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## REQUEST FOR BUSING CONTRACT BIDS

The Billings County School District is requesting sealed bids to transport school children on the following routes for the 2026-2028 school year:

•Route #1: Beginning at School closest to the route, running south of Belfield and throughout south Fryburg area, to South Heart school, and ending back in Belfield. Bus capacity is approximately 19; Route miles approximately 160 miles per day but start and end locations may vary so actual miles driven per day will be adjusted once established.

•Route #2: Beginning at School closest to the route, running east of Medora to Fryburg and surrounding areas north and south of Fryburg, ending in Medora. Bus capacity is approximately 28; Route miles approximately 132 miles per day but start and end locations may vary so actual miles driven per day will be adjusted once established.

•Route #3: Beginning at Prairie Elementary School in Fairfield running south of Fairfield to county line and ending back at Prairie Elementary School. Bus capacity approximately 27; Route miles approximately 78 per day but start and end locations may vary so actual miles driven per day will be adjusted once established.

•Route #4: Beginning at Prairie Elementary School in Fairfield running north to furthest north bus stop and then south on Highway 85 stopping at various bus stops along the way dropping at Belfield High School and ending back at Prairie Elementary School. Bus capacity is approximately 29; Route miles approximately 116 miles per day but start and end locations may vary so actual miles driven per day will be adjusted once established.

•Route #5: Beginning at Prairie Elementary School in Fairfield running north and east of Highway 85 and ending back at Prairie Elementary School. Bus capacity approximately 19; Route miles approximately 90 miles per day but start and end locations may vary so actual miles driven per day will be adjusted once established.

•Route #6: Beginning at Prairie Elementary School in Fairfield running northwest and southwest of Fairfield and ending back at Prairie Elementary School. Bus capacity is approximately 19; Route miles approximately 87 miles per day but start and end locations may vary so actual miles driven per day will be adjusted once established.

\*\*\* ROUTE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE BY THE BOARD. Official route mileage\*\*\* will be set by the Board in the fall. It will be the responsibility of the contractor to provide a bus of adequate capacity to meet the needs of the route.

Bids must be on a per mile basis, and the outside of the envelope must be marked "Bus Bid" and the route number. The bid must include the description of the bus to be used and the name of the driver and substitute driver(s). This information will become part of the contract if awarded the bid. Each successful bidder must submit with signed contract, a bond in the amount of \$1,500.00 payable to the Billings County Public School District 1 and conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties set forth in the contract. The bid base price will be the amount of gas and diesel prices obtained from West Dakota Oil in Belfield, ND, on May 1, 2026. All drivers and substitute drivers need to undergo a criminal background check if one was not done for the Billings County School District in the past. Submit sealed bids to Billings County School District, Box 307, Medora ND 58645 by 4:00 PM MT, Wednesday, May 13, 2026. Bids will be opened and awarded at approximately 5:15 p.m. on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at the Prairie School at 12793 20<sup>th</sup> St SW in Fairfield, ND, during the regular school board meeting. Bidders can direct questions prior to bidding to Shae Peplinski, Superintendent, at 701-623-4363 or by emailing [shae.peplinski@k12.nd.us](mailto:shae.peplinski@k12.nd.us).

A copy of the contract requirements and route details is available by contacting the District office at 701-623-4363. The Board reserves the right to waive irregularities, and to accept or reject any or all bids. Preference may be given to current contractors who have a satisfactory history with the District.

By Order of the Billings County School Board on April 8, 2026

Published April 23 & 30, 2026

### ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVISE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO MODIFIED PUBLIC SCHOOL CALENDAR

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI) will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes of N.D. Admin. Code 67-15, Modified Public School Calendar; at 9:30 AM on Thursday, June 4, 2026, in the Peace Garden Room at the State Capitol, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND 58505.

The purpose of the proposed changes is to amend 67-15-02, Reconfiguration of Instructional Days, to rename the chapter "Four-Day School Week" and to update the criteria for which a school district can be approved to operate under a four-day school week. The proposed rules are not expected to have an impact on the regulated community in excess of \$50,000.

The proposed rules may be reviewed at the NDDPI Office of School Approval and Opportunity, ND State Capitol, 600 E. Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58505-0440. A copy of the proposed rules may be requested by writing to the above address, to the attention of Jim Upgren, emailing [jimupgren@nd.gov](mailto:jimupgren@nd.gov), or calling 701-328-2244. Written and oral comments may be sent to the above address or telephone number until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 15, 2026. For individuals seeking to attend who will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the NDDPI at the above telephone number or address at least five days prior to the public hearing.

Dated this 20th day of April, 2026.

Jim Upgren, Assistant Director  
Office of School Approval and Opportunity  
North Dakota Department of Public Instruction

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Billings County Commission will hold a Public Hearing during the regular meeting of the County Commission on Tuesday, May 5, 2026 at 10:00 AM. The hearing will take place in the Commissioner's Room at the county courthouse, Medora, ND. The purpose of the hearing is to consider the approval or denial of the following amendments to the Billings County Zoning Resolution No. 1:

### Amendments

- 2.3(106) Definition of Temporary Use (UPDATE)
- 5.1.2 (t), (u), (v), & (w) Conditional Use Permits for Ag Districts (UPDATE/NEW)
- 5.3.2 (f) & (k) Conditional Use Permits for Recreational Districts (UPDATE/NEW)
- 5.4.4 (h), (i), (k) Conditional Use Permits for Commercial Districts (UPDATE/NEW)
- 6.17 Temporarily Permitted Uses (UPDATE/NEW)

The proposed amendments are related to commercial and special event temporary uses that often cater to the traveling public or the tourism industry surrounding the Medora area.

