

AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF FALL RIVER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:
I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the County Treasurer of this County on this 30th day of June 2021.

Total Amount of Deposit in First Interstate Bank, HS:	\$	2,324,258.88
Total Amount of Deposit in First National Bank, Lead:	\$	1,000.00
Total Amount of Cash:	\$	2,236.09
Total Amount of Treasurer's Change Fund:	\$	900.00
Total Amount of Checks in Treasurer's Possession Not Exceeding Three Days:	\$	21,759.39
SAVINGS:		
First Interstate Bank, HS:	\$	326,057.82
First National Bank of Lead: ICS Acct	\$	1,045,572.85
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:		
First Interstate, HS:	\$	774,429.17
Black Hills Federal Credit Union, HS:	\$	250,000.00
Bank of the West, HS:	\$	540,727.24
Schwab Treasury:	\$	274,327.74
First National Bank, Lead:	\$	309,081.91
Black Hills Community, Rapid City:	\$	805,786.21
Liberty National, Sioux Falls:	\$	4,023,703.80

Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts that have been in the Treasurer's possession over three days:

Register of Deeds Change Fund:	\$	500.00
Highway Petty Cash:	\$	20.00
Election Petty Cash:	\$	15.00

RETURNED CHECKS:

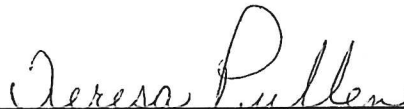
Brun, Cyril	9/2/2020	\$	806.60
Caveye, Russell	10/26/2020	\$	64.77
Remedy Ranch	5/18/2021	\$	637.47

TOTAL \$ 10,701,884.94

Dated This 30th Day of June 2021.



Sue Ganje, County Auditor of Fall River County



Teresa Pullen, County Treasurer of Fall River County

County Monies	\$	10,384,071.63
Held for other Entities	\$	129,212.89
Held in Trust	\$	188,600.42
TOTAL	\$	10,701,884.94

The Above Balance Reflects County Monies, Monies Held in Trust, and Monies Collected for and to be remitted to Other ENTITIES: SCHOOLS, TOWNS, AND STATE.



*Emergency Management
Fall River County*

Franklin W. Maynard CEM CFM
906 N. River St.
Hot Springs, SD 57747

605 745-7562 605 890-7245 em@frcounty.org



Date: July 15, 2021

Subj: Commission Update

1. **Single Signature Form:** I am requesting approval to have the Chairman sign the 3rd quarter LEMPG Single Signature Form. All items required by the LEMPG Work Plan have been completed for 3rd quarter.
2. **SD Dept. of Public Safety:** I completed the annual Pre-Award Risk Assessment Questionnaire required by OEM for grant awards.
3. **Safety Benefits:** I am working to complete the applications for the annual awards. The conference will be in Pierre on Nov. 3 & 4, 2021 at the Ramkota Inn.
4. **Region 4 EOC Exercise:** The required Emergency Operations Center Exercise is scheduled for Wednesday, July 21st in Rapid City. This exercise is a LEMPG requirement.
5. **2021 Rally Meeting:** The meeting was conducted on July 7th at Camp Rapid. Discussion by all entities regarding the upcoming annual Rally.

6. **Fires & Incidents:**
 1. 6/30/2021: Drowning, Angustura Dam: Fall River Sheriff, Hot Springs Ambulance, SD GFP, Pennington County Dive Rescue.
 2. 7/7/2021: Lightning Strike Fire: Spirit Canyon Rd., Minnekahta Fire, SD WFS.
 3. 7/9/2021: Lightning Strike Fire: 7th & E St., Edgemont: Edgemont Fire.
 4. 7/11/2021: Sig. 1, 2 miles S. on Hwy 18: Fall River Sheriff, Hot Springs Ambulance, Hot Springs Fire, SD Hwy Patrol.
 5. 7/12/2021: Sig. 1, Hwy 385: Fall River Sheriff, Hot Springs Ambulance.
 6. 7/13/2021: Lightning Strike Fire; Minnekahta Valley: Minnekahta Fire.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Franklin W. Maynard'.

