

CHECKLIST ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Project Name:	Dart West Pad, Lease AG-4534
Proposed:	Installation of a Natural Gas Pipeline on Lease AG-4534
Implementation Date:	
Proponent:	ONEOK Rockies Midstream LLC
Location:	Section 16, Township 28N, Range 59E
County:	Roosevelt
Trust:	Common Schools

I. TYPE AND PURPOSE OF ACTION

ONEOK Rockies Midstream LLC, referred to as the Proponent, has applied for a 50' ROW Easement (0.52 acres). This route was selected due to it being the most feasible and constructable route from the operator's well pad to ONEOK's existing infrastructure in the area. The project will allow for the reduction of natural gas flaring in the area. Alternative routes were not selected due to construction challenges. The proposed project is 215.99 ft (14 rods) of 16-inch POLY.

II. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

1. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT, AGENCIES, GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS CONTACTED:

Provide a brief chronology of the scoping and ongoing involvement of this project.

The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)
Northeastern Land Office (NELO) & Glasgow Unit Office
Proponent: ONEOK Rockies Midstream LLC
Surface Lessees: John Nyquist
Other:

2. OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES WITH JURISDICTION, LIST OF PERMITS NEEDED:

The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Real Estate Management Bureau has jurisdiction over this proposed project.

The proponent is responsible for acquiring all necessary permits for the proposed project and settling all surface damage with the surface lessees.

3. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

Alternative A (No Action) – Deny Permission to proponent to install Natural gas pipeline across School Trust Lands.

Alternative B (the Proposed Action) – Grant Permission to proponent to install the Natural gas pipeline across School Trust Land.

10. HISTORICAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES:

Identify and determine effects to historical, archaeological or paleontological resources.

A Class III cultural and paleontological resources inventory was conducted of the area of potential effect on state land. Despite a detailed examination, no cultural or fossil resources were identified in the easement corridor. No additional archaeological or paleontological investigative work is recommended. The proposed project will have No Effect to Antiquities as defined under the Montana State Antiquities Act. A formal report of findings is on file with the DNRC and the Montana State Historic Preservation Officer.

11. AESTHETICS:

Determine if the project is located on a prominent topographic feature or may be visible from populated or scenic areas. What level of noise, light or visual change would be produced? Identify cumulative effects to aesthetics.

No significant impacts on the aesthetics of the area are anticipated.

12. DEMANDS ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES OF LAND, WATER, AIR OR ENERGY:

Determine the number of limited resources the project would require. Identify other activities nearby that the project would affect. Identify cumulative effects to environmental resources.

No limited environmental resources will be significantly impacted because of this project. This project will also not add any significant cumulative demands on environmental resources.

13. OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS PERTINENT TO THE AREA:

List other studies, plans or projects on this tract. Determine cumulative impacts likely to occur as a result of current private, state or federal actions in the analysis area, and from future proposed state actions in the analysis area that are under MEPA review (scoped) or permitting review by any state agency.

There is another ROW application on this tract, along with an LUL application, neither of these applications are likely to have significant impacts. This proposed ROW will be brought to the Land Board for consideration.

IV. IMPACTS ON THE HUMAN POPULATION

- *RESOURCES potentially impacted are listed on the form, followed by common issues that would be considered.*
- *Explain POTENTIAL IMPACTS AND MITIGATIONS following each resource heading.*
- *Enter "NONE" if no impacts are identified or the resource is not present.*

14. HUMAN HEALTH AND SAFETY:

Identify any health and safety risks posed by the project.

The operation and movement of equipment and vehicles have inherent risks that are not impacted by access across School Trust Lands. There is the possibility of an increased risk of wildfire during the construction phase due to this activity.

15. INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL AND AGRICULTURE ACTIVITIES AND PRODUCTION:

Identify how the project would add to or alter these activities.

This project will not add to or deter from other industrial, agricultural, or commercial activities in the area.

24. OTHER APPROPRIATE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES:

Estimate the return to the trust. Include appropriate economic analysis. Identify potential future uses for the analysis area other than existing management. Identify cumulative economic and social effects likely to occur as a result of the proposed action.

The proposed project will not have any significant cumulative economic or social effect.

V. FINDING**25. ALTERNATIVE SELECTED:**

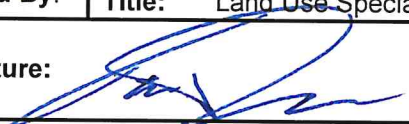
Alternative B (the Proposed Action) – Under this alternative, it is recommended that the proponent be granted permission to install this pipeline across School Trust Land.

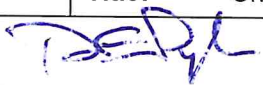
26. SIGNIFICANCE OF POTENTIAL IMPACTS:

I have evaluated the potential environmental effects and have determined no significant impact to the environment because of this project.

27. NEED FOR FURTHER ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

☐ EIS ☐ More Detailed EA ☒ No Further Analysis

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