

Information for File # 2015-04672-LSP

Applicant: Enbridge Energy Limited Partnership

Corps Contact: Lawrence Puchalski

Address: 4111 Technology Drive, Suite 295, Bemidji, Minnesota 56601

E-Mail: Lawrence.S.Puchalski@usace.army.mil

Phone: (651) 290-5339

Primary County: Polk

Sections: 24

Township: 150N

Range: 40W

Information Complete On: December 23, 2015.

Posting Expires On: February 15, 2016.

Authorization Type: LOP-05-MN(B)

This application is being reviewed in accordance with the practices for documenting Corps jurisdiction under Sections 9 & 10 of the Rivers and Harbor Act of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act identified in Regulatory Guidance Letter 07-01. We have made a preliminary determination that the aquatic resources that would be impacted by the proposed project are regulated by the Corps of Engineers under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. Our jurisdictional review and final jurisdictional determination could result in modifications to the scope of the project's regulated water body/wetland impacts and compensatory mitigation requirements identified above. An approved jurisdictional determination will be made prior to reaching a permit decision, and will be posted on the St. Paul District web page at <http://www.mvp.usace.army.mil/>.

Project LINEAR PROJECT: Enbridge Energy Line 3 Pipeline Repair Project.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE: The purpose of the proposed project is repair a suspected pipeline anomaly in Enbridge Line 3 petroleum pipeline in Polk County, Minnesota. Enbridge's internal inspection program has identified a portion of the pipeline that is in need of maintenance. The project would involve excavation of the segment identified and the inspection and repair of any areas of concern. The segment of concern is located within the boundary of the Chester 24 Fen which is designated as a state protected calcareous fen.

The area of concern will be excavated, visually and physically inspected and repaired as needed. The area excavated will be approximately 20 feet long, 16 feet wide and 8 feet deep. If conditions allow, the project will be done during the winter which would minimize disturbances to the minimum. Work will be conducted on wooden mats to minimize ground disturbance.

The applicant will also create a temporary soil stockpile area adjacent to the excavation area. Topsoil and subsoil horizons will be excavated separately and will be stored in separate stockpiles. Stockpiled soil will be stored on mats and returned to the excavated area at the end of work. A temporary work area will also be created at the project location. All work will be conducted from mats to protect the integrity of the fen.