Franklin W. Maynard, CEM, CFM

Emergency Manager

Fall River County

906 N. River Street

Hot Springs, SD 57747

**NOTICE OF SEALED BIDS FOR LEASED GRAZING
LAND IN FALL RIVER COUNTY**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a motion made by the Fall River County Commissioners at their regular meeting on October 16, 2018, sealed bids will be taken for a Three Year Grazing Lease on the following land:

240 acres more or less in SE1/4, Section 19, W1/2SW1/4, Section 20, all in Township 8, South of Range 3 East, B.H.M., Fall River County, South Dakota.

The lease will be for the period commencing December 1, 2018 and ending December 1, 2021. Sealed bids will be opened by the Fall River County Commissioners at their regular meeting on November 8, 2018, at the hour of 9:30 a.m. The approved bid amount will be paid annually by December 1st for each of the above years.

The Grazing Lease Sealed Bids are to be sent to the Fall River County Auditor's Office, 906 North River, Hot Springs, South Dakota, 57747; the envelope must be marked 'Sealed Bid For Grazing Lease' and must be received in the Auditor's Office by November 7th, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

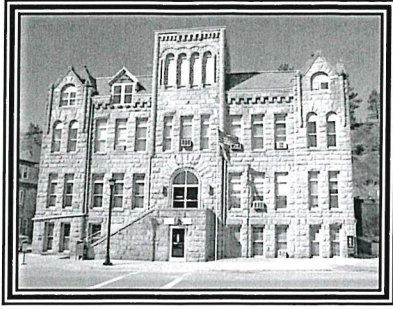
Any further questions please call the Fall River County Auditor's Office at 605-745-5130.

Dated this 16th day of October, 2018.

**Sue Ganje, County Auditor
Fall River County**

Please publish the weeks of October 22nd and 29th, 2018.

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FALL RIVER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COURTHOUSE
906 NORTH RIVER ST
HOT SPRINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 57747
PHONE: (605) 745-5130 FAX: (605) 745-6835

July 15, 2021

Governor Kristi Noem
500 East Capitol Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501

Senator John Thune
United States Senate SD-511
Washington, DC 20510

Senator Mike Rounds
Hart Senate Office Bldg., Suite 502
Washington, DC 20510

Representative Dusty Johnson
1714 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Governor Noem and US Legislators,

The Fall River County Commissioners have already passed a resolution opposing the “30 x 30” Executive Order from President Biden. We would solicit your support in opposition to the “30 x 30” Executive Order, now being termed “America the Beautiful.”

Numerous Governors and Legislators have united in support of opposition of this thinly veiled agenda to confiscate private land. 15 Governors, including Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts, have spoken out in opposition. At least 27 State Representatives have sponsored or cosponsored a bill in the House of Representatives in opposition to this Executive Order. Kansas Senator Roger Marshall and North Dakota Senator Kevin Kramer have filed the companion bill in the Senate.

There has been much consternation and appalled disapproval at local levels throughout the West with thoughts of removing 30% by 2030 and 50% by 2050 of our land mass from any type of production.

We, the following Commissioners, do hereby ask for your support and consideration in this important matter.

Sincerely,

Joe Falkenburg, Chairman
Fall River County Commission

AMERICAN STEWARDS

of Liberty

June 8, 2021

Dear Friends,

The Biden Administration's 30 x 30 program, launched in the Climate Crisis Executive Order January 27th, is being challenged on all fronts.

Even though the radical environmentalists now hold top policy positions in the federal government, and they are committed to permanently protecting 30 percent of America's land and oceans by 2030, they are being met with significant exposure and opposition by leaders determined to protect our land and liberty.

Fox News Airs Story:

May 6, 2021, the network aired a story entitled "Critics Call Biden's Conservation Plan a Land Grab," in which *American Stewards* was featured.

