### FALL RIVER COUNTY UNAPPROVED MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 20TH, 2025

The Fall River Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on November 20, 2025. Present: Joe Allen, Les Cope, Joe Falkenburg, Deb Russell, Sandra Wahlert and Stacy Schmidt, Deputy Auditor.

An invocation was given by Wahlert.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given, and the meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

The agenda was reviewed for conflicts; none were noted. ALL MOTIONS RECORDED IN THESE MINUTES WERE PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED. The full context of the meeting can be found on the county website under Commissioners at <a href="http://fallriver.sdcounties.org">http://fallriver.sdcounties.org</a> or on Facebook on the Fall River County website.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Wahlert, to approve the agenda with correction to change one of the Highway items from Petition for Private Road maintenance to an Application for Approach Permit.

Motion made by Wahlert, seconded by Russell, to approve the Fall River County Commission meeting minutes from November 6, 2025.

Motion made by Wahlert, seconded by Russell, to approve wage increase for Samuel Costa, Heavy Equipment Operator, from \$24.75/hr to \$26.00/hr for 4-year anniversary, effective November 8, 2025, and Petra Atherley, Treasurer Administrative Assistant, from \$16.50/hr to \$17.25/hr for 1 year anniversary, effective November 4, 2025; as per Union Contract

No County assistance applications were presented.

Motion made by Wahlert, seconded by Allen, to approve agreement for State aid of salaries for the County Veteran Service Officer.

Dar Coy, Emergency Management, met with the Board to present updates.

There was no forewarning for the regional power outage. It was out of Black Hills Energy's control.

Lyle Norton, Sheriff, met with the Board to present updates. He provided the jail census. There are 4 males and 1 female in house with 1 male in Meade County for a total of 6 inmates. The E3 is going to be up around the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year. There was discussion regarding traffic enforcement in the rural housing developments.

Tony March, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Wahlert to approve travel for Michael DeBoer and Calvin Maciejewski, to pick up a 2007 International Truck that was purchased on Purple Wave Online Auction site 11-11-25 to 11-12-25, located in Macran, Missouri.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Wahlert, to approve the Application for a Approach Permit for Tara Kaiser and Karla Weldon, located at the North side of Pine Hills Rd, approximately at E ½SE¼, Sec 6,TWP 9, RG 3, BHM, Fall River County, South Dakota

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to approve the Application for Permit to Occupy County Highway Right-of-Way from Kim Watkins from intersection of Pilger Mtn Rd and Red Canyon Rd to ¾ mile West to install a cattle guard.

December 2024 Cash analysis was mentioned.

March reported that all blades are currently out working.

The time being 9:30 a.m., the hearing for Cash Supplements took place.

#### FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION #2025- 35 Supplemental Budget 2025, #10

WHEREAS, SDCL 7-21-22 provides that the Board of County Commissioners may adopt a supplemental budget, and whereas, as due and legal notice has been given, the following Supplements to expenditures for November 20, 2025, be approved as follows:

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	11/20/2025	\$ 225.50	10100X4222130	Judicial Systems	Court Reporter
	11/20/2025	\$ 7,855.42	10100X4261154	Abuse & Neglect	Attorneys
	11/20/2025	\$ 151.43	10100X4340615	Weed Control	Equipment
	11/20/2025	\$ 4,285.00	30100x4250161	Building Fund	Repair & Maint
	11/20/2025	\$ 297.75	20700X4110225	Dispatch	Salaries
	11/20/2025	\$ 210.00	24800X4110211	24/7	Salaries

Means of finance to be cash and cash received, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the Supplemental Budget #10 for 2025.

Dated at Fall River County, South Dakota this 20<sup>TH</sup> day of November 2025.

/s/ Joe Falkenburg
Joe Falkenburg
Fall River County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

/s/ Stacy Schmidt
Stacy Schmidt
Fall River County Deputy Auditor

Dave Weishaupl, Maintence Supervisor, met with the Board.

Motion made by Wahlert, seconded by Allen, to approve Dark Fiber 5 Year renewal agreement with Golden West, in the amount of \$742.50 a month.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Wahlert, to approve the bills as follows:

GENERAL FUND		
AMERICINN FORT PIERRE	LODGING/JANIS ELEC TRAINING	\$314.00
BLACK HILLS CHEMICAL	SUPPLIES/CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$497.32
\$47.90 INV 304446 B NITRILE GLOVESX10, \$18.49 "" CLEANER 6/32 BOTTLES, \$227.01 " " WHITE ROLL TOWEL (6) X 3, \$50.99 " " 45 GAL 40X48 LINER, \$66.71 " " CORELESS JUMBO 1000 SHEET, \$7.99 " " SHIPPING & HANDLING, Sheriff \$70.24 INV 304447 EMPRESS 2 PLY TISS, \$7.99 " " SHIPPING & HANDLING		
CHEYENNE SANITATION	SOLID WASTE SERVICE	\$387.00
COLBATH & SPERLICH, PC	COURT APPT ATTY SERVICE	\$9,712.46
COUNTY DRUG	INMATE PHARMACY	\$38.57
CUSTER LAWYER, PLLC	COURT APPOINTED ATTY	\$1,326.20
EXECUTIVE MGMT FINANCE	BIT NETWORK FEES	\$64.25
FALL RIVER HEALTH SERVICE	INMATE MEDICAL EXPENSES	\$602.60
FALL RIVER COUNTY HERALD	WEED & PEST PUBLISHISHING	\$35.53
FR COUNTY TREASURER	TITLE TRANS 1FM5K8AB	\$28.70
GALLS	UNIFORM ALLOWANCES	\$704.95
WOLF, GEORGINE	COURT REPORTER SERVICE	\$53.30
HAUSER TAX SERVICE	PAYROLL AUD 1/1 - 10/31/2025	\$17,435.00
HOT SPRINGS ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLIES/TOOLS/CLEANING SUP	\$448.66
Sheriff \$377.94 INV 362992 FIRE EXT PRO X 9, \$8.99 " " GREASE RD LITHM 14 OZ, \$17.98 INV 363279 CLEANER DRAIN X 2, \$6.29 " " CLOROX CLNR BLCH, - \$10.00 " " ACE REWARDS, \$15.29 INV 363508 RAGS PAPER 12X10", \$7.73 " " BLEACH REG LIQ, \$5.39 " " FORMULA 409 MSC LMN, \$6.83 " " CLOROX CLEANUP FRESH , \$6.29 " " CLORX CLNR BLCH, \$5.93 " " 409 MULTI SRFC SPRY		·
HUSTEAD LAW OFFICE, P.C.	COURT APP ATTY SERVICE	\$772.43
JENNIGES, EDITH	REIMBURS FOR COURT DOCS	\$26.50
LYNN'S DAK. MART PHARMACY	INMATE PHARMACY	\$29.68
QUADIENT LEASING USA, INC	POSTAGE MACHINE LEASE	\$918.0
MASTEL, BRUCE	HOST DATABASE MONTHLY	\$35.0
MCGLUMPHY, ERIN	EXT TRAVEL	\$2,612.5
MIDWEST MENTAL HEALTH SD	MH EVALUATION/COURT	\$600.0
NEWMAN SIGNS INC.	TRAFFIC SIGNS & FREIGHT	\$355.3
\$59.40 INV TRFINV064069 FLAG X 2, \$122.12 " " SPECIAL 4 HOLE PUNCH X 4, \$147.00 " " SPECIAL 4 HOLE PUNCH X 4, \$26.87 " " FREIGHT		

