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February 2, 2023

Dear Interested Cooperator:

Please review the following lists and maps of waterfowl production areas with grazing opportunities available.

You'll find a list of areas available for applications, as well as detailed grazing prescription maps for all of the areas. For any areas you are interested in, fill out an application and ranking form, available at the end of the document.

For questions, additional applications, or grazing prescription maps, please visit our office or contact us at the following address, phone, or email. Maps are also available for download on our website at [www.fws.gov/refuge/kulm-wetland-management-district](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/kulm-wetland-management-district).

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Please fill out a separate ranking form for **EACH WPA** that you apply for. Applications are due to our office by **4 pm on February 27th, 2023**. They may be hand-delivered, mailed, emailed, or faxed.

If you have questions, please call our office.

Thank you for your consideration,

Krista Lundgren  
Wildlife Refuge Specialist

## 2023 GRAZING UNITS

### **Dickey County**

Spring Valley Twp. (s.10) <b>Erlenbusch WPA</b> approx. 134-136 ac. 5 year permit	Northwest Twp. (s. 29) <b>Gruneich WPA (Unit 2)</b> approx. 140 ac. 4 year permit	Albertha Twp. (s. 11) <b>Lazy M WPA (Units 1,2)</b> approx. 62-128 ac. 3 year permit
Albertha Twp. (s. 13 & 14) <b>*Lazy M WPA (Units 3-6)</b> approx. 312-321 ac. 4 year permit	Albertha Twp. (s. 15) <b>*Lazy M WPA (Units 9-12)</b> approx. 200-277 ac. 4 year permit	Albertha/Grand Vly Twp. (s. 1/31) <b>LSB WPA (Units 2,3)</b> approx. 223 ac. 5 year permit
Kentner Twp. (s. 13 & 24) <b>Maple River WPA</b> approx. 165-196 ac. 3 year permit		

\* These units will be awarded to two separate cooperators

### **LaMoure County**

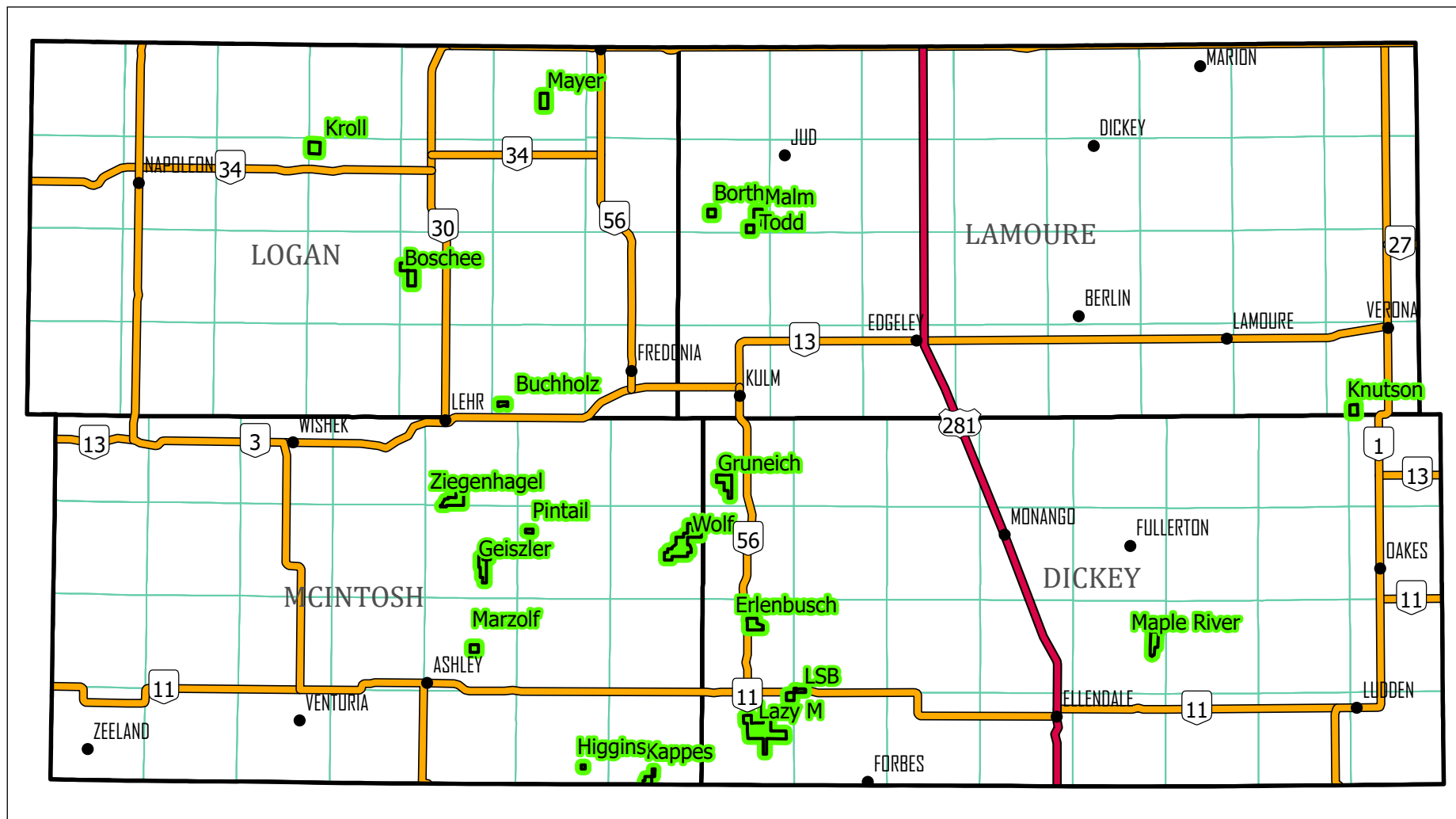
Raney Twp. (s. 28) <b>Borth WPA</b> approx. 118 ac. 3 year permit	Ovid Twp. (s. 32) <b>Knutson WPA</b> approx. 55 ac. 3 year permit	Raney Twp. (s. 25 & 36) <b>Malm WPA</b> approx. 266 ac. 3 year permit
Raney Twp. (s. 35) <b>Todd WPA</b> approx. 138 ac. 3 year permit		

### **Logan County**

Hollandsworth Twp. (s. 18 & 19) <b>Boschee WPA</b> approx. 260 ac. 3 year permit	Lautt Twp. (s. 31) <b>Buchholz WPA</b> approx. 7 ac. 3 year permit	Grenz Twp. (s. 6) <b>Kroll WPA</b> approx. 62-64 ac. 1 year permit
Neudorf Twp. (s. 22) <b>Mayer WPA</b> approx. 250 ac. 3 year permit		

### **McIntosh County**

Lydia Twp. (s. 22) <b>Geiszler WPA (Units 1,2,3,4)</b> approx. 165-300 ac. 4 year permit	Lydia Twp. (s. 22) <b>Geiszler WPA (Units 5,6)</b> approx 25-85 ac. 4 year permit	Jewell Twp. (s. 26) <b>Higgins WPA</b> approx 26 ac. 3 year permit
Coldwater Twp. (s. 22) <b>Kappes WPA</b> approx. 97 ac. 3 year permit	Kisslingberry Twp. (s. 1) <b>Marzolf WPA</b> approx. 104 ac. 3 year permit	Rosenthal Twp. (s. 7) <b>Pintail WPA</b> approx. 40 ac. 3 year permit
Lowenthal Twp. (s. 32 & 33) <b>Ziegenhagel WPA</b> approx. 137-182 ac. 4 year permit	Antelope Twp. (s. 12) <b>Wolf WPA</b> approx. 180 ac. 1 year permit	



