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Debbie-Anne Reese, Acting Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E., Room 1A
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.
Wahpeton Expansion Project
Docket No. CP22-466-000
Weekly Status Report No. 34

Dear Acting Secretary Reese:

WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. (WBI Energy) herewith submits its Weekly Status Report No. 34 for the Wahpeton Expansion Project, in compliance with Environmental Condition 9 of the Appendix to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's October 23, 2023 Order Issuing Certificate in the above referenced docket.

The attached report addresses the status of the project from July 15, 2024 to July 21, 2024.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this filing, please call the undersigned at (701) 530-1563.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lori Myerchin

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Attachment

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A. Update on Federal Authorizations

- WBI Energy has obtained all necessary federal permits and authorizations required for construction of the Wahpeton Expansion Project.

B. Construction Status – Pipeline Facilities

- Environmental Inspectors continue to conduct onsite environmental training as needed.
- On July 18, 2024, FERC approved variance requests for project modifications submitted on July 17, 2024.
- WBI Energy shifted the project ROW approximately 80 feet west from Sta. No. 1290+00 to 1355+76.58 (Alignment Sheet No. 12) per landowner requests to align pipeline closer to property lines. All activity will occur within survey corridors and no sensitive environmental resource areas will be affected. No other property owners are affected by the adjustment.

TABLE 1-1
Wahpeton Expansion Pipeline

Work Completed during Reporting Period:

- Continued surveying and staking the construction right-of-way and approved access roads.
- Continued clearing/grading, stringing, bending, welding, joint coating, ditching, lowering, backfill, and cleanup activities.
- Completed boring activities at six bores.
- Continued construction activities at Valve Site #3.
- Continued installation and maintenance of Project signage.
- Continued installation and maintenance of equipment mats.
- Continued installation and maintenance of erosion control devices.
- Continued installation and maintenance of goal posts at aboveground utility lines.
- Continued migratory bird nesting surveys. Installed fencing around trees/shrubs of 12 active nests and maintained 0.1-mile avoidance buffers.
- Continued dewatering construction right-of-way due to multiple rain events in past weeks.
- On July 16 and July 17, 2024, a cultural resource consultant completed field investigations of four isolated finds discovered on July 9 and July 11, 2024, on the construction right-of-way. Preliminary findings found three isolated finds require no further consideration. The fourth isolated find requires further lab analysis. The results of the field investigation and lab analysis will be provided to the agencies and consulting tribes.

Activity	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed	Comments
Pipeline			
Clearing / Grading	6%	54%	
Stringing	11%	44%	
Bending	17%	43%	
Welding	14%	38%	
Joint Coating	3%	15%	
Ditching	5%	16%	
Lowering	4%	15%	
Backfill	3%	14%	
Bores	6 of 68	18 of 68	Completed Bores 12, 19, 20, 21, 24, and 31.
Cleanup	6%	8%	
Seeding	0%	0%	



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Final Tie-in and Commissioning	0%	0%	
Hydrostatic Testing	0 of 2	0 of 2	
Appurtenant Facilities ¹			
Valve Site #1 and Pig Launcher / Receiver #1 at MP 0.0	2 of 2	2 of 2	
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	85%	
Valve Site #2 and Pig Launcher / Receiver #2 at MP 11.6	0 of 2	0 of 2	
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	0%	
Valve Site #3 at MP 23.4	0 of 1	0 of 1	40% completion – continued pad construction, set valve and tied-in.
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	0%	
Valve Site #4 at MP 31.3	0 of 1	0 of 1	5% completion.
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	0%	
Valve Site #5 and Pig Launcher / Receiver #3 at MP 39.5	0 of 2	0 of 2	
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	0%	
Valve Site #6 at MP 48.9	0 of 1	0 of 1	
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	0%	
Valve Site #7 and Pig Launcher / Receiver #4 at MP 60.5	0 of 2	0 of 2	
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	0%	
Work Planned for next Reporting Period and Schedule Changes:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue pipeline construction activities. • Continue construction activities at Valve Sites #3 and #4 and begin construction activities at Valve Sites #5 and #6. • Continue installation and maintenance of Project signage. • Continue installation and maintenance of erosion control devices. • Continue installation of equipment mats. • Continue installation of goal posts at aboveground utility lines. • Continue surveying and staking the construction right-of-way and approved access roads. • Begin boring activities at Bores 10 and 39. • Continue to monitor the 12 active migratory bird nests. 			

