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Hi Maria-

I searched the South Dakota Natural heritage database for the updated substation and transmission line project referenced below. This database monitors species at risk, specifically those species that are legally designated as threatened or endangered (legally protected) or rare. Rare species are those that are declining and restricted to limited habitat or a jurisdiction, may be isolated or disjunct due to geographic or climactic factors that are classified as such due to lack of survey data.

The search of the property resulted in no documented threatened, endangered or rare species in the immediate vicinity of the property location. Please note that many places in South Dakota have not been surveyed for rare or protected species and the absence of a species from the database does not preclude its presence.

We do not anticipate that this project will have impacts to fish and wildlife resources due to the project being located in a previously disturbed area. If the design changes or additional information becomes available, please contact me for further review.

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Hilary

Attached is the preliminary layout for the West Rapid City Substation and 230kV Transmission Line that we discussed this morning. This is located in North Rapid City off Deadwood Ave at the old Ben French Power Plant and Black Hills Power Service Center. As I mentioned, the project is still the design phase with construction anticipated to start Spring 2019, but we would appreciate any initial comments from GF&P on the project.

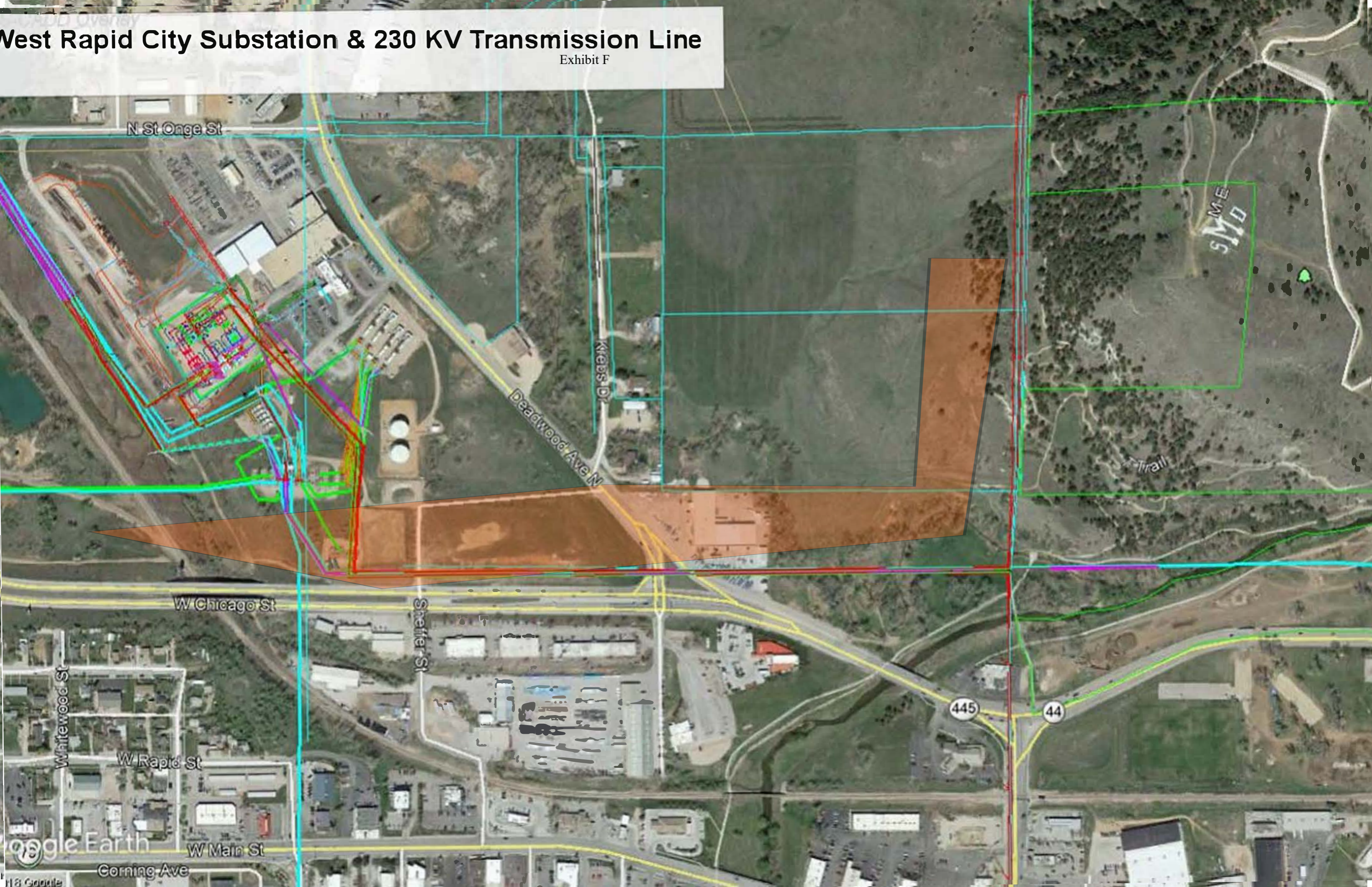
Please call with any questions or if you need additional information.

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West Rapid City Substation & 230 KV Transmission Line

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