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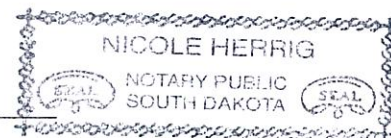
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

WHAT: Public Input Meeting on Permit Application for Crowned Ridge Energy Storage I, LLC for a Permit for an Energy Conversion Facility in Waverly Township, Codington County, South Dakota

WHEN AND WHERE: Wednesday, July 1, 2026 – 6:00 p.m. CT
Waverly South Shore School Gymnasium,
319 Mary Place, Waverly, S.D.

Pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-41B, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) will hold a public input meeting at the above time and place on an application to construct an energy conversion facility, specifically a 120 MW four-hour duration battery energy storage system and associated facilities (Project) in Section 11, Township 118 North, Range 51 West in Codington County, S.D. Associated facilities will include fencing, roads, and a supervisory control and data acquisition system. Construction is proposed to begin in 2027 and be completed in 2028.

The purpose of the public input meeting will be to hear public comments regarding the Application and the Project. At the meeting, the Applicant, Crowned Ridge Energy Storage I, LLC, will present a brief description of the Project, after which interested persons may appear and present their views, comments, and questions regarding the Application. A copy of the Application is on file with the Codington County Auditor and at the Commission's office in Pierre. The Application and all other documents in the docket, including detailed maps of the Project, may be accessed on the Commission's website at puc.sd.gov under Commission Actions, Commission Dockets, Electric Dockets, 2026 Electric Dockets, EL26-014.

Pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-17 and ARSD 20:10:22-40, the parties to this proceeding are currently the Applicant and the Commission Staff. Each municipality, county, and governmental agency in the area where the facility is proposed to be sited; or any person residing in the area where the facility is proposed to be sited, or any directly interested person, may be granted party status in this proceeding by making timely written application to the Commission. Applications for party status will be available at the public input meeting or may be obtained from the Commission's website. Applications for party status must be filed with the Commission on or before 5:00 p.m., CT, July 13, 2026. The Commission will also accept comments in writing, either by mail, personal delivery, or e-mail until the time of the decision. You only need to apply for party status if you want to participate formally in the case by providing testimony or other factual evidence, conducting discovery, cross-examining witnesses, making legal arguments, and to preserve your right to appeal to the courts if you do not believe the Commission's decision is legally correct. You do not need to have party status in order to submit written comments.

Following the public input meeting, the Commission may schedule a formal evidentiary hearing conforming to SDCL Chapter 1-26 to consider issues raised by any party or the Commission itself. At such a formal hearing, all parties will have the opportunity to appear, present evidence, and cross-examine the other parties' witnesses and exercise all other rights afforded by SDCL Chapters 1-26, 49-1, and 49-41B and ARSD Chapters 20:10:01 and 20:10:22, including rights of appeal to the courts.

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, this meeting will be held in a physically accessible location. Please contact the Public Utilities Commission at (605) 773-3201 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting if you have special needs so arrangements can be made to accommodate you.

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Working Families Get a Tax Cut By Sen. John Thune

It's been almost one year since Republicans passed the Working Families Tax Cuts and secured permanent tax relief for hardworking South Dakotans and families across the country. And after one year, it's clear that Republicans' landmark tax relief bill is delivering on its promise to put more money in Americans' pockets.

At the start of this year, Americans saw their take-home pay increase as the new tax law took effect. When they filed their taxes in April, many Americans saw a significantly larger tax refund. And we recently got data showing that 97 percent of Americans saw a tax cut this year, collectively saving \$82 billion on their tax bills.

