

December 14, 2021

Randy Benson  
Hayfield Township Treasurer  
21404 Dodge/Mower Road  
Sargeant, MN 55973

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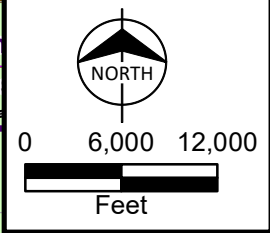
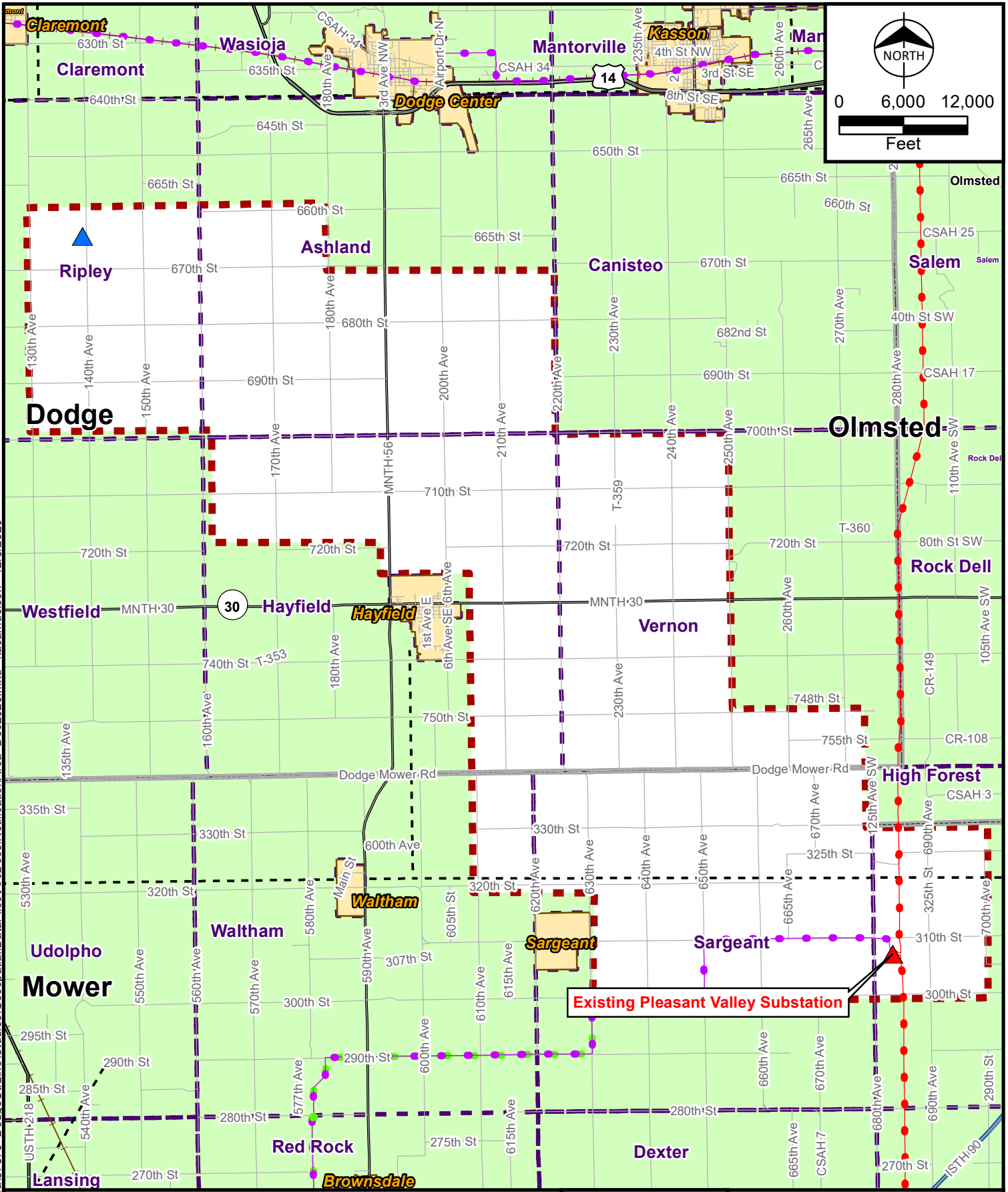
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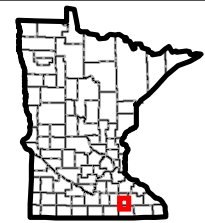
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Robert Kuhlman  
Pleasant Valley Township Supervisor  
31443 727<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Racine, MN 55967

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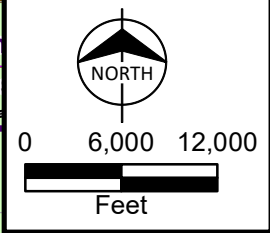
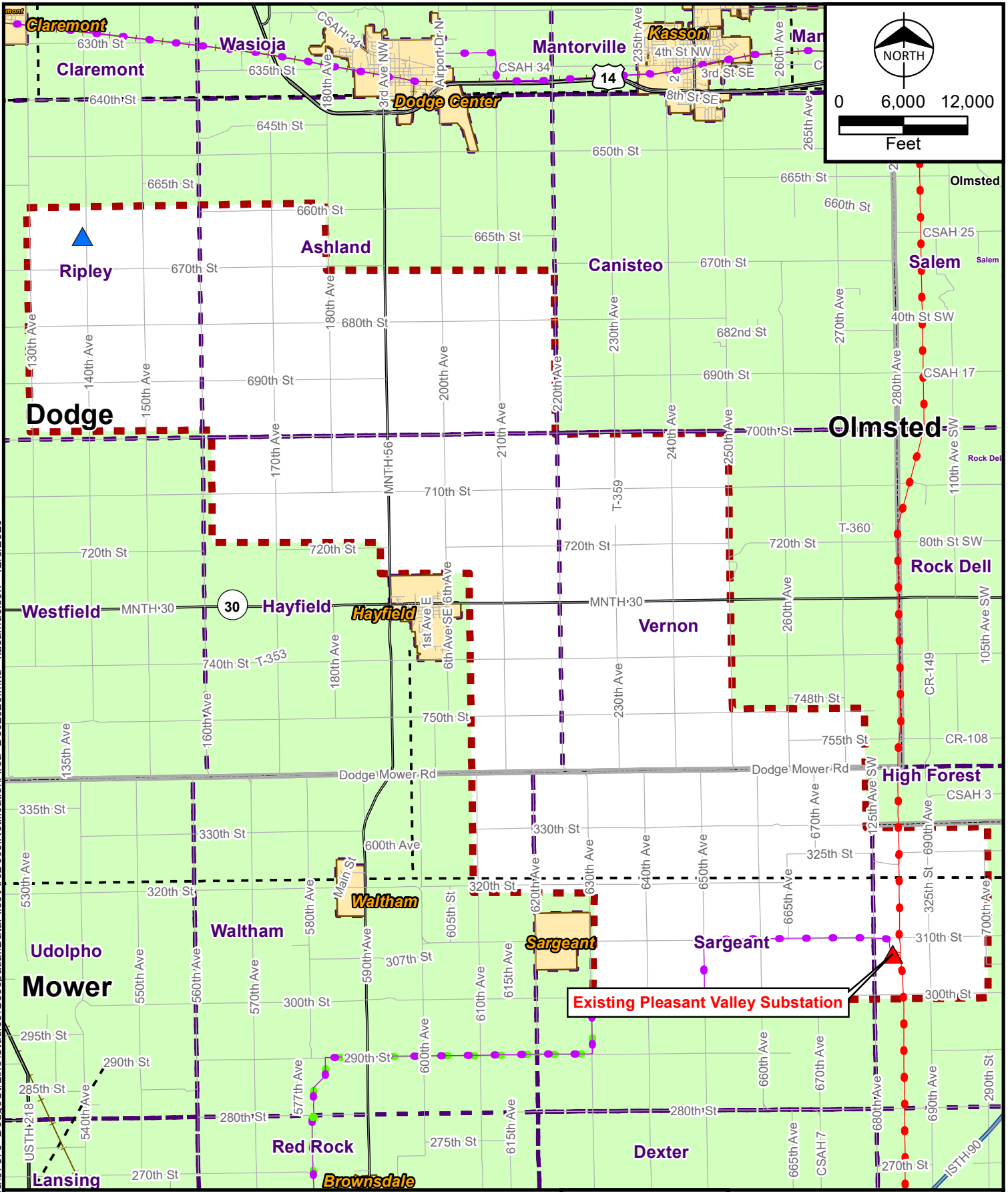
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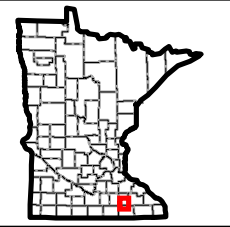
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Hayfield Township Chair  
18187 710<sup>th</sup> Street  
Hayfield, MN 55940

