
Specifications/Quote Package
for
Whetstone River Restoration
2026 Tree Clearing Project

Prepared for the
UPPER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
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by



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PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

NOTICE

The Upper Minnesota River Watershed District (UMRWD) is requesting quotes for the Whetstone River Restoration – 2026 Tree Clearing Project. The project is south of Ortonville, MN and US HWY 12 and along the Whetstone River Diversion channel between 488th Ave and Big Stone CR15.

The UMRWD Director will receive quotes at their office located at 211 2nd Street Southeast Ortonville, MN 56728 or via email at Amber@umrwd.org until 2:00 PM CST on Monday February 2, 2026.

Contact:

Amber Doschadis (UMRWD Director)
Amber@umrwd.org
Office Phone: (320) 839-3411

DEFINITION OF TERMS

Owner: Upper Minnesota River Watershed District

Engineer: Houston Engineering, Inc. (HEI)

GOVERNING SPECIFICATIONS

The Work will conform to the 2025 Edition of the Minnesota Department of Transportation “Standard Specification for Construction” (MnDOT Specification) accept as explicitly noted herein

No materials and/or products are expected to be supplied for this project.

Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract (2018 Version), prepared by Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee (EJCDC).

CONTRACTORS work shall comply with all local, state and federal laws.

PROJECT SUMMARY

Work will involve clearing of trees as denoted in the plans and marked onsite. Location of cleared trees and or burn locations will be subject to Owner/Engineer approval.

TIME OF COMPLETION

The anticipated work schedule is from the day the quote package is accepted to April 1st, 2026. **The Contractor will have until April 1st to substantially complete the project.** The April 1st deadline corresponds to the start of the Northern Long-Eared Bats active season during which tree clearing activities are strictly prohibited. The Contractor shall complete all ancillary/quote alternatives (if selected) work aside from tree clearing activities to ready the project for final payment prior to the onset of non-frozen site conditions.

CONTRACTORS USE OF PREMISES

Contractor shall limit damage to site access routes. Restoration of site access routes to the pre-project condition is considered incidental to the project.

Contractor shall limit use of site for the Work specified herein, for temporary storage, and for access, and as

coordinated with the Owner, Engineer, and Landowners.

The contractor shall perform operations carefully and in such a manner as to protect existing structures, underground facilities, and utilities. Obstructions not shown on the Project Drawings may exist and shall be exposed by CONTRACTOR without damage. CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for damage to existing structures, underground Facilities, and utilities resulting from CONTRACTOR'S operations (unless otherwise noted within the project plans and specifications), and shall repair or replace damaged items to OWNER'S satisfaction. Special care should be taken to protect existing roadways. **The CONTRACTOR is also responsible for calling/coordinating utility locating services for project utility locations before starting construction.**

Access to the project site shall be from 488th Ave and Big Stone CR15 (shown on Project Plans) provided in **Attachment C.**

1. SCOPE OF WORK

A. MOBILIZATION

Work specified in this section will be lump sum (LUMP SUM). Payment shall not exceed one-half (1/2) of the total cost for the first pay request and shall not exceed ninety percent (90%) prior to final payment. Work for this item includes, but is not limited to:

- Movement of equipment onto the site.
- Locate and protect existing utilities and other site features.
- General site preparation.
- Communications with OWNER and OWNER'S Representative (ENGINEER)
- On-site project meetings
- Submittals (Tree Stacking/Stockpiling Plan)
- Health & Safety costs
- Insurance costs
- Demobilization
- Site cleanup and restoration of project area throughout duration of project and upon project completion.
- Removal and disposal of misc metal/equipment as noted on the Tree Management Plan

This work is scheduled to be completed during frozen conditions and not subject to impacts from land disturbing activities associated with NPDES/SWPPP compliance. A NPDES SWPPP and related permit coverage will not be required for this project.

B. TREE FELLING

Work specified in this section will be reimbursed by the per acre (ACRE) of tree felling area. This section includes the work and materials required to limb, log and fell trees as specified in the plans and markings placed onsite. Flush cut stumps within 6-inches of the ground surface. Removal of stump/root system/root bulbs is not required for this project. For purposes of this contract woody growth/vegetation is considered a tree if the main stem exceeds 4-inches in diameter as measured at the base at a height of 24-inches from the ground surface.

NOTE: Trees identified to save are denoted by an "S" painted on the trunk of the tree. See construction staking below. The Contractor is encouraged to walk the site to better understand the project scope and site conditions. Prior to walking/accessing the site please notify the Owner (Amber Doschadis (UMRWD Director) per the contact info provided above.

C. QUOTE ALTERNATIVES

i. Three (3) quote alternatives have been identified on the quote form.

a. ALTERNATIVE 1: TREE CLEARING, MOVING AND STACKING/STOCKPILING

Work specified in this section will be lump sum (LUMP SUM). The work includes moving the downed/felled trees, including existing downed trees into organized stacks/stockpiles as necessary for future construction access. The locations of proposed stacks/stockpiled trees will be based on Contractor suggestion/recommendation subject to Owner approval. The Contractor shall submit a tree stacking/stockpiling plan to the Owner for approval prior to the work being completed. At a minimum the proposed locations of stacks/stockpiles shall not be placed in locations that hinder or burden the construction of future project elements and/or create project access complications. Tree stacks/stockpiles are prohibited from placement within the grading limits of the proposed restoration channel.

b. ALTERNATIVE 2: GRUBBING

Work specified in this section will be reimbursed by the per acre (ACRE) of grubbing area. The work includes the removal of brush & shrubbery from within the tree felling areas. For purposes of this contract grubbing is defined as the removal of woody materials with a main stem less than 4-inches in diameter as measured at the base at a height of 24-inches from the ground surface. Similar to the tree felling work grubbing operations shall consist of cutting woody debris within 6-inches of the ground surface.

c. ALTERNATIVE 3: BURNING OF WOODY DEBRIS

Work specified in this section will be lump sum (LUMP SUM). The work includes burning of cleared trees previously placed in stacked/stockpiles and grubbed materials including brush and shrubbery. Any required local permits, including but not limited to the City of Ortonville, must be obtained prior to burning. Acquisition of permits and applicable conditions/restrictions are the responsibility of the Contractor. Avoid burning in windy conditions or conditions that would cause the burning to be a nuisance to nearby landowners. The Engineer/Owner shall be notified prior to burning activities.