Fifteen Governors Send Letter to President Opposing 30 x 30:

Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts, who is a staunch opponent of the program, was joined by 14 Governors to oppose 30 x 30 and protect their States and citizen's property rights.

U.S. House and Senate file "30 x 30 Termination" Bills:

Representative Lauren Boebert (R-CO) filed H.R. 3014 in the U.S. House of Representatives to prevent legislation authorizing the program. As of the date of this letter, there are 25 co-sponsors. Senators Roger Marshall (R-KS) and Kevin Cramer (R-ND) have filed the companion bill in the Senate.

Local Government Resolutions are Being Passed Across the Nation:

Following the lead of Garfield County, Colorado, over 50 Resolutions have now been adopted by counties, regional local government bodies, and special districts. And these are just the Resolutions we know of. There are more, many more in process.

Because of the continual support of our members, we were able to launch this campaign within days after the 30 x 30 program was initiated. And this caught the Biden Administration and radical environmental organizations by surprise.

Now they are pushing back.

First, they are trying to rebrand the program into something the urban public will support.

The Administration finally released their Report on the 30 x 30 implementation plan, and in doing so have attempted to rename the agenda.

Instead of 30 x 30, we are now directed to call it "America the Beautiful."

Second, Agriculture Secretary Vilsack has been the most visible Administration official explaining how the 30 x 30 program is not a land grab. At the same time, he is offering increased federal funds to landowners, encouraging them to "voluntarily" enroll in "working lands" conservation programs — creating a federal nexus to their property.

And third, the new Report fails to provide the public or elected leaders with any substantive details. It fails to answer the most basic of questions, such as how it defines "conserve," what lands will be included, and how it intends to implement the program.

These are critical questions the public deserves to know.

The Biden Administration cannot launch an agenda seeking to conserve 681 million acres of American's lands and then tell us they do not know how to define "conserve." The day the executive order was signed, the Department of Interior released a "Fact Sheet" stating only 12 percent of our lands are currently "permanently protected." This made clear the level of protection they are seeking.

They know how they intend to "conserve" our land, but they also now know that by making that public, citizens will not support their land grab.

That's disingenuous. It's a great misdirect.

But, what reveals their true agenda is how they have begun to attack *American Stewards*, and Dan and me personally. They are not interested in discussing, or even informing the public on the substantive issues. They are attempting to silence their opposition.

There have been numerous press articles in several states and in national media outlets making false claims about ASL, which confirm the efforts to oppose their agenda have been effective.

We expect to be attacked and draw the fire. This will not stop the efforts of landowners across the nation who are organizing to fight this federal overreach in their communities.

**NOTICE OF HEARING UPON APPLICATION FOR OFF-SALE LIQUOR LICENSE FEE AND
APPLICATION OUTSIDE OF MUNICIPALITIES**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Fall River Board of County Commissioners in and for the County of Fall River, South Dakota, on the 15th day of July, 2021, at the hour of 9:30 a.m. will meet during regular session to consider the following application for Off-Sale Liquor License, located outside of municipalities, to operate within the County of Fall River, South Dakota, for the 2021 licensing period, which has been presented to the governing body and filed with the County Auditor's Office.

FOR LICENSE PERIOD CALENDAR YEAR 2021

TYPE OF LICENSE

APPLICATION:

H&H Enterprises
Coffee Cup Fuel Stop #9
27638 US HWY 385
Hot Springs SD 57747

Retail (Off-Sale)
Liquor

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT any person, persons or their attorney may appear at said scheduled public hearing and present objections, if any objections there be.

Dated this 1st day of July 2021, at Hot Springs, South Dakota.

