

**BONNER COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT  
BONNER COUNTY ZONING COMMISSION  
STAFF REPORT FOR JUNE 11, 2026**

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**Project Name:** Clemenson – Property Line Setback

**File Number, Type:** FILE #V0010-26, Variance

**Request:** The applicant is requesting a Variance to the setback standards to allow for a 10-foot property line setback, where 25 feet is required, for a new accessory structure.

**Legal Description:** 14-61N-5W TAX 3 - CPWRS

**Location:** The project site is located off Highway 57 in Section 14, Township 61 North, Range 5 West, Boise-Meridian.

**Parcel Number:** RP61N05W147500A

**Parcel Size:** 7.15-Acres

**Applicant:** Travis Clemenson  
PO Box 432  
Nordman, ID 83848

**Project Representative:** Travis Clemenson

**Property owners:** Travis Clemenson

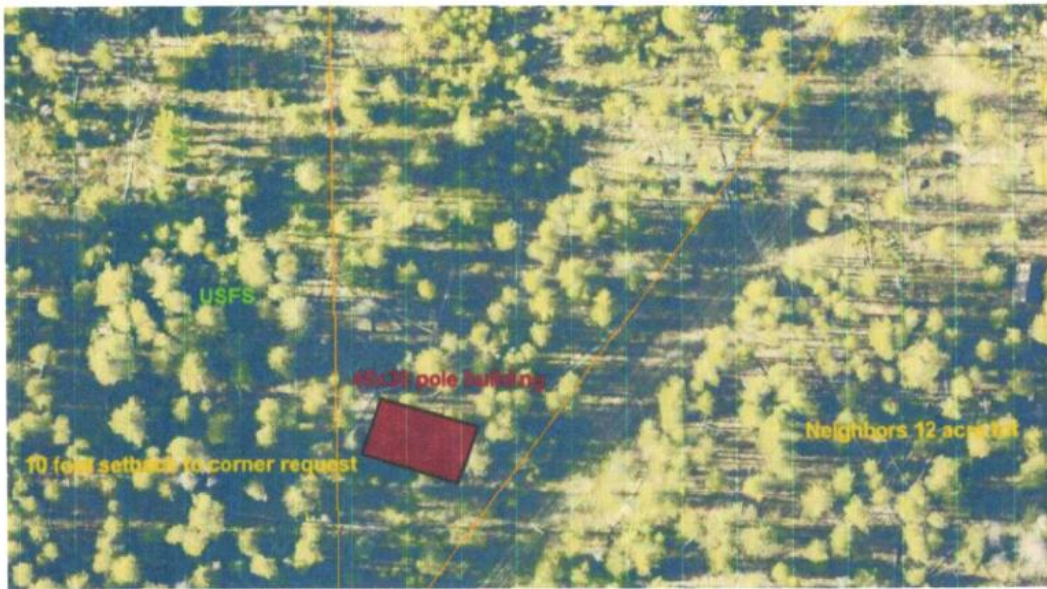
**Application filed:** April 7, 2026

**Notice provided:** Mail: May 5, 2026  
Site Posting: May 5, 2026  
Published in newspaper: May 5, 2026

**Appendix:** Appendix A – Notice of Public Hearing Record of Mailing  
Appendix B - Agency Comments



# Site Plan



RP 61N05W147500A 7.15 Acres  
Clemenson  
45x38 pole barn  
10' set back request to SW Corner building  
15' set back request to SE Corner building

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## Project summary:

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The applicant is requesting a Variance to the setback standards to allow for a 10-foot property line setback, where 25 feet is required, for a new accessory structure. The 7.15-acre property is zoned Agricultural/Forestry 10 (A/F-10). The project is located off Highway 57 in Section 14, Township 61 North, Range 5 West, Boise-Meridian.

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## Applicable laws:

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The following sections of BCRC, Title 12, apply to this project:

- BCRC 12-2.3, Variances, general provisions, application, standards, procedures
- BCRC 12-234, Variance standards
- BCRC 12-322, Agricultural/Forestry District
- BCRC 12-344, Nonconforming Structures
- BCRC 12-400, et seq., Development standards
- BCRC 12-7.1, et seq., Shorelines
- BCRC 12-7.2, et seq., Grading/erosion/stormwater management
- BCRC 12-7.3, et seq., Wetlands

**Background:**

**A. Site data:**

Land Use: Vacant  
 Unplatted  
 Size: 7.15-acres  
 Zoning Designation: Agricultural/Forestry 10 (A/F-10)  
 Comp Plan Designation: Ag/Forest Land (10-20 AC)

**B. Access:**

Highway 57, a State of Idaho owned, and maintained, public right-of-way.