D. Quotes will be evaluated and a contract award made to the lowest quote, inclusive of selected alternatives if applicable, from a responsive and responsible Contractor deemed to be in the best interest of the Owner and as allowed by project budget.

E. Prevailing Wage

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes sections 177.41 to 177.44 and corresponding Minnesota Rules 5200.1000 to 5200.1120, this Contract is subject to the prevailing wages as

established by the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry (provided in **Attachment B** herein and made part of this agreement).

Specifically, Contractor and all subcontractors must pay all laborers and mechanics the established prevailing wages for work performed under the contract. Failure to comply with the aforementioned may result in civil or criminal penalties. Owner shall demand and the Contractor and all subcontractors shall furnish to the contracting agency, copies of any or all payrolls not more than 14 days after the end of each pay period.

Additional information on prevailing wage requirements is available on the Department of Labor and Industry (DOLI) website at <http://www.dli.mn.gov/business/employment-practices/prevaling-wage-information>. Questions about the application of prevailing wage rates should be directed to DOLI at 651-284-5091.

2. CONSTRUCTION STAKING

The Engineer has provided tree markings and/or stakes corresponding to the two areas denoted in the plans. Area one (1) indicates an area of trees to be saved which is denoted by tree markings and/or ribbon delineating a boundary onsite. Area two (2) indicates the clearing of all trees and brush unless the tree is marked as save with an “S” marking. Some trees may have two (2) markings, an “S” and an “X” indicating saving a tree while removing a limb or separate trunk. A pre-con meeting will be held onsite to clarify the removal areas. A list of trees to be saved out on the project site is included in **Table 1** below.

Table 1: Tree Preservation Table

Tree Preservation Table	
Species*	Quantity
Ash	14
Boxelder	69
Cottonwood	4
Hackberry	16
Oak	1
Poplar	23
Total	127

**Species is approximate based on field survey*

The engineer may also provide stakes for an area that is not to be disturbed. This is the waste remediation cover area as denoted on the plans. No tracking of equipment, staging or stacking of removed trees or vegetative materials is allowed in this area.

CONTRACTOR shall conduct operations so as to preserve benchmarks, survey reference points, and stakes, existing or established by Engineer for the construction and so as to conform the Work to horizontal specifications in the Contract Drawings and Technical Specifications. CONTRACTOR will be charged the expense of repairing or replacing survey markers and shall be responsible for mistakes

or lost time that result due to damage or destruction of survey markers due to CONTRACTOR'S operations.

It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to periodically check the stakes/survey markings for accuracy as construction proceeds, and to construct the Work in conformance with the Contract Drawings and Technical Specifications.

The Owner is aware of the density of existing trees on the project site. The Contractor shall make reasonable attempts avoid damage to trees delineated to be saved. The Contractor shall coordinate with the Owner to communicate that various trees slated to be saved may not be possible based on safety concerns. This communication shall take place prior to the work being completed.

3. UTILITIES

The Contractor will be responsible to protect all utilities within the construction limits, whether or not they are shown on the Plans. The Contractor is responsible for contacting the applicable utility location services. Any utilities damaged or disturbed by the Contractor's operation shall be repaired by the Contractor, at its expense, to the satisfaction of the Utility Owner and the Owner or Owner's Representative (Engineer).

4. TRAFFIC CONTROL

The Contractor shall be responsible for all traffic control within areas subject to construction operations and is considered incidental to the project. The Contractor must ensure the landowner has access. The Contractor is responsible for coordination and must notify the landowner 1 week before starting work.

5. QUOTE, PAYMENT, AND PERFORMANCE BONDS

No bid bond is required for this project.
Construction Payment and Performance bonds are not required.

6. INSURANCE

The Contractor and Subcontractors shall maintain insurance for Comprehensive Public Liability and Broad Form Property Damage, Comprehensive Automobile Public Liability and Property Damage, Contractual Liability, Completed Operations Liability and Explosion, Collapse and Underground Property Damage. The provisions must include coverage for Bodily Injury Liability which includes bodily injury claims from the Contractor's and Subcontractors' employees.

As evidence of required coverage, the Contractor will furnish an original Certificate of Insurance to the appropriate District representative before work commences. Coverage needs to be in force for the complete term of the contract. If insurance expires during the term of the contract, a new certificate must be received by the District at least ten (10) days prior to the expiration of this insurance. The Certificate will include a minimum 60-day written notice of intent to cancel, suspend or reduce coverage.

Minimum coverage shall be as follows:

A. COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

The Minimum Limits of Liability will be:
\$3,000,000 General Aggregate
\$3,000,000 Products and Completed Operations Aggregate
\$1,000,000 Personal Injury & Advertising Injury
\$1,500,000 Each Occurrence
\$ 100,000 Fire Damage Limit
\$ 5,000 Medical Expense
The policy will be written on an Occurrence basis, not a Claims-Made basis.

B. AUTO LIABILITY INSURANCE

The Minimum Limits of Liability will be:
Bodily Injury: \$1,500,000 per person/\$1,500,000 per Occurrence
Property Damage: \$1,500,000 each Occurrence
OR a Combined Single Limit of \$1,500,000
The Auto coverage will include the following:
Any Auto, Hired and Non-Owned
The District will be listed as an Additional Insured

C. WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND LIABILITY INSURANCE (IF APPLICABLE)

The Workers' Compensation limits are to be statutory per applicable State and Federal laws. The Employer's Liability Coverage:
Minimum Limits of:
Bodily Injury by Accident: \$500,000 each accident
Bodily Injury by Disease: \$500,000 each employee
Bodily Injury by Disease: \$500,000 policy limit

D. EXCESS/UMBRELLA LIABILITY INSURANCE

An Umbrella or Excess Liability insurance policy may be used to supplement the Contractor's policy limits to satisfy the full policy limits required by the Contract.
The policy will be written on an occurrence basis, not a claims-made basis.
The District will be listed as an Additional Insured.