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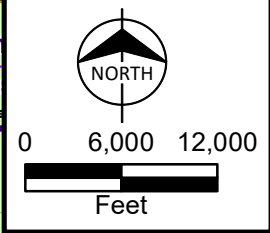
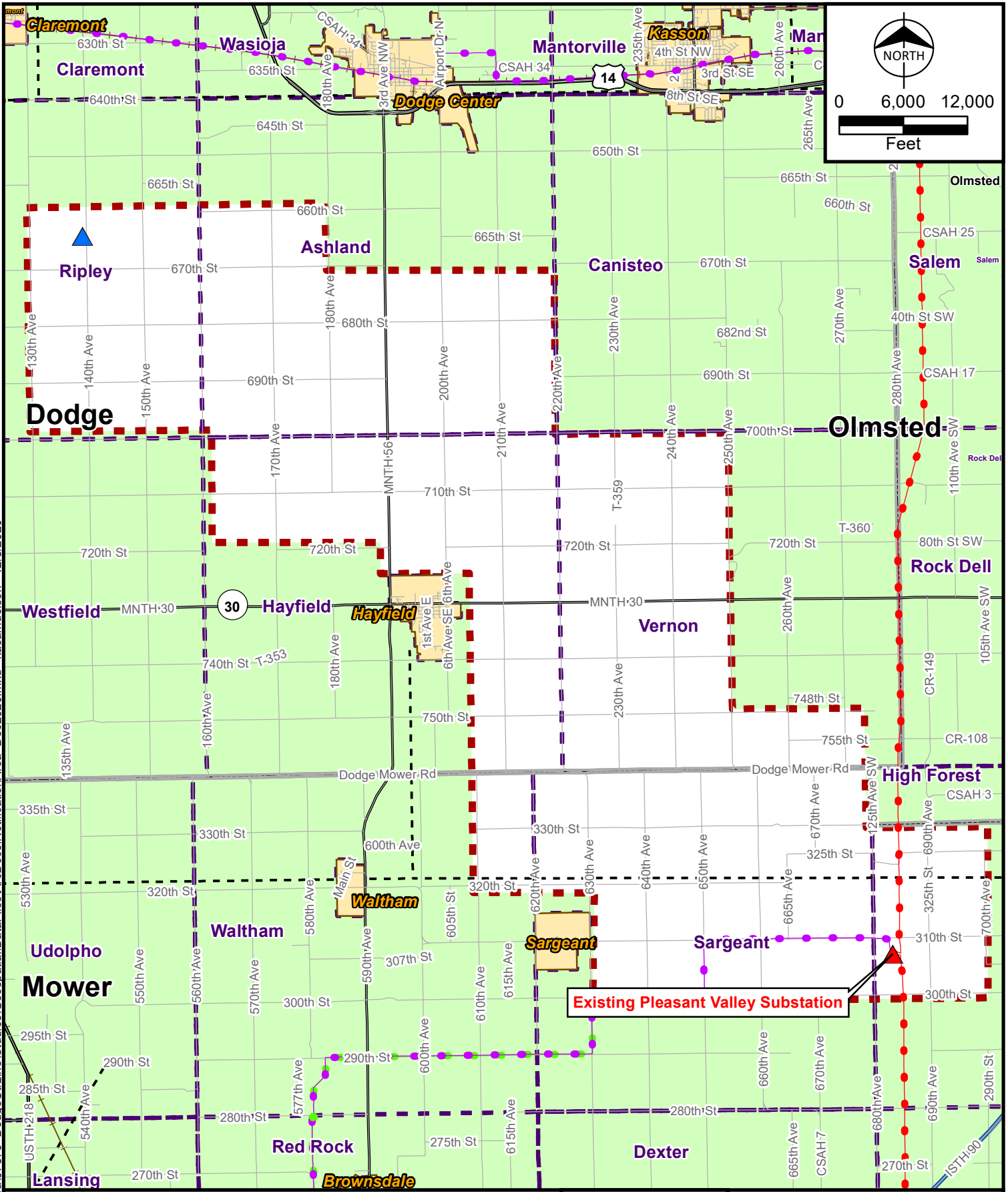


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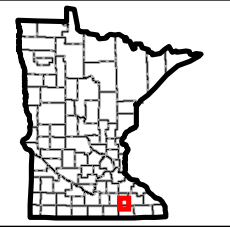
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Ripley Township Supervisor  
68707 130<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Blooming Prairie, MN 55917

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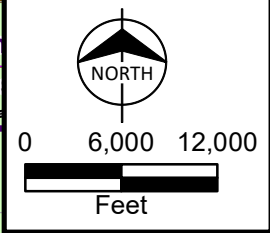
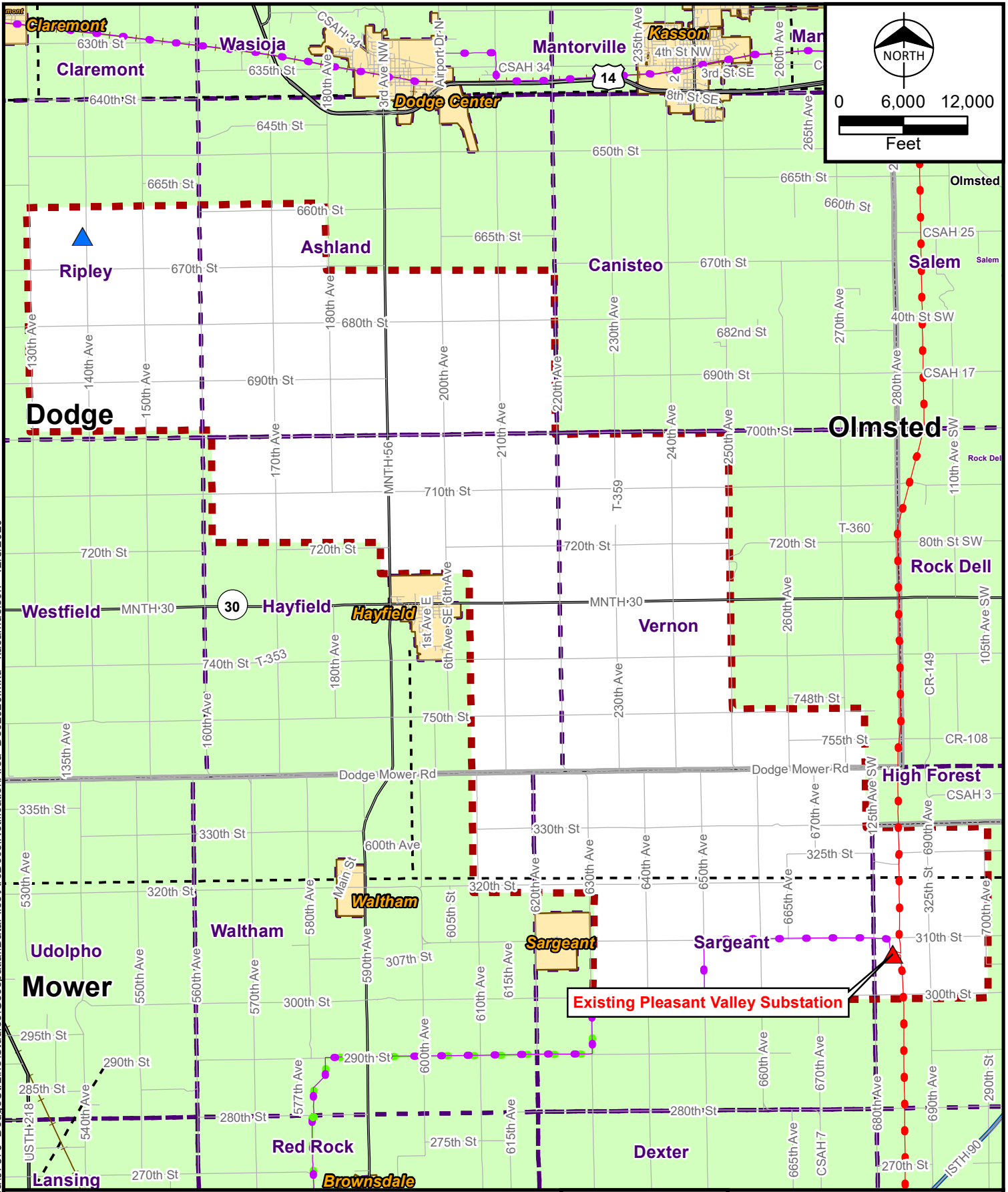
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Hayfield Township Supervisor  
21042 710<sup>th</sup> Street  
Hayfield, MN 55940

