

FACT SHEET

Lance D. Gaebe, Commissioner

ND DEPARTMENT OF TRUST LANDS SURFACE MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL



Linda Fisher, Leasing Coordinator

Linda is from a south central North Dakota farm and has been working with the Department of Trust Lands since 1991. She is knowledgeable in the everyday practical aspects of farming and ranching and helped run the family farm. Linda is responsible for making sure that school trust lands are leased efficiently and that the leases are maintained. This includes organizing lease auctions, working with county officials, and resolving problems that lessees may have with state land leases.



Mike Haupt, Land Management Professional

Mike is a native of Minot, North Dakota, and has a Bachelor's degree in Fish and Wildlife Biology from Montana State University and a Master's in Botany from NDSU, with an emphasis in rangeland management. Mike has been employed with the Department of Trust Lands since 1988. He is responsible for easements, permits, and oil and coal industry reclamation on state school trust lands. Mike works with lessees reviewing land productivity, working on grazing distribution problems, improving forage production, and livestock grazing rotation systems. Mike is a Certified Professional in Rangeland Management.



Mike Humann, Director of Surface Management

Mike was raised on a diversified farming and ranch operation in south central North Dakota. He has a Master's degree from NDSU in Botany specializing in rangeland management. He worked for the USDA Soil Conservation Service and has been employed by the Department of Trust Lands since 1987. His responsibilities include range improvement planning, land productivity reviews, gravel lease management, foreclosed property management, and livestock water developments. Mike works with lessees on grazing distribution problems, improving forage production, and livestock grazing rotation plans. Mike is a Certified Professional in Rangeland Management.



Jerry Saude, Trust Land Specialist

Jerry is originally from Ada, Minnesota, and has worked at the Department of Trust Lands since 1991. Jerry has a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science from NDSU and has worked for the Rolette County Soil Conservation District and USDA-Soil Conservation Service. Jerry assists with all aspects of the land management program. His primary responsibilities are noxious weed control and public access on school trust lands. Jerry also helps with the surface lease auctions. Jerry is knowledgeable in bio-control of leafy spurge and has a commercial agricultural pesticide applicator license.



Cory Barth, Natural Resource Professional

Cory is originally from Bismarck, ND, and has worked at the Department of Trust Lands since June, 2013. He has a Master's degree in Range Management from NDSU. Cory's primary responsibility is reclamation of oil and gas related disturbance and gravel mines. Additional responsibilities include ecological evaluations of rights-of-way applications and range improvement projects. Cory is certified as a commercial agricultural pesticide applicator license.