The proposed amendments were recommended for approval by the Planning & Zoning Commission hearing held on Thursday, April 16, 2026.

Copies of the proposed amendments are available for review on the Billings County website at [www.billingscountynod.gov](http://www.billingscountynod.gov) or during regular office hours at the Billings County Courthouse.

Dated at Medora this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026.

Stacey Swanson  
Zoning Director

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# ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

**2026 BOBBY KUBAS PIT  
CRUSHING & STOCKPILING SCORIA  
SE1/4 SEC 35, T141N, R98W  
BILLINGS COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA**

Sealed bids will be received by Billings County, at the office of the Billings County Auditor, 495 4th Street, PO Box 168, Medora, North Dakota, 58645, until 11:00 AM MT, May 5th, 2026, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud for the furnishing of materials, labor, equipment and skill required for the construction of Crushing and Stockpiling Scoria and incidental items in and for said Billings County, as is more fully described and set forth in the project manual therefore, which are now on file in the office of the Billings County Auditor.

Bids shall be upon cash payment on the following estimated quantities and types of work: 1 LSUM CONTRACT BOND; 1 LSUM STRIP & STOCKPILE TOPSOIL & OVERBURDEN; 85,000 CY CRUSH & STOCKPILE SCORIA; 1 LSUM RECLAIM PIT SITE; 1 LSUM MOBILIZATION

**The contract documents are on file and may be examined at the following:  
Billings County Auditor, 495 4th St, Medora, North Dakota  
KLJ, 677 27th Ave E, Dickinson, North Dakota**

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at [www.kljeng.com](http://www.kljeng.com) "Projects for Bid" or [www.questcdn.com](http://www.questcdn.com). You may download the digital plan documents for \$22 by inputting Quest Project #10152859 on the website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN at (952) 233-1632 or [info@questcdn.com](mailto:info@questcdn.com) for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. Please contact us at 701-483-1284 if you have any questions.

All bids are to be submitted on the basis of cash payment for the work and materials, and each bid shall be accompanied by a separate envelope containing the contractor's license and bid security. The bid security must be in a sum equal to five per cent (5%) of the full amount of the bid and must be in the form of a bidder's bond. A bidder's bond must be executed by the bidder as principal and by a surety company authorized to do business in this state, conditioned that if the principal's bid be accepted and the contract awarded to the principal, the principal, within ten (10) days after notice of award, will execute and effect a contract in accordance with the terms of his bid and the bid bond as required by the laws of the State of North Dakota and the regulations and determinations of the governing body. If a successful bidder does not execute a contract within ten (10) days allowed, the bidder's bond must be forfeited to the governing body and the project awarded to the next lowest responsible bidder.

All bidders must be licensed for the full amount of the bid as required by Section 43-07-07 and 43-07-12 of the North Dakota Century Code.  
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The successful Bidder will be required to furnish Contract Performance and Payment Bonds in the full amount of the contract.

Contracts shall be awarded on the basis of the low bid submitted by a responsible and responsive bidder for the aggregate sum of all bid items. A single contract will be awarded for the work. All bids will be contained in a sealed envelope, as above provided; plainly marked showing that such envelope contains a bid for the above project. In addition, the bidder shall place upon the exterior of such envelope the following information:

1. The work covered by the bidder
2. The name of the bidder
3. Separate envelope containing bid bond and a copy of North Dakota Contractor's License or certificate of renewal.
4. Acknowledgement of the Addenda.

No Bid will be read or considered which does not fully comply with the above provisions as to Bond and licenses and any deficient Bid submitted will be resealed and returned to the Bidder immediately. The work on the improvement will be completed by March 26th, 2027.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in any bid, to hold all bids or a period not to exceed 30 days from the date of opening bids, and to accept the bid deemed most favorable to the interest of the Owner.

Should the Contractor fail to complete the work within the time required herein or within such extra time as may have been granted by formal extensions of time approved by the Owner, there will be deducted from any amount due the Contractor the sum of \$900 per day and every day that the completion of the work is delayed. The Contractor and his surety will be liable for any excess. Such payment will be as and for liquidated damages.

Dated this 9th day of April, 2026  
BILLINGS COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA  
s/Marcia Kessel  
Billings County Auditor

Published April 16, 23, & 30, 2026

### ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND NORTH DAKOTA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CHAPTERS 33.1-24-02, 33.1-24-03, 33.1-24-05, and 33.1-24-06 RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION OF HAZARDOUS WASTE, STANDARDS FOR GENERATORS, AND STANDARDS FOR PERMITTED FACILITIES

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 (N.D. Admin. Code) chapters 33.1-24-02, 33.1-24-03, 33.1-24-05, and 33.1-24-06 at the following time and location:

**2nd Floor Conference Room  
North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality  
4201 Normandy St, Bismarck, ND 58503-1324  
May 27, 2026  
1:00 P.M. CT**

The purpose of the proposed amendments is to correct grammatical errors and to update the language in the administration code to reflect the Federal rules and regulations involving hazardous waste, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), and generators of hazardous waste.

The proposed amended rules may be reviewed at the Department's office located at 4201 Normandy St, Bismarck, ND 58503-1324 or on the Department's website at: <https://deq.nd.gov/PublicNotice.aspx>. A copy of the proposed rule amendments may be requested by writing to the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality, Hazardous Waste Program at the above address or calling (701) 328-5166.

Dated this 17th day of April, 2026.

Chuck Hyatt,  
Director, Division of Waste Management Department of Environmental Quality