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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. 41

Dear Acting Secretary Reese:

WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. (WBI Energy) herewith submits its Weekly Status Report No. 41 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 September 02, 2024 to September 08, 2024.

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

Sincerely,

/s/ Lori Myerchin

Lori Myerchin Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Transportation Services

#### Attachment

cc: via email

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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 September 5, 2024, FERC approved a variance request to change the construction method at two locations.

# TABLE 1-1 Wahpeton Expansion Pipeline

### **Work Completed during Reporting Period:**

• Continued ditching, lowering, backfill, and cleanup activities.

- Completed boring activities at five bores and continued boring activities at other bore sites.
- Continued construction activities at Valve Site Nos. 2, 3, and 7.
- Continued maintenance of Project signage, equipment mats, erosion control devices, and goal posts at aboveground utility lines.

Activity	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed	Comments
Pipeline			
Clearing / Grading	0%	100%	
Stringing	0%	100%	
Bending	0%	100%	
Welding	0%	93%	
Joint Coating	0%	93%	
Ditching	22%	92%	
Lowering	33%	91%	
Backfill	34%	80%	
Bores	5 of 68	64 of 68	Completed Bores 44, 45, 65, 68, and 69.
Cleanup	<0%	8%	
Seeding	0%	0%	
Final Tie-in and Commissioning	0%	0%	
Hydrostatic Testing	0 of 2	0 of 2	
Appurtenant Facilities <sup>1</sup>			
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	55% completion – continued pad construction.
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	0%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cleanup/Restoration includes backfilling and spreading of gravel.

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Valve Site #3 at MP 23.4	0 of 1	0 of 1	85% completion – continued pad construction.
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	0%	
Valve Site #4 at MP 31.3	0 of 1	0 of 1	50% completion
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	0%	
Valve Site #5 and Pig Launcher / Receiver #3 at MP 39.5	0 of 2	0 of 2	50% completion
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	0%	
Valve Site #6 at MP 48.9	0 of 1	0 of 1	50% completion
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	0%	
Valve Site #7 and Pig Launcher / Receiver #4 at MP 60.5	0 of 2	0 of 2	85% completion - continued pad construction.
Cleanup/Restoration	0%	0%	

### Work Planned for next Reporting Period and Schedule Changes:

- Continue remaining pipeline construction activities.
- Continue construction activities at Valve Site Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 7.
- Continue maintenance of Project signage, erosion control devices, equipment mats, and goal posts at aboveground utility lines.
- Begin boring activities at Bores 42, 43, and 64 and continue boring activities at Bore 64.



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#### **Problem Areas, Corrective Actions and Effectiveness:**

On September 3, 2024, an approximate half-gallon diesel spill occurred on a construction mat on the construction right-of-way near Station No. 617+00. The spill occurred from a loose fuel hose on a piece of construction equipment and impacted an approximate six square foot area. 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: 9/03/2024

Location: Sta. No. 617+00.

Notes: Diesel spill on construction mat.



Date: 9/03/2024

Location: Sta. No. 617+00.

Notes: Cleanup of diesel spill on construction mat.



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On September 4, 2024, an approximately 100-gallon inadvertent return (IR) impacting approximately 0.2 acre in cropland at Station No. 2710+00 (east of the Wild Rice River) occurred during the boring activities of Antelope Creek (srie004p) and Wild Rice River (srid003p) (Bore 64). On September 5, 2024, IRs continued during the boring activities with five individual releases extending from approximately Station Nos. 2708+00 to 2710+00, releasing approximately 500 gallons of drilling fluids and impacting approximately 0.8 acre in cropland and a woody area. WBI Energy implemented measures identified in its Guided Bore Drilling Fluid Monitoring and Operations Plan for the containment and cleanup of the drilling fluids. IRs occurring outside of the construction right-of-way were cleaned by hand. WBI Energy installed casing pipe through the bore hole to keep drilling fluids contained during boring activities. No cultural or sensitive resources were impacted. The landowner was notified.



Date: 9/04/2024

Location: Sta. No. 2710+00

Notes: Containment and cleanup of an IR by installing erosion control devices to mitigate migration and using pumps to return drilling fluids back to the bore mud containment pit.



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Date: 9/05/2024

Location: Sta. No. 2709+00

Notes: Containment of an inadvertent return with the installation of erosion control devices to mitigate migration prior to cleanup.



Date: 9/05/2024

Location: Sta. No. 2708+00

Notes: Containment of an inadvertent return with the installation of erosion control devices to mitigate migration prior to cleanup.



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



Date: 9/02/2024

Location: Sta. No. 330+00

Notes: Respreading subsoil along the construction right-of-way.



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Date: 9/02/2024

Location: Sta. No. 775+00

Notes: Spreading topsoil along the

construction right-of-way.



Date: 9/02/2024

Location: Sta. No. 2035+00

Notes: Blasting the pipeline prior to coating activities on the construction right-of-way.



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Date: 9/02/2024

Location: Sta. No. 2350+00

Notes: Lowering pipe on the construction right-of-way.