O'NEILL, JUSTIN	COURT APPOINTED ATTY	\$624.84
ONSITE FIRST AID, LLC	FIRST AID SUPPLIES	\$224.39
PYE-BARKER FIRE & SAFETY	FIRE & SAFETY SERVICE	\$973.00
PENNINGTON COUNTY JAIL	INMATE HOUSING OCTOBER	\$3,255.00
PENNINGTON COUNTY JAIL	INMATE TRANSPORTATION	\$191.40
PENNINGTON COUNTY	MH EVALUATIONS COURT	\$215.00
SDAE4-HP	SDAE4-HP	\$120.00
SD DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	LABORATORY SERVICES	\$185.00
SD DEPT OF REVENUE	OCTOBER 2025 REMITTANCE	\$2,650.77
SDSU:DEPT OF ANIMAL SCI.	2026 IRM REDBOOKS	\$80.00
SERVALL	RUG SERVICES	\$508.34
SKINNER, MATTHEW L. PC	COURT APPOINTED ATTY	\$1,171.20
SOFTWARE SERVICES INC	ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE	\$425.00
TEXEL-GELDERT, KEELY	COURT REPORTER SERVICE	\$172.20
KRAMER, LINDA	REIMBURSEMENT SUBWAY	\$172.20
MILES, SASHA	BLOOD DRAW TECH SERVICE	\$150.00
FILES, OASTIA	TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	\$48,060.13
COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	TOTALTON GENERALTOND	φ40,000.13
A & B WELDING SUPPLY CO.	SUPPLIES	\$44.85
BITUMINOUS PAVING INC	2025 FRC ASPHALT SURFACE	\$237,902.50
BOMGAARS	CLOTHING ALLOW/PARTS	\$60.56
BUILDERS FIRST SOURCE	TOILET & INSTALL SUPPLIES	\$229.87
BUTLER MACHINERY CO.	PARTS/MAINTENANCE	\$1,706.46
DEBOER, MICHAEL	PER DIEM/TRAV TO MO	\$102.00
FORWARD DISTRIBUTING	SUPPLIES/PARTS	\$32.45
GODFREY BRAKE SERVICE	TOOLS/PARTS	\$93.44
SIMON MATERIALS	ASPHALT/GRAVEL	\$67,066.45
HOT SPRINGS ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	\$250.98
\$179.00 INV 363499 WIRE STL GLVNX100, \$26. 363348 CULTIVATOR WOOD, \$44.99 " " CLOSE" STL	99 INV	Ψ200.00
KIEFFER SANITATION	SOLID WASTE COLLECTION	\$162.50
MACIEJEWSKI, CALVIN	PER DIEM/TRAV/MO	\$102.00
MG OIL	TRACTOR FLUID	\$503.25
POMP'S TIRE SERVICE INC.	TIRES	\$8,646.30
RAMKOTA HOTEL-PIERRE	LODGING SDACHS WORKSHOP	\$112.00
SCHUBBEL, FREDERICK JR	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	\$300.00
\$59.98 SHIRT JACKET, \$8.44 LEATHER GLOVES WINTER WORK GLOVES, \$21.59 6 PAIRS OVER CALF SOCKS, \$34.52 JEANS, \$104.70 JEANS X 3 \$55.98 4 PK LONG SLEEVE TSHIRTS X 2, \$10.34 TAX, -\$8.54 OVER \$300 BUDGET	THE 3,	
STURDEVANT'S AUTO VALUE	PARTS/SUPPLIES/TOOLS	\$990.00

\$28.49 INV 831040882 POWER KLENZ 320Z, \$14.03 " " INJECTOR PERFECTOR 12 OZ, \$79.98 " " OIL STABILIZER GAL X 2, \$599.90 INV 831040691 CABLE BOOSTERX10, \$101.88 " " QT HUB OIL X 12, \$149.70 " " 14.1 OZ GENERAL PURPOSEX30, \$3.03 INV 831041109 MINI LAMP, \$12.99 " " 25 PC SAE & METRIC **TOTAL FOR COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND** \$318,305.61 911 SURCHARGE REIMBURSEMENT FUND FLEMING, MELISSA **UNIFORM ALLOWANCE** \$297.75 **TOTAL FOR 911 SURCHARGE REIMBURSEMENT FUND** \$297.75 **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND** ONSOLVE, LLC **CODERED IPAWS INTIGRATION** \$445.45 **TOTAL FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND** \$445.45 24/7 SOBRIETY FUND SD DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH LABORATORY SERVICE \$210.00 **TOTAL FOR 24/7 SOBRIETY FUND** \$210.00 **COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND** RESPEC CO LLC (ALBERTSON) FRONT GRAND STAIRCASE \$4,285.00 **TOTAL FOR COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND** \$4,285.00 **TOTAL FOR BILLS PAID BETWEEN** 11/07 AND 11/20/2025 \$371,603.94

Break was taken at 9:32 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:40 a.m.

Joe Allen did not have any updates on the Jail/ Justice Center.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Wahlert, to approve pledging 1/3 of the cost for the Chord Uranium meeting if it is approved to be held in Hot Springs in the amount of \$1,956.67.

Lily Heidebrink, Director of Equalization, met with the board to discuss the abatement requested by Jasson Correll.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Wahlert, to deny abatement request based on the State's Attorney's advice.

Motion made by Russell, seconded Wahlert, to approve the revised Mill Levy resolution:

ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FALL RIVER COUNTY, SD
For the Year January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026

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je.)	4.3		
Tax Levy in			
COUNTY TAX LEVIES	Dollars	\$'s/1,000	Resolution
WITHIN LIMITED			
LEVY:		Ng.	45
* General County		1	ADOPTION OF ANNUAL BUDGET
Purposes	3,722,018.00	2.919	FOR FALL RIVER
(10-12-9)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		County, South Dakota
Library			
	9,646.00	0.011	
			Whereas, (7-21-5 thru 13), SDCL
			provides that the Board of County
			Commissioners shall each year prepare a
			Provisional Budget of all
			contemplated expenditures and revenues
*			of the County and all its
			institutions and agencies for such fiscal year and,
LIMITED LEVY (10-			Whereas, the Board of County
12-21) -	:		Commissioners did prepare a
SUB TOTAL			Provisional Budget and cause same to be
			published by law, and
OUTSIDE LIMITED			Whereas, due and legal notice has been
LEVY:	3,731,664.00	2.930	given to the meeting of the
County Snow		x x	Board of County Commissioners for the
Removal Fund			consideration of such
(34-5-2)			Provisional Budget and all changes,
G		,	elimination's and additions
County Road and			have been made thereto.
Bridge (10-12-13)			
Courthouse, Jail, etc.,			NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED
Bldg.	157,884.00	0.124	That such provisional budget
(7-25-1)	137,004.00	0.124	as amended and all its purposes,
( /			schedules, appropriations,
Bond Interest Sinking			amounts, estimates and all matters therein
			set forth, SHALL BE
(7-24-18)			APPROVED AND ADOPTED AS THE
			ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE
Ag Building			APPROPRIATION AND
(5.05.1)			EXPENDITURES FOR FALL RIVER
(7-27-1)			County, South Dakota and all its
			institutions and agencies for calendar year beginning January 1, 2026