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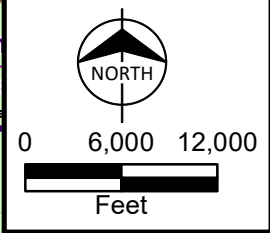
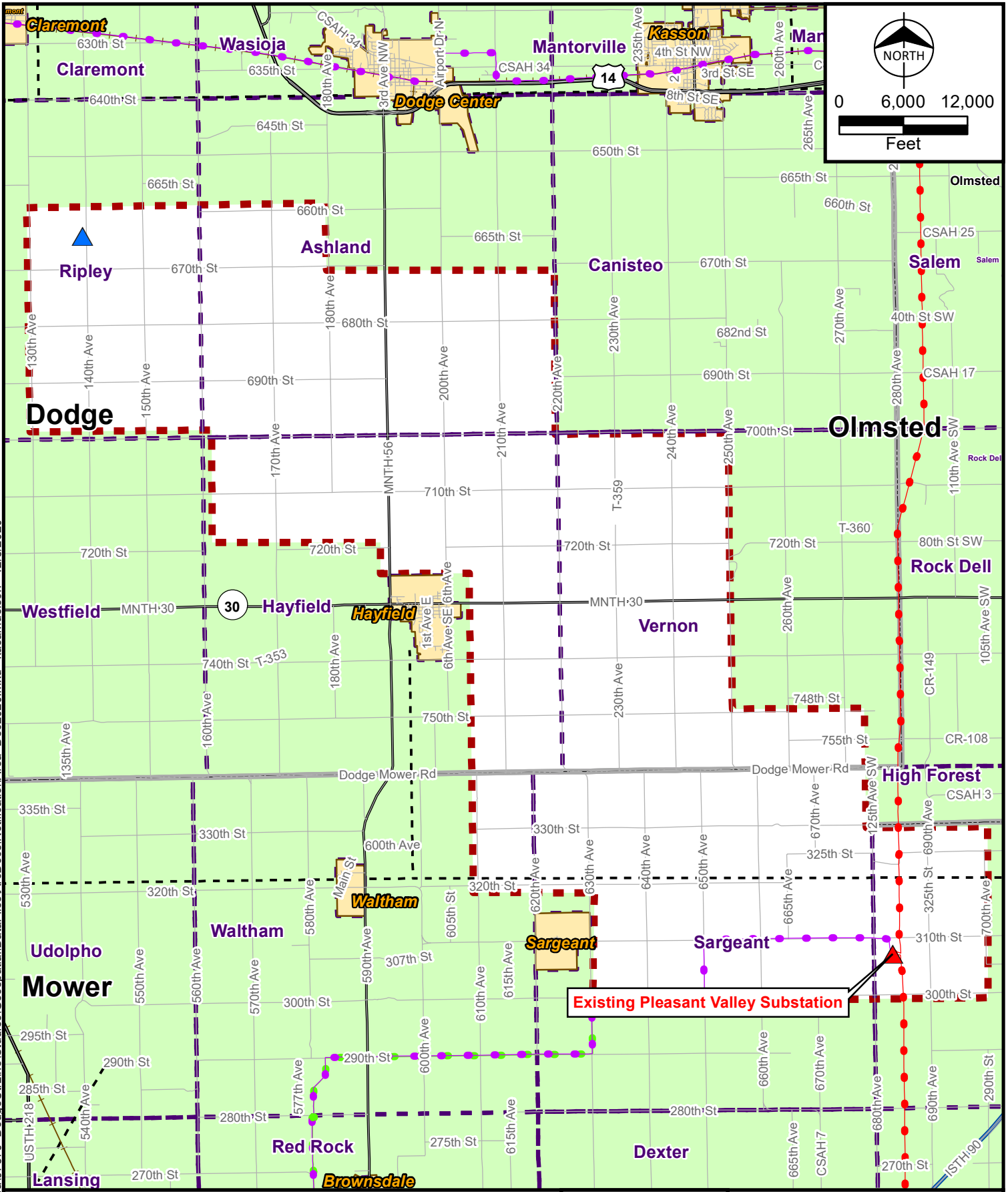
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Waltham, MN 55982

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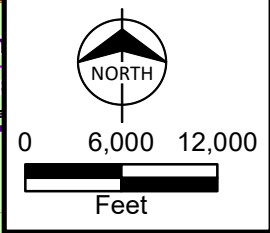
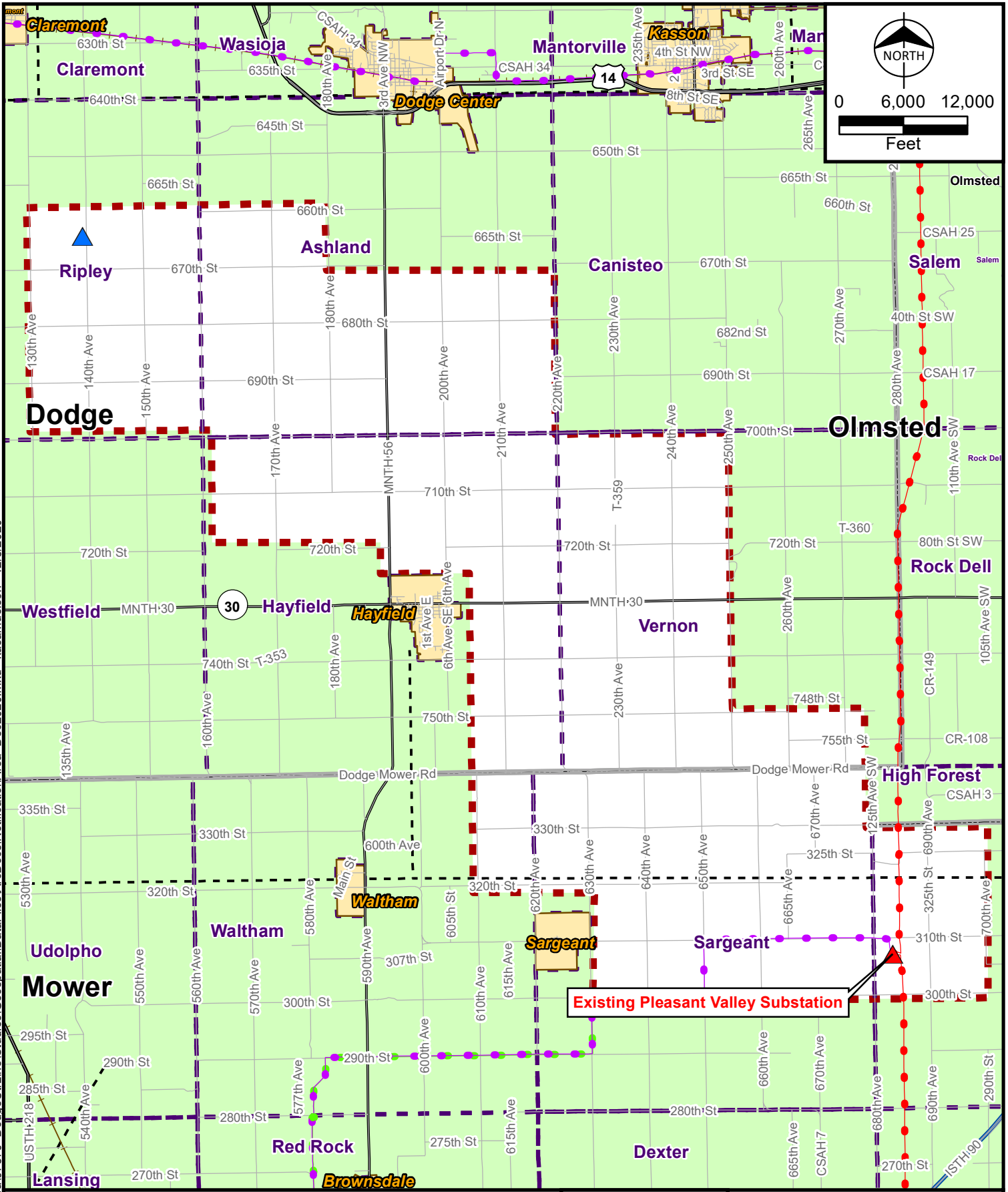