¹ Cleanup/Restoration includes backfilling and spreading of gravel.

Problem Areas, Corrective Actions and Effectiveness:

- On July 19, 2024, an approximate 0.38-gallon hydraulic fluid spill occurred from a damaged hydraulic hose on an excavator, impacting an approximate two-square-foot area within the construction right-of-way near Station No. 573+00. Measures identified in the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure Plan were implemented to contain, clean up, and dispose of contaminated materials. Spill reports were completed by the Spill Coordinator and Environmental Inspector onsite, the incident was reported using the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality Unified Spill Reporting System, and the affected landowner was notified.
- On July 20, 2024, an approximate three-gallon hydraulic fluid spill occurred from a damaged hydraulic hose on bore equipment, impacting an approximate 100-square-foot area within the construction right-of-way near Station No. 615+70. Measures identified in the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure Plan were implemented to contain, clean up, and dispose of contaminated materials. Spill reports were completed by the Spill Coordinator and Environmental Inspector onsite, the incident was reported using the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality Unified Spill Reporting System, and the affected landowner was notified.



Date: 7/19/2024

Location: Sta. No. 573+00

Notes: Cleanup of contaminated material.



Date: 7/20/2024

Location: Sta. No. 615+70

Notes: Cleanup of contaminated material.



Date: 7/20/2024

Location: Sta. No. 615+70

Notes: Final cleanup of contaminated material.

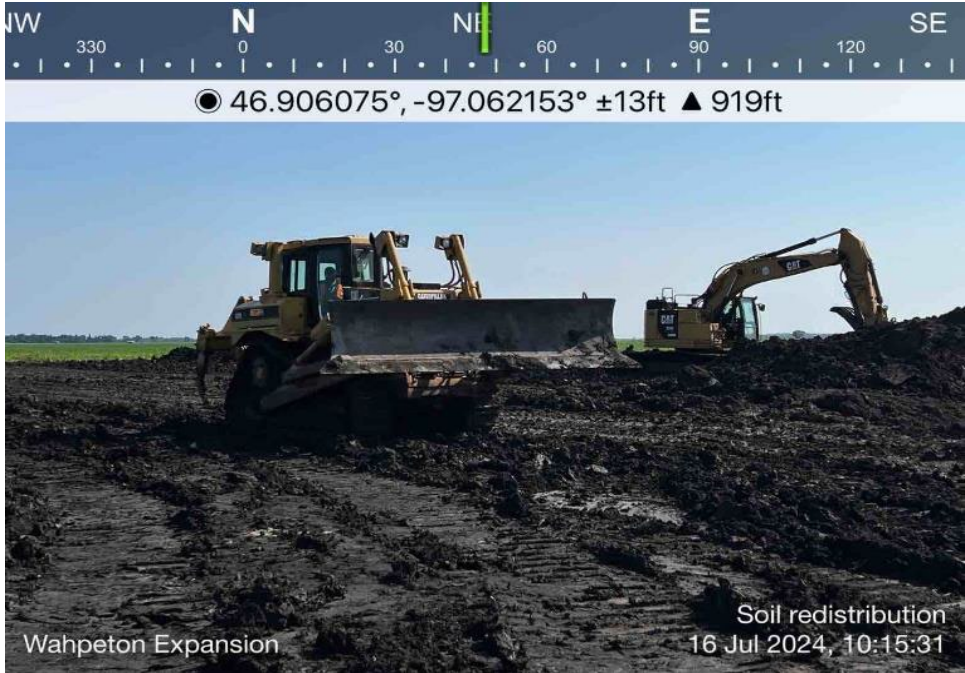
Non-Compliance Issues, Corrective Actions and Effectiveness:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No non-compliance issues were identified during reporting period. 				
Date	Milepost / Alignment Sheet #	Non-Compliance	Corrective Action	
Non-Compliance Issues from Federal, State or Local Permitting Agencies and Responses:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No non-compliance issues were identified during reporting period. Copies included: Not applicable				
Landowner Issues: None				
Date	Name	Milepost / Alignment Sheet #	Problem/Concern	Corrective Action



