

Southwest Water Authority Thanks Customers with Community Open Swim Event

Southwest Water Authority (SWA) welcomed families and community members to West River Community Center on March 7 for a free open swim event held as part of the Make A Splash Water Festival activities.

From 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., about 75 attendees of all ages enjoyed an afternoon of swimming, laughter and community connection. The event offered SWA an opportunity to thank customers for their continued support while celebrating the role water plays in everyday life.

"We are thankful for the trust our customers place in Southwest Water Authority," said SWA Manager/CEO Jen Murray. "Events like this give us the chance

to connect with the community we serve and celebrate the many ways water enhances our lives."

The open swim serves as a lead-in to the Annual Make A Splash Water Festival, which will take place April 9-10 in Dickinson and introduces North Dakota students to the importance of water and stewardship.

Southwest Water Authority remains committed to delivering high-quality, reliable water while continuing to engage with and support the communities it serves.

For more information about Southwest Water Authority and upcoming events, visit <https://swwater.com> or follow SWA on social media.



He has risen!

Happy Easter from all of us at GS Publishing!

Notice of Hearing

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
IN DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF BILLINGS
SOUTHWEST
JUDICIAL DISTRICT
In the Matter of the Estate of
Elizabeth "Betty" Golberg,
Deceased
Probate No.
04-2026-PR-0007

NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR ADJUDICATION OF INTESTACY AND APPOINTMENT OF CO-PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Patrick Golberg and Nancy Larson have filed herein a petition for adjudication of intestacy and appointment of co-personal representatives.

2. Hearing has been set upon said petition on the 28th day of May, 2026, at 8:30 o'clock a.m., at the Courtroom of the above-named Court in the City of Medora, County of Billings, State of North Dakota.

3. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any person appearing for the purpose of objecting to any matter or item contained within the above-mentioned petition for formal probate shall file herein and serve upon the undersigned counsel for the Petitioner their written objections to the same not later than seven (7) days prior to the above scheduled hearing.

Dated this 12th day of March, 2026.

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NOTICE OF ZONING MEETING

The Billings County Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, April 16, 2026 at 1:00 PM in the Commissioner's Room at the county courthouse, to consider recommending to the Board of County Commissioners the approval or denial of the following items:

Applications:

2026-11 Syzygy LLC - Tina (Lindbo) & Mark Gagner: Application for conditional use permit for a 40' x 60' shop with living quarters on a 3.07 acre parcel in the SENE 9-139-100 (13547 Bryan Ave, Fryburg). Property is zoned commercial. Project will be built in phases and a 2-year CUP for construction is requested.

2026-13 Verizon Wireless: Application to construction cell phone antennas on a new light pole in the parking area owned by TRMF for the Medora Musical & near the TR Library site (3422 Chateau Rd). Property is within the Hillside/Ridgeline Overlay District. The antennas will be constructed on a new light pole that is consistent with the existing light poles. Antenna pole will extend 10.9' above the light fixture and the light pole with antennas will have a total height of 33.9'. This exceeds the maximum height restriction of 33.0' for the Hillside/Ridgeline Overlay District and a Variance has been requested. Property is within the ETZ of the City of Medora and zoned Recreational.

2026-14 Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation: Application to redevelopment projects at the existing Ranchorama site east of Medora (14532 I-94 Loop East). Structures will include: a 2-story mixed use building for the Medora Riding Stables - main floor with office & classroom with 3 apartments above; a 2-story mixed use building with a 3-stall garage on the main floor and an apartment above; and a 66' x 120' horse stall building. Site will also have a new riding arena and an open grass event area with a stage and spaces for outdoor seating, fire pit, petting zoo, and temporary vendors.

2026-16 Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation: Review site plan for the Western Heritage Arena area west of Medora in section 22-140-102 (between I-94 Loop W and the Medora Campground area). Application is for rough grading of the site. Additional applications for platting, structures and infrastructure improvements will be submitted at a later date.

The board will also review any zoning applications submitted to the zoning department for projects within the Medora Area Plan boundary prior to the final review and administrative approval by the zoning director at the meeting. Application received at the time of publication includes:

2026-15 Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation: Application to construct three 16' x 30' cabins within the Medora Campground in the SE1/4 22-140-102 (3370 Pool Drive). Property is within the ETZ of the City of Medora and zoned Historical Integrity.

Other business:

- Review regulations and zoning ordinances related to Mobile Food Units, Transient Merchants, and Temporary Use Permits for Commercial uses, Industrial uses, and Social Events and make a recommendation for amending Article VI: Special Provisions 6.17 for Temporarily Permitted Uses.
- Review regulations and zoning ordinances related to water depots that are used for supplying fresh water during the drilling stages of oil and gas wells and make a recommendation for amending the ordinance.

Standing agenda items:

- TRMF and TRPL Project Updates
- The board will also address potential & pending zoning violations and recommend any action needed by the Zoning Director, State's Attorney, or Board of County Commissioners.