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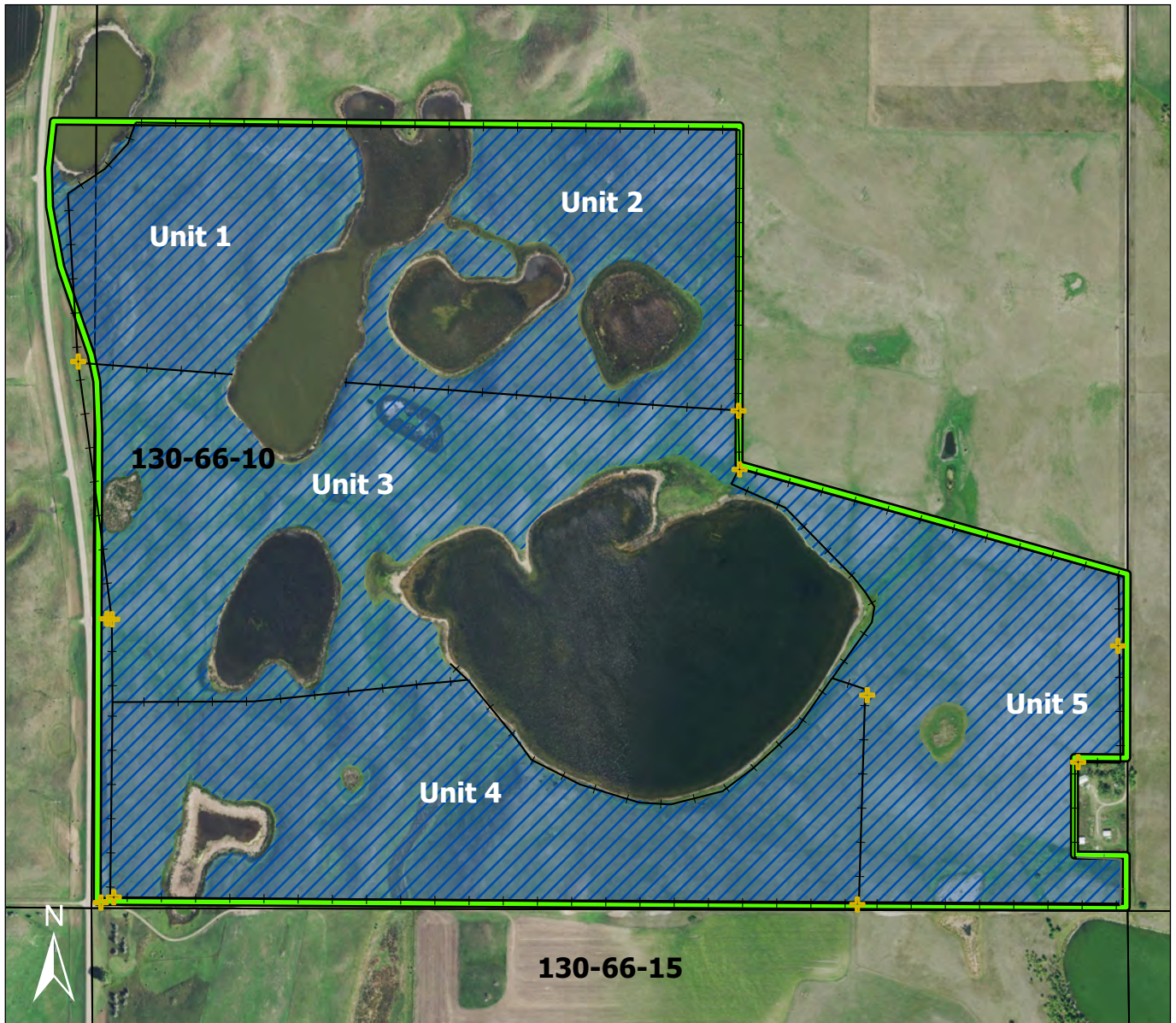
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## ERLENBUSCH WPA



**Grazing Plan Area:** 270 acres across 5 units

Minimum Animal Units: 54 AU/ 45 pair

2023: Units 4 - 5 (134 acres), Not to Exceed 75 days

2024: Units 1 - 3 - 2 (136 acres), Not to Exceed 75 days

2025: Units 5 - 4 (134 acres), Not to Exceed 75 days

2026: Units 2 - 3 - 1 (136 acres), Not to Exceed 75 days

2027: Units 4 - 5 (134 acres), Not to Exceed 75 days

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 23,800 feet of exterior and interior fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

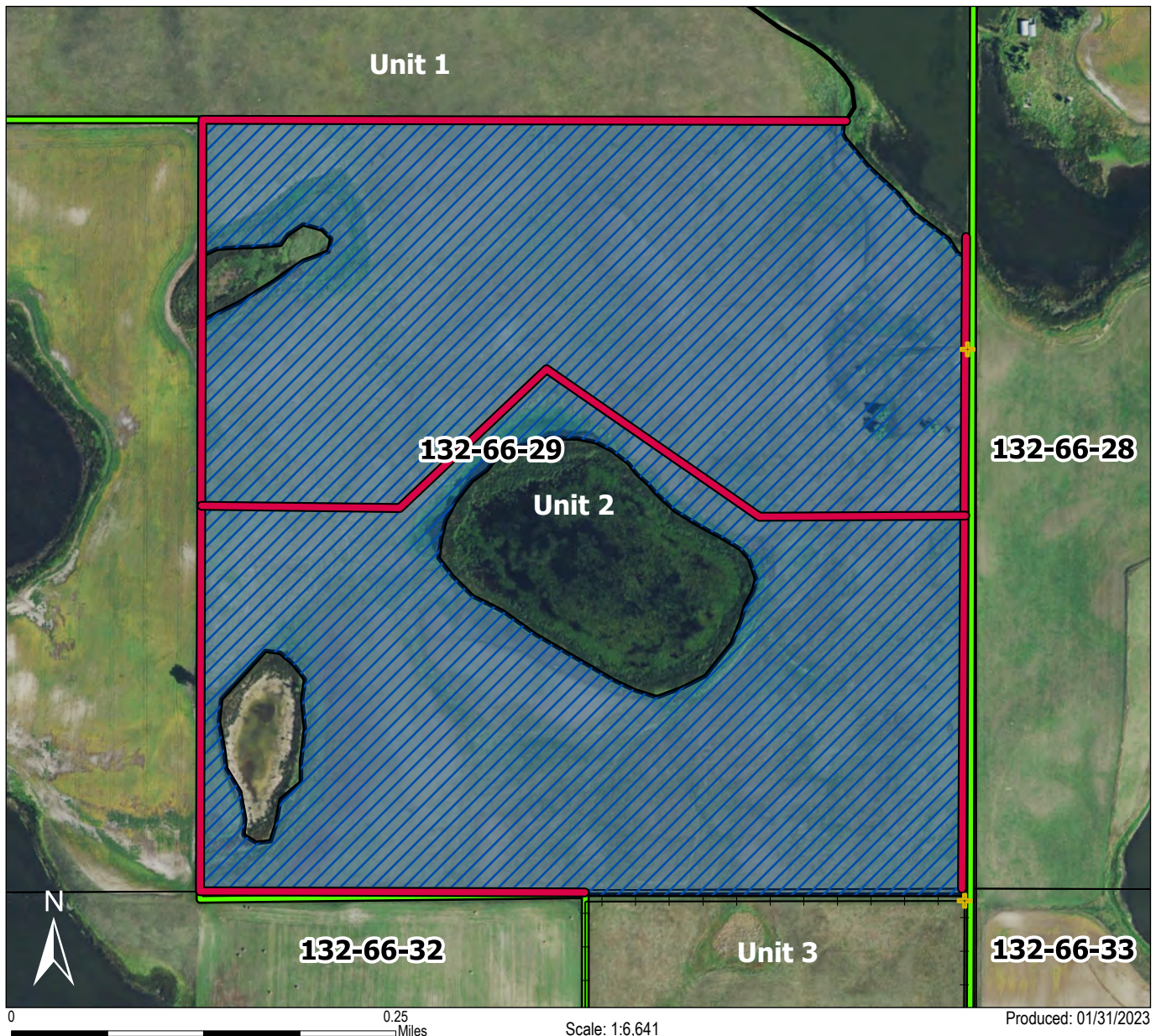
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## GRUNEICH WPA



**Grazing Plan Area:** 140 acres in Unit 2 across 2 cells

Minimum Animal Units: 45.6 AU/ 38 pair

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2024: Unit 2 (140 acres), Not to Exceed 90 days

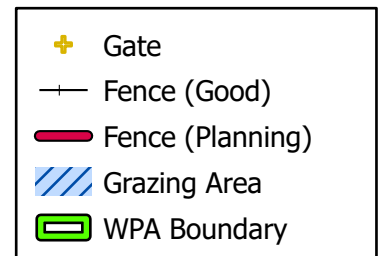
2025: Unit 2 (140 acres), Not to Exceed 90 days

2026: Unit 2 (140 acres), Not to Exceed 90 days

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the construction and maintenance/repairs of approximately 12,200 feet of high-tensile fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