Date: 7/15/2024
 Location: Sta. No. 1405+00
 Notes: No construction occurred on the construction right-of-way due to a recent rain event.



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Date: 7/16/2024

Location: Sta. No. 80+00

Notes: Continued spreading topsoil to dry out prior to final grading of construction right-of-way.



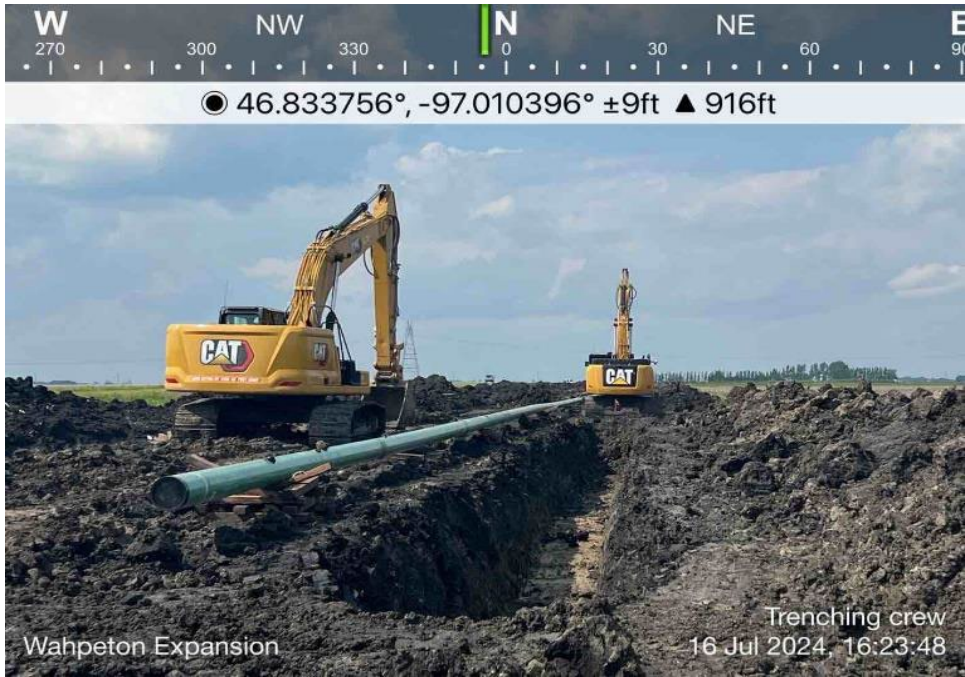
Date: 7/16/2024

Location: Sta. No. 460+00

Notes: Discharging water during dewatering of the construction right-of-way.



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Date: 7/16/2024

Location: Sta. No. 465+00

Notes: Trenching activities prior to lowering in pipe on the construction right-of-way.



Date: 7/16/2024

Location: Sta. No. 1600+00

Notes: Clearing activities along construction right-of-way.



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Date: 7/16/2024

Location: Construction Right-of-Way.