The insurance policy or policies required shall include the interests of the Owner (Upper Minnesota River Watershed District), the Engineer, and applicable Landowners, all of whom shall be listed as insured or additional insured parties with primary coverage.

The insurance required shall include policy or policies which afford coverage to damage to property of others arising out of the perils of construction. All responsibility for payment of any sums resulting from any deductible profession, corridor, or self-insured retention conditions of the policy or policies shall remain with the Contractor.

These insurance requirements are not to be construed as recommended or maximum amounts. Contractor is solely responsible for determining the appropriate limits of insurance coverage for injuries or damages resulting from the performance of the work under the Contract Documents.

Notwithstanding the availability of, or limits on, or deductible provisions in, any insurance provided by the Contractor, Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Owner and Engineer from any and all claims or causes of action alleged to arise from or on account of acts or omissions of Contractor, its officers, employees, agents or subcontractors, in performing the work called for in the Contract Documents.

Contractor shall furnish with the certificate(s) of insurance copies of all endorsements providing additional insured status of Owner and Engineer.

7. HEALTH AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with generally accepted construction practices, the Contractor shall be solely and completely responsible for job site conditions and safety procedures and programs, including safety and health of all persons and property, on those portions of the site affected by or used by Contractor, Contractor's employees, subcontractors, agents, and others during performance of the Work. This requirement will apply continuously and not be limited to normal working hours. Observation of the Work and Contractor's performance by Owner and Engineer is not intended to include review of the adequacy of the Contractor's safety and health procedures and programs on or near the construction site. The Contractor is solely responsible for the protection of property and the safety and health of its employees, Subcontractors, Suppliers, agents and others on or near the site.

All costs to comply with the requirements of this Section of the Specifications shall be considered to be included in the Contract Price and no additional compensation will be provided.

8. MESUREMENT AND BASIS OF PAYMENT

The price on the Proposal Form shall include all Work necessary to complete the Work, including furnishing all materials, machinery, supplies and appurtenances; providing all construction equipment and tools; and performing all necessary labor, coordination, supervision, and management to fully complete the Work shall be included in the unit prices quoted on the Proposal Form.

All quantities for Unit Price items in the Proposal Form are to be used only as a basis for determining the quote Contract Price. The actual amount of Work completed or materials to be furnished under the Unit Price items may differ from the estimated quantities. The basis of payment for work or materials furnished or placed will be the actual amount of Work completed unless designated as a Plan Quantity.

9. PROJECT CLOSEOUT

CONTRACTOR shall promptly remove from the vicinity of the completed work, all rubbish, unused materials, construction equipment, used during construction. CONTRACTOR must also submit their IC 134 withhold affidavit. Final acceptance of the work by the OWNER will be withheld until the CONTRACTOR has satisfactorily performed the final cleanup of the project site.

10. CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS

The Contractor is familiar with the nature and extent of the Work, site locality, and all local conditions and Laws and Regulations that may affect the project.

The Contractor agrees to take full responsibility for any damage to public or private property caused by him during all phases of construction and agrees that the Owner will not be held liable for any said damage.

11. DISCLAIMER

This RFQ does not obligate the Owner to award a contract or complete the project. The Owner reserves the right to amend or cancel Quotes at any time if the best interest of the Owner requires such action. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all quotes and to waive informalities and minor irregularities in quotes received and to accept any portion of a proposal if deemed in the best interest of the Owner.

QUOTE

Quote Submitted to: Amber Doschadis – Upper Minnesota River Watershed District Director
211 2nd Street SE, Ortonville, MN 56278

Attn: Whetstone River Restoration – 2026 Tree Clearing Project

Project: Whetstone River Restoration - 2026 Tree Clearing

Quotes Due: **Before 2:00 PM CST on Monday February 2, 2026.**

Email submissions are acceptable to: **Amber@umrwd.org** It is the contractor's responsibility to verify that email submissions are received.

Quotes shall include submittal of completed proposal form and responsible contractor documentation (Attachment A & Attachment A-1).

STIPULATED AMOUNT: The Undersigned hereby proposes and agrees to furnish all the necessary labor, materials, equipment, tools and services necessary for the Whetstone River Restoration – 2026 Tree Clearing Project, all in accordance with the Plans, Specifications and other Contract Documents prepared by Houston Engineering, Inc., 7550 Meridian Circle North, Suite 120, Maple Grove, Minnesota, 55369 for the prices shown below.

KNOWLEDGE OF LOCAL CONDITIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: The Undersigned has examined the location of the proposed work, the Plans, Specifications and other Contract Documents and is familiar with the local conditions at the place where the work is to be performed.

CONTRACT TIME: If awarded the Contract, the Undersigned agrees to complete work by the timeline specified in the Specifications.

QUOTE SUBMITTALS AND SELECTION

The selection and award of the project will not be solely based on low quote, but also on ability to complete the work in a timely manner.

The Owner reserves the right to direct the work according to this specification or owner preferences, which may result in a change to the submitted work plan.

QUOTE FORM

ITEM NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QTY	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
1	Mobilization	LUMP SUM	1		
2	Tree Felling	ACRE	8.56		
3	Alternative 1: Tree Clearing, Moving and stacking/stockpiling	LUMP SUM	1		
4	Alternative 2: Grubbing	ACRE	8.56		
5	Alternative 3: Burning of Woody Debris	LUMP SUM	1		
Total:					

CONTRACTOR

BY

BUSINESS ADDRESS:

TITLE

RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTOR VERIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

(Attachment A)

Minnesota Statutes, Section [16C.285](#), subdivision 3. **Responsible Contractor, Minimum Criteria.** “Responsible Contractor” means a contractor that conforms to the responsibility requirements in the solicitation document for its portion of the work on the project and verifies that it meets the minimum criteria set forth below. Each contractor or subcontractor shall obtain from all subcontractors with which it will have a direct contractual relationship a signed statement under oath by an owner or officer verifying that they meet all of the minimum criteria in subdivision 3 prior to execution of a construction contract with each subcontractor.