**C. Environmental factors:**

Site is mostly flat with minimal area of slopes between 15-30+%. (USGS)  
 Site does not contain mapped wetlands. (USFWS)  
 Site does not contain frontage on a mapped waterbody. (NHD)  
 Parcel is within SFHA Zone D per FIRM Panel Number 16017C0125F Effective Date 7/7/2014. No further floodplain review is required on this proposal.

**D. Services:**

- Water: No information provided
- Sewage: No information provided
- Fire: West Priest Lake Fire District
- Power: No information provided
- School District: West Bonner School District #83

**E. Comprehensive Plan, Zoning and Current Land Use**

<b>Compass</b>	<b>Comp Plan</b>	<b>Zoning</b>	<b>Current Land Use &amp; Density</b>
Site	Ag/Forest Land (10-20 AC)	Agricultural/Forestry 10 (A/F-10)	Vacant, 7.15-Acres
North	Ag/Forest Land (10-20 AC)	Agricultural/Forestry 10 (A/F-10)	Vacant, 8.34-Acres
East	Ag/Forest Land (10-20 AC)	Agricultural/Forestry 10 (A/F-10)	Residential, 13.72-Acres
South	Ag/Forest Land (10-20 AC)	Agricultural/Forestry 10 (A/F-10)	Residential, 13.72-Acres
West	Remote Ag/Forest (40+ AC) & Ag/Forest Land (10-20 AC)	Forest 40 (F) & Agricultural/Forestry 10 (A/F-10)	National Forest, 495.07-Acres

**F. Standards review**

BCRC 12-234 specifies that "Staff, the commission and/or board shall review the particular facts and circumstances of each proposal submitted and shall find adequate evidence showing that:

- (a) **Conditions apply to the property that do not apply generally to other properties in the same zone or vicinity, which conditions are a result of lot size, shape, topography, or other circumstances over which the applicant has no control.**

**Applicant:** *"Lot is triangular shaped and a 25-foot setback pushes our shop farther north than if the lot shape was rectangular. Also will require a substantial amount of fill hauled in to accommodate this structure."*

**Staff:** The subject lot is unique, in that it is well below the typical 10-acres required by zoning, and is triangular in shape, with only three property line boundaries. Having three corners creates a minimal buildable area, and leaves a lot of space between setbacks, that is too narrow to place a structure. This would force all structures to be centered in the parcel.

- (b) **Special conditions and circumstances do not result from the actions of the applicant.**

**Applicant:** *"The lot shape has been of this configuration for several ownerships."*

**Staff:** The applicant purchased the subject parcel in its current configuration in February 2024, under instrument number #1030418. The subject parcel was sold with the same legal description in 2016. The applicant did not create the subject parcel, or have any control over the size or shape of the parcel.

- (c) **The granting of the variance is not in conflict with the public interest in that it will not be detrimental to the public health, safety, or welfare, or materially injurious to properties or improvements in the vicinity of the subject parcel or lot.**

**Applicant:** *"This will not conflict with public interest due to its location as well as proposed structure is for private use."*

**Staff:** This application does not appear to be in conflict with the public interest, in that the area requested is bordered by US Forest Service land, and one larger parcel, which has existing structures more than 300 feet away from the project site. This proposal allows the applicant to use more of his oddly shaped property while still maintaining a standard setback distance allowed on smaller parcels. The subject parcel is also accessed by a private driveway, and does not contain frontage on any roadway. No public comments were received in opposition to this request, or that indicated there was a conflict with public interest. Northern Lights commented that they needed a 20-foot setback to the center of their power poles on the neighboring parcel, but did not express opposition. This request appears to be met, as the power lines extend approximately 4-6 feet from the center of the pole, and are set back from the property line already. Additionally, the easement and location of the power lines on the neighboring parcel should not encumber the subject parcel, which does not have an easement or power lines crossing it. No other comments or evidence has been given that would suggest this project is in conflict with the public interest.

A stormwater management plan may be required at the time of Building Location Permit.

**H. Agency Review**

Agencies were notified of this project on May 5, 2026. A full list of the agencies notified can be found in the attached Appendix A.