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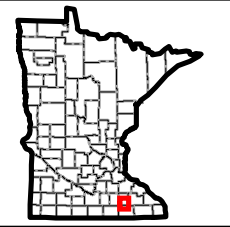


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Ashland Township Treasurer  
18047 680<sup>th</sup> Street  
Dodge Center, MN 55927

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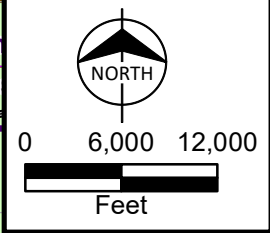
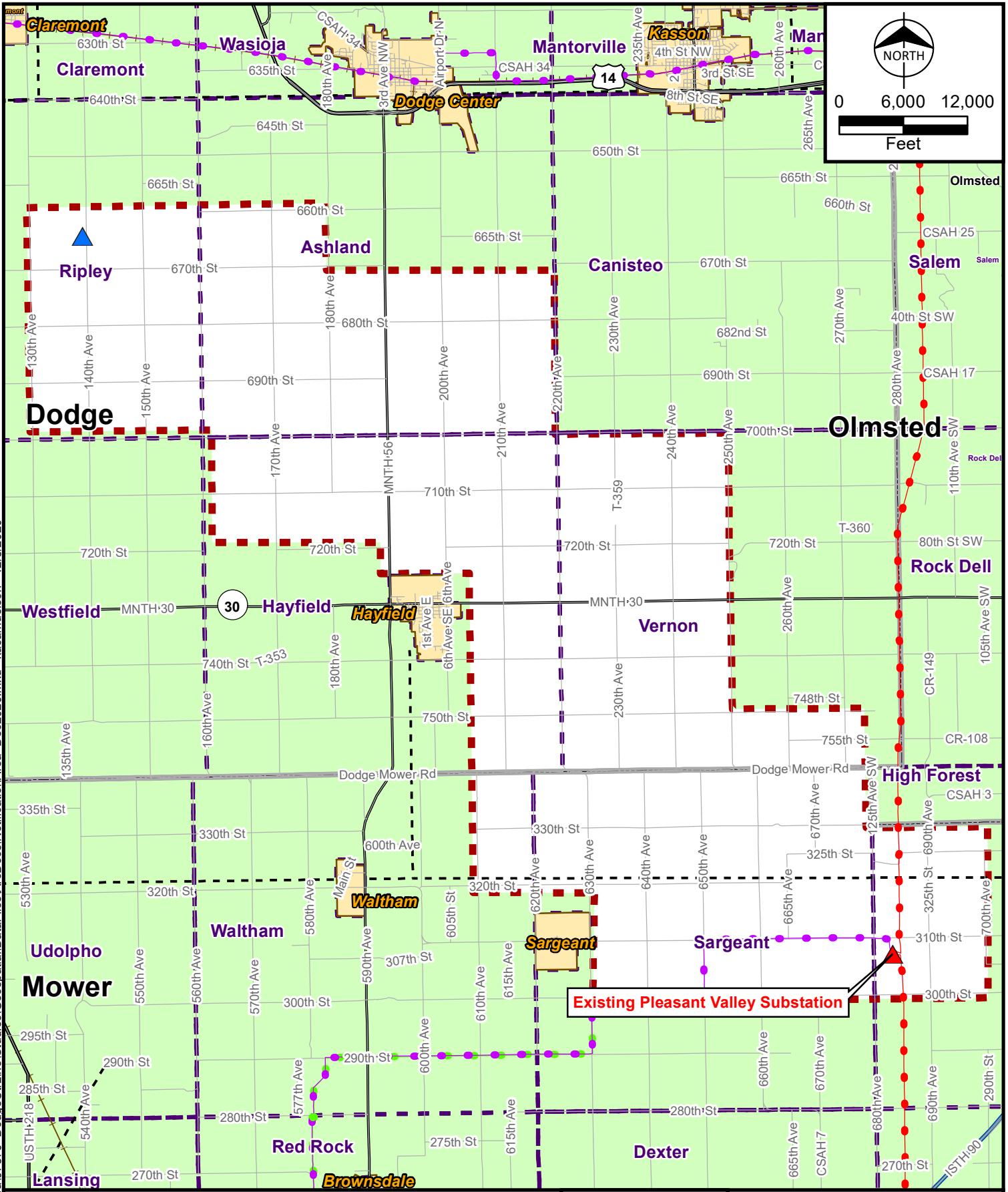
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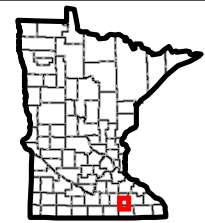
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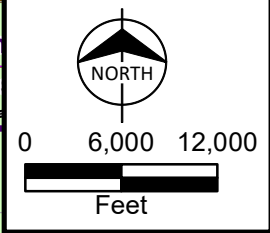
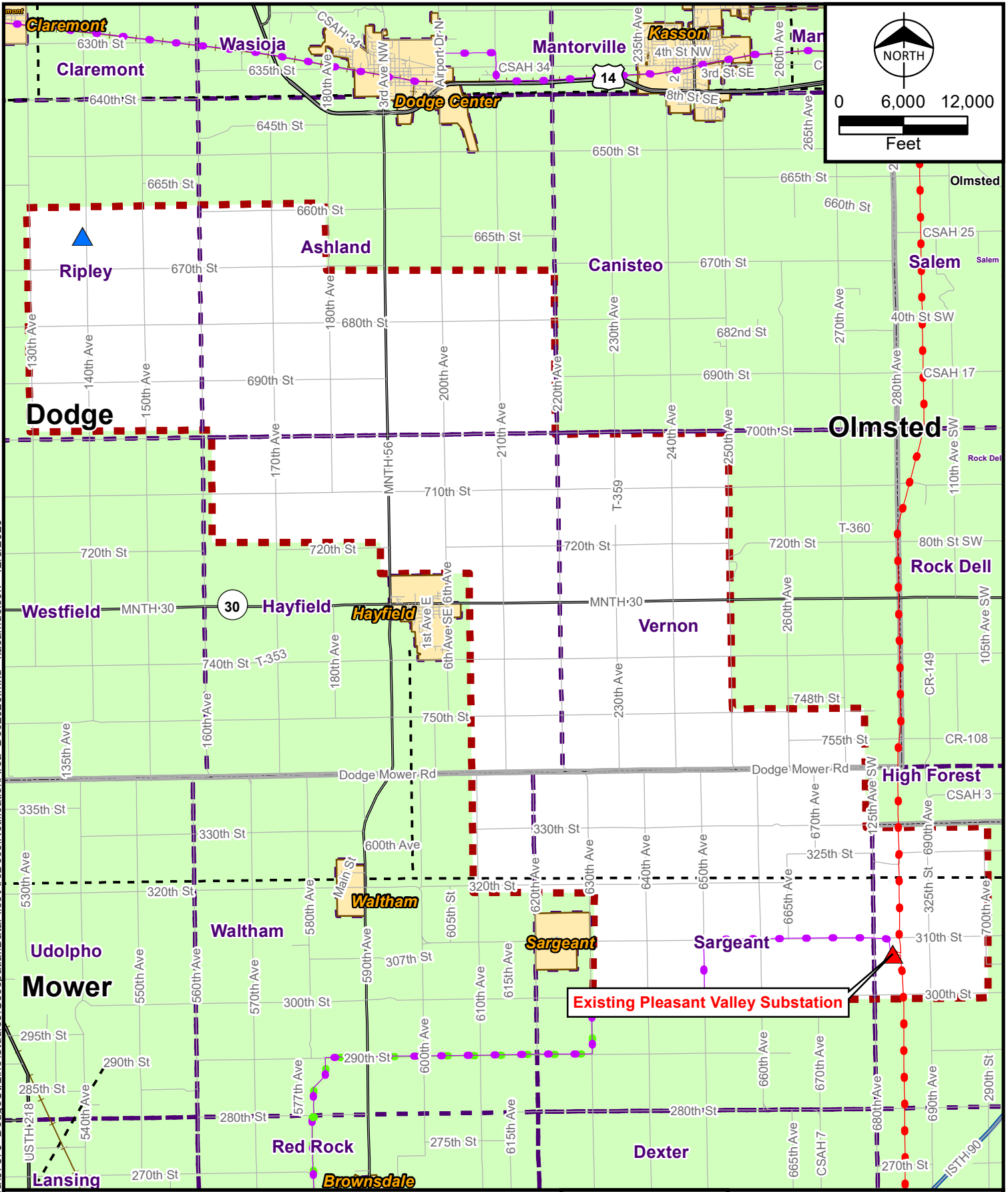
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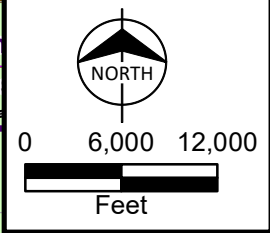
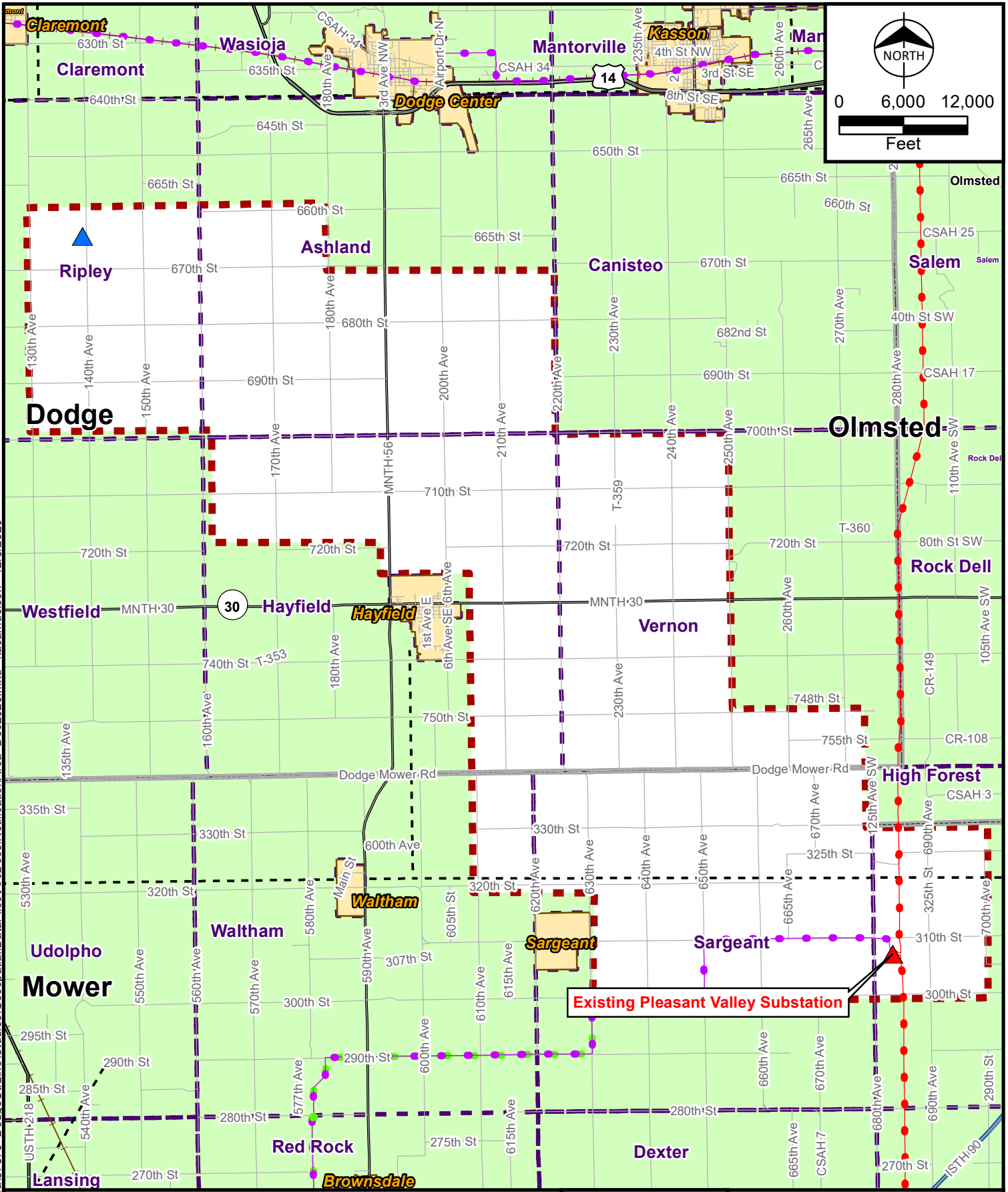
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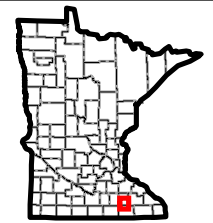
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Dodge County Wind, LLC  
Enclosure: Figure 1 - Proposed Transmission Route Map

