NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON DRAFT PERMIT
FOR A SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY UNDER
THE NORTH DAKOTA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RULES

FACILITY NAME: Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. – Milton R. Young Station – Permit 0159

APPLICANT: Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.
3401 24th Street SW
Center, ND 58530

BACKGROUND:

On June 30, 2022, the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (Department) received a permit application from Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc for the modification of an existing special waste surface impoundment and landfill facility permit.

Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. – Milton R. Young Station (Minnkota Power) currently owns and operates a surface impoundment to be closed with special waste in place, regulated under solid waste management facility Permit 0159 on approximately 211 acres located about five miles southeast of the City of Center in Sections 5 and 8 within Township 141N, R83W in Oliver County, ND. Minnkota Power is proposing to modify their permit to comply with the new coal combustion residual (CCR) rules that became effective July 1, 2020. The facility was first permitted in 1995 and began accepting waste in 1997.

The Department believes that a permit which meets the requirements of the North Dakota Solid Waste Management Rules and is protective of human health and the environment can be issued to Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. and has prepared a Draft Permit for public review and comment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND HEARING

As required by Section 33.1-20-03.1-03 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, the Draft Permit will be available for public review and comment for thirty (30) days following publication of the Public Notice. The public comment period begins September 1, 2022 and ends September 30, 2022. During that period, any interested person may submit written comments and request a public hearing by stating the nature of the specific issues to be raised. A fifteen (15) day notice will be provided before any hearing is scheduled. The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality will consider all comments prior to taking any action on the permit. Comments, questions and written communication should be directed to:

Charles R. Hyatt, Director
North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality
Division of Waste Management
4201 Normandy Street
Bismarck, ND 58503

Comments may also be sent via e-mail to solidwaste@nd.gov.

The Draft Permit and Permit Application are available for review during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality,
The Department will consider every request for reasonable accommodation to provide an accessible meeting facility or other accommodation for people with disabilities, language interpretation for people with limited English proficiency (LEP), and translations of written material necessary to access programs and information. To request accommodations, contact Jennifer Skjod, Acting Non-discrimination Coordinator at 701-328-5226 or jskjod@nd.gov. TTY users may use Relay North Dakota at 711 or 1-800-366-6888.