1. The Contractor:

- i. is in compliance with workers' compensation and unemployment insurance requirements;
- ii. is in compliance with the Department of Revenue and the Department of Employment and Economic Development registration requirements if it has employees;
- iii. has a valid federal tax identification number or a valid Social Security number if an individual; and
- iv. has filed a certificate of authority to transact business in Minnesota with the secretary of state if a foreign corporation or cooperative.

2. The contractor or related entity is in compliance with and, during the three-year period before submitting verification, has not violated section [177.24](#), [177.25](#), [177.41](#) to [177.44](#), [181.13](#), [181.14](#), or [181.722](#), and has not violated United States Code, [title 29, sections 201 to 219](#), or United States Code, [title 40, section 3141 to 3148](#). For purposes of this clause, a violation occurs when a contractor or related entity:

- i. repeatedly fails to pay statutorily required wages or penalties on one or more separate projects for a total underpayment of \$25,000 or more within the three-year period, provided that a failure to pay is “repeated” only if it involves two or more separate and distinct occurrences of underpayment during the three-year period;
- ii. has been issued an order to comply by the commissioner of labor and industry that has become final;
- iii. has been issued at least two determination letters within the three-year period by the Department of Transportation finding an underpayment by the contractor or related entity to its own employees;
- iv. has been found by the commissioner of labor and industry to have repeatedly or willfully violated any of the sections referenced in this clause pursuant to section [177.27](#);
- v. has been issued a ruling or findings of underpayment by the administrator of the Wage and Hour Division of the United States Department of Labor that have become final or have been upheld by an administrative law judge or the Administrative Review Board; or
- vi. has been found liable for underpayment of wages or penalties or misrepresenting a construction worker as an independent contractor in an action brought in a court having jurisdiction.

3. The contractor or related entity is in compliance with and, during the three-year period before submitting the verification, has not violated section [181.723](#) or chapter [326B](#). For purposes of this clause, a violation occurs when a contractor or related entity has been issued a final administrative or licensing order;*

4. The contractor or related entity has not, more than twice during the three-year period before submitting the verification, had a certificate of compliance under section [363A.36](#) revoked or suspended based on the provisions of section [363A.36](#), with the revocation or suspension

becoming final because it was upheld by the Office of Administrative Hearings or was not appealed to the office;*

- 5. The contractor or related entity has not received a final determination assessing a monetary sanction from the Department of Administration or Transportation for failure to meet targeted group business, disadvantaged business enterprise, or veteran-owned business goals, due to a lack of good faith effort, more than once during the three-year period before submitting the verification; and*
- 6. The contractor or related entity is not currently suspended or debarred by the federal government or the state of Minnesota or any of its departments, commissions, agencies, or political subdivisions that have authority to debar a contractor.

Certification

By signing this document, I am certifying that I am an owner or officer of the contractor and am verifying under oath that:

- 1. Contractor is in compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section [16C.285](#),**
- 2. I have included Attachment A-1, and**
- 3. if contractor is awarded a contract, I or another owner or officer will also submit supporting documentation, prior to execution of the contract if subcontractors are subsequently added to the project.**

_____ Contractor Company Name	_____ Date
_____ Authorized Signature of Owner or Officer	_____ Printed Name
_____ Title	

ATTACHMENT A-1:FIRST-TIER SUBCONTRACTOR LIST
(Initial List)

SUBMIT WITH CONTRACTOR SOLICITATION RESPONSE

Minnesota Statutes, Section [16C.285](#), subdivision 5. A prime contractor or subcontractor shall include in its verification of compliance . . . a list of all of its first-tier subcontractors that it intends to retain for work on the project.

NAMES OF FIRST TIER SUBCONTRACTORS (Legal name of company as registered with the Secretary of State)	Company Address	Work To Be Performed

CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made the ____ day of _____ in the year Two Thousand and _____ by and between _____, hereinafter called the Contractor, and The Upper Minnesota River Watershed District, hereinafter called the Owner.

WITNESSETH, that the Contractor and the Owner for the considerations hereinafter named agree as follows:

STIPULATED AMOUNT: The Undersigned Contractor hereby proposes and agrees to furnish all the necessary labor, materials, equipment, tools and services necessary for the Whetstone River Restoration Tree Clearing PROJECT, all in accordance with the Plans, Specifications and other Contract Documents prepared by Houston Engineering, Inc., for the prices shown herein.

The Owner shall pay the Contractor for the performance of the contract, subject to additions and deductions therein, in current funds as follows:

WRITTEN (\$ _____)

KNOWLEDGE OF LOCAL CONDITIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: The Undersigned Contractor has examined the location of the proposed work, the Plans, Specifications and other Contract Documents and is familiar with the nature of the work, and local conditions at the place where the work is to be performed.

QUALIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTOR: The Undersigned Contractor is experienced and skilled in in the nature of the work and agrees to guarantee performance of all work and to renew or repair any work that may be rejected due to defective materials or workmanship prior to final completion and acceptance by the Owner.

MISCELLANEOUS: The Contractor and the Owner agree that all the terms of this Agreement shall be binding upon themselves, their heirs, administrators, executors, legal and personal representatives, successors and assigns. The Contractor shall not use any subcontractors unless approved by the Owner.

This Agreement is entered into under and pursuant to the laws of the State of Minnesota and shall in all respects be construed in accordance with the laws of said State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this instrument under their several seals this ____ day of _____, 21____, the name and corporate seal of each corporate party being hereto affixed and these presents duly signed by its undersigned representative, pursuant to authority of its governing body.