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- Existing 345 kV Lines
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Dodge County Wind, LLC  
Project Notice Area  
Dodge and Mower Counties,  
Minnesota

December 14, 2021

Trish Harren  
Mower County Government Administrator  
Government Center, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 201 1<sup>st</sup> Street NE, Suite 9  
Austin, MN 55912

Re: Notification of Future Route Permit Application for the Proposed 161 kilovolt Dodge County Wind Transmission Line and Associated Facilities in Dodge County and Mower County, Minnesota

Dear Trish Harren,

In accordance with Minnesota Statutes § 216E.03, subdivision 3a., Dodge County Wind, LLC (“Dodge County Wind”) is providing this notice to each local unit of government within the proposed route of the Dodge County Wind transmission line. Dodge County Wind is preparing a Route Permit Application to submit to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission for the Dodge County Wind Transmission Line, a 161 kilovolt (“kV”) transmission line project from the proposed Dodge County Wind Facility located in the southwest quadrant of Dodge County to the Great River Energy Pleasant Valley Substation. The Dodge County Wind transmission line will be approximately 26 miles in length, and is needed to interconnect wind facilities to the electric grid. Enclosed is a map showing the area for the proposed transmission route.

Minnesota Statutes § 216E.03, subdivision 3b provides local units of government the opportunity to request a consultation meeting regarding the Dodge County Wind Transmission Line. If you would like to request a meeting, please contact me at 561-694-3392 or [Mark.Lennox@nee.com](mailto:Mark.Lennox@nee.com). You can also contact Kimberly Dickey at 319-536-4891 or [Kimberly.Dickey@nee.com](mailto:Kimberly.Dickey@nee.com) or David Gil at 561-304-5201 or [David.Gil@nee.com](mailto:David.Gil@nee.com).

Dodge County Wind appreciates your participation in this process and looks forward to working with you.

