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Public Scoping Meetings to be held on November 9 and 10, 2015 to discuss the Proposed US Highway 85 Project from the I-94 Interchange to the Watford City Bypass (McKenzie County Road 30)

Public Scoping Meetings will be held at the following dates, times and locations:

- 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. MDT on Monday, November 9, 2015, at the Belfield City Hall, 107 2nd Ave NE, Belfield, ND 58622
- 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. CDT on Tuesday, November 10, 2015, at the Watford City Hall, 213 2nd Street NE, Watford City, ND

The Public Scoping Meetings will utilize an open house format beginning at 5:00 p.m. with formal presentations beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The purpose of the Public Scoping Meetings is to understand potential issues of the proposed project and to help define the project's purpose and need. The Public Scoping Meetings will provide opportunity for public input. Representatives from the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) and KLJ will be available to answer questions.

The NDDOT, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration, is initiating an Environmental Impact Statement for the US Highway 85 project. The project limits are from the Interstate 94 Interchange to the Watford City Bypass (McKenzie County Road 30) in Stark, Billings and McKenzie Counties, North Dakota. The project length is approximately 62 miles. The proposed project would expand US Highway 85 to four lanes (with flexible design options to avoid or minimize impacts) and rehabilitate or replace the historic Long X Bridge over the Little Missouri River.

If unable to attend the public scoping meetings, written statements or comments must

be mailed by December 10, 2015 to:

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Note: "Public Scoping Meeting" in the e-mail subject heading

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