Owner: Upper Minnesota River Watershed District
Owner's Signature Date

Contractor:
Contractor's Signature Date

PRINTED NAME

PRINTED NAME

TITLE

TITLE

BUSINESS ADDRESS:

CITY STATE ZIP CO

ATTACHMENT B

Prevailing Wage

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY PREVAILING WAGES FOR STATE FUNDED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS



THIS NOTICE MUST BE POSTED ON THE JOBSITE IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE

Construction Type: Highway and Heavy

Region Number: 04

Counties within region:

- BECKER-03
- BIG STONE-06
- CLAY-14
- DOUGLAS-21
- GRANT-26
- MAHNOMEN-43
- OTTERTAIL-56
- POPE-61
- STEVENS-75
- SWIFT-76
- TRAVERSE-78
- WILKIN-84

Effective: 2025-11-03 Revised: 2025-12-01

This project is covered by Minnesota prevailing wage statutes. Wage rates listed below are the minimum hourly rates to be paid on this project.

All hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours per day or forty (40) hours per week shall be paid at a rate of one and one half (1 1/2) times the basic hourly rate. *Note: Overtime pay after eight (8) hours on the project must be paid even if the worker does not exceed forty (40) hours in the work week.*

Violations on MnDOT highways and road projects should be reported to:

Department of Transportation
Office of Construction
Transportation Building MS650
John Ireland Blvd
St. Paul, MN 55155
(651) 366-4209

All other prevailing wage violations and questions should be sent to:

Department of Labor and Industry
Prevailing Wage Section
443 Lafayette Road N
St Paul, MN 55155
(651) 284-5091
DLI.PrevWage@state.mn.us

LABOR CODE AND CLASS	EFFECT DATE	BASIC RATE	FRINGE RATE	TOTAL RATE
LABORERS (101 - 112) (SPECIAL CRAFTS 701 - 730)				
101 LABORER, COMMON (GENERAL LABOR WORK)	2025-11-03	34.50	24.26	58.76
102 LABORER, SKILLED (ASSISTING SKILLED CRAFT JOURNEYMAN)	2025-11-03	34.50	24.26	58.76

LABOR CODE AND CLASS		EFFECT DATE	BASIC RATE	FRINGE RATE	TOTAL RATE
103	LABORER, LANDSCAPING (GARDENER, SOD LAYER AND NURSERY OPERATOR)	2025-11-03	25.00	2.00	27.00
104	FLAG PERSON	2025-11-03	24.04	18.05	42.09
105	WATCH PERSON	FOR RATE CALL 651-284-5091 OR EMAIL DLLPREVWAGE@STATE.MN.US			
106	BLASTER	FOR RATE CALL 651-284-5091 OR EMAIL DLLPREVWAGE@STATE.MN.US			
107	PIPELAYER (WATER, SEWER AND GAS)	2025-11-03	38.00	24.26	62.26
108	TUNNEL MINER	FOR RATE CALL 651-284-5091 OR EMAIL DLLPREVWAGE@STATE.MN.US			
109	UNDERGROUND AND OPEN DITCH LABORER (EIGHT FEET BELOW STARTING GRADE LEVEL)	2025-11-03	36.00	24.26	60.26
110	SURVEY FIELD TECHNICIAN (OPERATE TOTAL STATION, GPS RECEIVER, LEVEL, ROD OR RANGE POLES, STEEL TAPE MEASUREMENT; MARK AND DRIVE STAKES; HAND OR POWER DIGGING FOR AND IDENTIFICATION OF MARKERS OR MONUMENTS; PERFORM AND CHECK CALCULATIONS; REVIEW AND UNDERSTAND CONSTRUCTION PLANS AND LAND SURVEY MATERIALS). THIS CLASSIFICATION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE WORK PERFORMED ON A PREVAILING WAGE PROJECT BY A LAND SURVEYOR WHO IS LICENSED PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTIONS 326.02 TO 326.15.	2025-11-03	21.39	14.90	36.29
111	TRAFFIC CONTROL PERSON (TEMPORARY SIGNAGE)	2025-11-03	23.04	17.10	40.14
112	QUALITY CONTROL TESTER (FIELD AND COVERED OFF-SITE FACILITIES; TESTING OF AGGREGATE, ASPHALT, AND CONCRETE MATERIALS); LIMITED TO MN DOT HIGHWAY AND HEAVY	2025-11-03	22.00	8.84	30.84

LABOR CODE AND CLASS		EFFECT DATE	BASIC RATE	FRINGE RATE	TOTAL RATE
CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS WHERE THE MN DOT HAS RETAINED QUALITY ASSURANCE PROFESSIONALS TO REVIEW AND INTERPRET THE RESULTS OF QUALITY CONTROL TESTERS. SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CONTRACTOR.					
SPECIAL EQUIPMENT (201 - 204)					
201	ARTICULATED HAULER	2025-11-03	40.00	26.40	66.40
202	BOOM TRUCK	2025-11-03	37.75	29.17	66.92
		2026-05-04	38.83	30.77	69.60
203	LANDSCAPING EQUIPMENT, INCLUDES HYDRO SEEDER OR MULCHER, SOD ROLLER, FARM TRACTOR WITH ATTACHMENT SPECIFICALLY SEEDING, SODDING, OR PLANT, AND TWO-FRAMED FORKLIFT (EXCLUDING FRONT, POSIT-TRACK, AND SKID STEER LOADERS), NO EARTHWORK OR GRADING FOR ELEVATIONS	2025-11-03	27.00	2.00	29.00
204	OFF-ROAD TRUCK	2025-11-03	51.13	3.48	54.61
205	PAVEMENT MARKING OR MARKING REMOVAL EQUIPMENT (ONE OR TWO PERSON OPERATORS); SELF-PROPELLED TRUCK OR TRAILER MOUNTED UNITS.	2025-11-03	35.00	13.24	48.24
HIGHWAY/HEAVY POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATOR					
GROUP 2		2025-11-03	36.03	29.17	65.20
		2026-05-04	37.04	30.77	67.81
302	HELICOPTER PILOT (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)				
303	CONCRETE PUMP (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)				
304	ALL CRANES WITH OVER 135-FOOT BOOM, EXCLUDING JIB (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)				
305	DAGLINE, CRAWLER, HYDRAULIC BACKHOE (TRACK OR WHEEL MOUNTED) AND/OR OTHER SIMILAR EQUIPMENT WITH SHOVEL-TYPE CONTROLS THREE CUBIC YARDS AND OVER MANUFACTURER.S RATED CAPACITY INCLUDING ALL ATTACHMENTS. (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)				
306	GRADER OR MOTOR PATROL				
307	PILE DRIVING (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)				