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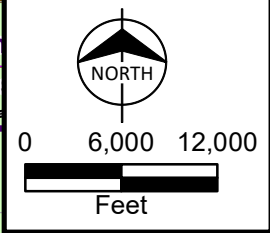
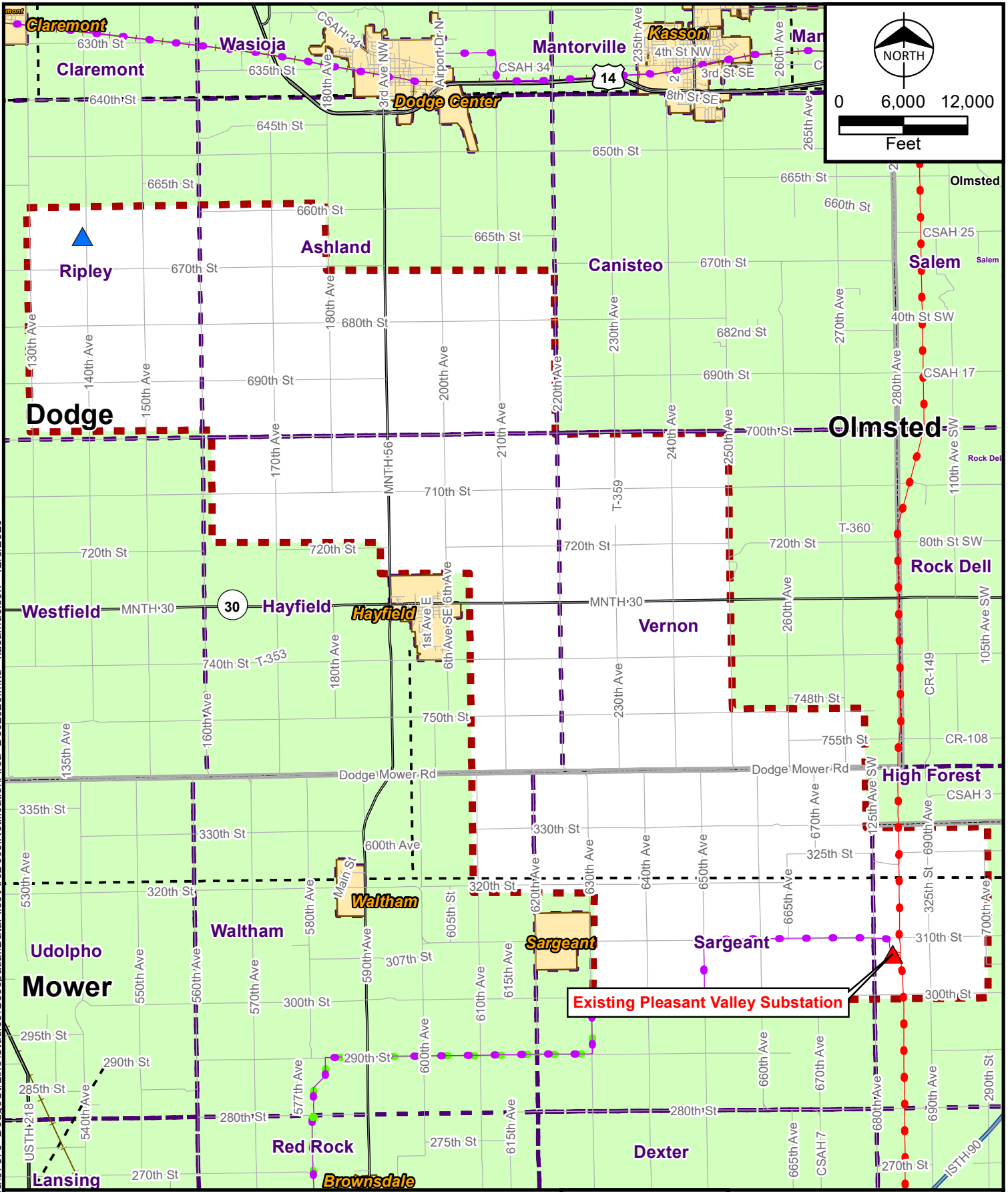
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 Dodge and Mower Counties,  
 Minnesota

December 14, 2021

Wendy Edgar  
Vernon Township Clerk  
75794 250<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Sargeant, MN 55973

Re: Notification of Future Route Permit Application for the Proposed 161 kilovolt Dodge County Wind Transmission Line and Associated Facilities in Dodge County and Mower County, Minnesota

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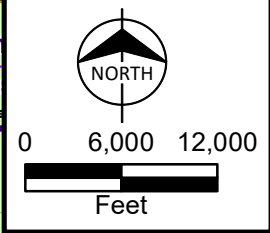
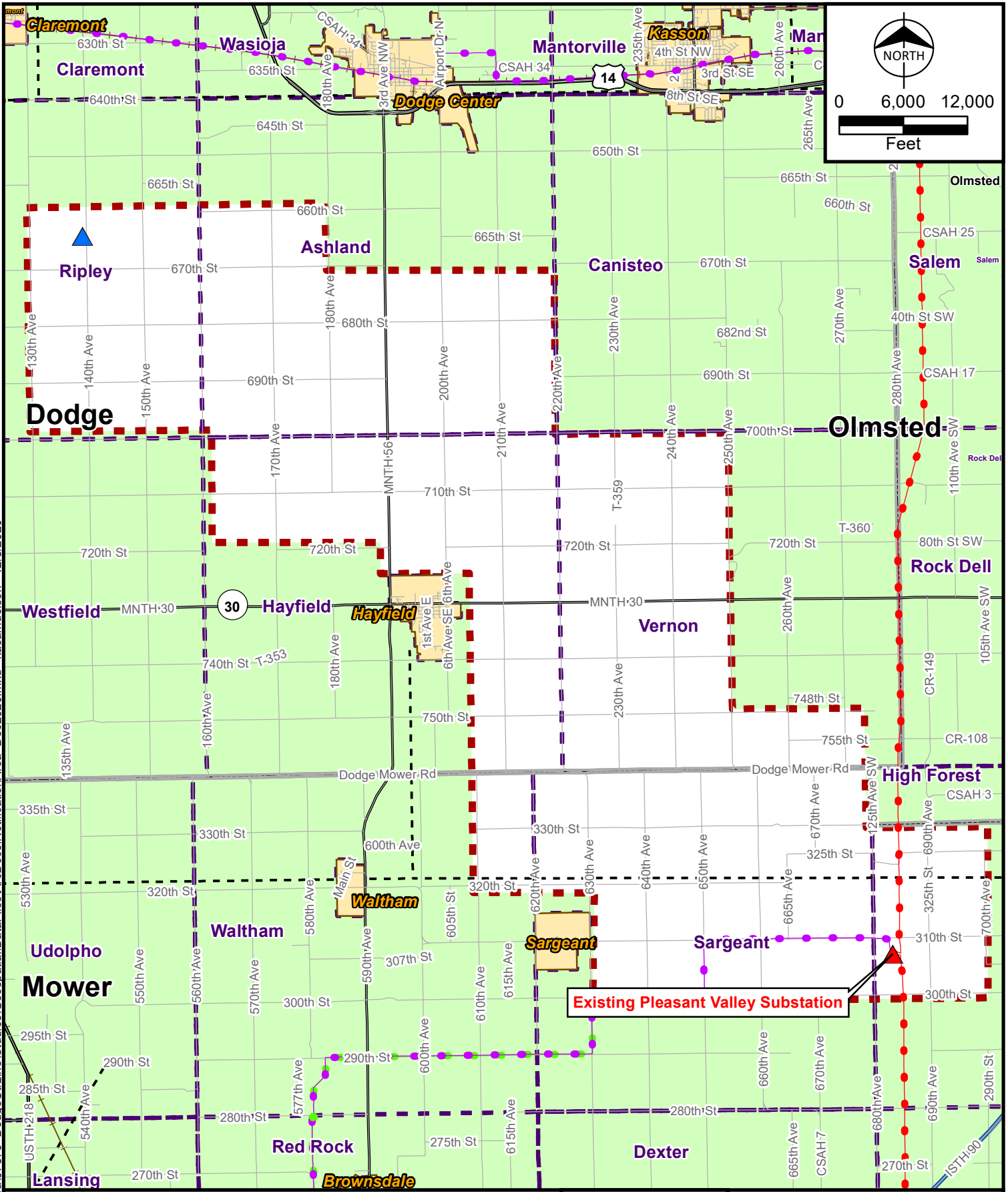


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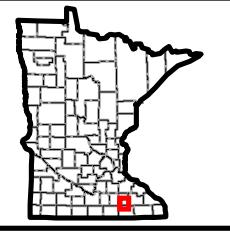
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**NHIS Review Request**

**From:** [Griffin Fraser](#)  
**To:** ["review.nhis@state.mn.us"](mailto:review.nhis@state.mn.us)  
**Cc:** [Lisa.Joyal@state.mn.us](mailto:Lisa.Joyal@state.mn.us)  
**Subject:** Dodge County Wind Transmission Line - NHIS Request  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 29, 2020 9:41:00 AM  
**Attachments:** [DodgeCountyTransmisionLine\\_NHIS\\_Data\\_Request\\_Full\\_Binder\\_20190429.pdf](#)  
[DodgeCountyTransmissionLine\\_AOI\\_20200427.zip](#)

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Hi Lisa –

Attached you will find an NHIS Data Request Form and shapefile package for the Dodge County Wind transmission line. Please note, this request is an update to a previous NHIS request (ERDB# 20140348-0002).