**The following agencies commented:**

Bonner County Floodplain Review  
Northern Lights Inc.

**The following agencies replied "No Comment":**

Idaho Department of Environmental Quality  
Idaho Department of Water Resources  
Idaho Transportation Department  
Idaho Department of Fish and Game  
Kootenai/Ponderay Sewer District  
Panhandle Health District

**All other agencies did not reply.**

**Public Notice & Comments**

At the time this Staff Report was written, public comments were received.

**Planner's Initials: \_\_\_DF\_\_\_      Date: \_\_\_6/3/26\_\_\_ Note:**

**The final decision rests with the governing body after the completion of the public hearing and consideration of all relevant oral and written testimony and evidence.**

**Decision by the governing body:**

**ZONING COMMISSION**

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** I, commissioner (insert name) move to approve this request FILE V0010-26, for a Variance to the setback standards to allow for a 10-foot property line setback, where 25 feet is required, for a new accessory structure, finding that it is in accord with the Bonner County Revised Code as enumerated in the following conclusions of law:

Conclusion 1

Conditions apply to the property that **do not** apply generally to other properties in the same zone or vicinity, which conditions are a result of lot size, shape, topography, or other circumstances over which the applicant has no control.

Conclusion 2

Special conditions and circumstances **did not** result from the actions of the applicant.

Conclusion 3

The granting of the variance **is not** in conflict with the public interest in that it **will/will not** be detrimental to the public health, safety, or welfare, or materially injurious to properties or improvements in the vicinity of the subject parcel or lot. (Ord. 559, 1-4-2017)

This is based upon the evidence submitted up to the time the Staff Report was prepared and testimony received at this hearing. I further move to adopt the reasoned statement as discussed in deliberation at this hearing and the analysis as set forth in the Staff Report (or as amended during this hearing) and direct planning staff to draft the reasoned statement to reflect this motion as set forth in Idaho Code section 67-6535, have the Chair sign, and transmit to all interested parties. This action does not result in a taking of private property.

**Note:** Only the development highlighted on the site plan has been reviewed for variance standards. All other development shown must comply with Bonner County Revised Code. This variance shall not supersede any deed restrictions.

**MOTION TO DENY:** I commissioner (insert name) move to deny this request FILE V0010-26, for a Variance to the setback standards to allow for a 10-foot property line setback, where 25 feet is required, for a new accessory structure, based upon the following conclusions:

Conclusion 1

Conditions apply to the property that **do/do not** apply generally to other properties in the same zone or vicinity, which conditions are a result of lot size, shape, topography, or other circumstances over which the applicant has no control.

Conclusion 2

Special conditions and circumstances **do/do not** result from the actions of the applicant.

Conclusion 3

The granting of the variance **is/is not** in conflict with the public interest in that it **will/will not** be detrimental to the public health, safety, or welfare, or materially injurious to properties or improvements in the vicinity of the subject parcel or lot. (Ord. 559, 1-4-2017)

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- 1) File a new application with the Planning Department and meet the standards required by Bonner County Revised Code; or
- 2) Appeal the decision to the County Commissioners.

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The complete file is available for review in the Planning Department, 1500 Highway 2, Suite #208, Sandpoint, ID. Some file application material is available online at [www.bonnercountyid.gov](http://www.bonnercountyid.gov) Bonner County Revised Code (BCRC) is available at the Planning Department or online.

## **Appendix A – Notice of Public Record of Mailing**

# RECORD OF MAILING

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File Number: File **V0010-26**

Record of Mailing Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Hearing Date: **6.11.26**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the "Notice of Public Hearing" was digitally transmitted or mailed (postage prepaid) on this **5<sup>th</sup>** day of **May 2026**.