			2026 and the same is hereby approved and adopted by the
			Board of County Commissioners of Fall River
			County, South Dakota, this 18th day of September, 2025.
		2.	The Annual Budget so adopted is available for public inspection
			during normal business hours at the office of the county auditor
			Fall River, County, South Dakota. The
			accompanying taxes are levied by Fall River County for
			January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.
UNLIMITED LEVY			BOARD OF COUNTY
- SUB TOTAL	157,884.00	0.124	COMMISSIONERS OF Fall River County, South Dakota
LIMITED AND UNLIMITED			I am Itavor ocumy, ocum Duncum
LEVY - SUB- TOTAL	3,889,548.00	3.054	/s/ Joe Falkenburg Chairman
OTHER SPECIAL LEVIES			
Secondary Road (Unorg. PT-76)	357,114.00	0.563	/s/ Deborah Russell Commissioner
(31-12-27) Fire Protection (34-			/s/ Joe Allen Commissioner
31-3)	1,385.00	0.132	75/ Joe Alien Commissioner
			/s/ Sandra Wahlert Commissioner
			/s/ Les Cope Commissioner
			/s/ Attest Stacy Schmidt County Deputy Auditor
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED BY COUNTY	4,248,047.00	3.749	
* These Amounts includistributed to cities.	de the 25% to b	e e	

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f 09/18/2025 these levies a		D	

Falkenburg recognized Vince Logue, retired Deputy Sheriff, for his years of service. The following proclamation was read:

#### Proclamation

Whereas, The Fall River Board of County Commissioners have designated November 20, 2025, as a day to honor Vincent Logue, Fall River County Deputy Sheriff;

Whereas, Logue began his recent journey with Fall River County in the year 2011, but had served Fall River County for 12 years, from 1990 through 2002;

Whereas, Logue has devoted his time to promoting the safety and welfare of the County. Holding the position that he served to a higher standard;

Now, therefore, the Fall River Board of County Commissioners calls upon all citizens of Fall River County to observe the day of November 20, 2025, in recognition of the 26 years of service by Logue, who by his devotion to the County, has rendered invaluable service to our residents; and

We further call upon the citizens of Fall River County to honor Logue for his professionalism in the role of County Deputy Sheriff.

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the County Commissioners of Fall River County give thanks to the service Logue has rendered unto Fall River County and the State of South Dakota.

Dated this 20th day of November, 2025.

<u>/s/ Joe Falkenburg</u> Joe Falkenburg Fall River County Commissioner

ATTEST:

<u>/s/ Stacy Schmidt\_</u>
Stacy Schmidt, Fall River County Deputy Auditor

Johnson Construction, met with the Board, to present a PowerPoint on jail/justice center options to consider. The 3 options presented were: 1. Build new facility across the street from current location, 2. add on and remodel current existing facility, 3. maintain current facility.

Public comments were heard by Kim Allen, County resident, to share that she is circulating petitions to abolish property taxes, inviting anyone who would like to sign to contact her. This would be an Amendment to the Constitution presented at the 2026 Election.

Lily Heidebrink, Director of Equalization, met with the Board.

Motion made by Wahlert, seconded by Russell, to approve purchase of training hours from Vanguard for 9 hours in the amount of \$175.00.

Andrew Chatwin, County landowner, was not present.

Recess for Lunch at 10:45 a.m.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Wahlert, to enter Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) personnel, (3) legal and (4) negotiations.

Joe Falkenburg left the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 3:24 p.m.

Vice-Chairwoman Russell declared the meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

/s/ Joe Falkenburg
Joe Falkenburg, Chairman
Board of Fall River County Commissioners

ATTEST:
/s/ Stacy Schmidt
Stacy Schmidt, Deputy Auditor
Fall River County



### Emergency Management Fall River County

906 N. River St. Hot Springs, SD 57747

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



- 1. NWS Rapid City office is back up to full strength
- 2. Upcoming training on Crisis Track for county employees
- 3. <u>11/25/2025</u> Region 4 zoom meeting for Region 4, discussion on upcoming 2026 SDEMA conference in Spearfish
- 4. LEPC meeting moved to business hours, going to adjust to have a lunch served

Action item: HMP resolution needs approval from commission

Emergency response: 11/24/2025 Cattle versus cars on Hwy 18, camper rollover on Hwy 18 (high wind), Smoke alarm Baltimore Ave.

Dar Coy Emergency Manager Fall River County 906 N. River Street Hot Springs, SD 57747

Resolution
A Resolution of the Fall River Board of Commissioners Declaring Support and Adoption of the Fall River County Natural Hazard Mitigation and Community Wildfire Protection Plan, 2025.
WHEREAS, Fall River County Board of Commissioners supports the contents of the Fall River County Natural Hazard Mitigation and Community Wildfire Protection Plan, 2025; and
WHEREAS, the Fall River County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, 2025 will be utilized as a guide for planning related to FEMA Hazard Mitigation and the Healthy Forest Restoration Act of 2003 and other purposes as deemed appropriate be the Fall River County Board of Commissioners.
NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the Fall River County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts, supports, and will facilitate the Fall River County Natura Hazard Mitigation and Community Wildfire Protection Plan, 2025 implementation.
Adopted by Fall River County thisday of, 2025
Joe Falkenburg, Chair
Attested:

Sue Ganje, Auditor



# U.S. Small Business NEWS RELEASE Administration

#### **OFFICE OF DISASTER RECOVERY & RESILIENCE**

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# SBA Relief Still Available to South Dakota Small Businesses and Private Nonprofits Affected by Drought

Deadline to apply for economic injury loans approaching

**WASHINGTON** — The <u>U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)</u> is reminding eligible small businesses and private nonprofit (PNP) organizations in South Dakota of the Dec. 22 deadline to apply for low interest federal disaster loans to offset economic losses caused by the drought beginning April 15.

The disaster declaration covers the South Dakota counties of Bennett, Custer, Fall River, Jackson, Oglala Lakota and Pennington as well as the Nebraska counties of Cherry, Dawes, Sheridan and Sioux, and the Wyoming counties of Niobrara and Weston.

Under this declaration, SBA's <u>Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL)</u> program is available to small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, nurseries, and PNPs including faith-based organizations impacted by financial losses directly related to the disaster. The SBA is unable to provide disaster loans to agricultural producers, farmers, or ranchers, except for small aquaculture enterprises.

EIDLs are available for working capital needs caused by the drought and are available even if the small business or PNP did not suffer any physical damage. The loans may be used to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable and other bills not paid due to the disaster.