Regards,

**Griffin Fraser**

Environmental Consultant

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## NATURAL HERITAGE INFORMATION SYSTEM (NHIS) DATA REQUEST FORM

Please read the instructions on page 3 before filling out the form. Thank you!

### WHO IS REQUESTING THE INFORMATION?

Mr. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Title \_\_\_\_\_

Agency/Company \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

(Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Responses will be sent via email.   
 If you prefer US Mail check here:

### THIS INFORMATION IS BEING REQUESTED FOR A:

- Federal EA     State EAW     PUC Site or Route Application     Watershed Plan     BER  
 Federal EIS     State EIS     Local Government Permit     Research Project  
 NEPA Checklist     Other (describe) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check here if this project is funded through any of the following grant programs: Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council (L-SOHC), Conservation Partners Legacy (CPL), or Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR).

### INFORMATION WE NEED FROM YOU:

- 1) **Enclose a map** of the project boundary/area of interest (topographic maps or aerial photos are preferred).
- 2) Please **provide a GIS shapefile\*** (NAD 83, UTM Zone 15N) of the project boundary/area of interest.
- 3) List the following locational information\* (attach additional sheets if necessary):

For Agency Use: Region / MBS Status	County    Township #    Range #    Section(s) (please list <b>all</b> sections)	For Agency Use: TRS Confirmed <input type="checkbox"/>
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	_____	
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- 4) Please provide the following information (attach additional sheets if necessary):

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Project (including types of disturbance anticipated from the project): \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe the existing land use of the project site. What types of land cover / habitat will be impacted by the proposed project?

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List any waterbodies (e.g., rivers, intermittent streams, lakes, wetlands) that may be affected by the proposed project, and discuss how they may be impacted (e.g., dewatering, discharge, riverbed disturbance).

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Does the project have the potential to affect any groundwater resources (e.g., groundwater appropriation, change in recharge, or contamination)?

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To your knowledge, has the project undergone a previous Natural Heritage review? If so, please list the correspondence #: ERDB # \_\_\_\_\_. How does this request differ from the previous request (e.g., change in scope, change in boundary, project being revived, project expansion, different phase)?

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To your knowledge, have any native plant community or rare species surveys been conducted within the site? If so, please list:

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List any DNR Permits or Licenses that you will be applying for or have already applied for as part of this project:

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#### INFORMATION WE PROVIDE TO YOU:

1) The response will include a Natural Heritage letter. If applicable, the letter will discuss potential effects to rare features.

- Check here if you are interested in a list of rare features in the vicinity of the area of interest but you do **not** need a review of potential effects to rare features. Please list the reason a review is not needed:
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2) Depending on the results of the query or review, the response may include an Index Report of known aggregation sites and known occurrences of federally and state-listed plants and animals\* within an approximate one-mile radius of the project boundary/area of interest. The Index Report and Natural Heritage letter can be included in any public environmental review document.

3) A Detailed Report that contains more information on each occurrence may also be requested. Please note that the Detailed Report may contain specific location information that is protected under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 84.0872, subd. 2, and, as such, the Detailed Report may not be included in any public document (e.g., an EAW).

- Check here if you would like to request a Detailed Report. Please note that if the results of the review are 'No Effects' or a standard comment, a Detailed Report may not be available.

#### FEES / TURNAROUND TIME

There is a fee\* for this service. Requests generally take **3-4 weeks** from date of receipt to process, and are processed in the order received.

I have read the entire form and instructions, and the information supplied above is complete and accurate. I understand that material supplied to me from the Natural Heritage Information System is copyrighted and that I am not permitted to reproduce or publish any of this copyrighted material without prior written permission from the DNR. Further, if permission to publish is given, I understand that I must credit the Minnesota Division of Ecological and Water Resources, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, as the source of the material.

Signature  
(required)

*Griffith Fraser*

Note: Digital signatures representing the name of a person shall be sufficient to show that such person has signed this document.

#### Mail or email completed form to:

Lisa Joyal, Endangered Species Review Coordinator  
Division of Ecological and Water Resources  
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources  
500 Lafayette Road, Box 25  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155  
[Review.NHIS@state.mn.us](mailto:Review.NHIS@state.mn.us)

[Online version of the form](#)

Revised March 2, 2012

# Instructions for the Natural Heritage Information System (NHIS) Data Request Form

The Division of Ecological and Water Resources maintains the Natural Heritage Information System (NHIS), a collection of databases that provides information on Minnesota's rare plants and animals, native plant communities, and other rare features. The NHIS is continually updated as new information becomes available, and the Minnesota County Biological Survey (MBS) is a major source of this information.

- Use this form to request information on rare features within an approximate one-mile radius of an area of interest. You may reproduce this form for your own use or to distribute. An [electronic copy of the form](#) is available at the DNR's web site.
- If you are interested in obtaining the Rare Features Database electronically as a GIS shapefile, do not fill out this form. Please see [this Natural Heritage Data document](#) for more information on this option.

## WHO IS REQUESTING THE INFORMATION?

- The person whose name is entered on the form under the "Who is Requesting the Information" section must sign the form as an acknowledgment of the State of Minnesota's copyright on all generated reports. All correspondence and invoices will be sent to this person. Please do not ask us to send this information to a different party.
- Please include a complete mailing address. Responses will be sent via email unless you specify differently.

## INFORMATION WE NEED FROM YOU:

- Include a legible map (topographic maps or aerial photographs are preferred) clearly showing:
  - 1) location and boundaries of the project,
  - 2) associated infrastructure, and
  - 3) any waterbodies that may be affected by the proposed project.
- If the project boundary is large **or** complex, please provide a **GIS shapefile** (NAD 83, UTM Zone 15) of the project boundary/area of interest. Do not include any buffers. An additional "digitizing fee" may be charged for projects that require a substantial amount of time to digitize.
- Provide a complete list of sections that the proposed project or area of interest falls within. Do not include any buffer area. Please double-check this information. Incorrect sections can delay the processing of your request, and may result in an invalid review.
- Please provide a detailed **project description**, attaching separate pages to the form if necessary. Identify the type of development (e.g., housing, commercial, utility, ethanol facility, wind farm) being proposed, the size and # of units (if applicable), construction methods, and **any associated infrastructure** such as access roads, utility connections, and water supply and/or discharge pipelines.
- We cannot begin processing data requests until we receive all parts of the request, including a map and a completed, signed form.

## INFORMATION WE PROVIDE TO YOU:

- The Natural Heritage review and database reports are valid for environmental review purposes for one year, and they are only valid for the project location and description provided on the form. Please contact Lisa Joyal at [lisa.joyal@state.mn.us](mailto:lisa.joyal@state.mn.us) if project details change or if a data update is needed.
- Please note that the Natural Heritage review and database reports do not address/contain locations of the gray wolf (*Canis lupus*), state-listed as special concern, or Canada lynx (*Lynx canadensis*), federally-listed as threatened, as these species are not currently tracked in the Natural Heritage Information System. See page 4.

## FEES / TURNAROUND TIME:

- There is a fee for this service. All fees are subject to change. The [current fee schedule](#) is available online. The minimum charge is \$90.00, and increases based on the time it takes us to process the request (dependent upon project size and the results of the query). Please do not include payment with your request; an invoice will be sent to you.
- There is generally a **3-4 week turn-around time** to process requests.

