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The discovery of this eagle's nest less than a half-mile away from the site of Yankton's collector well project at Paddlewheel Point could potentially shut construction down temporarily. University of South Dakota (USD) graduate students Gretchen Newberry and T.J. Agin have been observing the nest and reporting to the USFWS on any impact the project has on the birds.

Eagles Nest Could Shut Down Well Project Temporarily

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The discovery of an eagle's nest less than a half-mile away from the site of Yankton's collector well project at Paddlewheel Point could potentially shut construction down temporarily.

HDR Inc. environmental scientists from Sioux Falls conducted a bald eagle survey on in January to determine if there were any eagle nests present within one mile of the \$9.2 million project.



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The nest was found on the opposite side of the river from

the construction site.

The nest was observed for one hour. At the time, there were no bald eagles in the nest, but two adult eagles were observed perching in the nest tree.

Yankton Director of Environmental Services Kyle Goodmanson said the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) issued the National Bald Eagle Management Guidelines to minimize disturbance of the bald eagles and avoid violations of the

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Archery Tourney: The Money Game



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Yankton Looks At Financial Pitfalls, Successes Of Previous World Tourney

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Preparations for the World Archery Federation's (WAF) 2015 Youth Archery World Championships continue at a number of levels across Yankton, but officials are looking back at the last time the event was held in North America for a glimpse of what kind of an economic challenges and impact the event could potentially have on the area.

The WFA, then the Federation of International Target Archery, held the event in Ogden, Utah, just north of Salt Lake City, in 2009.

ALLEVIATING A SHORTFALL

Currently, \$1 million is budgeted to cover expenses for the 2015 youth championships.



Cull

National Field Archery Association (NFAA) president Bruce Cull said the nature of the sport makes it hard to make all of that money back for those hosting the event.

"The problem with most of these tournaments is they're not looked at as a typical business model," Cull said. "Sporting events like this generally don't make a lot of money, unless they're huge NASCAR events or something like that."

Cull said the budget is easier to figure out than income.

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Budget Committee Adopts Revenue Estimates

BY JAMES NORD
Associated Press

PIERRE — Expressing concerns that South Dakota's agricultural industry will continue to falter over the next budget year, the Legislature's budget-writing committee decided Wednesday that the state will have less money to spend than projected when Gov. Dennis Daugaard proposed his state budget in December.

The Joint Appropriations Committee voted 13-4 along party lines to adopt revenue projection recommendations from a budget sub-panel. That means lawmakers are looking at about \$10.4 million less revenue than projected in December for the upcoming 2016 budget cycle that begins on July 1 and about \$7 million less for the current cycle.

Rep. Jean Hunhoff, R-Yankton, said the panel adopted "conservative" revenue numbers. Sen. Larry Tidemann, R-Brookings, said he doesn't soon anticipate a major surge in the state's agricultural economy, which helps drive sales tax revenue. Tidemann said last year he was optimistic during the budget process.

"I thought the ag economy was going to carry us through, and the bottom fell out on those crop prices," he said. "That had a real negative impact on our sales and use tax."

Sales tax collected on farm equipment alone is estimated to have dropped roughly \$10 million between 2013 and 2014, and farm income has sunk from record levels, according to a presentation from the administration's Bureau of Finance and Management.

Joint Appropriations Committee Chairman Justin Cronin, R-Gettysburg, pointed to layoffs at North Dakota-based Titan Machinery, which is reducing its workforce by 14 percent and closing some stores, including one in Bowdle, South Dakota, after a drop in revenue. The move tells Cronin



Hunhoff

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YHS Offers CTE Open House

BY SHAUNA MARLETTE
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Yankton High School (YHS) is inviting the community to explore its Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs.

"We are just doing amazing things in our CTE classes and we wanted an opportunity to give the community a chance to get a hands-on look at what we are offering here at Yankton High School," said teacher Lorie Mulhair. "We will be having our World of Work students leading the tours. We are offering the open house in conjunction with conferences but it is open to anyone from the community."

The tours, which will be held Monday, March 16, from 4:30-8:30 p.m. at the high school, give those interested a chance to see

the classrooms and visit with the instructors.

"Career and Technical Education is really a strong component of the programming offered here at YHS," Mulhair said. "In the 2013-2014 school year we had 1,312 credit hours in our CTE courses. This year, we had to add sections to cover the student interest and we are adding more sections again next school year."

CTE classes range from Family and Consumer Science to Automotive Engine Performance - 32 classes in all - each of them focusing on practical skills that can be used by the students after graduation, Mulhair said.

"The whole idea of CTE courses are to give our students practical knowledge they can use after they graduate," she said. "If that is a

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Fire In The Cornfield

Yankton firefighters were called to this small blaze along Old Highway 50 east of Yankton shortly after noon Wednesday. A spark from a controlled burn of a tree stump that was done this past weekend was blown by the wind and spread into a cornfield. No damage was reported. Yankton County is under a temporary burn ban until Monday due to warm, breezy conditions. The National Weather Service has issued a fire weather watch for today (Thursday), due to possible record temperatures combined with winds from 25-40 miles per hour and low humidity. (Kelly Hertz/P&D)



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