"SBA loans help eligible small businesses and private nonprofits cover operating expenses after a disaster, which is crucial for their recovery," said Chris Stallings, associate administrator of the Office of Disaster Recovery and Resilience at the SBA. "These loans not only help business owners get back on their feet but also play a key role in sustaining local economies in the aftermath of a disaster."

The loan amount can be up to \$2 million with interest rates as low as 4% for small businesses and 3.625% for PNPs with terms up to 30 years. Interest does not accrue, and payments are not due until 12 months from the date of the first loan disbursement. The SBA sets loan amounts and terms based on each applicant's financial condition.

To apply online visit <a href="mailto:sba.gov/disaster">sba.gov/disaster</a>. Applicants may also call SBA's Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or email <a href="mailto:disastercustomerservice@sba.gov">disastercustomerservice@sba.gov</a> for more information on SBA disaster assistance. For people who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services.

Submit completed loan applications to the SBA no later than <u>Dec. 22</u>. However, after the deadline has passed, there is a 60-day grace period in which SBA will accept applications.

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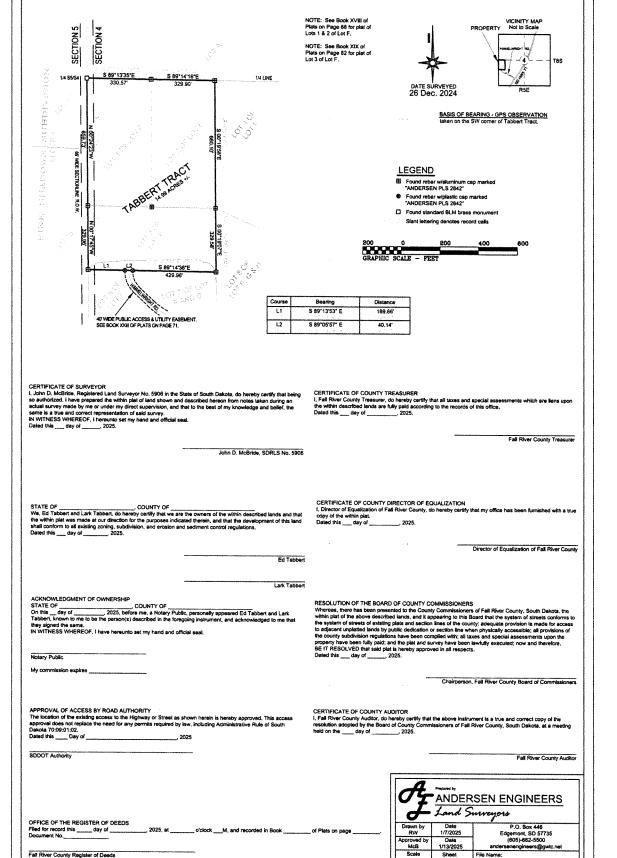
#### About the U.S. Small Business Administration

The U.S. Small Business Administration helps power the American dream of business ownership. As the only go-to resource and voice for small businesses backed by the strength of the federal government, the SBA empowers entrepreneurs and small business owners with the resources and support they need to start, grow, expand their businesses, or recover from a declared disaster. It delivers services through an extensive network of SBA field offices and partnerships with public and private organizations. To learn more, visit www.sba.gov.

A PLAT OF

# TABBERT TRACT, LOCATED IN THE NW1/4 SW1/4 OF SECTION 4, T8S, R5E, BHM, FALL RIVER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

FORMERLY LOTS 1, 2 & 3 OF LOT F OF HIMMELWRIGHT TRACT OF SIDEY TRACT



File Name: L1\_L\_F\_S4\_T8S\_R5E

#### FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION #2025-

## A Plat of Tabbert Tract, located in the NW1/4, SW1/4 of Section 4, T8S, R5E, BHM, Fall River County, South Dakota

Formerly Lots 1,2&3 of Lot D of Himmelwright Tract of Sidey Tract

WHEREAS, there has been presented to the County Commissioners of Fall River County, South Dakota, the within plat of the above described lands, and it appearing to this Board that the system of streets conforms to the system of streets of existing plats and section lines of the county; adequate provision is made for access to adjacent unplatted lands by public dedication or section line when physically accessible; all provisions of the county subdivision regulations have been complied with; all taxes and special assessments upon the property have been fully paid; and the plat and survey have been lawfully executed; now and therefore,

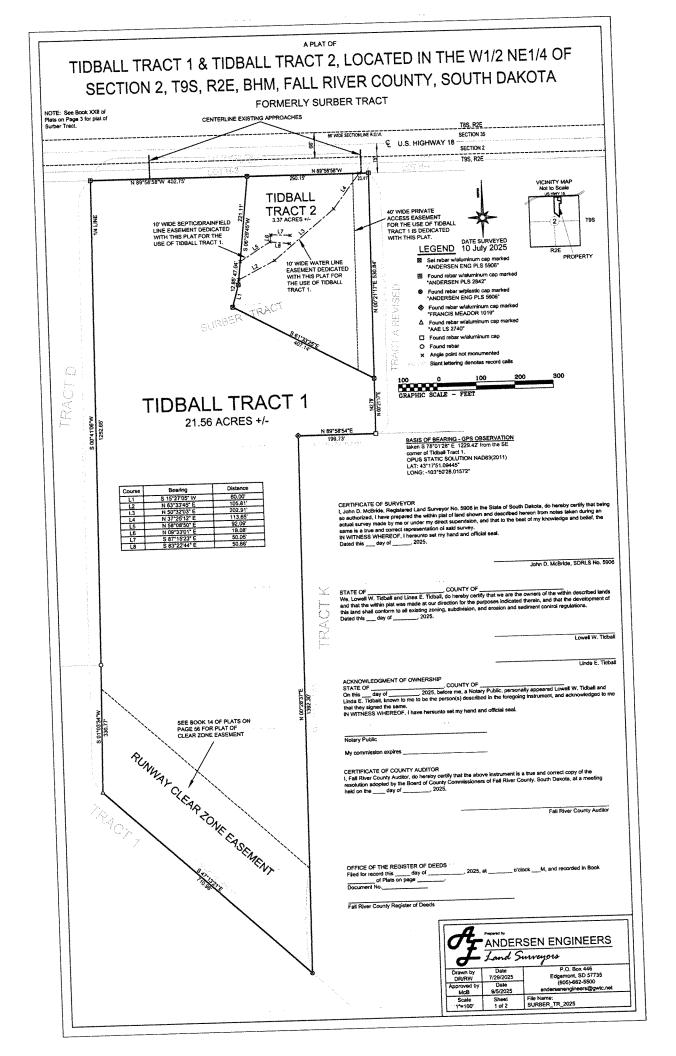
BE IT RESOLVED that said plat is hereby approved in all respects.