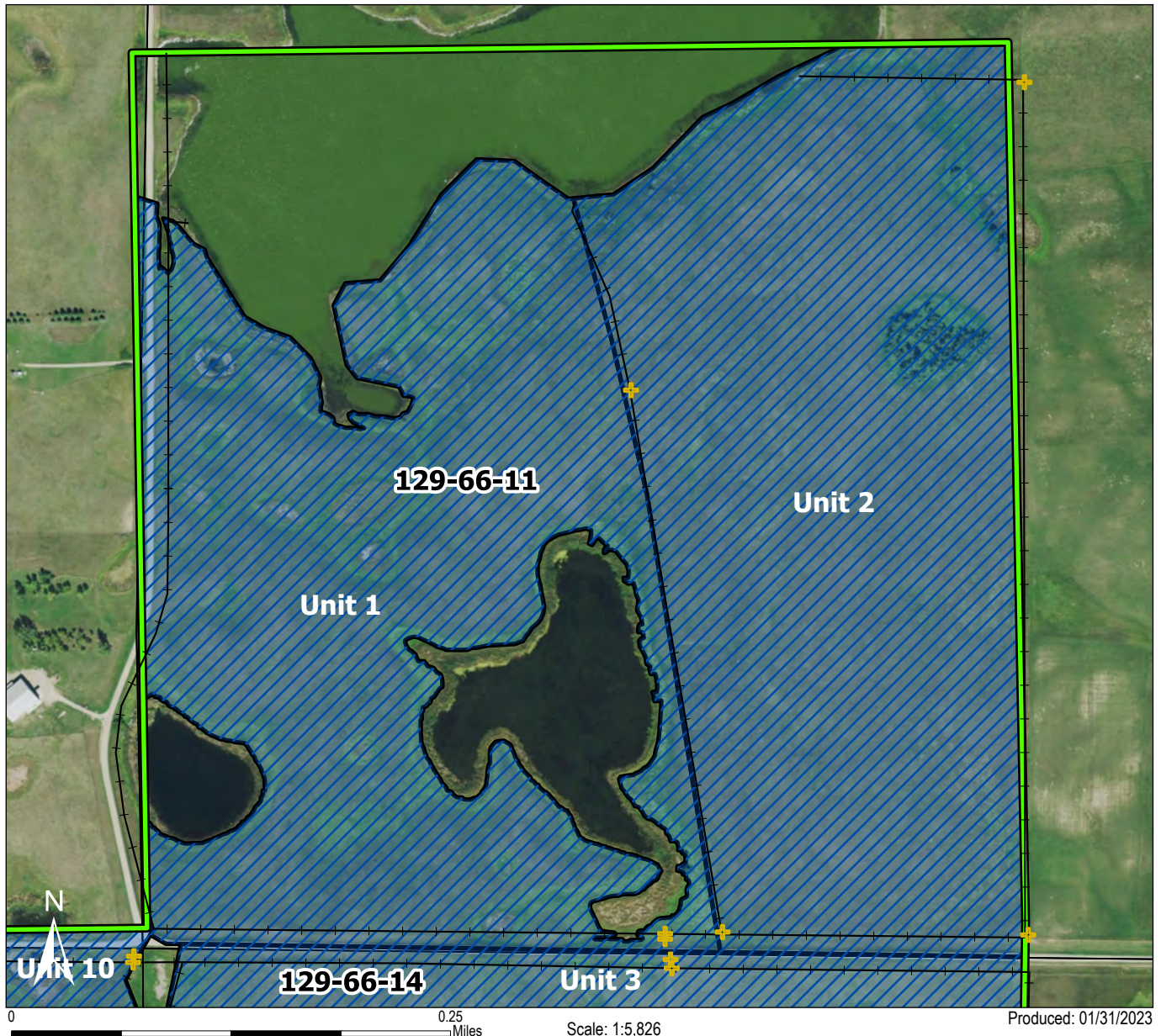
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## LAZY M WPA: Units 1,2



**Grazing Plan Area:** 128 acres across 2 units

Minimum Animal Units: 42 AU/ 35 pair

2023: Unit 1 (62 acres), Not to Exceed 43 days

2024: Unit 2 (66 acres), Not to Exceed 45 days

2025: Unit 1 - 2 (128 acres), Not to Exceed 88 days

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the construction and maintenance/repairs of approximately 10,300 feet of barbed-wire fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

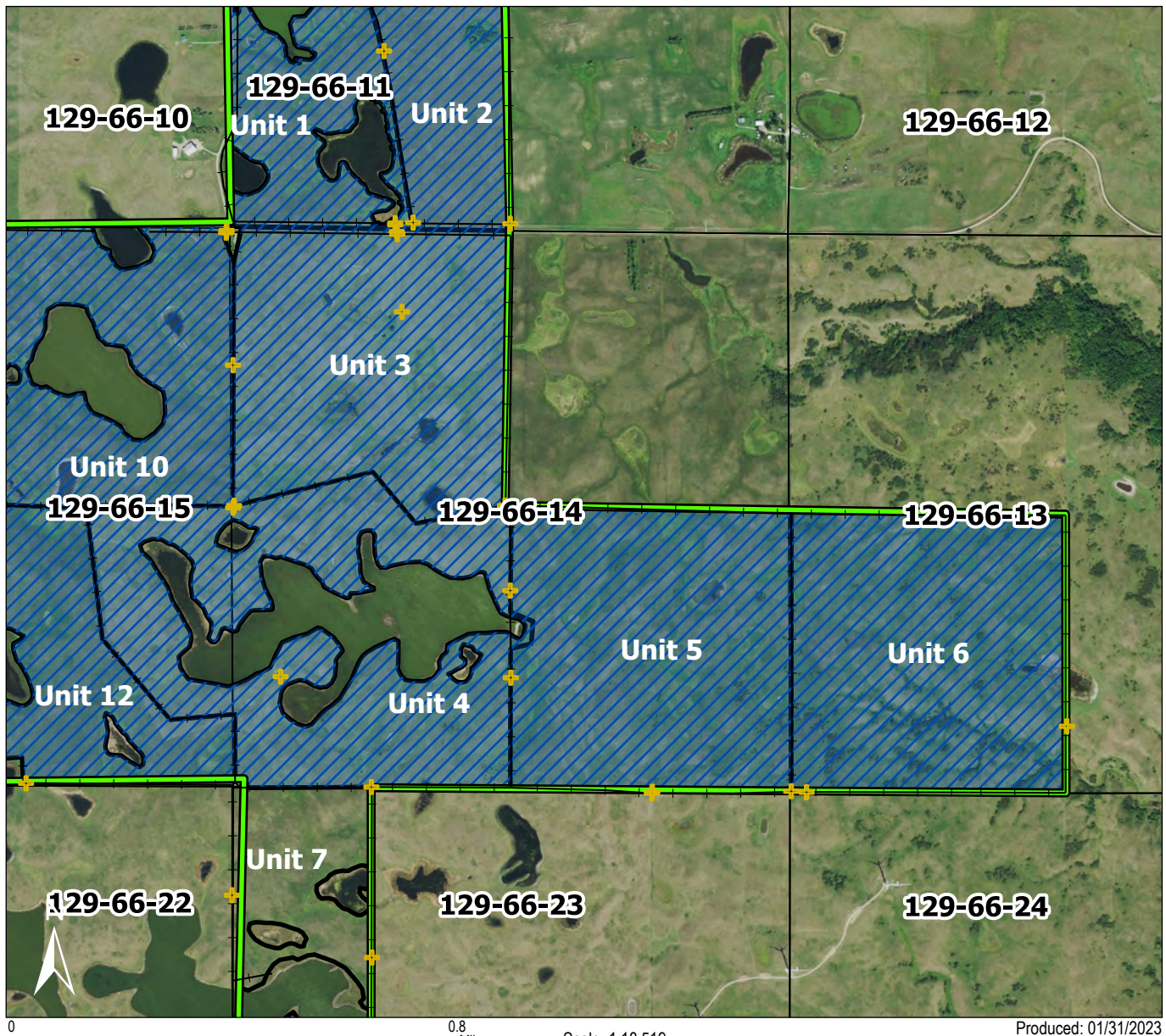
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## LAZY M WPA: Units 3,4,5,6



**Grazing Plan Area:** 633 acres across 4 units (3,4,5,6)

Minimum Animal Units: 108 AU/ 90 pair

2023: Units 4 - 3 (312 acres), Not to Exceed 86 days

2024: Units 5 - 6 (321 acres), Not to Exceed 90 days

2025: Units 3 - 4 (312 acres), Not to Exceed 86 days

2026: Units 6 - 5 (321 acres), Not to Exceed 90 days

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 36,800 feet of barbed-wire fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

\*Lazy M Units 3-6 and Lazy M Units 9-12 will be issued to two separate applicants. If there is a tie in applications across both units, a drawing will be held and the first drawn will receive first choice.\*

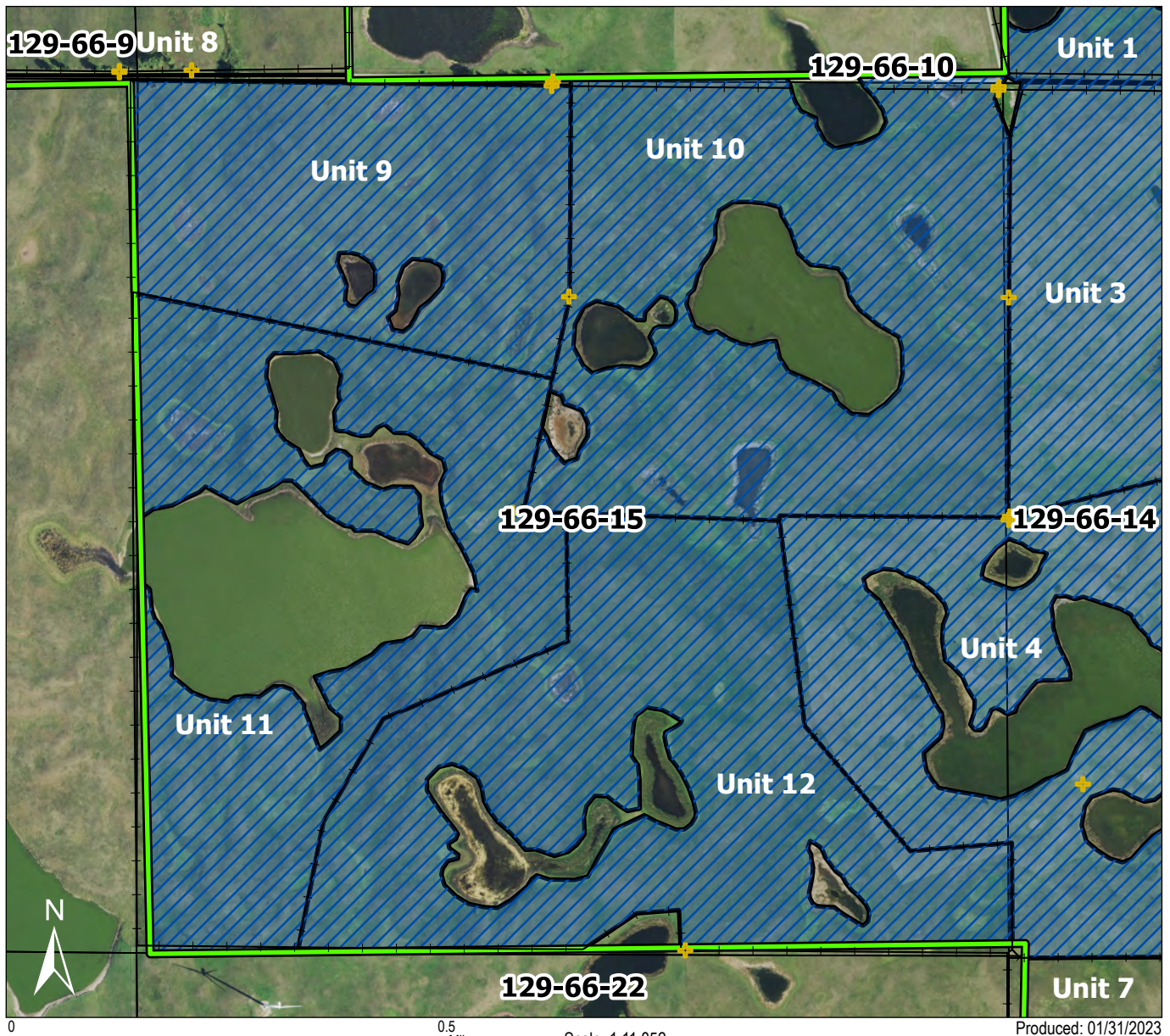
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## LAZY M WPA: Units 9,10,11,12



