane furnaces. Reuther also requested that Auditor Simenson publish the city's snow-removal ordinance in the newspaper and bring Burt Isaak into the city to assist with snow-removal efforts.
Pool Manager Report- Kraft provided updates on pool maintenance, scheduled open hours, and reported that Empower Electric is still awaiting delivery of the phase protector.
Custodian- Plesuk informed the council that she had submitted her resignation two weeks prior and requested permission to withdraw it and retain her position with the city. Gusewelle moved the motion to keep Kayla Plesuk on the City Payroll, seconded by Casson, all voting aye, motion carried.
Old Business
No old business
New Business
Gusewelle moved the motion to approve the 2026 Residential Prebuy Propane contract as offered by Ruds Oil and Gas, seconded by Casson, all voting aye, motion carried.
Council requested for city residents to ensure that any street signs located at the corners of their properties remain visible and that house numbers are clearly displayed to assist 911 responders.
Gusewelle presented on a MowerMax

Boom Mower to possibly take the place of the city's Street Sweeper. No decision was made.
Gusewelle moved the motion to renew the CD 9267, seconded by Casson, one voting aye, one voting nae, Mayor Lee voting aye, motion carried.
Casson moved the motion to seek out the Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant for LED lighting in the City of Center, seconded by Gusewelle, all voting aye, motion carried.
Portfolios
Gusewelle updated the council the Golf course is closed for the season and expressed her appreciation to Brent Isaak. She also updated she is currently looking at a company to replace the doors going into the gym and a company to put in a fire suppression hood over the stove of the Civic Center kitchen.
Gusewelle asked if she could be part of Christmas gifts for employees and have a

\$300 budget.
Mayor Lee announced that employee negotiations will be scheduled in the near future. He also informed the council that the potential locations for the Lewis and Clark statues have been narrowed down to two sites.
Auditor Simenson announced that a new dog grooming business will be opening in December. She also noted that the city previously held a Christmas Light Contest in which the Mayor and a council member served as judges to select 1st-, 2nd-, and 3rd-place winners, with the results announced at the January meeting.
Next Meeting date: 6 p.m. Monday, December 1st, 2025.
Mayor Lee adjourned meeting at 7:30 p.m.
John Lee, Mayor
RaShell Simenson, City Auditor
(11-20-2025)

WINTER REMINDER SNOW REMOVAL ORDINANCE:

Snow Removal Ordinance: 3.0207 Removal of Snow and Ice from Sidewalk
It shall be, and hereby is declared to be, the duty of the owner or occupant of each lot in the City to remove from the sidewalk in front of or along the same, any ice or snow which forms, accumulates or obstructs such sidewalk, within twenty-four (24) hours after the ice forms or the snow ceases to fall thereon. Where the ice accumulated is of such character as to make the removal thereof practically impossible, the sprinkling of ashes or sand thereon within the time specified for removal in such manner as to make such sidewalk safe for the travel of pedestrians thereon shall be deemed compliance with the provisions of this article. No owner or occupant shall blow or shovel snow into public streets except with permission of the City.
Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an infraction and upon conviction

thereof, shall be fined not more than \$500.00.
3.0212 Notice - Snow Removal or Street Cleaning
Whenever it becomes necessary to remove snow or ice or to sweep and clean streets, or to mark streets for traffic purposes there shall be designated by the city engineer or street commissioner the area and streets to be cleared of snow or ice or cleaned as aforesaid and the time during which such snow or ice removal and street cleaning and marking of streets shall be done and posting of such information in the area affected.
9.1409 Stopping - Parking - Over 48 Hours
It shall be unlawful for anyone to park or leave standing on any public street or highway in the City any vehicle for a period longer than forty-eight (48) hours consecutively, provided this section shall not include any area where a shorter time is provided for parking.

(11-20-2025)

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO CREATE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO
N.D. ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CHAPTER 75-03-44
CERTIFIED COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CLINIC CERTIFICATION

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services will hold a public hearing to address proposed creation of N.D. Admin. Code chapter 75-03-44 relating to the certified community behavioral health clinic process and operations including eligibility, application and certification process, and services and treatment requirements at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, December 19, 2025, in Bismarck, N.D. in Room 210, located on the second floor of the Judicial Wing of the State Capitol.

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