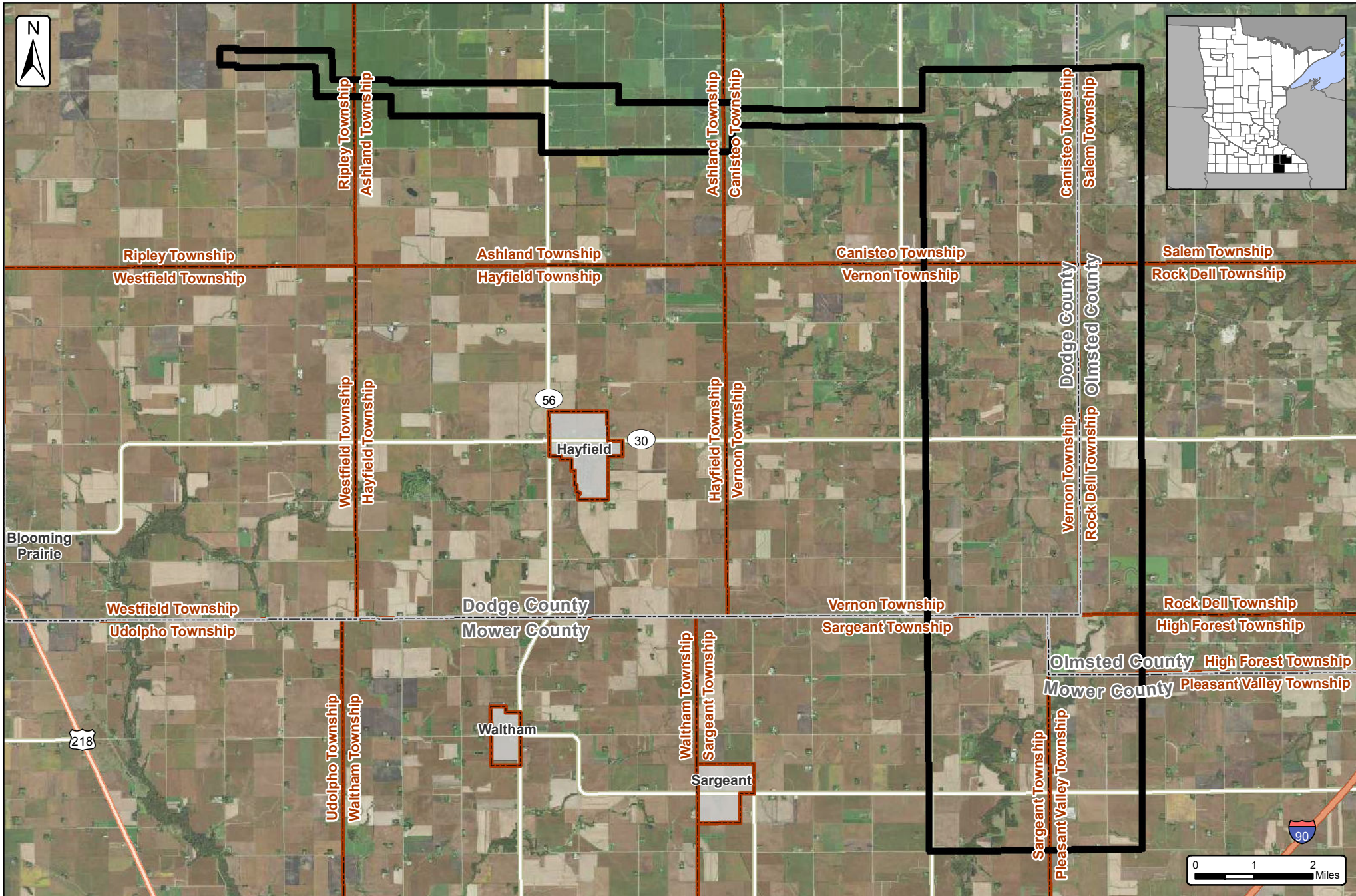
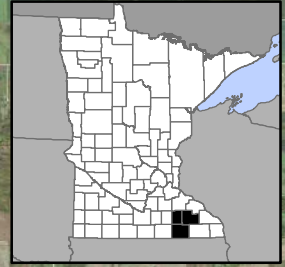
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- The DNR [Rare Species Guide](#) is the state's authoritative reference for Minnesota's endangered, threatened, and special concern species. It is a dynamic, interactive source that can be queried by county, ECS subsection, watershed, or habitat.
- Information on the gray wolf (*Canis lupus*):  
[DNR website gray wolf Species Profile](#)  
[USFWS website Monitoring Report](#)
- Information on the Canada lynx (*Lynx Canadensis*):  
[DNR website Canada Lynx Species Profile](#)  
[USFWS website Canada Lynx profile](#)
- [Minnesota's Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy](#) is an action plan focused on managing Minnesota's native animals whose populations are rare, declining, or vulnerable to decline. It identifies Species in Greatest Conservation Need and the Key Habitats that support them.
- [The Minnesota Geospatial Commons](#) allows users to download GIS shapefiles of MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance, MBS Native Plant Communities, MBS Railroad Rights-of-Way Prairies, and Scientific and Natural Area Boundaries.
- Information on [MBS Site Biodiversity Significance Ranks](#)
- Information on [MBS Native Plant Communities](#)
- Questions? Please contact Lisa Joyal at 651-259-5109 or [lisa.joyal@state.mn.us](mailto:lisa.joyal@state.mn.us).

<b>Dodge Transmission Line TRS</b>			
<b>County</b>	<b>Township</b>	<b>Range</b>	<b>Sections</b>
Dodge	T105N	R16W	1-3, 10-15, 22-27, 34-36
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Dodge	T106N	R18W	13-15, 24
Mower	T104N	R15W	7, 8, 17-20
Mower	T104N	R16W	1-3, 10-15, 22-24
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




# Dodge County Wind, LLC

## Project Location Map

Dodge, Olmsted and Mower Counties, Minnesota

Date: 4/28/2020

-  Transmission Line Area of Interest
-  City/Village
-  Townships
-  Counties



SOURCE: USDA NAIP 2017

**From:** [Bump, Samantha \(DNR\)](#)  
**To:** [Griffin Fraser](#)  
**Cc:** [Boettcher, Joanne \(DNR\)](#); [Warzecha, Cynthia \(DNR\)](#); [Joyal, Lisa \(DNR\)](#)  
**Subject:** RE: NHIS Response: Dodge Co Wind - Transmission Line  
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Hi Griffin,

Please note this review was the 202000427 boundary. The 202001013 boundary is too large for an adequate review. If you would like a different boundary reviewed, please submit something more precise.

Thank you,

**Samantha Bump**

NHIS Review Specialist | Ecological & Water Resources



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**From:** Bump, Samantha (DNR)  
**Sent:** Friday, November 6, 2020 11:25 AM  
**To:** Griffin Fraser <gfraser@atwell-group.com>  
**Cc:** Boettcher, Joanne (DNR) <Joanne.Boettcher@state.mn.us>; Gelvin-Innvaer, Lisa A (DNR) <lisa.gelvin-innvaer@state.mn.us>; Skancke, Jennie (DNR) <jennie.skancke@state.mn.us>; Warzecha, Cynthia (DNR) <cynthia.warzecha@state.mn.us>  
**Subject:** NHIS Response: Dodge Co Wind - Transmission Line

Hi Griffin,

Attached is the NHIS Response regarding the above project. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Have a great day,

**Samantha Bump**

NHIS Review Specialist | Ecological & Water Resources

**Minnesota Department of Natural Resources**

[Samantha.Bump@state.mn.us](mailto:Samantha.Bump@state.mn.us)



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**Sent:** Monday, December 7, 2020 3:55 PM  
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<[Bridgette.Valeron@nexteraenergy.com](mailto:Bridgette.Valeron@nexteraenergy.com)>; Maureen O'Shea-Stone <[moshea-stone@atwell-group.com](mailto:moshea-stone@atwell-group.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: NHIS Response: Dodge Co Wind - Transmission Line

Hi Samantha –

Thanks so much for getting back to me. After speaking with our client, they suggested that we provide you with a shapefile package containing the potential Dodge transmission line centerlines and a revised area of interest. Would this be adequate for you to complete your review of the Dodge transmission line? I will be sending another follow up email with the Dodge wind farm infrastructure you had requested as well.

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Environmental Consultant

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