

# Oil and Gas Division

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October 1, 2026

Bruce Fulker  
Agent for Echo Seismic USA Inc.  
Echo Seismic USA Inc.  
36499 Perkins Road  
Prairieville LA, 70769

RE: COTEAU 2-D T3 SURVEY  
GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION PERMIT #97-0353  
MERCER COUNTY  
NON-EXPLOSIVE METHOD

Mr. Fulker:

Be advised that your Geophysical Exploration permit is conditionally approved; effective for one year from October 1, 2026.

## **PERMIT STIPULATIONS:**

- **Echo Seismic USA Inc. must contact seismic inspector Tom Torstenson at (701) 290-1546 72 hours prior, to arrange a start-up meeting. Also, a copy of the entire permit is required for all contractors at the start up meeting.**
- **Echo Seismic USA Inc. must contact Tom Torstenson at (701) 290-1546 24 hours prior to conducting any geophysical activities.**
- **Echo Seismic USA Inc. must provide weekly progress reports to Tom Torstenson via email [ttorstenson@nd.gov](mailto:ttorstenson@nd.gov)**
- **Pursuant to NDAC 43-02-12-05 (DISTANCE RESTRICTION) Non-explosive exploration methods may not be conducted less than 300 feet from water wells, buildings, underground cisterns, pipelines, and flowing springs.**
- **In addition, pursuant to NDAC 43-02-12-06 (NOTIFICATION OF WORK PERFORMED), "The director is authorized to suspend operations of the entire geophysical project, or any portion thereof, if further activity will cause excessive damage to the surface of the land".**

Review the following conditions for your permit:

1. All variances for distance restrictions are to be furnished, and a pre-plot map displaying any source points that do not comply with the distance restriction rule must be supplied to the inspector.

2. The following information must be submitted within 30 days of the completion of the project by the Geophysical Company:
  - a. Completion Report,
  - b. Completion Affidavit,
  - c. Post Plot Map using NAD83. It must show all water wells, buildings, underground cisterns, pipelines, and flowing springs that fall within the program area and within one half mile of the perimeter of the program.
  - d. Must provide a GIS layer using NAD83 in an Esri shape file format and an Image file (.img) on a Flash Drive or email: [ttorstenson@nd.gov](mailto:ttorstenson@nd.gov) with all source and receiver points,
3. The permit agent shall notify the operator of the land at least seven days before commencement of any geophysical exploration activity, unless waived by mutual agreement of both parties. The notice must include the approximate time schedule and the location of the planned activity.
4. Information regarding the location of water wells, springs, etc.; refer to the following ND State Water Commission Mapservice website, at: <http://mapservice.swc.state.nd.us/>
5. The entire permit can be viewed, as well as the status of various seismic projects in the state, at: <https://www.dmr.nd.gov/oilgas/seismic/seismicstats.asp>

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,



Todd L. Holweger  
Sr. Permit Manager & Seismic Program Manager

**GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION PERMIT - FORM GE 1**

INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION OF NORTH DAKOTA  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION  
600 EAST BOULEVARD DEPT 405  
BISMARCK, ND 58505-0840  
SFN 51459 (03-2011)

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ND Oil & Gas  
Division

GEO 307

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1) a. Company<br><b>Echo Seismic USA</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                      | Address<br><b>36499 PERKINS ROAD PRAIRIEVILLE LA 70769</b> |                                    |
| Contact<br><b>Rob Curtis</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                      | Telephone<br><b>403.216.5919</b>                           | Fax<br><b>403.216.0989</b>         |
| Surety Company<br><b>Bank of North Dakota</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                      | Bond Amount<br><b>\$50,000.00</b>                          | Bond Number<br><b>GEO 307</b>      |
| 2) a. Subcontractor(s)<br><b>Skyway Field Service (Survey)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      | Address<br><b>1850 Rannoch Rd Longmont CO 80504</b>        |                                    |
| b. Subcontractor(s)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                      | Telephone<br><b>720.545.3126</b>                           |                                    |
| 3) Party Manager<br><b>Gerald Clinton</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                      | Address (local)<br><b>403.988.0031</b>                     |                                    |
| 4) Project Name or Line Numbers<br><b>Coteau 2D T3 Survey</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                      |                                                            |                                    |
| 5) Exploration Method (Shot Hole, Non-Explosive, 2D, 3D, Other)<br><b>Vibroseis</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                      |                                                            |                                    |
| 6) Distance Restrictions (Must check all that apply)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 300 feet - NonExplosive - Distance setbacks apply to water wells, buildings, underground cisterns, pipelines, and flowing springs.<br><input type="checkbox"/> 660 feet - Shot Hole - Distance setbacks apply to water wells, buildings, underground cisterns, pipelines, and flowing springs. |                      |                                                            |                                    |
| 7) Size of Hole<br>3-D                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Amt of Charge        | Depth                                                      | Source points per sq. mi.          |
| Size of Hole<br>2-D                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Amt of Charge<br>N/A | Depth<br>N/A                                               | Source points per ln. mi.<br>105.6 |
| 8) Approximate Start Date<br><b>October 5, 2026 Survey - Recording October 15, 2026</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                      | Approximate Completion Date<br><b>November 15, 2026</b>    |                                    |