/s/Sue Ganje
County Auditor
Fall River County

HOT SPRINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 57747

FALL RIVER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

Name of Claimant: Fall River County Highway Department
P.O. Box 939
Hot Springs, S.D. 57747

Date: 07-07-2021

COURT HOUSE ...FUEL/GAS PURCHASES :

(All Departments)

FROM DATE: 06-01-2021

THROUGH DATE: 06-30-2021

GALLONS: 122.10

TOTAL: \$ 304.09

HOT SPRINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 57747
FALL RIVER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

Name of Claimant: Fall River County Highway Department
P.O. Box 939
Hot Springs, S.D. 57747

Date: 07-07-2021
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT GAS PURCHASES:
FROM DATE: 06-01-2021
THROUGH DATE: 06-30-2021
TOTAL GALLONS: 1156.60
TOTAL: \$ 2904.14

HOT SPRINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 57747

FALL RIVER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

Name of Claimant: Fall River County Highway Department
P.O. Box 939
Hot Springs, S.D. 57747

Date: 07-07-2021
WEED BOARD FUEL PURCHASES:
FROM DATE: 06-01-2021
THROUGH DATE: 06-30-2021
GALLONS: 418.50
TOTAL: \$ 1050.65



ACCEPTED
6/15/2021
K

FAXED BID:

TO: FALL RIVER COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT. FAX # 745-5912
PHONE # 745-5137

DATE: 6-15-21

745-4189

FROM: Nelson's Oil & Gas, Inc.

PHONE: ~~605-661-3500~~

BID FOR: 8000 gallons

AMOUNT OF BID: \$ 2.24 /gallon Unleaded Plus

(This bid includes all appropriate taxes and fees)

E-10 Ethanol Blend Unleaded

Signed By: [Signature]

Richard Nelson

Note: all faxed bids must be received in the Fall River County Highway Dept. office at the above number prior to 1:00 p.m. to be considered unless otherwise stated by the caller for bids.

If declining to bid please fax back this form with the words; "Decline to bid." On the line designated for the Bid Amount.

Thank You

FAXED BID:

TO: FALL RIVER COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT.

FAX # 745-5912

PHONE # 745-5137

DATE: 6/15/2021

FROM: HI-D-WAY PHONE: 890-1010

BID FOR: 8000 GAL E-10 UNLEADED GAS

AMOUNT OF BID: NO BID - NOT PLACING TANKER ORDERS

(THIS BID INCLUDES ALL APPROPRIATE TAXES AND FEES)

Signed By: Bill TANNER BY PHONE
Km

NOTE: all faxed bids must be received in the Fall River County Highway Dept. office at the above number before 9:00 a.m. to be considered, unless otherwise stated by the caller for bids.

If declining to bid please fax back this form with the words; **"Decline today's bid"** on the line designated for the Bid Amount.

THANK YOU

Subject **[FOUND_FIN_TERM]RE: Seeking bids on 8000 gal e-10 unleaded gas**
From Mike Kulish <mkulish@MGOIL.com>
To hwyofficemgr@gwtc.net <hwyofficemgr@gwtc.net>, Dispatch <dispatch@MGOIL.com>
Date 2021-06-15 08:08

No Bid from MG Oil at this time.

Thank you

Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: hwyofficemgr@gwtc.net <hwyofficemgr@gwtc.net>
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2021 7:04 AM
To: Dispatch <dispatch@MGOIL.com>
Subject: Seeking bids on 8000 gal e-10 unleaded gas

Seeking bids on 8000 gal e-10 unleaded gas, to be delivered to:

Fall River County Shop
27518 CASCADE RD
HOT SPRINGS, SD 57747

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

CRUSHED GRAVEL OR STONE SURFACING

Sealed bids will be opened and considered at the office of the Fall River County Commissioners in the County Courthouse, Hot Springs, South Dakota on the 1st day of July, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

* For 'Crushing and Stockpiling of 45,000 Ton of Crushed Gravel or Stone Surfacing' at the following site location:

SE ¼ Sec 19, TWP 8, RG 3 and the W ½, SW ¼ Sec 20, TWP 8, RG 3 in Fall River County, the general location of the mine being: 1 mile East and 2 miles North of Edgemont, S.D., OR up to 17 miles from Edgemont.