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308	TUGBOAT 100 H.P. AND OVER WHEN LICENSE REQUIRED (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
GROUP 3	2025-11-03	34.96	29.17	64.13
	2026-05-04	35.93	30.77	66.70
309	ASPHALT BITUMINOUS STABILIZER PLANT			
310	CABLEWAY			
311	CONCRETE MIXER, STATIONARY PLANT (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
312	DERRICK (GUY OR STIFFLEG)(POWER)(SKIDS OR STATIONARY) (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
313	DRAGLINE, CRAWLER, HYDRAULIC BACKHOE (TRACK OR WHEEL MOUNTED) AND/OR SIMILAR EQUIPMENT WITH SHOVEL-TYPE CONTROLS, UP TO THREE CUBIC YARDS MANUFACTURER.S RATED CAPACITY INCLUDING ALL ATTACHMENTS (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
314	DREDGE OR ENGINEERS, DREDGE (POWER) AND ENGINEER			
315	FRONT END LOADER, FIVE CUBIC YARDS AND OVER INCLUDING ATTACHMENTS. (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
316	LOCOMOTIVE CRANE OPERATOR			
317	MIXER (PAVING) CONCRETE PAVING, ROAD MOLE, INCLUDING MUCKING OPERATIONS, CONWAY OR SIMILAR TYPE			
318	MECHANIC . WELDER ON POWER EQUIPMENT (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
319	TRACTOR . BOOM TYPE (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
320	TANDEM SCRAPER			
321	TRUCK CRANE . CRAWLER CRANE (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
322	TUGBOAT 100 H.P AND OVER (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
GROUP 4	2025-11-03	34.60	29.17	63.77
	2026-05-04	35.55	30.77	66.32
323	AIR TRACK ROCK DRILL			
324	AUTOMATIC ROAD MACHINE (CMI OR SIMILAR) (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
325	BACKFILLER OPERATOR			
326	CONCRETE BATCH PLANT OPERATOR (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
327	BITUMINOUS ROLLERS, RUBBER TIRED OR STEEL DRUMMED (EIGHT TONS AND OVER)			
328	BITUMINOUS SPREADER AND FINISHING MACHINES (POWER), INCLUDING PAVERS, MACRO SURFACING AND MICRO SURFACING, OR SIMILAR TYPES (OPERATOR AND SCREED PERSON)			
329	BROKK OR R.T.C. REMOTE CONTROL OR SIMILAR TYPE WITH ALL ATTACHMENTS			
330	CAT CHALLENGER TRACTORS OR SIMILAR TYPES PULLING ROCK WAGONS, BULLDOZERS AND SCRAPERS			
331	CHIP HARVESTER AND TREE CUTTER			
332	CONCRETE DISTRIBUTOR AND SPREADER FINISHING MACHINE, LONGITUDINAL FLOAT, JOINT MACHINE, AND SPRAY MACHINE			
333	CONCRETE MIXER ON JOBSITE (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
334	CONCRETE MOBIL (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
335	CRUSHING PLANT (GRAVEL AND STONE) OR GRAVEL WASHING, CRUSHING AND SCREENING PLANT			
336	CURB MACHINE			
337	DIRECTIONAL BORING MACHINE			

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338	DOPE MACHINE (PIPELINE)			
339	DRILL RIGS, HEAVY ROTARY OR CHURN OR CABLE DRILL (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
340	DUAL TRACTOR			
341	ELEVATING GRADER			
342	FORK LIFT OR STRADDLE CARRIER (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
343	FORK LIFT OR LUMBER STACKER (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
344	FRONT END, SKID STEER OVER 1 TO 5 C YD			
345	GPS REMOTE OPERATING OF EQUIPMENT			
346	HOIST ENGINEER (POWER) (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
347	HYDRAULIC TREE PLANTER			
348	LAUNCHER PERSON (TANKER PERSON OR PILOT LICENSE)			
349	LOCOMOTIVE (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
350	MILLING, GRINDING, PLANNING, FINE GRADE, OR TRIMMER MACHINE			
351	MULTIPLE MACHINES, SUCH AS AIR COMPRESSORS, WELDING MACHINES, GENERATORS, PUMPS (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
352	PAVEMENT BREAKER OR TAMPING MACHINE (POWER DRIVEN) MIGHTY MITE OR SIMILAR TYPE			
353	PICKUP SWEEPER, ONE CUBIC YARD AND OVER HOPPER CAPACITY(HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
354	PIPELINE WRAPPING, CLEANING OR BENDING MACHINE			
355	POWER PLANT ENGINEER, 100 KWH AND OVER (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
356	POWER ACTUATED HORIZONTAL BORING MACHINE, OVER SIX INCHES			
357	PUGMILL			
358	PUMPCRETE (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
359	RUBBER-TIRED FARM TRACTOR WITH BACKHOE INCLUDING ATTACHMENTS (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
360	SCRAPER			
361	SELF-PROPELLED SOIL STABILIZER			
362	SLIP FORM (POWER DRIVEN) (PAVING)			
363	TIE TAMPER AND BALLAST MACHINE			
364	TRACTOR, BULLDOZER (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
365	TRACTOR, WHEEL TYPE, OVER 50 H.P. WITH PTO UNRELATED TO LANDSCAPING (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
366	TRENCHING MACHINE (SEWER, WATER, GAS) EXCLUDES WALK BEHIND TRENCHER (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
367	TUB GRINDER, MORBARK, OR SIMILAR TYPE			
368	WELL POINT DISMANTLING OR INSTALLATION (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
GROUP 5	2025-11-03	32.64	29.17	61.81
	2026-05-04	33.51	30.77	64.28
369	AIR COMPRESSOR, 600 CFM OR OVER (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
370	BITUMINOUS ROLLER (UNDER EIGHT TONS)			
371	CONCRETE SAW (MULTIPLE BLADE) (POWER OPERATED)			