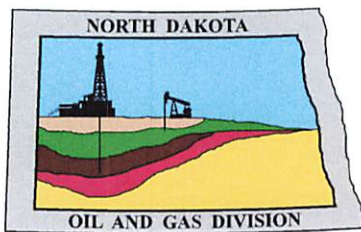
THE COMMISSION MUST BE NOTIFIED AT LEAST 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF COMMENCEMENT OF GEOPHYSICAL OPERATIONS

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|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 9) Location of Proposed Project - County<br><b>Mercer County</b> |                                                        |                  |                 |
| Section(s),<br>Township(s)<br>& Range(s)                         | Section<br><b>31-32</b>                                | T.<br><b>146</b> | R.<br><b>87</b> |
|                                                                  | Section<br><b>5-6-7-8-17-18-19-20</b>                  | T.<br><b>145</b> | R.<br><b>87</b> |
|                                                                  | Section<br><b>25-34-35-36</b>                          | T.<br><b>146</b> | R.<br><b>88</b> |
|                                                                  | Section<br><b>1-2-3-4-9-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-23-24</b> | T.<br><b>145</b> | R.<br><b>88</b> |
|                                                                  | Section                                                | T.               | R.              |
|                                                                  | Section                                                | T.               | R.              |

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| I hereby swear or affirm that the information provided is true, complete and correct as determined from all available records. |                                     |                                            | Date<br><b>September 23, 2026</b> |
| Signature<br>                                                                                                                  | Printed Name<br><b>Bruce Fulker</b> | Title<br><b>Agent for Echo Seismic USA</b> |                                   |
| Email Address(es)<br>bfulker@cougarlandservices.net                                                                            |                                     |                                            |                                   |

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| (This space for State office use)       |                                   | <b>Permit Conditions</b><br><br>* Permit in hand required at pre-program meeting with field inspector and be aware of all NDIC Rules and Regulations (i.e. distance restrictions).<br><br>* See attached letter. |
| Permit No.<br><b>97-0353</b>            | Approval Date<br><b>10/1/2026</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Approved by<br>                         |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Title<br><b>Seismic Program Manager</b> |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

\*See Instructions On Reverse Side



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The Honorable Carmen Reed  
Mercer County Auditor  
P.O. Box 39  
Stanton, ND 58571-0039