**Grazing Plan Area:** 477 acres across 4 units (9,10,11,12)

Minimum Animal Units: 96 AU/ 80 pair

2023: Units 9 - 11 (200 acres), Not to Exceed 62 days

2024: Units 10 - 12 (277 acres), Not to Exceed 86 days

2025: Units 11 - 9 (200 acres), Not to Exceed 62 days

2026: Units 12 - 10 (277 acres), Not to Exceed 86 days

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### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 33,200 feet of barbed-wire fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

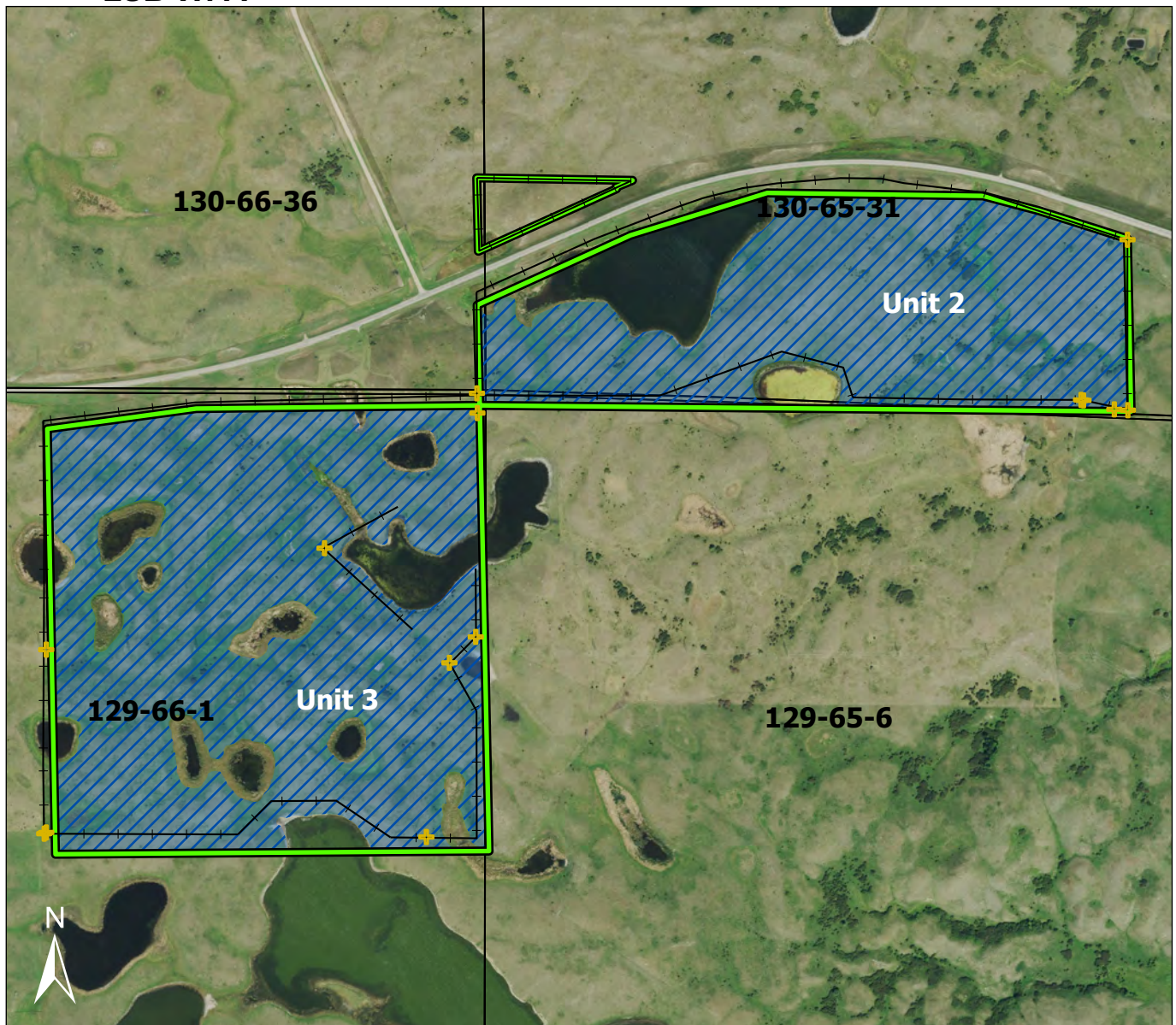
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## LSB WPA



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### Grazing Plan Area: 223 acres across 2 units

Minimum Animal Units: 96 AU/ 80 pair

2023: Units 2 - 3 (223 acres), Not to Exceed 68 days

2024: Units 3 - 2 (223 acres), Not to Exceed 68 days

2025: Units 2 - 3 (223 acres), Not to Exceed 68 days

2026: Units 3 - 2 (223 acres), Not to Exceed 68 days

2027: Units 2 - 3 (223 acres), Not to Exceed 68 days

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### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 20,000 feet of exterior and interior fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

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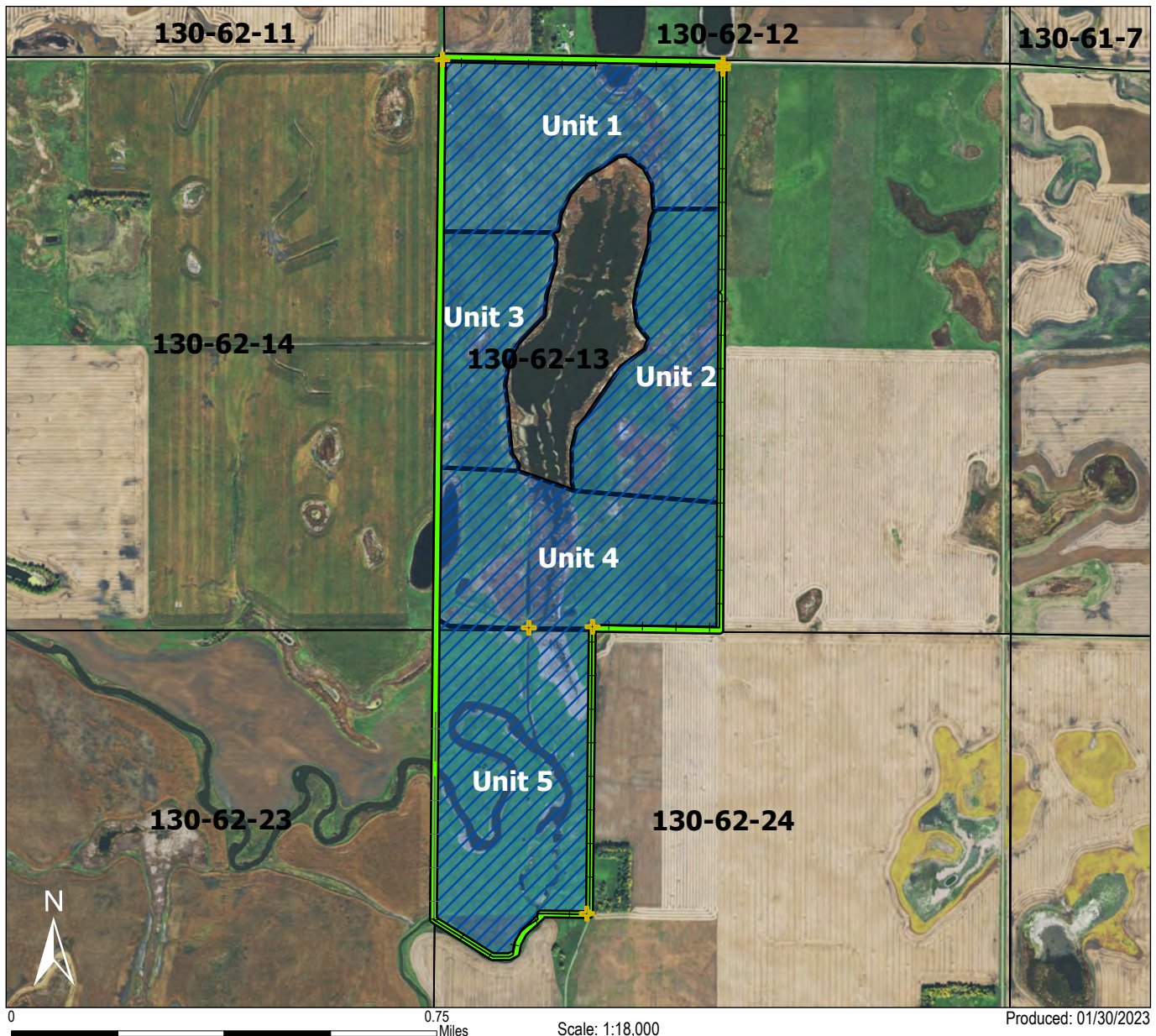
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## MAPLE RIVER WPA