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372	FORM TRENCH DIGGER (POWER)			
373	FRONT END, SKID STEER UP TO 1C YD			
374	GUNITE GUNALL (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
375	HYDRAULIC LOG SPLITTER			
376	LOADER (BARBER GREENE OR SIMILAR TYPE)			
377	POST HOLE DRIVING MACHINE/POST HOLE AUGER			
378	POWER ACTUATED AUGER AND BORING MACHINE			
379	POWER ACTUATED JACK			
380	PUMP (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
381	SELF-PROPELLED CHIP SPREADER (FLAHERTY OR SIMILAR)			
382	SHEEP FOOT COMPACTOR WITH BLADE . 200 H.P. AND OVER			
383	SHOULDERING MACHINE (POWER) APSCO OR SIMILAR TYPE INCLUDING SELF-PROPELLED SAND AND CHIP SPREADER			
384	STUMP CHIPPER AND TREE CHIPPER			
385	TREE FARMER (MACHINE)			
GROUP 6	2025-11-03	31.95	29.17	61.12
	2026-05-04	32.79	30.77	63.56
387	CAT, CHALLENGER, OR SIMILAR TYPE OF TRACTORS, WHEN PULLING DISK OR ROLLER			
388	CONVEYOR (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
389	DREDGE DECK HAND			
390	FIRE PERSON OR TANK CAR HEATER (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
391	GRAVEL SCREENING PLANT (PORTABLE NOT CRUSHING OR WASHING)			
392	GREASER (TRACTOR) (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
393	LEVER PERSON			
394	OILER (POWER SHOVEL, CRANE, TRUCK CRANE, DRAGLINE, CRUSHERS, AND MILLING MACHINES, OR OTHER SIMILAR HEAVY EQUIPMENT) (HIGHWAY AND HEAVY ONLY)			
395	POWER SWEEPER			
396	SHEEP FOOT ROLLER AND ROLLERS ON GRAVEL COMPACTION, INCLUDING VIBRATING ROLLERS			
397	TRACTOR, WHEEL TYPE, OVER 50 H.P., UNRELATED TO LANDSCAPING			
TRUCK DRIVERS				
GROUP 1	2025-11-03	28.92	21.35	50.27
601	MECHANIC . WELDER			
602	TRACTOR TRAILER DRIVER			
603	TRUCK DRIVER (HAULING MACHINERY INCLUDING OPERATION OF HAND AND POWER OPERATED WINCHES)			
GROUP 2	2025-11-03	35.66	18.07	53.73
604	FOUR OR MORE AXLE UNIT, STRAIGHT BODY TRUCK			

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GROUP 3		2025-11-03	33.58	26.79	60.37
605	BITUMINOUS DISTRIBUTOR DRIVER				
606	BITUMINOUS DISTRIBUTOR (ONE PERSON OPERATION)				
607	THREE AXLE UNITS				
GROUP 4		2025-11-03	30.87	23.70	54.57
608	BITUMINOUS DISTRIBUTOR SPRAY OPERATOR (REAR AND OILER)				
609	DUMP PERSON				
610	GREASER				
611	PILOT CAR DRIVER				
612	RUBBER-TIRED, SELF-PROPELLED PACKER UNDER 8 TONS				
613	TWO AXLE UNIT				
614	SLURRY OPERATOR				
615	TANK TRUCK HELPER (GAS, OIL, ROAD OIL, AND WATER)				
616	TRACTOR OPERATOR, UNDER 50 H.P.				
SPECIAL CRAFTS					
701	HEATING AND FROST INSULATORS	2025-11-03	17.50	0.00	17.50
702	BOILERMAKERS	2025-11-03	48.35	31.93	80.28
703	BRICKLAYERS	2025-11-03	35.88	23.20	59.08
704	CARPENTERS	2025-11-03	40.67	29.69	70.36
		2026-05-01	43.48	29.69	73.17
705	CARPET LAYERS (LINOLEUM)	FOR RATE CALL 651-284-5091 OR EMAIL DLI.PREVVAGE@STATE.MN.US			
706	CEMENT MASONS	2025-11-03	47.57	25.72	73.29
707	ELECTRICIANS	2025-11-03	50.86	30.00	80.86
711	GROUND PERSON	2025-11-03	40.14	0.00	40.14
712	IRONWORKERS	2025-11-03	42.89	37.78	80.67
		2026-05-03	46.79	37.78	84.57
713	LINEMAN	2025-11-03	36.26	6.93	43.19

