

**From:** PUC

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2021 8:06 AM

**To:** [REDACTED]

**Subject:** EL21-018 and EL19-007

Ms. Bollweg,

Thank you for your letter with attachments regarding North Bend Wind's siting permit application filed with the Public Utilities Commission.

I appreciate hearing your concerns about this proposed project in your area, and encourage you to reach out to the PUC staff working on this docket to discuss these. You will find these names in the docket's Service List.

You also mentioned issues you encountered with the Triple H project, docket EL19-007, and these are of concern. As far as the roads in Hyde County, please reference the commission's order posted in this docket and the excerpts below.

*After construction, Applicant shall repair and restore deteriorated roads resulting from construction traffic or compensate governmental entities for their repair and restoration of deteriorated roads, such that the roads are returned to their preconstruction condition. Within 180 days of completing construction and reclamation of the Project, Applicant shall submit documentation to the Commission identifying that the roads were repaired in accordance with this Condition 8 and to the satisfaction of the affected townships and county. If the townships or county will not provide such documentation, then Applicant shall provide a report to the Commission on the outstanding road repair issues and how those issues will be resolved.*

A Certificate of Final Approval was provided by Hyde County's engineer and is posted in the docket, dated April 20, 2021. It states: *As Project Engineer for Hyde County (Owner), and as a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of South Dakota, I do hereby certify that I have inspected the haul road restoration for the construction of Triple H Wind Farm performed by Engie (Developer) and find them satisfactorily accomplished. Bradley D. Stangohr, Ulteig Engineers, Inc.*

This document was approved per the following: *The haul road restoration done by the above-mentioned developer has been accepted by formal Hyde County Commission Resolution dated June 1, 2021. The developer is released from maintenance requirements.* It is signed by Hyde County Robert Bawdon, Chairman, and Marilyn Ring, Auditor.

You may wish to reach out to Hyde County Auditor Marilyn Ring, via email [hydeaud@venturcomm.net](mailto:hydeaud@venturcomm.net) or phone 605-852-2519, per the docket's Service List.

Your letter and attachments will be posted under Comments and Responses in the [EL21-018](#) and [EL19-007](#) dockets. The [Siting Guide](#) posted on the commission's home page as well as in the dockets helps explain the commission's processing of siting dockets.

Chris Nelson, Chairman  
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