Date: 9/02/2024

Location: Sta. No. 2420+00

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



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Date: 9/02/2024

Location: Sta. No. 2960+00 and

Bore 68.

Notes: Boring activities at Bore 68.



Date: 9/03/2024

Location: Sta. No. 325+00

Notes: Spreading topsoil on the construction right-of-way.



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Date: 9/03/2024

Location: Sta. No. 330+00

Notes: Ripping subsoil prior to spreading topsoil on the construction right-of-way.



Date: 9/03/2024

Location: Sta. No. 2400+00

Notes: Lowering activities with ditching activities in background on the construction right-of-way.



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Date: 9/03/2024

Location: Sta. No. 2716+00

Notes: Construction activities along the construction right-of-

way.



Date: 9/03/2024

Location: Sta. No. 2716+00 and

Bore 64.

Notes: Boring activities at Antelope Creek (srie004p) and Wild Rice River (srid003p) (Bore

64).



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Date: 9/04/2024

Location: Sta. No. 340+00

Notes: Spreading topsoil along the

construction right-of-way.



Date: 9/04/2024

Location: Sta. No. 660+00

Notes: Respreading subsoil to dry out along the construction right-of-

way.



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Date: 9/04/2024

Location: Sta. No. 1005+00

Notes: Dewatering activities through a filter bag along the construction right-of-way.



Date: 9/04/2024

Location: Sta. No. 2716+00 and

Bore 64.

Notes: Boring activities of the Antelope Creek (srie004p) and the Wild Rice River (srid003p) (Bore

64).



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Date: 9/04/2024

Location: Sta. No. 3100+00 and

Valve Site 7.

Notes: Continue spreading fill material around Valve 7.



Date: 9/05/2024

Location: Sta. No. 0+00

Notes: Discharging hydrostatic test water through a filter bag in a vegetated upland area along the construction right-of-way.



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Date: 9/05/2024

Location: Sta. No. 370+00

Notes: Decompaction of subsoil prior to spreading topsoil on the construction right-of-way.



Date: 9/05/2024

Location: Sta. No. 935+00

Notes: Preparing to dewater the

construction trench.



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Date: 9/06/2024

Location: Sta. No. 389+00

Notes: Spread topsoil across construction right-of-way.



Date: 9/06/2024

Location: Sta. No. 422+00

Notes: Spreading topsoil after decompaction of subsoil on the construction right-of-way.



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Date: 9/06/2024

Location: Sta. No. 615+00

Notes: Repaired sidewalls of equipment bridge along the construction right-of-way.



Date: 9/07/2024

Location: Sta. No. 455+00

Notes: Decompaction of subsoil 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:

- Completed installation of belowground station piping.
- · Continued installation of aboveground station piping.

Activity	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed	Comments
Install Aboveground Station Piping	25%	75%	Continued installation of piping to transfer station.
Install Belowground Station Piping	20%	100%	Hydrostatic testing.
Cleanup / Restoration <sup>2</sup>	0%	0%	

#### Work Planned for next Reporting Period and Schedule Changes:

• Complete installation of aboveground station piping.

#### **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 Issue	es: None			
Date	Name	Milepost / Alignment Sheet #	Problem/Concern	Corrective Action

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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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Date: 9/06/2024

Location: Mapleton Compressor Station.

Notes: Tied-in aboveground piping into discharge header.



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Date: 9/06/2024

Location: Mapleton Compressor Station.

Notes: Installation of belowground piping.



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#### **TABLE 2-2 MDU- Kindred Border Station**

#### Work Completed during Reporting Period:

Continued initial site work.

Activity	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed	Comments
Initial Site Work	47%	85%	Spread fill material.
Concrete Work	0%	0%	
Install Aboveground Piping	0%	0%	
Install Belowground Piping	0%	0%	
Install Buildings	0%	0%	
Cleanup / Restoration <sup>3</sup>	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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Final cleanup and restoration will be completed in conjunction with Block Valve #3 within the border station yard.



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Date: 9/04/2024

Location: MDU-Kindred Border

Station.

Notes: Spreading fill material for

station pad.



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# TABLE 2-3 MDU- Wahpeton Border Station

#### Work Completed during Reporting Period:

Continued initial site work

Activity	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed	Comments
Initial Site Work	10%	85%	Continued initial site work in conjunction with Valve Site 7.
Concrete Work	0%	0%	
Install Aboveground Piping	0%	0%	
Install Belowground Piping	0%	0%	
Install Buildings	0%	0%	
Cleanup / Restoration <sup>4</sup>	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

Landowner issues: None					
Date	Name	Milepost / Alignment Sheet #	Problem/Concern	Corrective Action	

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



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Date: 9/02/2024

Location: MDU-Wahpeton Border

Station.

Notes: Packing fill material for

station pad.



Date: 9/06/2024

Location: MDU-Wahpeton Border

Station.

Notes: Spreading sand over fill material for station pad.



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# 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.

None during reporting period.

Schedule changes for work in other environmentally sensitive areas.

None during reporting period.