With a completion date for the crushing and stockpiling of material to be: November 30, 2021.
With no Royalties on material involved in this project.

Bid specifications/contract will be furnished by the Fall River County Highway Department Office, 27518 Cascade Rd, P.O. Box 939, Hot Springs, South Dakota 57747. Bids shall be submitted to the Auditor's Office, 906 N. River Street, Hot Springs, South Dakota, 57747. Bids shall be submitted before 10:00 a.m. on July 1st, 2021, in duplicate, in a sealed envelope, clearly marked on the outside with the Item Bid and the time and date of Letting.

The General Specification/Contract should also be signed and returned to accompany the bid. (These can be obtained at the Fall River County Highway Dept. or mailed to Bidders upon request at 605-745-5137). The Successful Bidder will then be mailed a copy of this Contract once signed by the Fall River County Commission and Fall River County Auditor.

All bids must be accompanied by a cashier's check or a bank draft on a State or National Bank, in the amount of 5% of the gross amount of bid, or a bid bond in the amount of 10% of the gross amount of the bid. All checks must be made payable to the Fall River County Treasurer. Checks of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned forthwith. The check of the successful bidder will be released upon completion of the contract.

The Board of County Commissioners of Fall River County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities and to accept the bid which they deem to be in the best interest of Fall River County.

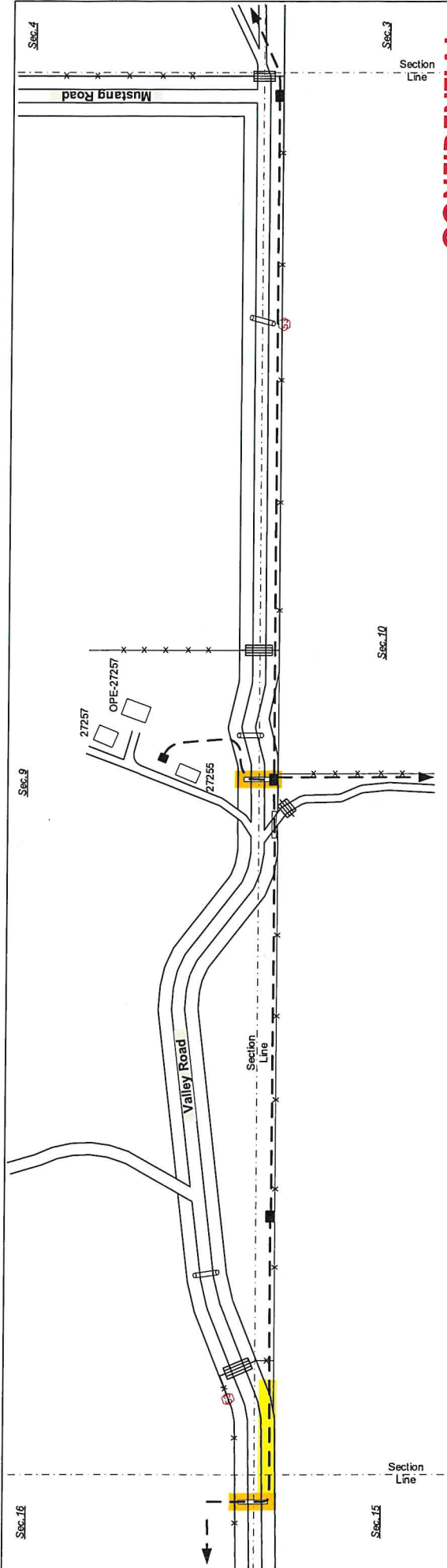
Sue Ganje
Fall River County Auditor

Published twice at the total approximate cost of _____.