**Jeannie Welter, Systems Technician**

Assessor - Email  
Bay Drive Recreation District - Email  
Bonner County Airport Manager - Email  
Bonner County EMS - Email  
Bonner County Road & Bridge - Email  
Bottle Bay Water & Sewer District - Email  
City of Dover - Email  
City of Hope - Email  
City of Oldtown - Email  
City of Priest River - Email  
City of Spirit Lake - Email  
Coolin-Cavanaugh Bay Fire District - Email  
East Bonner Library - Email  
Ellisport Bay Sewer - Email  
GEM STATE MINER - U.S. Mail  
Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) - Email  
Idaho Department of Lands - CDA - U.S. Mail  
Idaho Department of Lands - Navigable Waters & Mining - Email  
Idaho Department of Water Resources - IDWR - Email  
Idaho Transportation Department- District I - Email  
Kalispel Bay Sewer & Water - U.S. Mail  
KPBX-FM 91 SPOKANE PUBLIC RADIO - U.S. Mail  
Laclede Water District - Email  
Lake Pend Oreille School District, #84 (Transportation) - Email  
Little Blacktail Ranch Water Association - U.S. Mail  
Northern Lights, Inc. - Email  
Northside Fire District - Email  
Panhandle Health District - Email  
Priest Lake Public Library District - Email  
Sagle Valley Water & Sewer - Email  
Schweitzer Fire District - Email  
Selkirk Fire, Rescue & EMS - Email  
Southside Water & Sewer District - Email  
Spokesman-Review - U.S. Mail  
Swan Shores Sewer District - U.S. Mail  
Tamarack Village Water & Sewer - U.S. Mail  
Trestle Creek Sewer District - Email  
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service - Email  
West Bonner County Cemetery District - Email  
West Bonner Library - Email  
West Pend Oreille Fire District - Email  
Avista Utilities - Email  
Bayview Water & Sewer - Email  
BONNER COUNTY DAILY BEE - U.S. Mail  
Bonner County Floodplain Review - Email  
Bonner County Sheriff - Email  
City of Clark Fork - Email  
City of East Hope - Email  
City of Kootenai - Email  
City of Ponderay - Email  
City of Sandpoint - Email  
Coolin Sewer District - Email  
Drainage District #7 - Email  
East Priest Lake Fire District - Email  
Garfield Bay Water & Sewer District - Email  
Granite Reeder Water & Sewer District - Email  
Idaho Department of Fish & Game - Email  
Idaho Department of Lands - Coolin - Email  
Idaho Department of Lands - Sandpoint - Email  
Idaho Transportation Department (Aeronautics) - U.S. Mail  
Independent Highway District - Email  
Kootenai-Ponderay Sewer District - Email  
KSPT-KPND-KIBR RADIO - U.S. Mail  
Lake Pend Oreille School District, #84 (Admin Office) - Email  
Lakeland Joint School District, #272 - Email  
North of the Narrows Fire District - Email  
Northland/Vyve Cable Television - Email  
Outlet Bay Sewer District - Email  
Pend Oreille Hospital District - Email  
Priest Lake Translator District - Email  
Sam Owen Fire District - Email  
SELKIRK ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS - U.S. Mail  
Selkirk Recreation District -Email  
Spirit Lake Fire District - Email  
Historical Society - Email  
Syringa Heights Water Association - Email  
Timber Lake Fire District - Email  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Email  
U.S. Forest Service - U.S. Mail  
West Bonner County School District, #83 - Email  
West Bonner Water & Sewer District - Email  
West Priest Lake Fire District - Email

## **Appendix B – Agency Comments**

## Maya Johnson

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**From:** planning@bonnercountyid.gov on behalf of DEQ Comments  
<deqcomments@deq.idaho.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 2:47 PM  
**To:** Planning  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Agency Review & Comment – Due by May 28, 2026 – File V0010-26 – Bonner County Planning

Good Afternoon,

Thank you for providing the opportunity to comment. DEQ has no environmental impact comments for the project listed above at this stage of development.

Thank you,

Idaho Department of Environmental Quality  
2110 Ironwood Parkway, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814  
Office Line: 208.769.1422  
[www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov)

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**From:** Planning <Planning@bonnercountyid.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 5, 2026 11:55 AM  
**Cc:** Maya Johnson <Maya.Johnson@bonnercountyid.gov>; Janna Brown <janna.brown@bonnercountyid.gov>; Jeannie Welter <jeannie.welter@bonnercountyid.gov>; Planning <Planning@bonnercountyid.gov>; David Fisher <david.fisher@bonnercountyid.gov>  
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Please see attached for details.

Have a wonderful day!

