

Carrington hosts state land judging

Fessenden-Bowdon FFA state champs; Jorgensen high FFA individual

Area teens competed in the N.D. FFA and 4-H State Land Judging Contest held July 30–31 just southwest of Carrington. The event was hosted by the Carrington FFA Chapter and drew teams from across the state.

Fessenden-Bowdon FFA, led by Chapter Advisor Lane Moellenkamp, took the senior team championship and advances to the national competition in El Reno, Okla., on May 5-7, 2026.

Eli Alfstad, a junior at New Rockford-Sheyenne, competed on the state championship team and earned a silver award. Logan Schimelfenig was the third place individual and earned a gold award, Lane Risovi received a gold award and seventh place. Chloe Bartz and Westin Opdahl earned silver and bronze awards, respectively.

Charles Jorgensen, a rural New Rockford resident who competed for Carrington FFA, was the top individual in the senior FFA division. His fellow chapter member, Laura Krause, had the sixth best score.

On the 4-H side, the Foster County team topped four other junior teams to win the state title. Wyatt Stickel led the way with a first-place finish, while Michael VandeHoven placed second and Jackson Topp took fifth. Teammates Benjamin Blahna and Tristen Timm rounded out the



Above: FFA land judging state champion team members from Fessenden-Bowdon FFA, from left to right, front row: Eli Alfstad, Chloe Bartz, Westin Opdahl; back row: Logan Schimelfenig, Lane Risovi. Courtesy photo.

At right: Charles Jorgensen of New Rockford was the state FFA land judging individual champion, and Laura Krause took sixth. Both represented Carrington FFA. Photo by Erik Gjovik.

championship roster.

Land judging is a national 4-H and FFA program designed to promote knowledge and respect for soil, land use and conservation.

During the contest, participants visited four field sites to assess soil texture,



estimate slope and measure topsoil depth. They then used their findings to recommend management

practices that would conserve the soil and maximize its productivity.

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TURBINES—

pending on the model of turbine ultimately selected for Flickertail Wind, there could end up being fewer than 100 turbines.

A few dozen individuals attended Wednesday's open house, where they got to enjoy a free meal, talk to officials from PRC Wind, and participate in a brief Q&A period for anyone who had additional questions or concerns.

Though the possibility of a wind farm coming to Eddy County has stirred some fierce opposition in recent months, the conversations remained cordial throughout the evening.

The design presentation

follows a ramping up of community engagement in recent weeks and months, including many sit-down visits with local landowners, both participating and non-participating.

The result, in the opinion of PRC Wind CEO Paul White, has been a lowering of the temperature surrounding the Flickertail Wind project.

"We have seen things settle down," said White. "We sat with the county commissioners yesterday morning in both [Eddy and Wells] counties, and what we heard was their phone isn't ringing off the hook like it was two months ago."

White added that there have been hundreds of

sit-down meetings with community members, including hours-long discussions with non-participating landowners about the project.

"We've gotten to a point where we think we have a pretty solid sense of what the community wants and what they don't want on an individual house-by-house basis," said White, "and we've laid out a project that respects not only what the rules are in each township and county, but also what the preferences are of every single house-

hold in the area that we can contact."

Looking ahead, Flickertail Wind is expected to begin applying for permits and developing road use agreements in the coming months, beginning with the respective townships and eventually the counties and state.

As the Flickertail project design becomes more finalized and advances to the permitting process, the Transcript will run an image of the proposed layout in a future edition.

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ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO LICENSING OF ONSITE WASTEWATER SYSTEM INSTALLERS

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality ("Department") will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to North Dakota Administrative Code chapter 33.1-21-01 regarding rules for licensing of current and future onsite wastewater treatment system installers at the following time and location:

2nd Floor Conference Room
North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality
4201 Normandy St, Bismarck, ND 58503-1324
September 5, 2025
1:00 PM CST

A copy of the proposed rule amendments may be requested by writing the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality, Deputy Director, 4201 Normandy St, Bismarck, ND 58503-1324 or calling (701) 328-5210. Written comments on the proposed rule amendments may be submitted to the above mailing address and received by September 16, 2025.