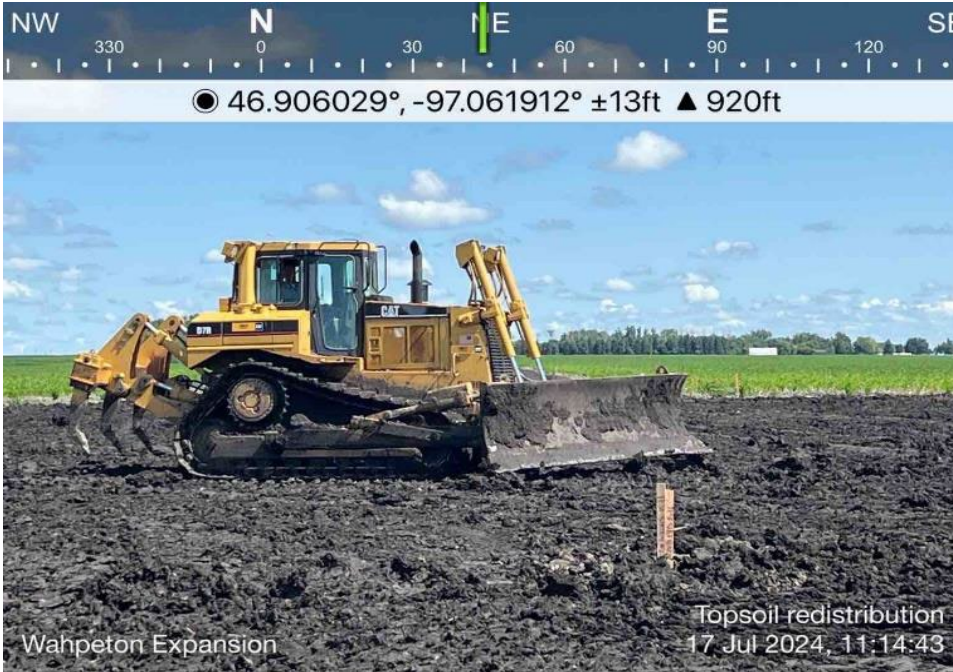
Notes: Installed signage "Sensitive Resources Keep Out" as a 0.1-mile buffer boundary for active migratory bird nests found along the construction right-of-way.



Date: 7/17/2024

Location: Construction Right-of-Way.

Notes: Installed fencing around a tree/shrub with an active migratory bird nest.



Date: 7/17/2024

Location: Sta. No. 74+00

Notes: Continued spreading topsoil to dry out prior to final grading of construction right-of-way.



Date: 7/17/2024

Location: Sta. No. 325+00

Notes: Hydrostatic testing of bore pipe for the Interstate 94 guided bore (Bore 10).



Date: 7/17/2024

Location: Sta. No. 1710+00

Notes: Clearing/grading activities on the construction right-of-way.



Date: 7/18/2024

Location: Sta. No. 160+00

Notes: Removal of construction mats during cleanup activities on the construction right-of-way.



Date: 7/18/2024
Location: Sta. No. 190+00
Notes: Grading of subsoil prior to ripping subsoil and spreading topsoil on the construction right-of-way.



Date: 7/18/2024
Location: Sta. No. 350+00
Notes: Boring activity of wetland wcaa001e (Bore 12).



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Date: 7/18/2024

Location: Sta. No. 1252+00

Notes: Stringing activities on the construction right-of-way.



Date: 7/18/2024

Location: Sta. No. 1640+00

Notes: Dust mitigation on 167th Ave. SE.



Date: 7/18/2024

Location: Sta. No. 1658+00

Notes: Installing geotech fabric prior to installation of equipment mats over wetland (wria003e).



Date: 7/19/2024

Location: Sta. No. 68+23

Notes: Backfilling activity of the Maple River bore pipe (Bore 2).

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Date: 7/19/2024

Location: Sta. No. 616+18

Notes: Installing geotech fabric under equipment bridge over waterbody (scab002e) along the construction right-of-way.



Date: 7/19/2024

Location: Sta. No. 1149+50

Notes: Installed erosion control devices along the construction right-of-way.