*Jeannie Welter*

**Bonner County Planning Department  
Systems Technician  
208-265-1458**

## Maya Johnson

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**From:** planning@bonnercountyid.gov on behalf of Bates, Luke <Luke.Bates@idwr.idaho.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 5, 2026 3:21 PM  
**To:** Planning  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Agency Review & Comment – Due by May 28, 2026 – File V0010-26 – Bonner County Planning

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

REF: V0010-26

TO: Bonner County Planning Department

Good afternoon,

Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) – Northern Regional Office doesn't have any comments for the proposed variance application, as it isn't within IDWR's jurisdiction.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment,

Luke Bates – Sr Water Resource Agent  
Idaho Department of Water Resources  
Northern Regional Office  
7600 N Mineral Dr Suite 100 Coeur D Alene ID 83815-7763

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**From:** Planning <Planning@bonnercountyid.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 5, 2026 11:55 AM  
**Cc:** Maya Johnson <Maya.Johnson@bonnercountyid.gov>; Janna Brown <janna.brown@bonnercountyid.gov>; Jeannie Welter <jeannie.welter@bonnercountyid.gov>; Planning <Planning@bonnercountyid.gov>; David Fisher <david.fisher@bonnercountyid.gov>  
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**From:** planning@bonnercountyid.gov on behalf of Horsmon,Merritt  
<merritt.horsmon@idfg.idaho.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 22, 2026 1:37 PM  
**To:** Planning  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Agency Review & Comment – Due by May 28, 2026 – File V0010-26 – Bonner County Planning

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game does not have any comments to submit for this application.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment,

### Merritt Horsmon

Regional Technical Assistance Manager  
Panhandle Region  
2885 W. Kathleen Ave.  
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815  
208.769.1414 office  
208.251.4509 mobile  
[merritt.horsmon@idfg.idaho.gov](mailto:merritt.horsmon@idfg.idaho.gov)



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# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING



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*Jeannie L Welter*  
Jeannie Welter, Systems Technician

This notice was mailed to political subdivisions, property owners within 2800 feet of the subject property, and the media on **Tuesday, May 5, 2025**.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Bonner County Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing at **5:30 pm on Thursday, June 11, 2026**, in the Bonner County Administration Building, 1500 Highway 2, Sandpoint, Idaho, by Zoom teleconference, and YouTube Livestream to consider the following requests:

**File V0010-26 – Variance – Property Line Setback**: Request for a property line setback variance of 10-foot, where 25 feet is required, for new construction. The 7.15-acre parcel is zoned Ag/Forestry 10 and located off HWY 57 in Section 14, Township 61 North, Range 5 West, Boise-Meridian.

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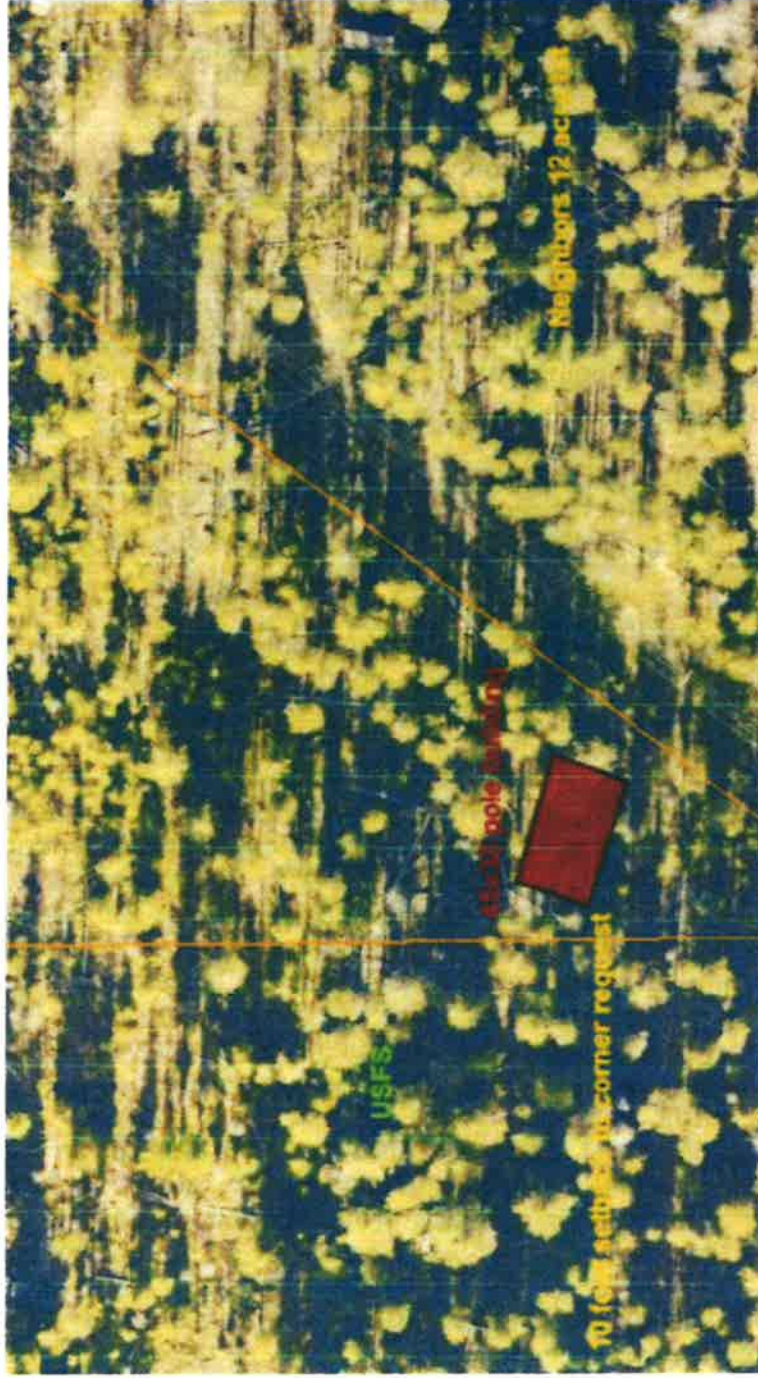
**\*\*Written statements must be submitted to the planning department record no later than May 28, 2026** . Written statements not exceeding one standard letter sized, single spaced page may be submitted at the public hearing. Statements can be sent to the Bonner County Planning Department at 1500 Highway 2, Suite 208, Sandpoint, Idaho 83864; faxed to 866-537-4935 or e-mailed to [planning@bonnercountyid.gov](mailto:planning@bonnercountyid.gov). The referenced start time stated above reflects the beginning of the hearing. Specific file start time and hearing duration vary.