Crushed Gravel or Stone Surfacing
45,000 Ton

7/1/2021

Pits	County pit	Collins	Limestone
Bids			
Fisher Sand & Gravel Co. Dickenson ND	\$5.42/Ton	\$11.95/Ton	
KD Contractors, Inc Hot Springs SD	\$6.49/Ton		\$5.49/Ton
Western Construction, Inc Rapid City, SD	\$5.74/Ton		
Bid totals:			
Fisher, Co pit	5.42	45,000	\$ 243,900.00
Fish, Collins pit	11.95	45,000	\$ 537,750.00
KD Contractors, Co Pit	6.49	45,000	\$ 292,050.00
KD Contractors, Limestone pit	5.49	45,000	\$ 247,050.00
Western Constuction, Co pit	5.74	45,000	\$ 258,300.00



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- Proposed Cable Route
- Proposed Bore

State: South Dakota
 County: Fall River
 Range: 4E
 Twp: 7S



As Staked

Golden West Telecommunications

Name: Fall River Communications Valley Rd
 WO: H&L Survey 120509
 Ercb: H&L Surveys
 Route: R2119
 ROW: Public and Private
 Section: 10

Staked By:	SEF	Date:	3-31-21
Revised By: <td>SEF</td> <td>Date:</td> <td>4-29-21</td>	SEF	Date:	4-29-21
Revised By: <td>M.A.</td> <td>Date:</td> <td>5-13-21</td>	M.A.	Date:	5-13-21
Revised By: <td>M.A.</td> <td>Date:</td> <td>6-29-21</td>	M.A.	Date:	6-29-21
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As Built By: <td></td> <td>Date:</td> <td></td>		Date:	

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CAUTION: BURIED FACILITIES MAY BE PRESENT. THE CONTRACTOR IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR LOCATING PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION.

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO OCCUPY COUNTY HIGHWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY

TO: THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

DATE: 7/13/2021

FALL RIVER COUNTY,
HOT SPRINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA

Application is hereby made by Golden West Telecommunications, South Dakota for permit to occupy highway right-of-way located from: An existing vault near approximately 913 Feet west of Hwy 89
To: a post near 27097 SD Hwy 89

AERIAL FACILITIES: Location, type and size of the proposed line and anchors with respect to the centerline of the road or outer edge of the right-of-way and location of crossings showing any right-of-way are shown on Exhibit "A" (Sketch) attached.

UNDERGROUND FACILITIES: A sketch showing the approximate route and location of the proposed facility for which a permit is hereby requested is attached as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof.

The following information is pertinent to the proposed installation:

1. Intended usage or rating: to provide service to the residence at 27097 SD Hwy 89
2. Pipe size, cable size and type: BFO 12
3. Outside diameter: 0.56"
4. Maximum pressure at which pipeline will be operated: N/A
5. Size and Type of metal casing: N/A
6. Minimum depth of cable or pipeline: 36"
7. Casing will be installed by minimum size boring and will extend from toe of in-slope to toe of in-slope.
8. This installation will comply with the most recently adopted ASA, Code for Gas Transmission and Distribution Pipe systems or the National Safety Code. Marker sign(s) will be installed where appropriate.

The installation and maintenance of said utility facilities will not interfere with or impair construction, maintenance or use of any highway and will comply with all safety regulations of the State and Federal Government. When trenching is done on County R.O.W. the trenches must be tamped to avoid any settlement.

Future adjustments and maintenance will be in accordance with State and Federal Laws and Regulations and will be performed at not cost to the County or the Federal Government.

APPROVED _____ 20__

SUBMITTED 13-Jul _____ 20 21

County Chairman

Golden West Telecommunications

County Auditor

By Mickie Abell Mickie Abell

Right-of-Way Specialist
Title

Twp. 6S
Range 4E
Sec. 31

68

Twp. 7S
Range 4E
Sec. 6

Section Line

Section Line

Twp. 6S
Range 3E
Sec. 36

Custer County
Fall River County

Section Line

Twp. 7S
Range 3E
Sec. 1

27097

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Proposed Cable Route



State: South Dakota
County: Custer
Range: 3E
Twp: 7S

As Staked

Golden West Telecommunications
Name: Fall River Co. Hwy
WO: Hot Springs 171337
Erb: Hot Springs
Route: Section Line Rd
ROW: Public and Private
Section: 1

Staked By:	SEF	Date:	7-4-21
Revised By: <td>M.A.</td> <td>Date:</td> <td>7-13-21</td>	M.A.	Date:	7-13-21
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FAXED BID:

TO: FALL RIVER COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT.