**Grazing Plan Area:** 361 acres across 5 units

Minimum Animal Units: 84 AU/ 70 pair

2023: Units 5 - 4E - 2 (196 acres), Not to Exceed 70 days

2024: Units 1 - 3 - 4W (165 acres), Not to Exceed 58 days

2025: Units 5 - 4E - 2 (196 acres), Not to Exceed 70 days

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 15,000 feet of exterior and interior fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

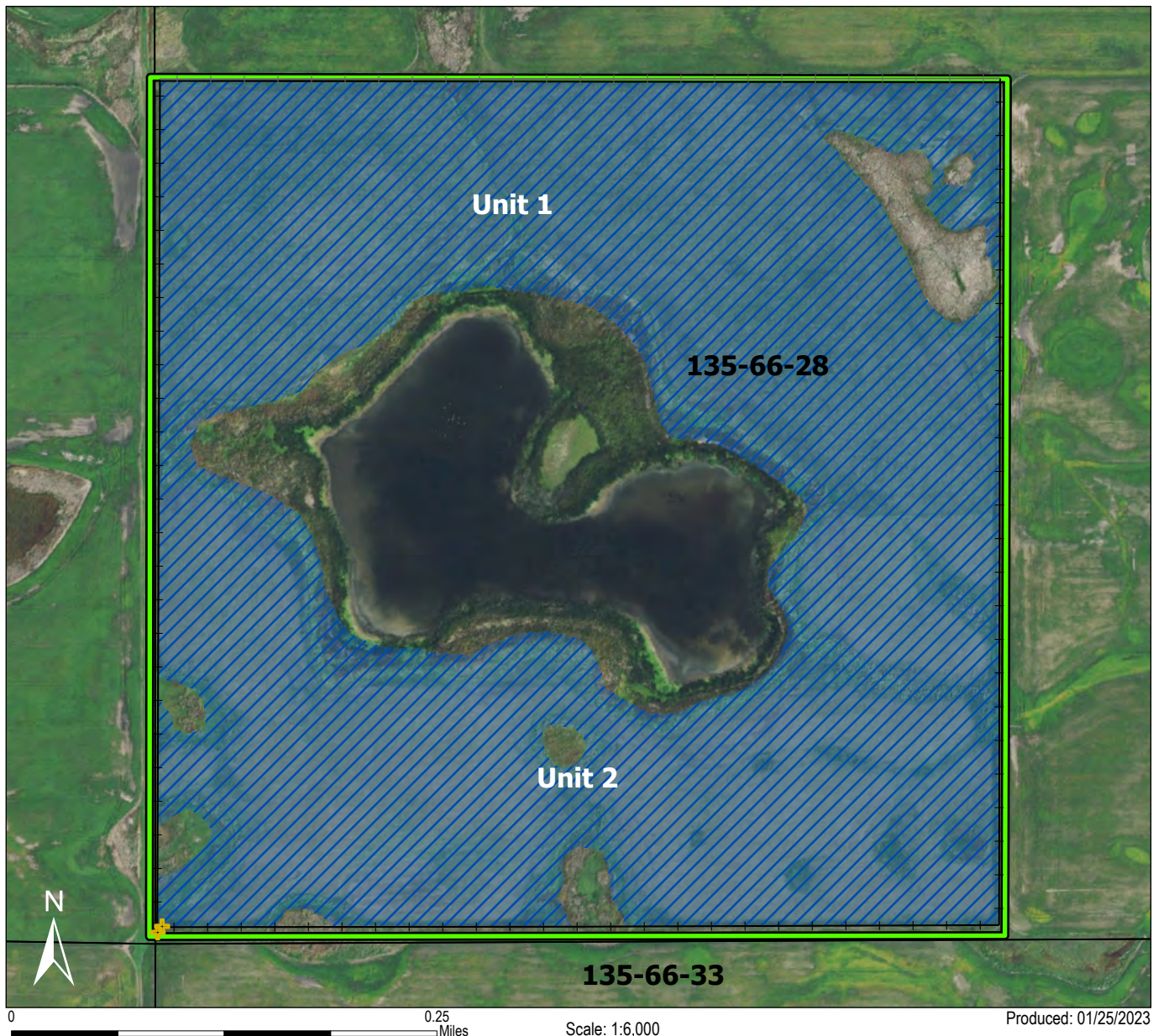
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## BORTH WPA



**Grazing Plan Area:** 118 acres across 2 undivided units (1,2)

Minimum Animal Units: 80 AU/ 65 pair

2023: Units 1&2 (118 acres), Not to Exceed 40 days






2024: Units 1&2 (118 acres), Not to Exceed 40 days

2025: TBD

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 10,500 feet of exterior fence. Fence is in poor condition. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule. Additional interior cross-fencing will allow for less animal units or longer total grazing days.

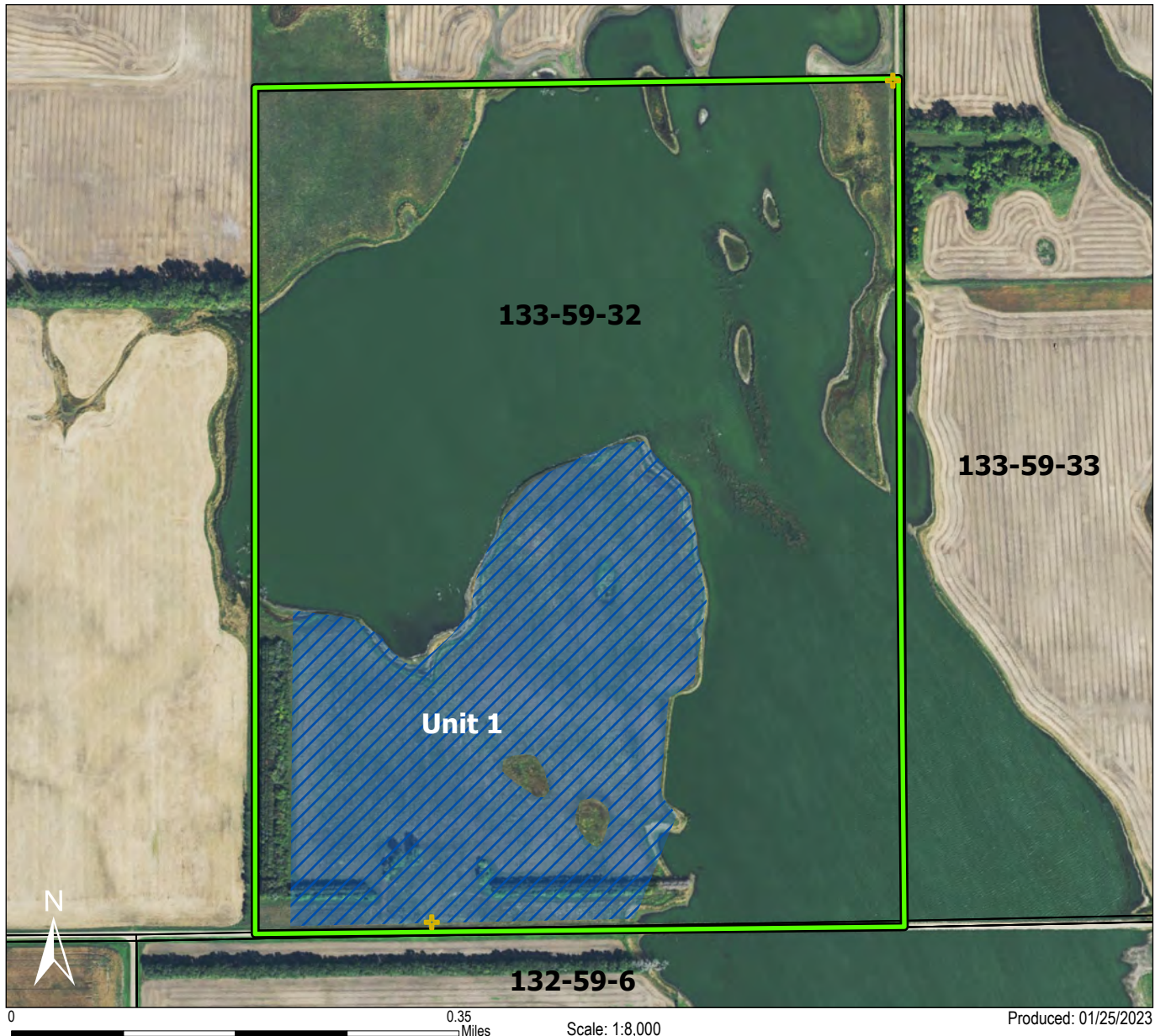
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## KNUTSON WPA