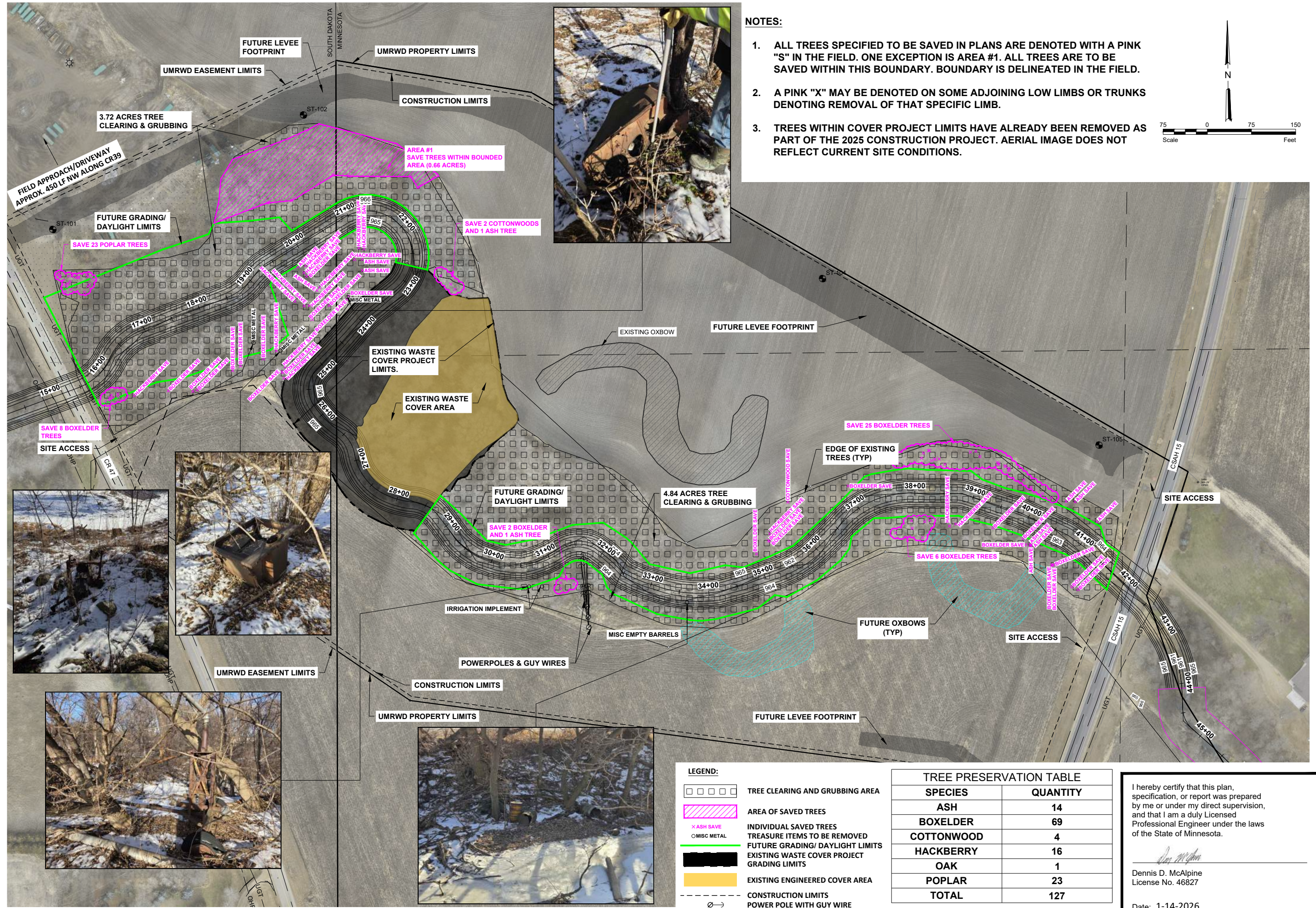
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714	MILLWRIGHT	2025-11-03	45.13	32.44	77.57
		2026-05-01	48.23	32.44	80.67
715	PAINTERS (INCLUDING HAND BRUSHED, HAND SPRAYED, AND THE TAPING OF PAVEMENT MARKINGS)	2025-11-03	33.88	26.13	60.01
		2026-05-01	36.48	26.13	62.61
716	PILEDRIIVER (INCLUDING VIBRATORY DRIVER OR EXTRACTOR FOR PILING AND SHEETING OPERATIONS)	2025-11-03	47.71	31.98	79.69
		2026-05-01	50.90	31.98	82.88
717	PIPEFITTERS . STEAMFITTERS	2025-11-03	47.91	20.04	67.95
719	PLUMBERS	2025-11-03	44.78	23.04	67.82
721	SHEET METAL WORKERS	2025-11-03	27.00	3.33	30.33
723	TERRAZZO WORKERS	FOR RATE CALL 651-284-5091 OR EMAIL DLI.PREVVAGE@STATE.MN.US			
724	TILE SETTERS	FOR RATE CALL 651-284-5091 OR EMAIL DLI.PREVVAGE@STATE.MN.US			
725	TILE FINISHERS	FOR RATE CALL 651-284-5091 OR EMAIL DLI.PREVVAGE@STATE.MN.US			
727	WIRING SYSTEM TECHNICIAN	FOR RATE CALL 651-284-5091 OR EMAIL DLI.PREVVAGE@STATE.MN.US			
728	WIRING SYSTEMS INSTALLER	FOR RATE CALL 651-284-5091 OR EMAIL DLI.PREVVAGE@STATE.MN.US			
729	ASBESTOS ABATEMENT WORKER	FOR RATE CALL 651-284-5091 OR EMAIL DLI.PREVVAGE@STATE.MN.US			
730	SIGN ERECTOR	FOR RATE CALL 651-284-5091 OR EMAIL DLI.PREVVAGE@STATE.MN.US			

ATTACHMENT C

Whetstone River Restoration – 2026 Tree Clearing Project

PLAN SHEET

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NOTES:

1. ALL TREES SPECIFIED TO BE SAVED IN PLANS ARE DENOTED WITH A PINK "S" IN THE FIELD. ONE EXCEPTION IS AREA #1. ALL TREES ARE TO BE SAVED WITHIN THIS BOUNDARY. BOUNDARY IS DELINEATED IN THE FIELD.
2. A PINK "X" MAY BE DENOTED ON SOME ADJOINING LOW LIMBS OR TRUNKS DENOTING REMOVAL OF THAT SPECIFIC LIMB.
3. TREES WITHIN COVER PROJECT LIMITS HAVE ALREADY BEEN REMOVED AS PART OF THE 2025 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT. AERIAL IMAGE DOES NOT REFLECT CURRENT SITE CONDITIONS.

LEGEND:

- TREE CLEARING AND GRUBBING AREA
- AREA OF SAVED TREES
- INDIVIDUAL SAVED TREES
- TREASURE ITEMS TO BE REMOVED
- FUTURE GRADING/ DAYLIGHT LIMITS
- EXISTING WASTE COVER PROJECT GRADING LIMITS
- EXISTING ENGINEERED COVER AREA
- CONSTRUCTION LIMITS
- POWER POLE WITH GUY WIRE

TREE PRESERVATION TABLE

SPECIES	QUANTITY
ASH	14
BOXELDER	69
COTTONWOOD	4
HACKBERRY	16
OAK	1
POPLAR	23
TOTAL	127

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