These rules are emergency rules with an effective date of August 1, 2025. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department at the above address or telephone number below at least two days prior to the public hearing. 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 materials necessary to access programs and information. Language assistance services are available free of charge to you. To request accommodations or language assistance, contact the NDDEQ Non-discrimination/EJ Coordinator at (701) 328-5150 or deqEJ@nd.gov. TTY users may use Relay North Dakota at 711 or 1-800-366-6888.

There will be real time public streaming of the public hearing through a Microsoft Teams meeting. No testimony will be accepted through the Microsoft Teams meeting. Information concerning listening access by telephone or through Microsoft Teams can be obtained by calling (701) 328-5210 or can be found on the Department's website at: <https://deq.nd.gov/PublicNotice.aspx>. Dated this 31st day of July, 2025.

L. David Glatt, P.E.
Director, Department of Environmental Quality

Public Notice

NOTICE

On July 31st, 2025 the New Rockford Township Board met and after discussion found it timely and necessary to update its comprehensive plan and zoning ordinances to bring them into compliance with state statutes and also to further protect the township and its residents. Due to the changing conditions in our township and the amount of time necessary to accomplish these goals, the township board voted to establish 2 year moratoriums on AI Data Centers/Crypto mining facilities, Carbon pipelines, Air carbon capture facilities, Industrial solar projects, Renewable energy battery storage, Industrial nuclear waste disposal sites and High Voltage Transmission lines. These moratoriums can be shortened, extended or removed upon a vote of the New Rockford Township Board.

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ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO N.D.A.C. ARTICLES 71-02 & 71-08 REGARDING ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS PARTICIPATION IN NDPEERS RETIREMENT PLANS

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code at 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, at 1600 East Century Avenue Suite 2, Bismarck, North Dakota. The rules relate to the participation of elected county officials in North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System (NDPEERS) retirement plans.

These rules are emergency rules with an effective date of July 31, 2025.

A copy of the proposed rules may be requested by writing to PO Box 1657, Bismarck, ND 58502, e-mailing NDPEERS-info@nd.gov, or calling 701-328-3900. Written comments on the proposed rules can be mailed to PO Box 1657, Bismarck, ND 58502 or emailed to NDPEERS-info@nd.gov. Oral comments can be submitted by calling 701-328-3900. Comments received by no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 22, 2025, will be fully considered. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System at the above telephone number or address at least seven days prior to the public hearing.

Dated this 31st day of July, 2025.

Rebecca Fricke
Executive Director

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO BUSINESS REGISTRATION NAME AVAILABILITY STANDARDS

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Office of the Secretary of State will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code at 10 am on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at the Office of the Secretary of State conference room at the North Dakota State Capitol, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, North Dakota.

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained at sos.nd.gov, by writing the Office of the Secretary of State, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 108, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, or calling 701-328-3660.

Written comments may be submitted to the address above or by email at sos@nd.gov until the comment period closes at 12 noon on September 28, 2025.

If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Office of the Secretary of State by calling 701-328-3660 at least four days prior to the public hearing.

Dated this 1st day of August, 2025

Sandra McMerty
Deputy Secretary of State

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The North Dakota Game and Fish Department announces the following summary of regulations & changes for the 2025-2026 Small Game, Furbearer and Waterfowl Seasons.