Dated this 4th day of December, 2025.	
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Joe Falkenburg, Chairman
Fall River County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Sue Ganje, Auditor Fall River County Auditor

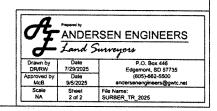


A PLAT OF

# TIDBALL TRACT 1 & TIDBALL TRACT 2, LOCATED IN THE W1/2 NE1/4 OF SECTION 2, T9S, R2E, BHM, FALL RIVER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

FORMERLY SURBER TRACT

Pated this Day of	2025
ODOT Authority	
ERTIFICATE OF COUNTY DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZA	ATION
Director of Equalization of Fall River County, do hereb opy of the within plat.	y cerely that my office has been furnished with a true
ated thisday of 2025.	
	Director of Equalization of Fall River County
** ** ** **	9.00
SOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL	
hereas there has been presented to the City Council of	Edgemont, South Dakota, the within plat of the above
scribed lands, and it appearing to the Council that said	plat conforms to the existing plats of said City, that the of the municipality, that all provisions of the subdivision
pulations have been complied with, that all toyes and so	on the municipality, that all provisions of the subdivision pecial assessments upon the tract have been fully paid,
id that said plat and the survey thereof have been exec	uted according to law, now therefore.
IT RESOLVED, that said plat is hereby approved in a	firespects.
sted at Edgemont, South Dakota this day of	, 2025.
ayor .	
RTIFICATE OF CITY FINANCE OFFICER	
Finance Officer of the City of Edgemont, South Dakota, id correct copy of the resolution adopted by the City Cou	do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument is a true
day of 2025.	uncil of Edgemont, South Dakota at a meeting held on
THE BUT MADE	Edgemont City Finance Office
ERTIFICATE OF COUNTY TREASURER	
Fall River County Treasurer, do hereby certify that all to be within described lands are fully paid according to the	axes and special assessments which are liens upon records of this office.
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#### FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION #2025-

# A Plat of Tidball Tract 1 & Tidball Tract 2, located in the W1/3, NE1/4 of Section 2, T9S, R2E, BHM, Fall River County, South Dakota

Formerly Surber Tract

WHEREAS, there has been presented to the County Commissioners of Fall River County, South Dakota, the within plat of the above described lands, and it appearing to this Board that the system of streets conforms to the system of streets of existing plats and section lines of the county; adequate provision is made for access to adjacent unplatted lands by public dedication or section line when physically accessible; all provisions of the county subdivision regulations have been complied with; all taxes and special assessments upon the property have been fully paid; and the plat and survey have been lawfully executed; now and therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that said plat is hereby approved in all respects.

Dated this 4th day	of December,	2025.
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Joe Falkenburg, Chairman
Fall River County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Sue Ganje, Auditor Fall River County Auditor

# Signature Block

Make sure we have the proper Names and Titles of those authorized to sign the MOU

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# Purpose of the MOU:

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software, or services) that can protect our citizens' data contained within the local governments. This includes a long list of possibilities requested assistance with. This MOU must also be in place for any funding if your entity would need the purchase of technology (hardware, Having the MOU in place opens the relationship and the funding capabilities between the entity and the SecureSD program. These MOU's configurations, cybersecurity training/education, new security devices if/when phasing out legacy software and network systems including mitigation or fixing of any vulnerabilities or issues found during assessments, secured email solution, review of firewal knowledges the relationship as SecureSD will be communicating with the entity to provide cybersecurity services and solutions the entity has have been created to be the same for each city, county, and municipality we work with. It demonstrates transparency, awareness, and

cybersecurity risks by performing assessments, offering a government level secure email system, delivering training and awareness programs for staff, and enhancing cybersecurity resilience through the implementation of best practices and security tools. Final recap: The SecureSD program is designed to support each city, county, and municipality by providing technical assistance to reduce

We appreciate your interest in improving cybersecurity for your entity.

We also ask you to please respond to this email so we know you've received it and the MOU information is correct.

Abigail (and Mike)



Abigai Bushee

# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING Between DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY and Fall River County

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("MOU") is entered into by and between the Dakota State University, Madison, South Dakota ("DSU") and Fall River County ("COUNTY"), a political subdivision of the State of South Dakota, on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025.

WHEREAS, during the 2024 South Dakota Legislative Session, Senate Bill 187 (SB 187) was enacted which appropriated \$7,000,000 to the Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") for the purpose of creating a cybersecurity initiative for counties and municipalities throughout the State of South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, DSU operates Madison Cyber Labs ("MadLabs"), which focuses on education, research, and cybersecurity development, including initiatives that help counties and municipalities mitigate cybersecurity risks; and

WHEREAS, DSU, in partnership with the OAG, created the SecureSD Cybersecurity for Counties and municipalities to strengthen cybersecurity resilience among counties and municipalities in South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, DSU, in partnership with the OAG, seeks to protect and enhance the cybersecurity posture of South Dakota's counties and municipalities by leveraging SecureSD resources effectively; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY acknowledges the importance of cybersecurity mitigation and agrees to participate in SecureSD by providing the necessary cooperation, engagement, and local implementation efforts required to enhance security.

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the covenants and agreements contained herein, and the joint and mutual responsibilities flowing to each party as outlined in this Memorandum of Understanding, the parties agree:

#### 1. PURPOSE

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is undertaken by and between DSU and COUNTY to protect and enhance the cybersecurity posture of South Dakota's counties and municipalities through the SecureSD Program. SecureSD is designed to support counties and municipalities by providing technical mitigation assistance to reduce cybersecurity risks, delivering training and awareness programs for municipal and county staff, and enhancing cybersecurity resilience through the implementation of best practices and security tools through a secure email system.

#### 2. FUNDING

- A. SecureSD is funded by the appropriation established by SB 187 during the 2024 legislative session. The COUNTY acknowledges that SecureSD does not provide direct financial payments for cybersecurity efforts, nor does SecureSD offer direct financial aid. As such, no direct financial payments will be made to COUNTY under this MOU.
- B. Nothing in the MOU may be construed as, or may be relied on, as a future promise or commitment to providing any future funding, services, or support.

#### 3. <u>DSU RESPONSIBILITIES</u>

- A. Implementation of SecureSD
  - 1. Oversee and implement cybersecurity mitigation and email strategies for counties or municipalities.
  - 2. Engage with managed service providers ("MSPs") to determine appropriate scopes of work, perform work, and/or review work as needed, based on DSU's recommendation.
  - 3. Deploy technical resources to support and enhance cybersecurity defenses.
  - 4. Provide cybersecurity education and training for municipalities and counties on an as needed basis in the sole discretion of DSU.

#### B. Compliance and Reporting

- 1. Maintain records showing:
  - a. The counties and municipalities participating or planning to participate in this initiative.
  - b. Completed and planned cybersecurity improvements for each participating local government.
  - c. Current and expected expenses for each improvement, including the cost related to SB 187.
  - d. Expected timeframes for completing the improvements.
  - e. Monthly reports including activities conducted, detailed financial information, and all information necessary to justify approval of vouchers submitted for payment.
- 2. Provide all necessary updates and reports to the OAG and request all necessary prior authorizations according to the tenor of the agreement between DSU and the OAG dated August 26, 2024.

#### 4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF COUNTY

- A. COUNTY agrees to obtain a security assessment either through Project Boundary Fence or through a private vendor which is at least as technically comprehensive as the assessment conducted through Project Boundary Fence.
- B. Engagement and Participation
  - 1. Actively participate in SecureSD initiatives, including mitigation activities and training.

