

DPA J41 – 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 resources within the DPA
- 10 Tribes have interest in Hooker, McPherson, and Thomas Counties
 - o Apache Tribe of Oklahoma
 - o Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe of the Cheyenne River Reservation, South Dakota
 - o Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, Oklahoma
 - o Crow Creek Sioux Tribe of the Crow Creek Reservation, South Dakota
 - o Lower Brule Sioux Tribe of the Lower Brule Reservation, South Dakota
 - o Oglala Sioux Tribe
 - o Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma
 - o Rosebud Sioux Tribe of the Rosebud Indian Reservation, South Dakota
 - o Santee Sioux Nation, Nebraska
 - o Standing Rock Sioux Tribe of North and South Dakota

Biological Resources

- Federally Listed Species Range
 - o Monarch Butterfly – Proposed Threatened
 - o Piping Plover – Threatened
 - o Regal Fritillary – Proposed Threatened
 - o Rufa Red Knot – Threatened
 - o Whooping Crane – Endangered
- State Listed Species Range
 - o American Burying Beetle – Threatened
 - o Blowout Penstemon – Endangered
 - o Northern Redbelly Dace – Threatened
 - o Western Prairie Fringed Orchid – Threatened
 - o Whooping Crane – Endangered
- **No** critical habitat identified

Wetlands

- Yes

Floodplain

- Hooker, McPherson, and Thomas Counties are not FEMA floodplain mapped

Prime Farmland

- No

Hazardous Materials

- There are no regulated facilities within the DPA

Environmental Justice

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

Water Resources

- There are **no** impaired waters in the DPA
- The DPA has **no** Wellhead Protection Areas

Classified Lands

- There are **no** classified lands in 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)
 - o elizabeth.gray@usda.gov
- Nebraska Game and Parks Commission
- Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy
 - o NDEE.Assistance@nebraska.gov
- Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (Environmental Specialist, John Miller)
 - o john.j.miller@nebraska.gov

Engineering Conditions

County

- Hooker
- Thomas

Agencies that will be required

- Hooker County
- Thomas County