

GARRISON DAM/LAKE SAKAKAWEA PROJECT, NORTH DAKOTA
CORPS OF ENGINEERS
FEDERAL MINERAL LEASE STIPULATIONS

- a. No surface occupancy shall be allowed on those lands below elevation 1855 feet msl (mean sea level) or within 300 feet horizontally from said elevation.
- b. All mineral exploration and production infrastructure shall have a minimum setback of twelve hundred (1,200) feet from any Tribal, Federal, State, County or private infrastructure. This includes, but is not limited to, levees, dams, intakes and buildings.
- c. No surface occupancy shall be allowed on islands located within the flood control pool for Lake Sakakawea, regardless of their elevation.
- d. There are numerous archaeological (cultural and historical) sites on project lands. No surface occupancy will be allowed within a minimum of one-hundred (100) feet of any identified cultural resource site. However, case by case review shall be coordinated through the Riverdale Office Staff Archaeologist located at the Corps of Engineers Project Office in Riverdale, North Dakota, to determine adequate protection.
- e. All lease areas shall be cleared for Threatened and Endangered Species Usage. If any such usage has been documented in the immediate area, mineral exploration activities shall be conditioned in coordination with the Missouri River Recovery Program coordinator located at the Corps of Engineers project Office in Riverdale, North Dakota.
- f. On those lands which consist of highly erodible soils, any surface disturbances shall be kept to a minimum. The use of proper engineering practices shall be used to minimize potential soil erosion.
- g. Road construction in association with mineral exploration will be conducted in a manner as primitive as possible and will be constructed using best engineering practices to minimize surface disturbance.
- h. All fill material required for the exploration or production phase shall be clear of all invasive or noxious weed seeds. Obtaining fill materials from project lands is prohibited.
- i. Any current interior or boundary fence that is located within the lease area shall be maintained, or possibly replaced, to prevent livestock and/or general public from entering the site for their safety.
- j. No surface occupancy will be allowed within twelve-hundred (1,200) feet of any leased or Corps managed recreation or zoned limited development area.
- k. Exploration activities that extend beneath the flood control pool of Lake Sakakawea (1854 feet msl) will require Regulatory review in accordance with Section 10/404 authorities (Rivers and Harbors Act and Clean Waters Act respectively).
- l. Any entity intending to engage in any activity on lands under the jurisdiction of the United States of America Corps of Engineers (USACE) are required to obtain written approval from USACE prior to initiating any activity on the lands.