- 2. Designate a single point of contact for communication between COUNTY, DSU, and the OAG.
- C. Implementation, Maintenance, and Ownership
  - 1. Actively participate with selected MSP and DSU to facilitate implementation of cybersecurity measures set forth in the scope of work approved by DSU and COUNTY.
  - 2. Provide reasonable cyber and physical access to city/county/municipality facilities to the selected MSP and DSU personnel to implement the approved cybersecurity measures and to DSU upon completion to ensure the scope of work was properly implemented and in good working order.
  - 3. Provide reasonable access to OAG for oversight purposes to ensure that any hardware purchased pursuant to the scope of work, if any, is implemented and in use.
  - 4. COUNTY is aware and understands:
    - a. The funds appropriated pursuant to SB 187 of 2024 are one-time funds.
    - b. As such, any hardware, licenses, or software purchased or implemented as part of the scope of work becomes the sole property of the county/municipality and the MSP, DSU, and the OAG has no ongoing responsibility for any further improvements, ongoing licensing, maintenance, or upkeep of the installed improvements.
    - c. There is no expectation, promise, or guarantee of any future funding to address cybersecurity risks through SecureSD or otherwise.
    - SecureSD does not and will not provide any direct financial compensation, reimbursements, or direct payments of any kind to the COUNTY.

#### 5. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- A. Confidentiality
  - 1. DSU hereby acknowledges that any and all technical details including access information, technical data, and any personally identifiable information ("PII") housed on or accessible through the COUNTY systems is deemed "Confidential Information" and may not be shared among or between any other participant in this initiative, or to any third party except the selected MSP and the OAG as may be required.
  - 2. DSU will limit access to COUNTY cybersecurity data to authorized personnel only.
- B. Effective Period, Modification, and Termination
  - 1. Effective Period of MOU: This MOU shall become effective upon the date last signed below. This MOU shall remain in effect until 6/30/28 unless sooner terminated pursuant to the terms set forth herein.

- 2. Modification of MOU: This MOU may not be amended except in writing, which writing shall be expressly identified as a part hereof and be signed by an authorized representative of each of the parties hereto.
- 3. Termination of MOU: Either party may terminate this MOU upon thirty (30) days written notice. The termination shall be effective thirty (30) calendar days from the date of such notice, or at a later date agreed upon by the parties, so long as such date does not exceed the date of termination of this MOU.

#### C. Notices

1. Any notice or other communication required under this MOU shall be in writing and sent to the email address set forth below. Notices shall be given by and to:

For SecureSD: Dakota State University

917 N Washington Ave Madison, SD 57042 Name: Mike Waldner

Title: Director of SecureSD Email: mike.waldner@dsu.edu

For County: Fall River County

906 N River St

Hot Springs, SD 57747 Name: Sue Ganje

Title: Auditor

Email: sue.ganje@state.sd.us

- 2. Notices or communications to or between the parties shall be deemed to have been delivered one business day after the time at which it was sent if receipt is confirmed by the recipient.
- D. Joint Powers

This MOU is not a Joint Powers Agreement or cooperative action agreement pursuant to SDCL Ch. 1-24, and it does not establish a separate legal entity under SDCL 1-24-4(2) or create a joint administrator or governing board, as contemplated by SDCL 1-24-5. Each party has responsibilities under the terms of this Agreement and no joint board or administrator will be used.

E. Governing Law and Venue

This MOU shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of South Dakota, without regard to any conflicts of law principles, decisional law, or statutory provision which would require or permit the application of another jurisdiction's substantive law. Venue for any lawsuit pertaining to or affecting this Agreement shall be in the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, Hughes County, South Dakota.

#### F. Limitation Of Liability

In no event shall any party be liable to another party for any indirect, incidental, consequential, special, punitive, exemplary, or extra-contractual damages of any kind whatsoever arising from or connected with this MOU, including, but not limited to, lost profits, lost revenues, or loss of business, regardless of legal theory, whether or not foreseeable, even if either party has been advised of the possibility or probability of such damages and even if the remedies otherwise provided by this agreement fail of their essential purpose.

In Witness Whereof, the parties signify their agreement effective the date below last written by the signatures affixed below.

#### DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

B	y:
	Ashley Podhradsky
	VP Research and Economic Development
	Date:
DSU Director of SecureSD	(Initial) Date:
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	Joe Falkenburg, Chair
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PREPARED BY:
Name: Carl Sander)
Address: 14366 WG Flat Oral SD 57766
Telephone #:
605-890-2113

FALL RIVER COUNTY
PIPELINE EASEMENT

This Pipeline Easement is made and entered into	this day of	,
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County Commissioners and R-55 Sande -3	and Peggy Sa	ndprs,
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County, as Grantor, hereby grants and conveys to the above Landowner(s), as Grantee(s), a permanent, continuing, (15) fifteen foot wide easement for a pipeline, including replacement, maintenance, and repair of the pipeline and its associated values, meter pits and other components as need be, upon the terms and conditions set forth hereinafter, over, upon, under and across Fall River County Highway # Gravel Road

Easement to be in that area adjacent to the <u>SE</u> Quarter of the <u>SW</u> Quarter of the , Section <u>29</u> in Township <u>7</u> South, Range <u>8</u> East, and the <u>WE</u> Quarter of the <u>NW</u> Quarter, Section <u>32</u> in Township <u>7</u> South, Range <u>8</u> East, of the Black Hills Meridian, Fall River County, South Dakota. And The pipeline to run from the <u>SE</u> Quarter of the <u>SW</u> Quarter of Section <u>29</u> in Township <u>7</u> South, Range <u>8</u> East, to the <u>NE</u> Quarter of the <u>NW</u> Quarter, Section <u>32</u> in Township <u>7</u> South, Range <u>8</u> East, of the Black Hills Meridian, Fall River County, South Dakota.

General location to be marked on attached Fall River County Map. (line through road affected in the general location).

II.

That the terms and conditions upon which the above identified easement is granted and which is subject to and based upon, and upon which it is given, are as follows:

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- **b.** That the <u>Grantee(s)</u> shall be solely responsible for the cost of installation, maintenance, repair and replacement of said pipeline without contribution on the part of the County.
- c. That <u>Grantee(s)</u>shall use the pipeline solely for the benefit of the real property identified in the above Paragraph "I". And such other real property belonging to <u>Grantee(s)</u> that is contiguous thereto.
- **d.** That <u>Grantee(s)</u> shall not be entitled to use this easement for any other purpose not provided for herein.
- e. That <u>Grantee(s)</u> shall be solely responsible for securing and maintaining any and all permits, licenses or other agreements with the State of South Dakota or any other governmental agency with respect to the construction, maintenance, repair and replacement of said pipeline.
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- g. That <u>Grantee(s)</u> shall maintain, repair, and replace, construct, install and place the pipeline in such a manner so as not to interfere with the use of the real property by the County or its successors and assigns.
- h. That <u>Grantee(s)</u> agrees that with any disturbance of the ground during repair, placement, replacement or otherwise that thereafter <u>Grantee(s)</u> shall restore the ground to its natural terrain and in the same condition as the existing roadway at the completion of any such activity.
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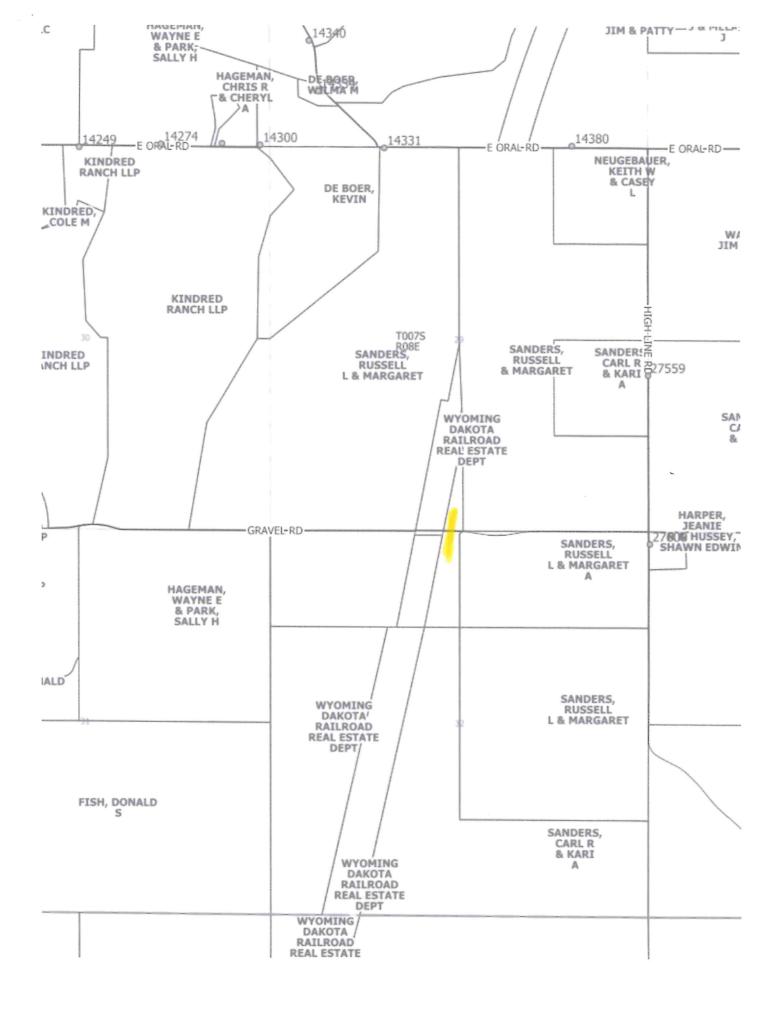
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IV.

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	By:Chairman
	Fall River County Commissioners
ATTEST:	
Fall River County Auditor	
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SS) COUNTY OF FALL RIVER )	
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My Commission Expires:	
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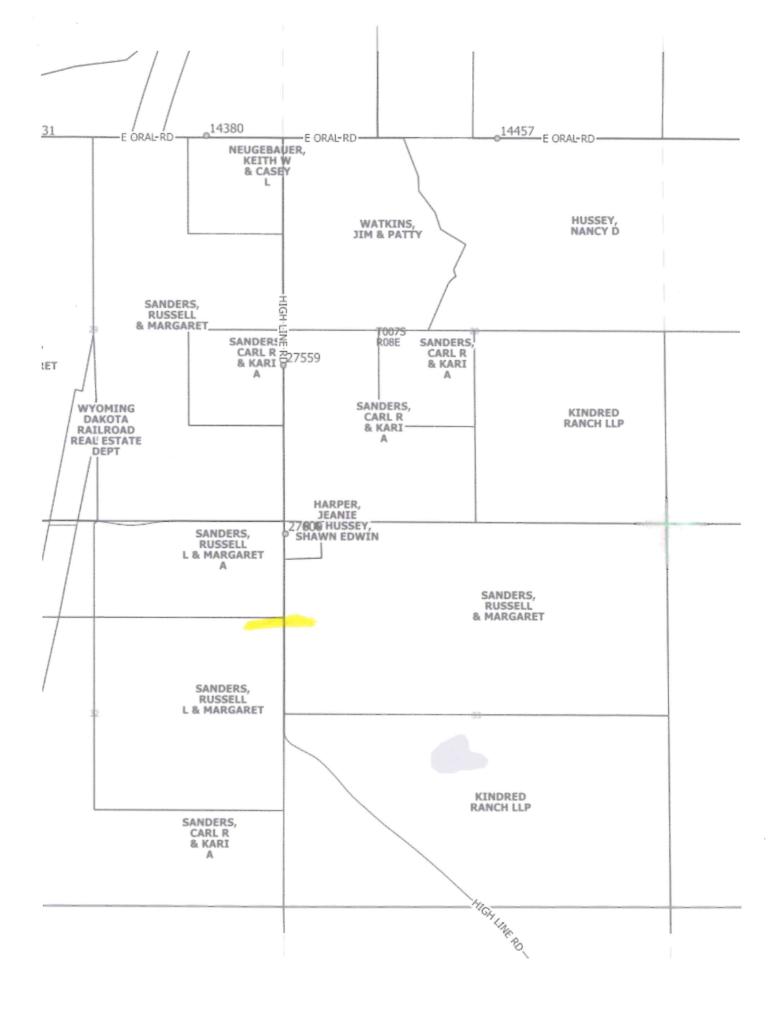
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(SEAL)	Notary Public – South Dakota

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RE: A Reasonable Threshold

November 17, 2025

Governor Rhoden, Legislators, and County Commissioners:

Nebraska has made its first shipments of carbon dioxide on its Tallgrass Trailblazer pipeline. Ethanol plants in Nebraska can now reduce their CI score, receive more money for the ethanol they sell and then pay more to Nebraska farmers for the corn they produced.

Texas, New Mexico, Wyoming, Oklahoma, Louisiana, North Dakota, Mississippi and Nebraska all have current Carbon dioxide (CO2) pipelines.

Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Colorado and Kansas are involved with current proposals and planning for new CO2 pipelines.

Alabama, Arizona, California, New York and Pennsylvania are involved in the development of a regulatory landscape for CO2 pipelines.

Indiana and Ohio are in the process of establishing legal frameworks for carbon capture and sequestration.

The U.S. Department of Transportation oversees pipeline safety. They sent the enclosed letter to Iowa Governor Reynolds saying that there are some 5,300 miles of CO2 pipelines in the U.S. and that they have been in operations for decades.

Also enclosed is Summit Carbon's seven commitments to a partnership that will deliver lasting benefits to landowners, counties and communities; generating some \$90 million of system-wide property tax revenue each year.

House Bill 1052 can conceivably allow ONE disgruntled landowner the ability to block a pipeline that every other affected landowner in South Dakota might favor. The Commerce Clause of the U.S. Constitution restricts states from impairing interstate commerce. A state law that can allow ONE INDIVIDUAL to stop a project involving 5 states flies in the face of the U.S. Constitution.