FAX # 605-745-5912

DATE 7-14-2021

FROM Barber Concrete and Construction, Inc.

PHONE # 605-662-7160

BID FOR: Loading and hauling 14,000 ton of Millings from Simon's Pit to Shep's Canyon Road

AMOUNT OF BID: \$111,855.67

(THIS BID INCLUDES ALL APPROPRIATE TAXES AND FEES)

SIGNED BY Ken Barber

NOTE: ALL FAXED BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE FALL RIVER COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT OFFICE AT THE NUMBER ABOVE BEFORE 8:45 AM, JULY 14, 2021 TO BE CONSIDERED.

IF DECLINING BID, PLEASE FAX BACK WITH THE WORDS "DECLINING BID" .

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

BID FOR LOADING AND HAULING APPROXIMATELY 14,000 TON OF MILLINGS FROM SIMON'S PIT AT MAVERICK JUNCTION TO SHEP'S CANYON ROAD, APPROXIMATELY 17.5 MILES HAUL.

DEADLINE: AUGUST 14, 2021.

PENALTY: \$500.00 / CALENDER DAY IF NOT COMPLETED BY 8/14/21.

THANK YOU, RANDY SEILER, FALL RIVER HIGHWAY SUPT.

FAXED BID:

TO: FALL RIVER COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT.

FAX # 605-745-5912

DATE 7/13/21
FROM SIMON
PHONE # 745-5206
BID FOR: \$ 6.50
AMOUNT OF BID: \$ 91,000

(THIS BID INCLUDES ALL APPROPRIATE TAXES AND FEES)

SIGNED BY Francis Zermato

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THANK YOU, RANDY SEILER, FALL RIVER HIGHWAY SUPT.

Public Participation at Commissioner Meetings Policy

Purpose: The Fall River County Commission, as well as committees under the County's purview are considered public bodies that are subject to open meeting laws. SDCL 1-25-1 states that **"the public body shall reserve at every regularly scheduled official meeting a period for public comment, limited at the public body's discretion, but not so limited as to provide for no public comment."** These guidelines have been adopted to provide for clarity and consistency in the application of this statutory requirement for public comment amongst all the county board and committee meetings that are subject to open meeting laws.

The following are guidelines that will assist in the orderly conduction of County Commission meetings, which are meetings held in public, but not meetings of the public.

Commissioner meetings will be held using Robert's Rules of Order. The Chairman, Vice Chairman or their designee will conduct the meeting.

The agenda will be approved at the beginning of the meeting. During the approval process items may be added or removed from the agenda and no comments will be taken on removed items. All agendas are published 24-hours prior to the meeting.

During discussion of business brought before the Commission, Commissioner's opinions will be solicited first and then if time allows, other comments may be acknowledged.

Comments must be presented using a civil and professional demeanor. Threatening, profane, vulgar, or abusive language will not be tolerated.

A time is set aside for public comment. This should be limited to five minutes **per individual** and can be related to agenda items or other pertinent business. If there are large groups seeking to make comments, the Chair may ask for a spokesperson to be designated for those within the group with similar opinions. **The Board may wish to schedule a time or a public hearing to allow for all individuals to be able to give their comments.**

The period for public comment is intended for the public body to receive comments. Members of the public body are not required to respond to a comment, answer any questions, or engage in any dialogue with the individual making the comments.

During regular Commission discussion, comments regarding what the current speaker is saying should be withheld until after the speaker is finished if time allows or during the designated time for public comment. Comments from the general audience during any speaker presentation will not be acknowledged.

7/7/21 Changes in yellow