



SB 2313

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 38-08-04.12 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

38-08-04.12. Reclamation of land disturbed by oil and gas activity.

1. Any land disturbed by construction of well sites, treating plants, saltwater handling facilities, access roads, underground gathering pipelines and associated facilities, and from remediation of leaks or spills within the jurisdiction of the commission shall must be reclaimed as close as practicable to its original condition as it existed before the construction of the well site or other disturbance. Suitable plant growth material must be preserved subject to reclamation under this section, and the volume and location of suitable plant growth material must be documented. The preserved suitable plant growth material must be used exclusively for final reclamation on the site from which it was gathered. The volume and depth of suitable plant growth material to be preserved must be based on soil classifications. A predisturbance meeting between the commission and person proposing the land disturbance must be held to discuss and document the plan for preservation of the suitable plant growth material. The owner of the land to be disturbed must be given written notice at least ten days in advance of the meeting, but the owner's presence is not required at the meeting. The commission must approve the plan before land is disturbed by oil and gas activity.

2. The commission, with the consent of the appropriate government land manager or surface owner, may waive the requirement of reclamation of the site and access road after a well is plugged or treating plant or saltwater handling facility is decommissioned. The commission shall record documentation of the waiver with the recorder of the county in which the site or road is located.

2. This section may not be construed to require removal of a properly reclaimed reserve pit or a properly abandoned underground gathering pipeline.

3. A person may not bring a legal proceeding under this section, unless the person has exhausted all administrative remedies.

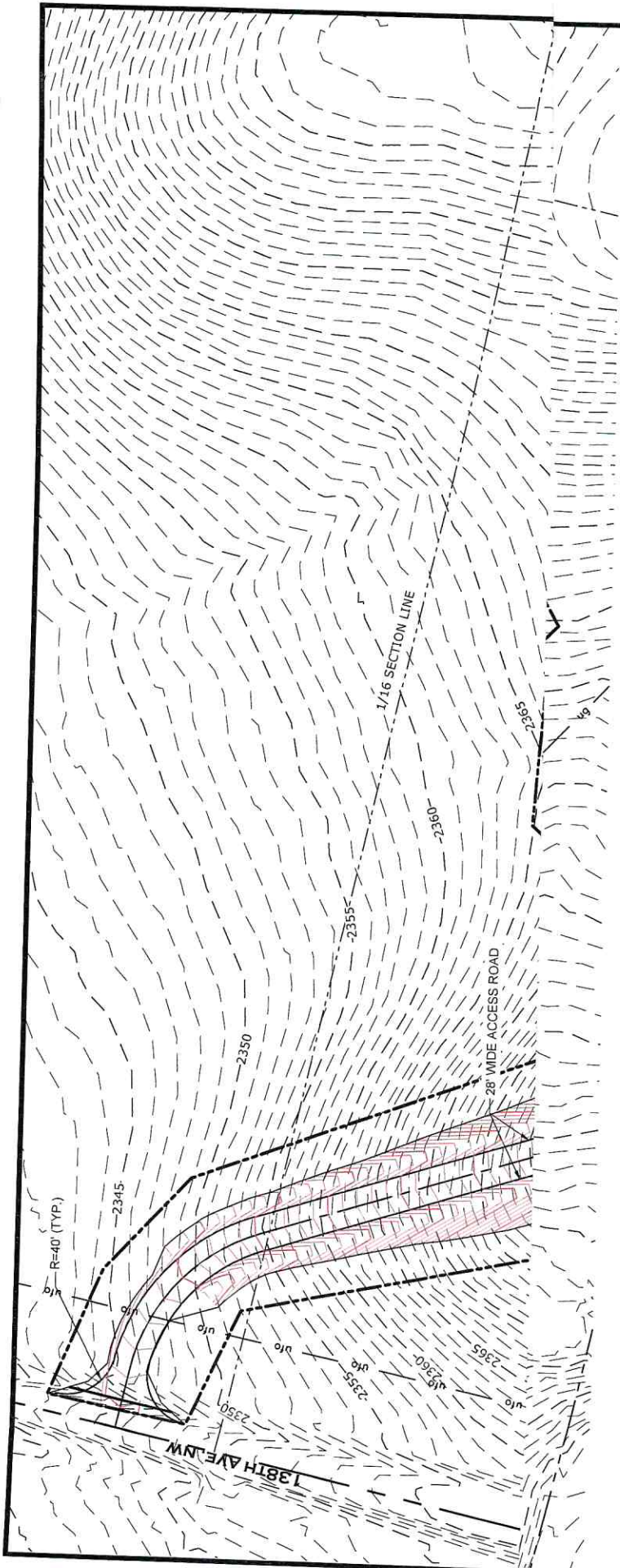
TESTIMONY

- DMR permitted 706 sites in 2024
- Require extra time from field staff we currently do not have to do predisturbance on-site inspections on approximately 706 new sites per year to meet the requirements of this bill
- DMR has one Reclamation Supervisor and one Reclamation Specialist on staff with education and training on range/soil management
- Assuming 250 workdays per year equates to 2.8 predisturbance on-site meetings per day on average
- Would require several additional staff who understand what they are looking at with continued training

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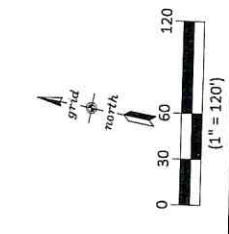
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SITE DATA	
PROPOSED CONST. LIMIT AREA:	±15.80 AC.
PROPOSED ROAD LENGTH:	±725 LF.