House Bill 1052 needs to be amended to establish a reasonable threshold above which the interest of a majority of affected landowners will prevail.

I am asking for your support to amend HB 1052 and establish a reasonable threshold for a CO2 pipeline project.

Thank you.

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#### **Auditor training recap**

- Discussion on **Total Vote** vs **SD Votes**. SD Votes is being postponed until 2027 due to some parts of the site not being able to be tested by Auditors. Testing will be done by comparing both systems throughout 2026 election year. (Will be using **Total Vote** as main site for 2026 election)
- Reviewed a lot of new laws but some are still unclear.
- If a City or School combines with the county, then their election becomes the county's jurisdiction, but schools and city can still help.
- Discussion on ballot on demand (if you run out of ballots at polling location, then the equipment can print the ballot once the voter checks in).
  - Pros: Never run out of ballots
  - o Cons: What if the Wi-Fi stops working?
  - Possible HAVA Funding

#### **FYI**

- Federal judges are protected in the voter file. No one has access to their information.
- Over 100 election bills were passed last year (Sec of State tracked them)
- County has new forms for Voter Registrations.



U.S. Department
of Transportation
Pipeline and Hazardous
Materials Safety
Administration

1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

June 9, 2025

The Honorable Kim Reynolds Governor of Iowa Iowa State Capitol 1007 East Grand Avenue Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Governor Reynolds:

Thank you for your letter regarding carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) pipeline safety. I appreciate your interest in this important topic and your concern for Iowans.

The Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) administers a national regulatory safety program for the approximately 3.3 million miles of pipelines in the United States, including CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines. The Pipeline Safety Act authorizes PHMSA to regulate the transportation of gas, hazardous liquids, and CO<sub>2</sub> by pipeline. PHMSA regulations govern design, construction, operation, maintenance, emergency response, personnel qualifications, public awareness, reporting, and many other functions related to the safe operation of pipelines.

The pipeline projects proposed in Iowa would transport CO<sub>2</sub> in a supercritical state, which means a fluid phase consisting of more than 90 percent compressed CO<sub>2</sub> molecules. Title 49 Part 195 of the Code of Federal Regulations contains robust regulations for such pipelines. The CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines proposed in Iowa would be governed by the full set of PHMSA safety regulations contained in Part 195 and subject to Federal safety inspections and oversight.

PHMSA currently oversees the safety of roughly 5,300 miles of CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines that have been in operation for decades. These pipelines have an excellent safety performance record. PHMSA's CO<sub>2</sub> accident data indicate one serious incident and no fatalities in the last 20 years. PHMSA considers a serious incident as one that results in fatality or injury requiring in-patient hospitalization. The one serious incident was the result of third party damage and was not related to pipeline operations.

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Your letter addressed a CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline release that occurred on February 22, 2020 near Satartia, Mississippi. PHMSA's investigation found this event was due to an unusual combination of factors. The rupture was caused by land movement at a steep embankment following heavy rains. Weather conditions and unique topography prevented the CO<sub>2</sub> vapor from rapidly dispersing as it would ordinarily, and poor communication between the pipeline operator and local responders complicated the emergency response. Although numerous individuals were taken to the hospital, only one was admitted and for reasons unrelated to the pipeline failure.

PHMSA's investigation also found that the pipeline operator violated several regulations. As part of a Consent Agreement and Order, the operator paid \$2,868,100 in civil penalties and agreed to take numerous corrective actions. PHMSA subsequently issued an advisory bulletin to all pipeline operators reminding them of their responsibilities to monitor for, and address, earth movement and other geological hazards in proximity to their facilities.

CO2 pipelines have an overall robust safety track record. Over the last five years, CO2 pipelines have had an average reportable accident per thousand-mile rate of 0.88, lower than the general hazardous liquid pipeline reportable accident rate of 1.46.

Thank you for taking the time to contact PHMSA about this important topic. Please let me know if you require additional information, or have your staff contact Emily Wong, Director of Governmental, International, and Public Affairs, by phone at 202-366-4831 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:emily.wong@dot.gov">emily.wong@dot.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Ben Kochman

**Acting Administrator** 



## Summary of Summit Carbon Solutions Community & Landowner Partnership Program and our Commitments

Summit Carbon Solutions is building more than a pipeline — we're building partnerships. Agriculture and ethanol are the backbone of the Midwest economy, and this project is designed to strengthen both by opening access to new markets like sustainable aviation fuel, protecting and creating jobs, and delivering lasting benefits to rural communities.

Safety comes first, and our project meets and often exceeds PHMSA federal standards. Safety is not just a requirement, it is the foundation of how we build trust and deliver this project responsibly.

Our Seven (	Commitments
1. Emergency Response & Preparedness 2. \$8M+ invested along the route. 2. \$50,000 per county + \$1,000 per mile before operations. 2. CO2-specific training, annual drills, and real-time notification systems. 3. Landowner Commitment	Public Awareness & Open Communication     Dedicated project website with route, safety into     Regular updates during construction and annually through operations.     Integration with county emergency alert networks.
<ul> <li>72-hour survey notice + \$500 survey payment.</li> <li>Flexible easement options: lump sum, annual, or a payment option that is linked to all financial distributions to Summit's current owners. This allows landowner to share in the project's success in a way similar to investors, but without actually owning part of the company.</li> <li>Annual stakeholder payments over the life of the project: \$0.25/foot baseline, scaling to \$0.50/foot with 100% voluntary easements as statewide milestones are achieved.</li> <li>Eminent domain only as a last resort.</li> </ul>	Annual grants over the life of the project: \$0.125/foot per county, scaling to \$0.25/foot with 100% voluntary easements as county-level milestones are achieved.
5. Construction Commitment  Union and local labor prioritized.  Contractors pre-qualified on safety and insurance.  Compliance with agricultural and environmental mitigation plans.  7. Water Stewardship & Transparency  Responsible sourcing, permitting, and use of water.  Efficiency, recycling, and reuse where possible.  Transparency with ethanol partners and local communities.	Voluntary outreach beyond regulatory requirements.     Cultural surveys with Tribal specialists, economic development support, safety events hosted.     Tailored educational resources for Tribal communities.

#### The Bottom Line

These seven commitments go beyond regulation — they are a pledge to deliver lasting benefits, operate safely, and ensure landowners, counties, and communities are true partners in this project's success.

#### Office of the Fall River County Auditor

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DATE: November 21, 2025

TO: Fall River County Board of Commissioners

From: Stacy Schmidt, Deputy Auditor

Auditor's Account of the Treasurer

Per SDCL 7-10-3 Monthly verification of treasurer's accounts - Report to county commissioners

To the Fall River Board of Commissioners; I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the County Treasurer as of October 31, 2025

Total Balances of Checking/Savings Accounts Total Outstanding Deposits Schwab Treasury	4,128,975.12 321,399.59 8,961,117.27
NSF Checks: Thomas, Hannah Suter, Debbie	426.01 729.45
Total Treasurer's Change Fund Register of Deeds Change Fund Election Petty Cash	900.00 500.00 15.00
TOTAL Audited By: Stacy Schmidt	13,414,062.44

**Fall River Co Auditors Office**