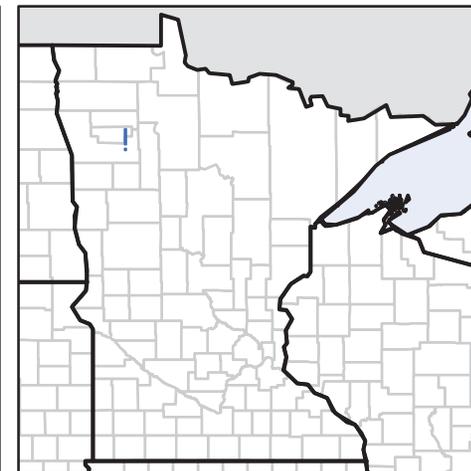
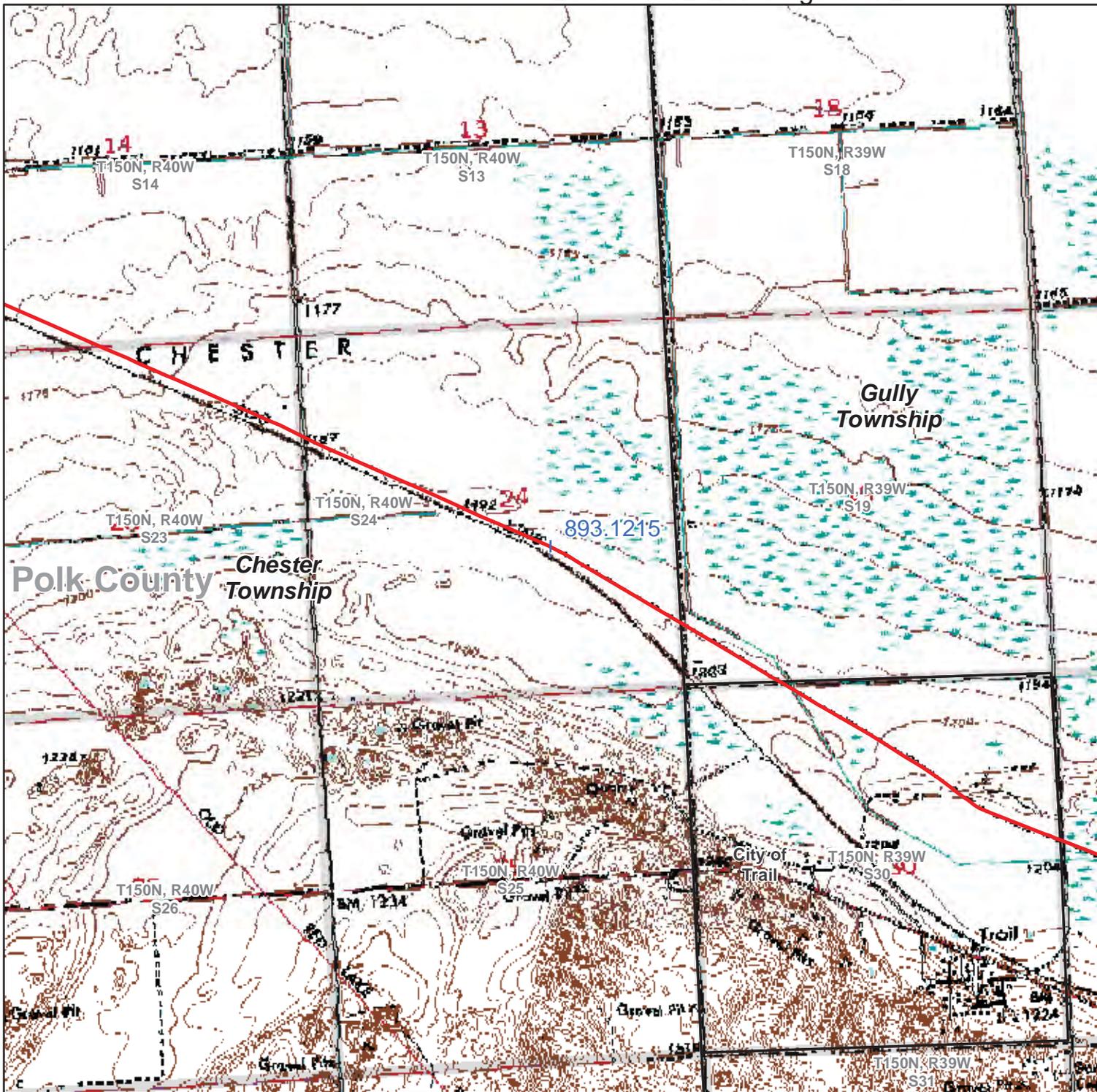
The Minnesota DNR requires a fen management plan for work in calcareous fens. The applicant is in the process of updating a previous fen management plan for this project.

NAME, AREA AND TYPES OF WATERS (INCLUDING WETLANDS) SUBJECT TO LOSS: There will not be a loss of waters associated with this project. The areas excavated and used for temporary work areas and soil stockpile areas will be temporarily impacted during the project and will be restored once pipeline repairs have been made.

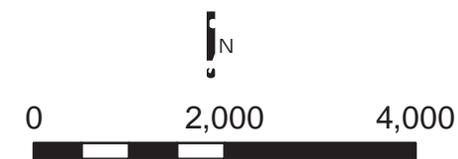
ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED: There are no alternatives to the project since doing nothing would result in further deterioration of the pipeline and would increase the likelihood of a petroleum leak. The applicant has minimized the area to be excavated to the minimum required to locate the anomaly and safely conduct repairs. All impacts will be temporary and will be restored upon completion of the project.

COMPENSATORY MITIGATION: Since there will not be a permanent loss of wetlands with this project, compensatory mitigation will not be required.

Drawings See attached.



! Maintenance Location



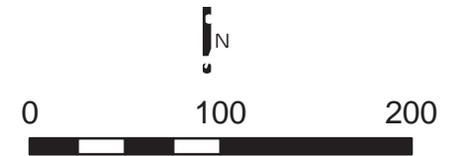
Feet
1 Inch = 2,000 Feet

EXCAVATION SITE LOCATION
Line 3
Milepost 893.1215





- ! Maintenance Location
- Line 3
- ▭ Temporary Workspace
- - - Access Route Option 1
- - - Access Route Option 2
- Dewatering Area
- Soil Stockpile
- ▨ Excavation Extent



Feet
1 Inch = 100 Feet
Imagery: ESRI Basemap World Imagery

SITE PLAN
Line 3
Milepost 893.1215