During the hearing for this application, the public will be given an opportunity to provide testimony and/or evidence regarding how the proposal does or does not comply with the applicable approval criteria of the Bonner County Revised Code. At the close of the public hearing, the governing body will make a decision on the application that may include, but is not limited to, approval, denial, remand, or continuance of the public hearing. Any person needing special accommodations to participate in the public hearing should contact the Bonner County Planning Department at (208) 265-1458 at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled hearing.

**If you have no comment or response, you may indicate below and return this form to the Planning Department.**

NO COMMENT *Kootenai - Ponderay Sewer District* *5-5-2026*  
Name Date  
*Out of boundaries.*

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NO COMMENT PHD, Anna 5/6/26  
Name Date

## Maya Johnson

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**From:** planning@bonnercountyid.gov on behalf of Robert Beachler  
<Robert.Beachler@itd.idaho.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 5, 2026 4:18 PM  
**To:** Planning  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Agency Review & Comment – Due by May 28, 2026 – File V0010-26 – Bonner County Planning

No Comment from the Idaho Transportation Department.

Robert Beachler  
District 1 Planning Program Manager  
Idaho Transportation Department  
600 W. Prairie Ave  
Coeur d’Alene, ID 83815  
[robert.beachler@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:robert.beachler@itd.idaho.gov)  
(208) 772-1216  
Office Hours M-TH 6-4:30

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**[EXT SENDER] Re: Request for Agency Review & Comment – Due by May 28, 2026 – File V0010-26 – Bonner County Planning**

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**From** Sam Ross <sam.ross@nli.coop>

**Date** Tue 5/5/2026 2:38 PM

**To** Planning <Planning@bonnercountyid.gov>; Dan Scholz <Dan.Scholz@nli.coop>; Kristin Burge <kristin.burge@nli.coop>

**Cc** Maya Johnson <Maya.Johnson@bonnercountyid.gov>; Janna Brown <janna.brown@bonnercountyid.gov>; Jeannie Welter <jeannie.welter@bonnercountyid.gov>; David Fisher <david.fisher@bonnercountyid.gov>

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Jeannie,

NLI has a three-phase overhead powerline spanning northeast from the south corner of that parcel and parallel to the east property boundary.

The applicants seeking the variance will need to maintain a minimum of 20 feet from the pole centerline, which is the standard minimum setback for permanent structures in our overhead line easements.



NLI requests that the governing body condition the approval of the variance so that a minimum setback of 20-feet is maintained from the structure to the center of the pole line.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment-- sincerely,

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Please see attached for details.

Have a wonderful day!

*Jeannie Welter*

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