RE: Geophysical Exploration  
Permit #97-0353

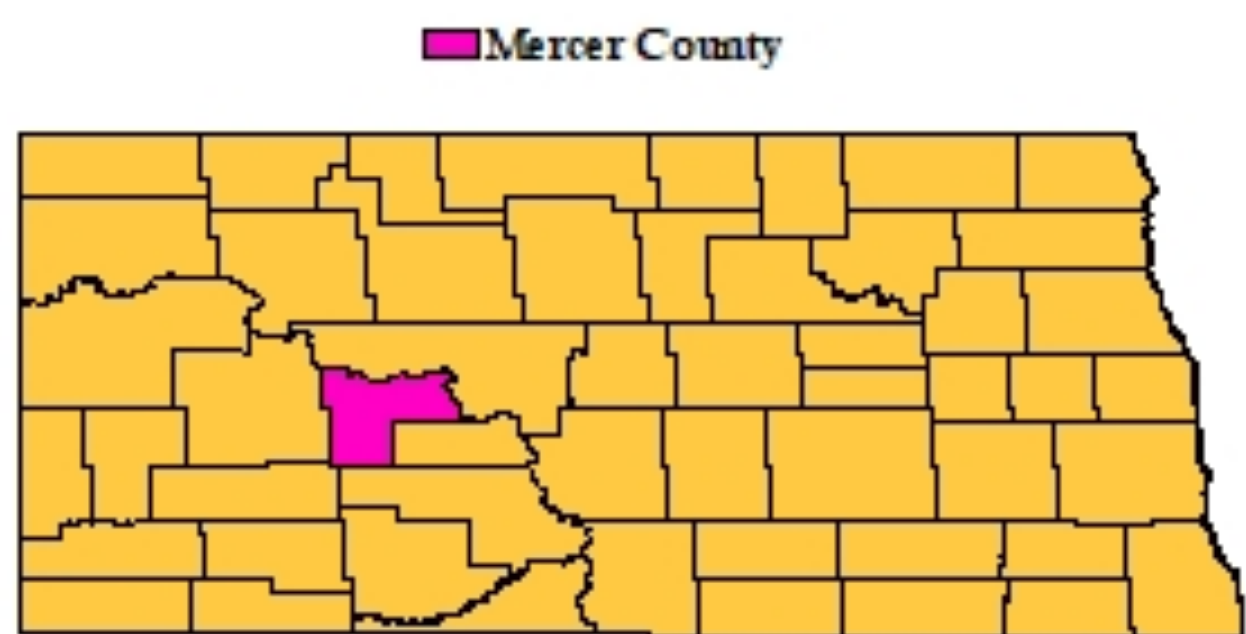
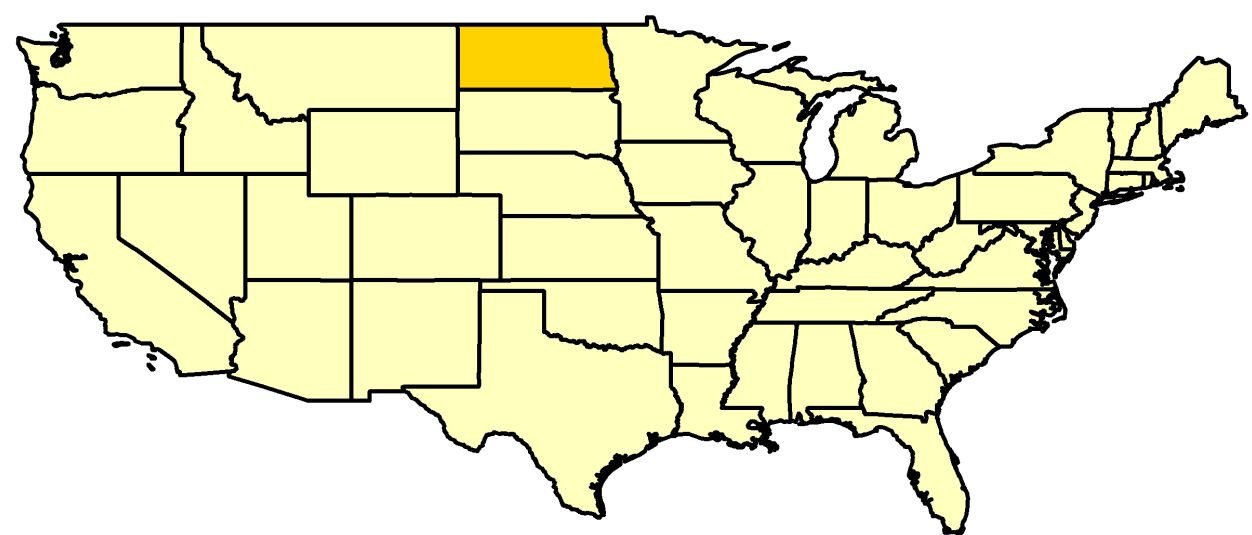
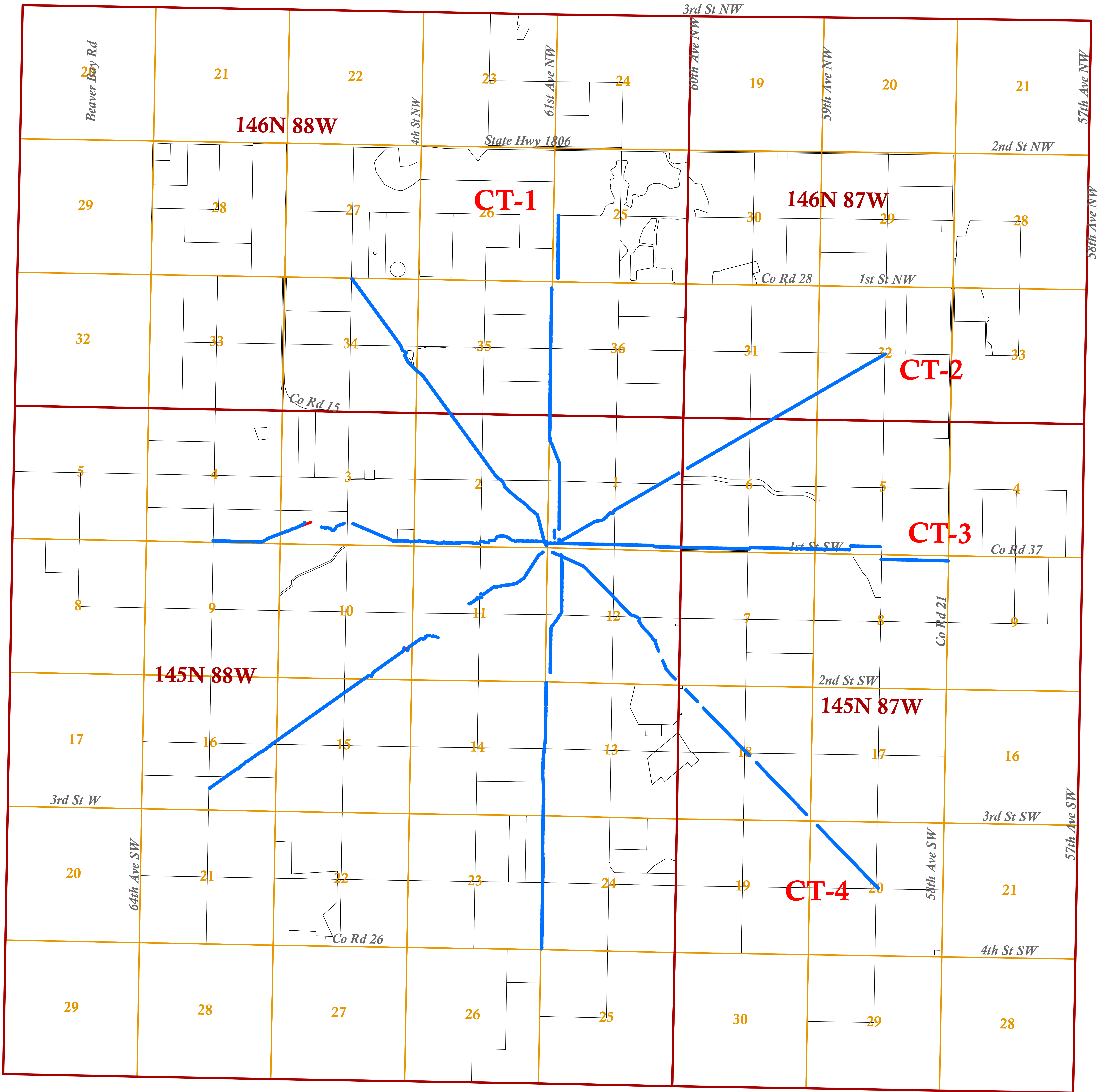
Dear Ms. Reed:

Pursuant to Section 38-08.1-04.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, please be advised that Echo Seismic USA, Inc. was issued the above captioned permit on October 1, 2026, and will remain in effect for a period of one year. The entire permit can be viewed on our website at: <https://www.dmr.nd.gov/oilgas/seismic/seismicstats.asp>

Should you have any questions, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

Todd L. Holweger  
Sr. Permit Manager & Seismic Program Manager



# Coteau 2D Surface Map

September 23, 2026

- Legend
- Source
  - Receivers
  - County Line
  - Roads
  - Rail
  - Outline
  - Townships
  - Sections
  - Permitted
  - No Permit
  - Problem

State Plane  
North Dakota South  
NAD 83  
Scale 1:15,000

Area Of Interest

24.08 Linear Miles  
Mercer County  
North Dakota

This map has been carefully prepared from official records, maps, engineering data, photographs and/or other information, which is provided as a courtesy only. We make no warranties as to its completeness or accuracy, whether expressed or implied.

# AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE



North Dakota Industrial Commission  
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Oil & Gas Division

FORM GE 1

FILING AUTHORIZATION

COMPANY NAME: Echo Seismic USA

ADDRESS: 4833 Front Street, Unit B 435

CITY: Castle Rock STATE: CO ZIP: 80104

This form authorizes the person(s) listed below to submit a NDIC Geophysical Exploration Permit – Form GE 1 for approval on behalf of the designated company as listed above.

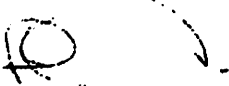
A new authorization will be required if any changes are to be made to the authorized individuals on the form.

The data submitted from the authorized individuals listed below have been checked and conform to the standards and procedures set forth by the NDIC Department of Mineral Resources.

The authorized individual(s) will ensure that the company, as listed above, and party manager receive a copy of the approved Form GE 1

| <u>Authorized Individuals</u> | <u>Phone Number</u> | <u>E-Mail Address</u> |
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| Bruce Fulker | 713.806.2024 | bfulker@cougarlandservices.net |
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Company Authorized Signature:  Date: 11/08/2021

Printed Name: Dan McArthur Title: Corp. VP