General meeting information:

- Applications and ordinances are available for review during regular office hours at the Billings County Courthouse. If special accommodations are needed, please notify the auditor so that appropriate aids may be made available.
- To attend the meeting remotely via TEAMS, please see the meeting notice posted in the calendar on the Billings County website at <https://www.billingscountynod.gov/> for instructions.

Additional Notice:

Prior to the Zoning Meeting on April 16, the Billings County Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a work session beginning at 10:00 am in the Commissioner's Room. The purpose is to review and discuss regulations and amendment proposals related to temporary uses, mobile food units and transient merchants. No action will be taken or decisions made at this work session.

Dated at Medora this 27th day of March, 2026.

Stacey Swanson, Zoning Director

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CITY OF Belfield NOW HIRING

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Applicants must:

- Pass a drug/alcohol/background checks
- Hold a valid ND driver's license (or obtain upon offer).

Accepting applications until position is filled.

The City of Belfield is an EOE.

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The North Dakota Game & Fish Department announces the following summary of regulations and changes for the 2026-2028 fishing proclamation.

HOOK AND LINE, BOW (ARCHERY), SPEAR AND UNDERWATER SPEARFISHING

Hook and line, bow, spear and underwater spearfishing is legal from Apr. 1 - Mar. 31 of each fishing year. See proclamation for species legal to take.

DARKHOUSE SPEAR AND BOW (ARCHERY) FISHING

Darkhouse spear and bow fishing is legal from ice up through Mar. 15 of each fishing year.

See proclamation for species legal to take.

Darkhouse spear & bow fishing is legal only on certain waters.

PADDFLESH SNAGGING

Paddlefish snagging is legal May 1 through May 21 of each fishing year, in certain areas of the Missouri and Yellowstone rivers. Snaggers must possess a valid tag. Snagging paddlefish shall be legal only from 7 am to 7 pm (Central Time) each day. Snaggers must immediately release all paddlefish on Snag and Release. Days and immediately tag their one paddlefish on Harvest Days.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES FOR 2026-2028

- Allows for the use of white sucker as legal live baitfish on the Missouri River System, Lake Audubon, Devils Lake and Stump Lake.
- Allows for the harvest of chinook salmon with the reinitiation of a snagging season. Also, allows for the harvest of salmon with archery and spearing equipment during the new snagging season.
- The requirement to register before participating in darkhouse spearfishing is eliminated.
- The white bass daily and possession limits are increased to 30 and 60, respectively.
- Paddlefish tags are available for purchase online and at the Bismarck, Dickinson and Williston offices from 8 am-5 pm., Monday through Friday. Online purchases should accommodate for appropriate delivery time.

EXCEPTIONS TO STATEWIDE FISHING LIMITS

Red and Bois De Sioux Rivers up to the first vehicular bridge or crossing on any of their tributaries	NORTHERN PIKE - Daily 3, Possession 3 WALLEYE, SAUGER, SAUGEYE, OR COMBINATION - Daily 3, Possession 3
McDowell Dam	ALL SPECIES - Catch & release only while ice fishing.
OWLS Dam	ALL SPECIES - Catch & release only.
State Fair Pond	ALL SPECIES - Catch & release only from Apr 1-July 31.

Species	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
Walleye, Sauger, Saugeye, or Combination ^a	5	10
Northern Pike	5	10
Yellow Perch	20	40
White Bass	30	60
Bluegill	10	20
Crappie	10	20
Trout	3	6
Salmon	5	10
Burbot (Ling)	10	20
Channel Catfish	East of ND Highway 1 ^b	5
	West of ND Highway 1	20
Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass or Combination		
Muskellunge (pure or hybrid)	1	1
Paddlefish (legal snagging only)		See proclamation
Nongame Fish (Other than legal live baitfish)	no limit	no limit
Legal Live Baitfish ^c	150	150
Leeches	300	300
Smelt	5 gallons	5 gallons
Frogs	50	50
Salamanders	50	50
Crayfish	50	50
Snapping Turtle ^d		One annually

^a-Zander are included as part of the walleye, sauger, saugeye combination in Spiritwood and Alkali lakes (Stutsman Co.).
^b-In the Red and Bois de Sioux rivers, the limit is 5 catfish regardless of the number of state or provincial licenses purchased by the angler.
^c-Aggregate of all legal species (see Section 4 of proclamation).
^d-Only one snapping turtle may be harvested with hook and line equipment between July 1 through November 15 of each fishing year.

FREE FISHING DAYS Residents of North Dakota may fish without a resident fishing license on Jun. 6-7, 2026, Dec. 26-27, 2026, Jun. 5-6, 2027 and Dec. 26-27, 2027.

A complete 2026-2028 Fishing Proclamation listing all regulations is available from the North Dakota Game and Fish Department, 100 North Bismarck Expressway, Bismarck, ND 58501-5095, (701) 328-6300.