Species	Opens	Closes	Daily Limit	Poss. Limit		
Crows (Fall)	Aug. 16	Nov. 03	There is no limit on crows			
Crows (Spring)	Mar. 14	Apr. 26				
Early Canada Geese (Missouri River Zone)	Aug. 15	Sept. 07				
Early Canada Geese (Western Zone)	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	15	45		
Early Canada Geese (Eastern Zone)	Aug. 15	Sept. 22				
Doves	Sept. 01	Nov. 29	15	45		
Hungarian Partridge	Sept. 13	Jan. 04	3	12		
Sharp-tailed Grouse	Sept. 13	Jan. 04	3	12		
Ruffed Grouse	Sept. 13	Jan. 04	3	12		
Tree Squirrels	Sept. 13	Feb. 28	4	12		
Sage Grouse	Season closed					
Snipe	Sept. 13	Nov. 30	8	24		
Woodcock	Sept. 20	Nov. 03	3	9		
Sandhill Cranes (Unit 1)	Sept. 20	Nov. 16	3	9		
Sandhill Cranes (Unit 2)	Sept. 20	Nov. 16	2	6		
Tundra Swan	Oct. 04	Jan. 04	Season limit one swan - must be tagged			
2,200 licenses issued by lottery (deadline - Aug. 20)						
Pinnated Grouse (prairie chicken)	Season closed					
Male Pheasant (youth season)	Oct. 04	Oct. 05				
Male Pheasant (regular season)	Oct. 11	Jan. 04	3	12		
Mountain Lion (Zone 1 Early) (hunting)	Aug. 29	Nov. 23				
Mountain Lion (Zone 1 Late) (hunting)	Nov. 24	Mar. 31	One per season - restricted			
Mountain Lion (Zone 2) (hunting)	Aug. 29	Mar. 31				
Fisher (trapping or cable devices)	Nov. 24	Nov. 30	One per season - restricted			
River Otter (trapping or cable devices)	Nov. 24	Mar. 15	One per season - restricted			
Beaver and Raccoon (hunting, trapping or underwater cable devices)	Year-round					
Beaver and Raccoon (cable devices on land) (type and placement restricted from Mar. 16 - May 10)	Nov. 24	May 10				
Weasel (trapping)	Oct. 25	Mar. 15				
Muskrat and Mink (trapping)	Oct. 25	May 10				
Weasel (cable devices)	Nov. 24	Mar. 15				
Muskrat and Mink (cable devices)	Nov. 24	May 10				
Weasel (hunting)	Nov. 24	Mar. 15				
Muskrat and Mink (hunting)	Nov. 24	May 10				
Muskrat and Mink (restricted trapping and cable devices season)	Mar. 16	May 10				
Muskrat and Mink (protective covering over float sets)	May 01	May 10				
Red Fox, Gray Fox, Coyote, and Badger (day hunting or trapping)	Year-round					
Red Fox, Gray Fox, Coyote, and Badger (cable devices)	Nov. 24	Mar. 15				
Red Fox, Gray Fox, and Coyote (night hunting)	Nov. 24	May 31				
Bobcat (Zone 1) (hunting or trapping)	Nov. 08	Mar. 15				
Bobcat (Zone 1) (cable devices and dogs)	Nov. 24	Mar. 15				
Bobcat (Zone 2)	Nov. 24	Mar. 15	One per season - restricted			
(hunting, trapping, cable devices, dogs)						
Special Veteran and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Season	Sept. 20	Sept. 21	* Limits same except no bonus BWT may be taken			
Special Youth Waterfowl Season	Sept. 20	Sept. 21	* Limits same except no bonus BWT may be taken			
Ducks including Mergansers	Low Plains Unit - Sept. 27 thru Dec. 07 High Plains Unit - Sept. 27 thru Dec. 07 & Dec. 13 thru Jan. 04	6 (see restrictions below) 18				
Coots				15 45		
White-Fronted Geese	Sept. 27	Dec. 07	3	9		
Canada Geese (Missouri River Zone)	Sept. 27	Jan. 02	5	15		
Canada Geese (Western Zone)	Sept. 27	Dec. 25	8	24		
Canada Geese (Eastern Zone)	Sept. 27	Dec. 20	8	24		
Light Geese	Sept. 27	Jan. 04	50	No Limit		
DUCKS AND MERGANSERS: SPECIES/SEX RESTRICTIONS						
The daily bag limit of 6 ducks including mergansers may include no more than 5 mallards of which only 2 may be female mallards, 1 scaup, 3 wood ducks, 3 pintail, 2 redheads, 2 canvasbacks. * In addition to the daily bag limit of ducks listed above, an additional 2 blue-winged teal may be taken from Sept. 27 - Oct. 05. The possession limit for duck including mergansers shall be three times the daily bag limit.						
SUMMARY OF CHANGES FROM LAST YEAR						
• Nonresident waterfowl zones increased to 6 • A waterfowl habitat restoration stamp is required to hunt waterfowl • Fridays will be included in extended shooting hours for geese, beginning Nov. 28 • Nonresidents are not allowed to hunt on Department wildlife management areas or on PLOTS areas from Oct. 11-17. Exception: nonresidents hunting on PLOTS land that they own.						
A complete 2025-2026 Small Game, Furbearer and Waterfowl proclamation is available from the North Dakota Game and Fish Department, 100 North Bismarck Expressway, Bismarck, North Dakota 58501-5095 (701) 328-6300.						

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