In many cases, the tax savings from the Working Families Tax Cuts is significant, and as this recent data shows, the overwhelming



Waverly/South Shore School 2025-2026 4th Quarter Honor Roll



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Jolene Krantz
Elizabeth Meyer
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Jordan Starr
Destiny Strohhus
Wyatt Taecker

Juniors
Brianna Gottschalk
Katelyn Milcy
Carlee Mushitz
Penelope Palo
Klair Raml
Marlie Riter
Annie Stricherz

Freshmen
Lucas Johnson
Matthew Meyer
Haylee Mushitz

7th Grade
Rachel Meyer

6th Grade
Jaxon Ajdari
Olivia Brennan
Chesney Hulscher
Bently Whitney

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Juniors
Savannah Berg
Felicia Eriksson
Austin Hovitek
Caedence Lease
Isaiah Reeve

Sophomores
Braden Howell
Jaina Johnson
Alaina Kellen
Malaya Nowick
Spencer Ries
Brylie Schlotterbeck

Freshmen
Ashlyn Dalton
Taylin Gronke
Clara Heuer
Ty Thompson

8th Grade
Lillian Basye
Rivers Basye
Avery Thyen

7th Grade
Allana Johnson
Ella Milcy
Brynn Wienjes

6th Grade
Addison Crocker
Kambri Granquist
Anistyn Gronke
Kenna Nicola

B Honor Roll (3,000 – 3,599)

Seniors
Gage Beisch
Gypsy Carlson
Evan Goff
Garrett Taecker
Kristian Waldner
Dru Wientjes

Juniors
Carleigh Boyle
Savannah Fiedler
Elliot Fromke
Aiden Mack
Megan Marko
Martin Mickelson
Carter Stenwedel
Davi Williams

Sophomores
Mikaderyn Bell
Haiden Gilmour
Cael Heuer
Andrea Koustrup
Cobain Mayes
Kendra Schroeder

Freshmen
Avery Beisch
Jalen Carpenter
Aleya Hudson
Case Hulscher
Carter Lease
Aubrey Maifield
Kylee Mushitz
Colton Overweg
Nathaniel Pekelder
Jaymis Robertson
Ty Stenwedel

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Alexiss Farnham
Jade Greybuffalo
London Hanks
Jarra Koustrup
Hunter Maifield
Levi Morgan
Tristen Morgan
Kinsley Vincent
Talen Williams
Bella Yockey

7th Grade
Mieya Berry
Sawyer Fiedler
Logan Granquist
Tobias Gutzmer
Elias Lindner
Ava Martin
Cambry Nicola
Isabella Ries
Jazelle Starr
Jayda VanSickle
Vaclynn Welk
Harper Zirbel

6th Grade
Khloe Byrd
Amiyah Jundi
Dacotah Little Dog-Nowick
Marcos Lopez
Izabella Moes
Braxtyn Muilenburg
Jack Raml
Teagan Rossow
Clayton Schafer
Ayla Tulowetzke

majority of people seeing tax relief earned less than \$200,000 last year, and many earned less than \$100,000. As its name indicates, the Working Families Tax Cuts is cutting taxes for Americans who get up every day and go to work to provide for their family and create a better life for their children. This bill lets these hardworking Americans keep more of their hard-earned money – money that they would otherwise be sending to the IRS without Republicans' bill.

Millions of Americans were eligible for additional tax relief this year thanks to the Working Families Tax Cuts. Middle-income Americans saw tax relief in the hundreds of dollars, and many saw a tax cut greater than \$1,000 this year. The new senior deduction helped 35 million older Americans reduce their tax bill. No tax on tips provided relief to 7.5 million workers, and 29 million workers took the new overtime deduction too.

This bill was designed to help make life easier for everyday Americans, and beyond lower tax bills, one of the ways it does that is through new investment accounts for American kids. The tax-advantaged Trump Accounts created in this bill allow parents to save for their children's future beyond their education: to give them a nest egg to help them buy their first home, start a business, and help them pursue their American Dream. For kids born between 2025 and 2028, parents can opt in for an initial investment of \$1,000 from the federal government to get their savings started.

Republicans had working families in mind when we wrote this bill. We recognized that families' budgets have been stretched in recent years, and we were determined to let them keep more of their hard-earned money to make it easier to make ends meet and save for the future. There's a number of ways this bill does that, and the American people are seeing it with their own eyes.