**Grazing Plan Area:** 55 acres in single unit

Minimum Animal Units: 40 AU/ 35 pair

2023: Unit 1 (55 acres), Not to Exceed 40 days\*

2024: Unit 1 (55 acres), Not to Exceed 40 days

2025: Unit 1 (55 acres), Not to Exceed 40 days

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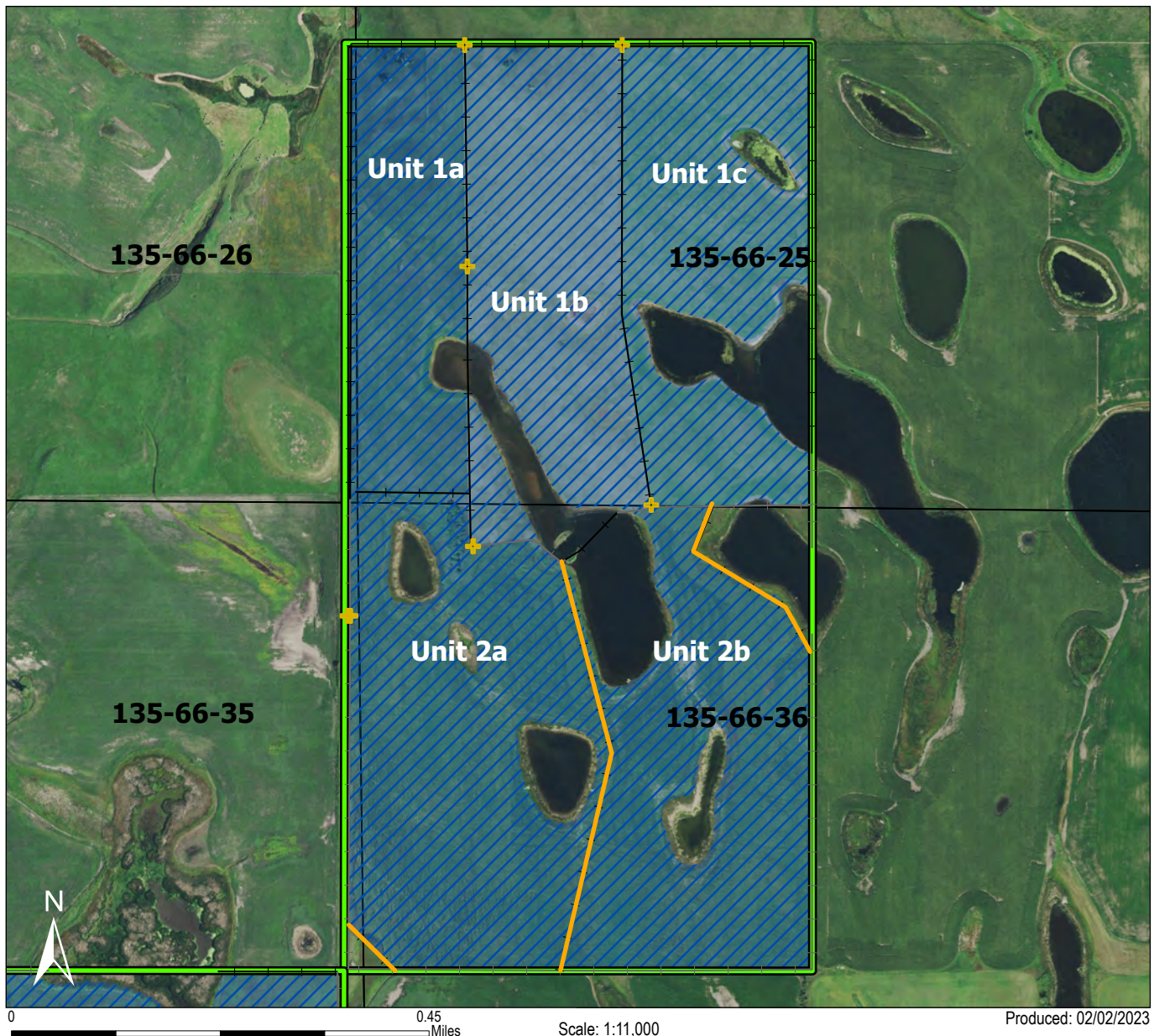
### Additional Information & Requirements

\*Unit has no existing fence. FWS currently trying to contract for fence. This may delay grazing until fence is installed. Unit is recently reseeded and goals of grazing include volunteer sapling tree management/elimination and grassland management. Grazing period will rotate each year. Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 2,600- 6,800 feet of exterior and interior fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

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## MALM WPA



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### Grazing Plan Area: 266 acres across 5 units (1a-c,2a-b)

Minimum Animal Units: 50 AU/ 44 pair

2023: Unit 1a (37 ac.), 1b (53 ac.), 2a (70 ac.), Not to Exceed 90 days

2024: Unit 1c (51 ac.) & 2b (58 ac.), Not to Exceed 60 days

2025: Units 1a & 1b (80 ac.), 2a (70 ac.), & 2b (58 ac.), Not to Exceed 130 days

### Additional Requirements

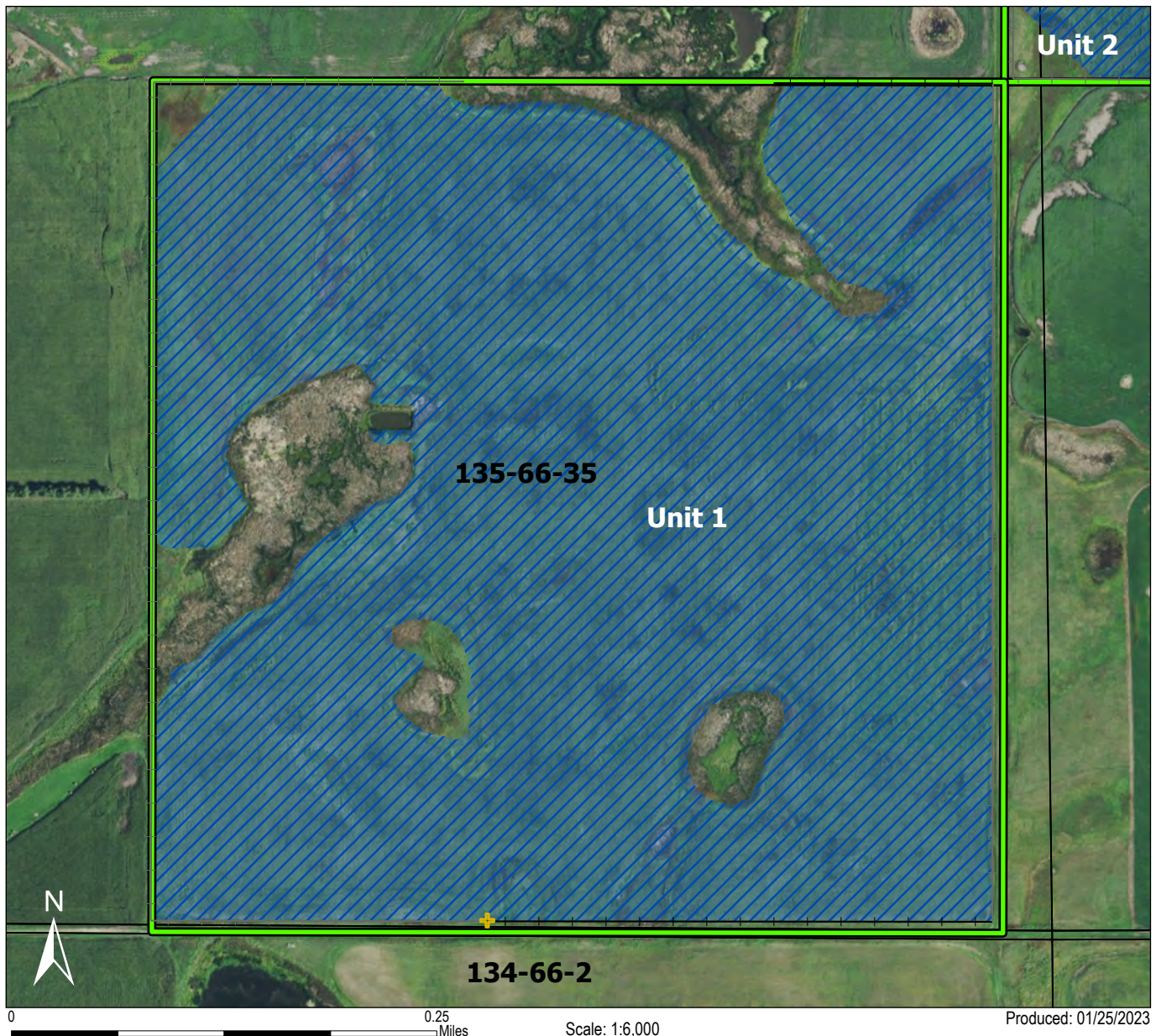
Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 23,300 feet of exterior and interior fence. Permittee will be responsible for the construction of approximately 3,800 feet of interior cross-fencing. A reduction of grazing fees will be applied by the linear footage to compensate for labor. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule. This WPA is subject to prescribed burning. Additional cross-fencing may be negotiated and lead to lower AU requirements.