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Date: 7/19/2024

Location: Sta. No. 1764+00

Notes: Installing equipment mats over wetland (wrib007e).



Date: 7/20/2024

Location: Sta. No. 590+00

Notes: Maintenance of erosion control devices along the construction right-of-way.



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C. Construction Status – Aboveground Facilities

TABLE 2-1 Modifications at Mapleton Compressor Station				
Work Completed during Reporting Period: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No work was completed during this reporting period. 				
Activity	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed	Comments	
Install Aboveground Station Piping	0%	0%		
Install Belowground Station Piping	0%	0%		
Cleanup / Restoration ²	0%	0%		
Work Planned for next Reporting Period and Schedule Changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No work is planned for the next reporting period. 				
Problem Areas, Corrective Actions and Effectiveness: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No problem areas were identified during reporting period. 				
Non-Compliance Issues, Corrective Actions and Effectiveness: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No non-compliance issues were identified during reporting period. 				
Non-Compliance Issues from Federal, State or Local Permitting Agencies and Responses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No non-compliance issues were identified during reporting period. Copies included: Not applicable				
Landowner Issues: None				
Date	Name	Milepost / Alignment Sheet #	Problem/Concern	Corrective Action

² Final cleanup and restoration will be in conjunction with Block Valve #1 and Pig Launcher / Receiver #1 within the compressor station yard.



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TABLE 2-2
MDU- Kindred Border Station

Work Completed during Reporting Period:

- No work was completed during this reporting period.

Activity	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed	Comments
Initial Site Work	0%	0%	
Concrete Work	0%	0%	
Install Aboveground Piping	0%	0%	
Install Belowground Piping	0%	0%	
Install Buildings	0%	0%	
Cleanup / Restoration ³	0%	0%	
Install Security Fence	0%	0%	

Work Planned for next Reporting Period and Schedule Changes:

- No work is planned for the next reporting period.

Problem Areas, Corrective Actions and Effectiveness:

- No problem areas were identified during reporting period.

Non-Compliance Issues, Corrective Actions and Effectiveness:

- No non-compliance issues were identified during reporting period.

Non-Compliance Issues from Federal, State or Local Permitting Agencies and Responses:

- No non-compliance issues were identified during reporting period.

Copies included: Not applicable

Landowner Issues: None

Date	Name	Milepost / Alignment Sheet #	Problem/Concern	Corrective Action

³ Final cleanup and restoration will be completed in conjunction with Block Valve #3 within the border station yard.



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TABLE 2-3
MDU- Wahpeton Border Station

Work Completed during Reporting Period:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No work was completed during this reporting period. 				
Activity	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed	Comments	
Initial Site Work	0%	0%		
Concrete Work	0%	0%		
Install Aboveground Piping	0%	0%		
Install Belowground Piping	0%	0%		
Install Buildings	0%	0%		
Cleanup / Restoration ⁴	0%	0%		
Install Security Fence	0%	0%		
Work Planned for next Reporting Period and Schedule Changes:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No work is planned for the next reporting period. 				
Problem Areas, Corrective Actions and Effectiveness:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No problem areas were identified during reporting period. 				
Non-Compliance Issues, Corrective Actions and Effectiveness:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No non-compliance issues were identified during reporting period. 				
Non-Compliance Issues from Federal, State or Local Permitting Agencies and Responses:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No non-compliance issues were identified during reporting period. Copies included: Not applicable				
Landowner Issues: None				
Date	Name	Milepost / Alignment Sheet #	Problem/Concern	Corrective Action

D. Changes to Stream Crossings or Work in Environmental Sensitive Areas

TABLE 3
Changes to Stream Crossings or
Work in Environmental Sensitive Areas

Schedule changes to stream crossings.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None during reporting period.
Schedule changes for work in other environmentally sensitive areas.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None during reporting period.

⁴ Final cleanup and restoration will be completed in conjunction with Block Valve #7 and Pig Launcher / Receiver #4 within the border station yard.