EARTHWORK QUANTITIES	
PAD & APPROACH	
TOPSOIL STRIPPING AT 6":	9,620 C.Y.
EXCAVATION AFTER STRIPPING:	87,750 C.Y.
EMBANKMENT + 25% SHRINK:	87,750 C.Y.
SPOIL:	0 C.Y.



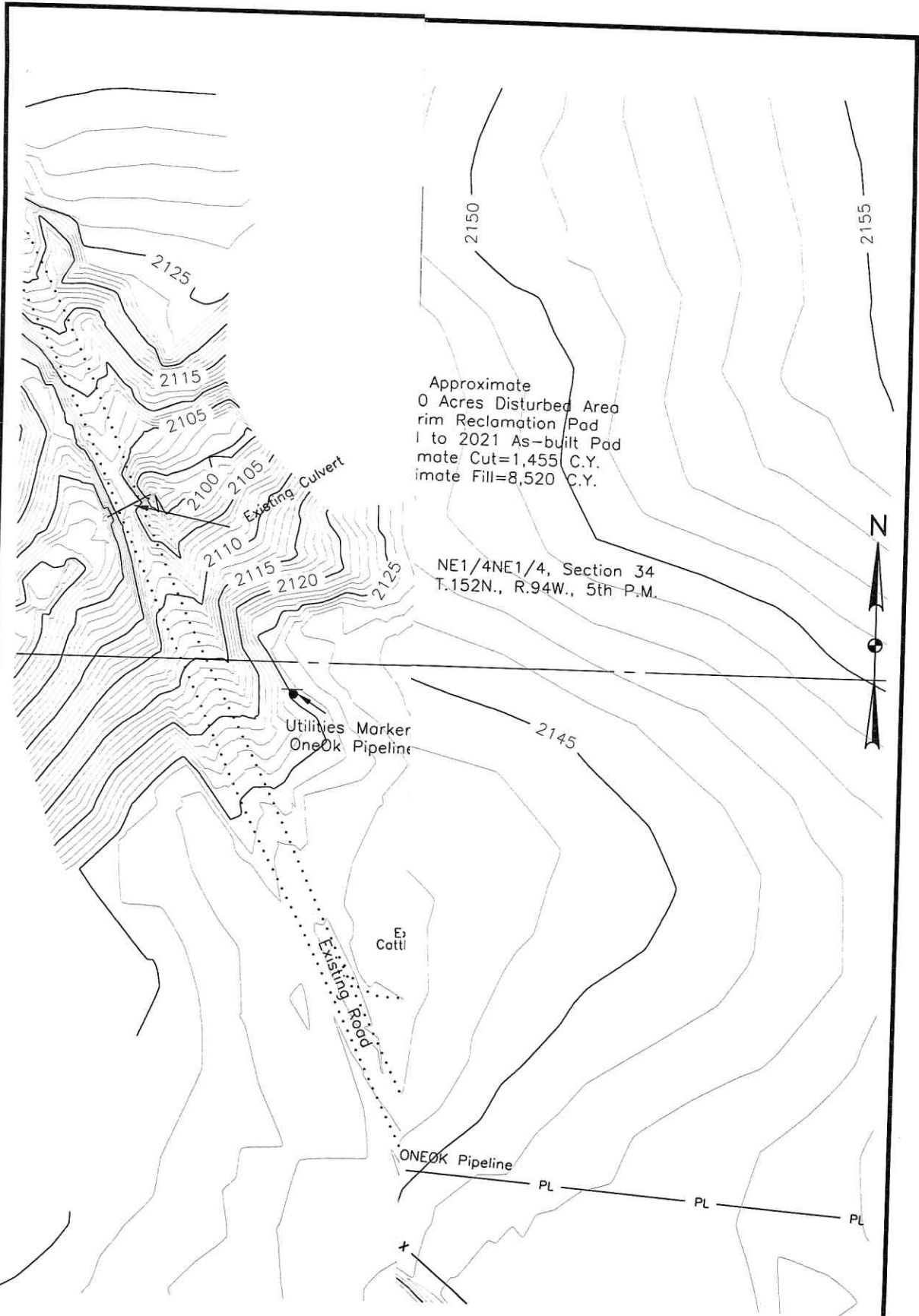
1001 FANNIN, SUITE 1500,
HOUSTON, TX 77002

NETSET
6844 Hwy 40
Tioga, ND 58852

PAD LOCATION		
LOT 2 SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 150N, RANGE 100W MCKENZIE COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA		
NO.	REVISIONS DESCRIPTION	DATE:

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PAD LAYOUT
BITTERROOT 5000 21-30



Computed & Drawn By B.C.	Surveyed By J.S.	Approved By E. H
Field Book OW-399	Material IR As-built	Revised 9/5/