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## TODD WPA



**Grazing Plan Area:** 138 acres in 1 unit  
Minimum Animal Units: 100 AU/ 85 pair  
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2023: TBD





2024: TBD

2025: TBD

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 9,500 feet of exterior fence. Grazing periods not to exceed 40 days/unit. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs and offer reduction of grazing fees per linear foot for construction labor. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the negotiated grazing schedule. WPA is subject to prescribed burning. Management goals are to graze for grassland health and nesting cover in this recently seeded diverse prairie.

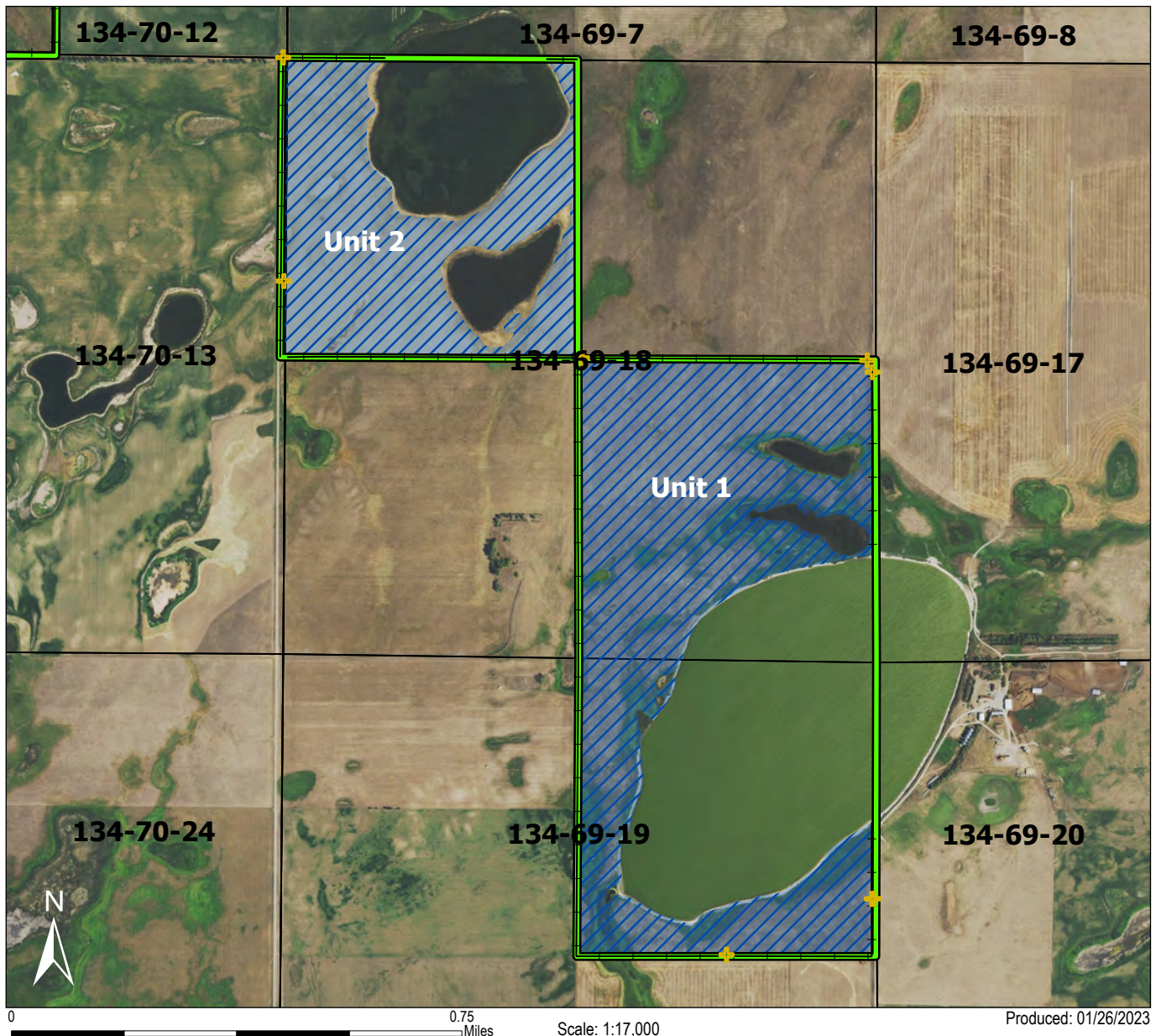
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## BOSCREE WPA



**Grazing Plan Area:** 260 acres across 2 units (1,2)

Minimum Animal Units: 60 AUM's

2023: Unit 1 (140 Acres) May 15th - June 15th

2024: Unit 2 (96 Acres) May 15th - June 15th

2025: Units 1 (140 Acres) May 15th - June 15th

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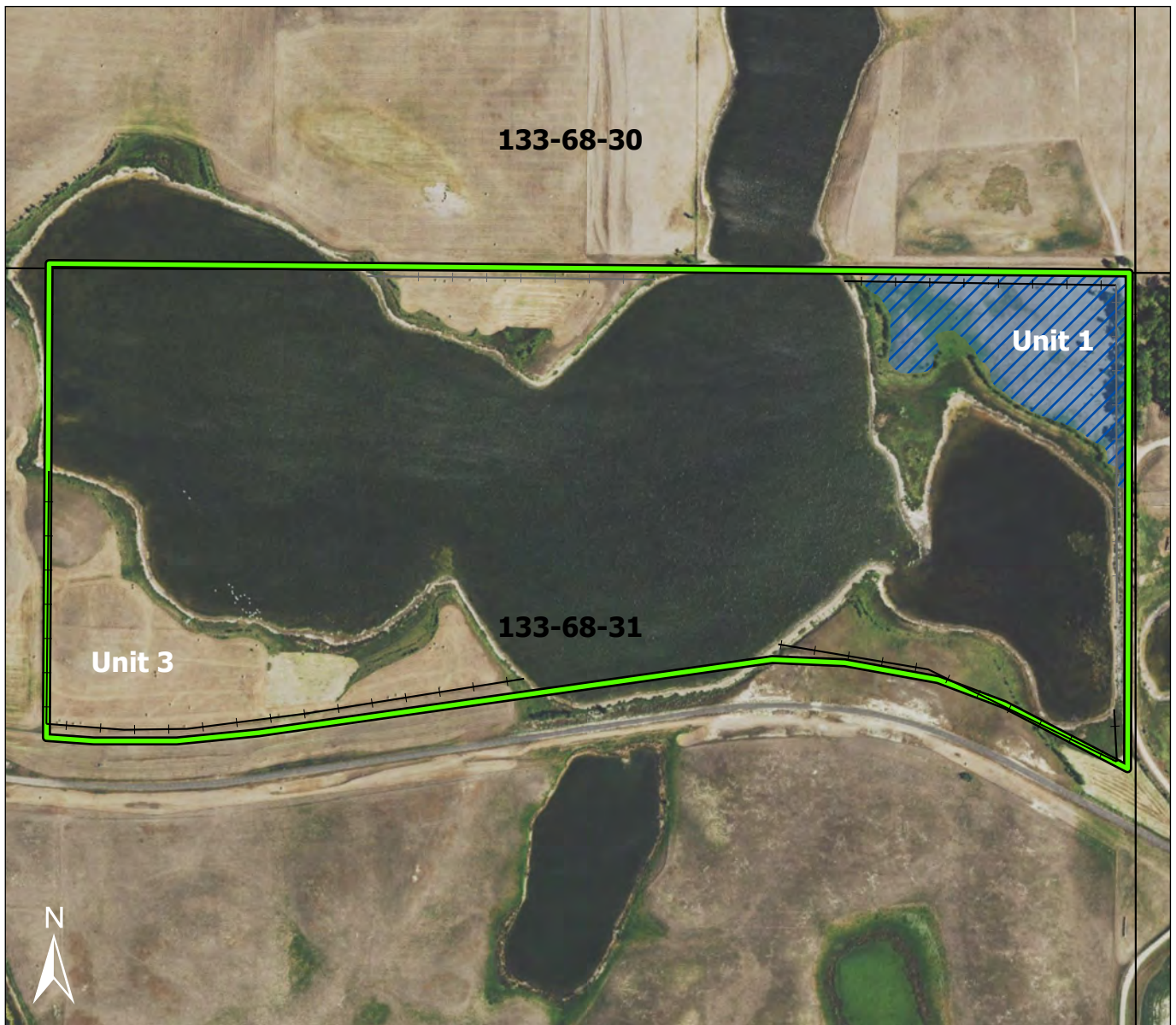
### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 13,300 feet of exterior and interior fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule. Contact: Matthew Nelson 701-535-0562 (cell) or 701-647-2866 (office). Email: [matthew\\_j\\_nelson@fws.gov](mailto:matthew_j_nelson@fws.gov)

