DPA M61 – Existing Environmental and Engineering Conditions Overview

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Environmental Conditions

NEPA impacts on your project will depend on your plan. For this specific DPA, the following should be considered. This list is not meant to be exhaustive, but suggestive.

Please note that links were current as of the date of public posting of this document but may have changed.

Section 106 Resources

- There are **no** National Historic Trails that intersect the DPA
- There are **no** National Register of Historic Places resource within the DPA
- 3 Tribes have interest in Buffalo, Custer, and Sherman Counties
 - Apache Tribe of Oklahoma
 - Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, Oklahoma
 - Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

Biological Resources

- Federally Listed Species Range
 - Monarch Butterfly Proposed Threatened
 - o Piping Plover Threatened
 - Regal Fritillary Proposed Threatened
 - Whooping Crane Endangered
- State Listed Species Range
 - o Northern Long-eared Bat Endangered
 - Small White Lady's Slipper
 - Whooping Crane Endangered
- No Critical Habitat identified

Wetlands

- Yes

Floodplain

- The DPA includes Zone A (100-year) floodplain

Prime Farmland

- Yes

Hazardous Materials

- There are multiple regulated facilities within the DPA

Environmental Justice

- There are **no** environmental justice populations within the DPA

Water Resources

- South Loup River is **not** a 303d water body
 - Impaired for recreation
- The DPA has one Wellhead Protection Area
 - Village of Pleasanton (NE3101909)

Classified Lands

There are no classified lands within the DPA

Agencies that will be required

- Nebraska SHPO (Deputy SHPO, Michael Sothan)
 - o hn.hp@nebraska.gov
 - o Approximate 30-day review period
 - May require cultural/historical surveys
- US Fish and Wildlife (Region 6)
 - o Nebraskaes@fws.gov
 - o Approximate 30-day review period
 - May require completion of BA package
- US Army Corps of Engineers (Omaha District)
 - o ne404reg@usace.army.mil
 - o Approximate 30-day response time
- US Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service (Assistant State Soil Scientist, Elizabeth Gray)
 - elizabeth.gray@usda.gov
- Nebraska Game and Parks Commission
- Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy
 - NDEE.Assistance@nebraska.gov
- Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (Environmental Specialist, John Miller)
 - o john.j.miller@nebraska.gov

Engineering Conditions

County

- Buffalo
- Custer
- Sherman

City/Village

- Pleasanton

Highways

- Highway 10: NDOT Permit Required

Pipelines

- Nebraska Transmission

Agencies that will be required

- Buffalo County
- Custer County
- Sherman County
- Village of Pleasanton
- NDOT District 4 (Permit Officer, Kevin Christenson)
 - o <u>kevin.christenson@nebraska.gov</u>
- Nebraska Transmission Pipeline
 - o Black Hills Energy