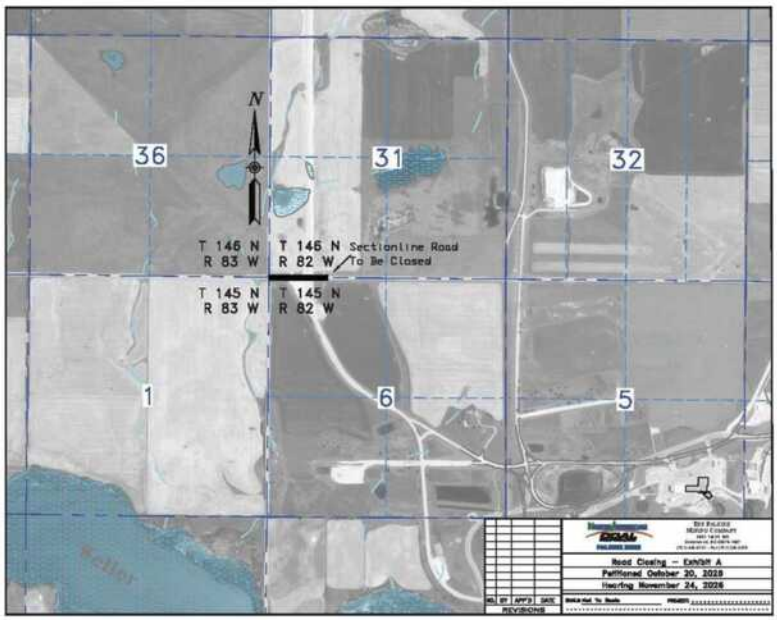


Notice of Hearing On Petition to Temporarily Close Certain Section Line Roads

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Petition has been filed by The Falkirk Mining Company, P.O. Box 1087, Underwood, North Dakota 58576, with the Board of McLean County Commissioners requesting that the following section line roads be temporarily closed in order to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations:

a. The western 1,320 feet of the county road located on the section line between the SW4 of Section 31, Township 146 North, Range 82 West and the NW4 of Section 6, Township 145 North, Range 82 West

After the completion of surface coal mining and reclamation operations, Falkirk will restore the closed sections line roads to as good a condition as existed prior to the closing of such roads to the extent required by the Board of McLean County Commissioners.

A hearing on the Petition will be held by the Board of McLean County Commissioners in the McLean County Courthouse at Washburn, North Dakota, on the 24th day of November, 2026, at 8:50 a.m., CDT, for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence bearing upon the above request by Falkirk. Statements may be made orally or in writing at the time of the public hearing. The Petition, along with the map showing the effected section lines, is on file in the office of the McLean County Auditor and may be viewed by interested persons during regular office hours.

By order of the Board of McLean County Commissioners.

Beth Knutson, County Auditor

(Nov. 5 & 12, 2026)