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## BUCHHOLZ WPA



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**Grazing Plan Area:** 7 acres on unit 1  
Minimum Animal Units: 10 AUM's on 7 acres  
2023: Unit 1 (7 Acres), Not to Exceed 20 days  
2024: Rest  
2025: Unit 1 (7 Acres), Not to Exceed 20 days

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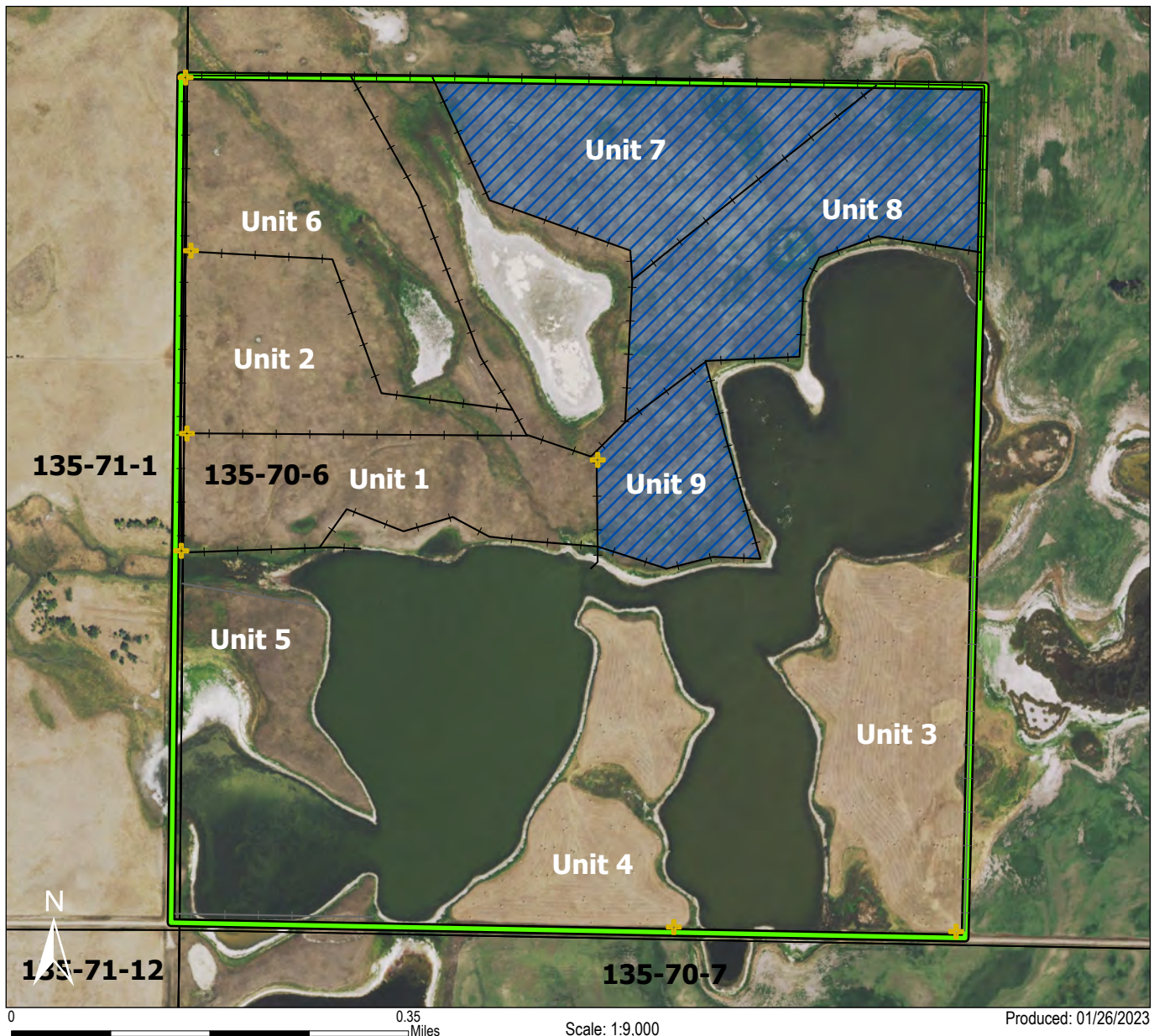
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## KROLL WPA



**Grazing Plan Area:** 65 acres across 3 units (7,8,9)

Minimum Animal Units: 30 AUM's

2023: Unit 7 (24 acres), Not to Exceed 30 days

2024: Unit 8 (27 acres), Not to Exceed 30 days

2025: Units 9 (11 acres), Not to Exceed 15 days

### Additional Requirements

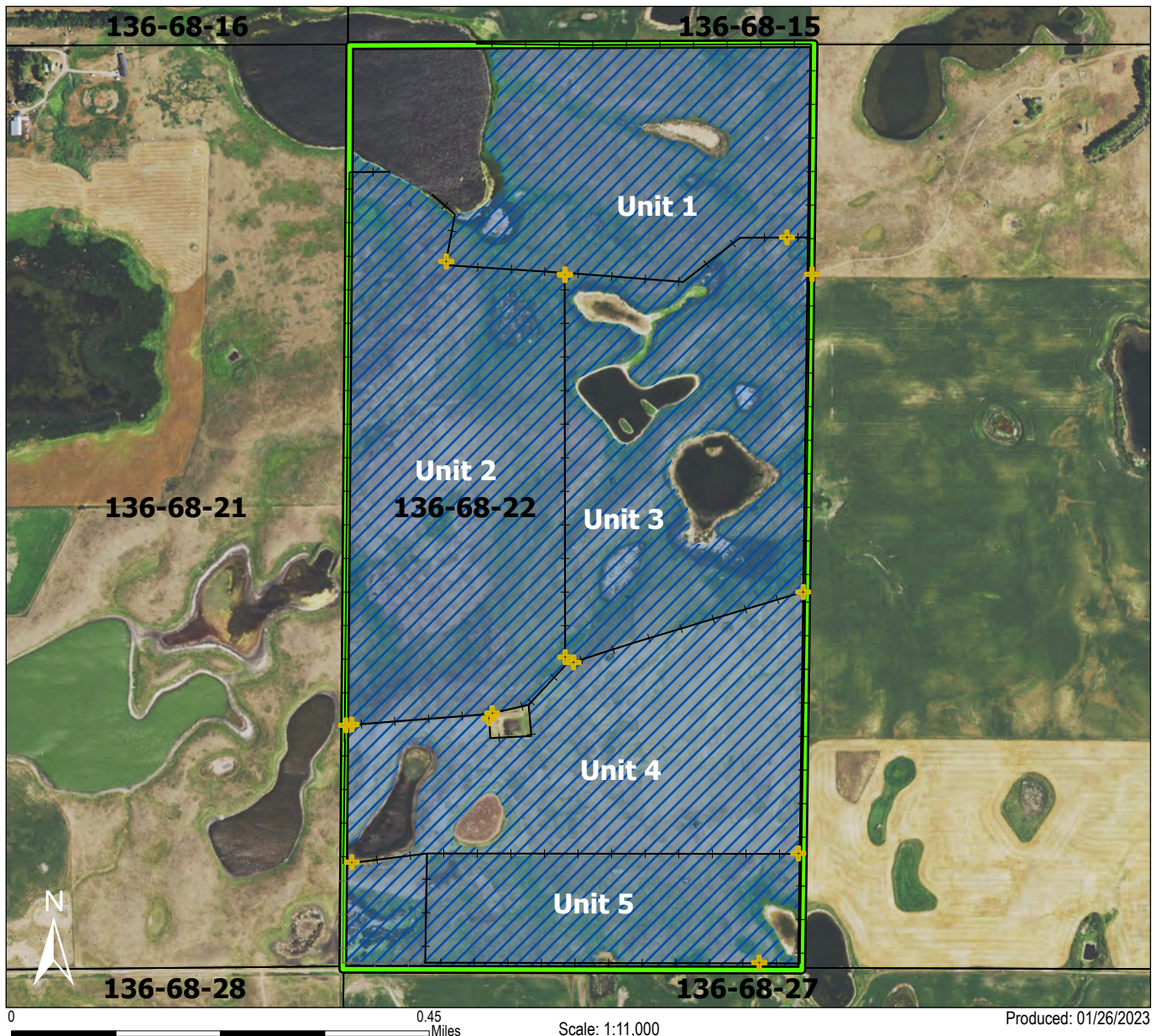
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## MAYER WPA



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Minimum Animal Units: 30 AUM's

2023: Unit 1 (50 acres), May 15th - July 15th

2024: Units 4,5 (85 acres), May 15th - July 15th

2025: Units 2,3 (133 acres), May 15th - July 15th

### Additional Requirements

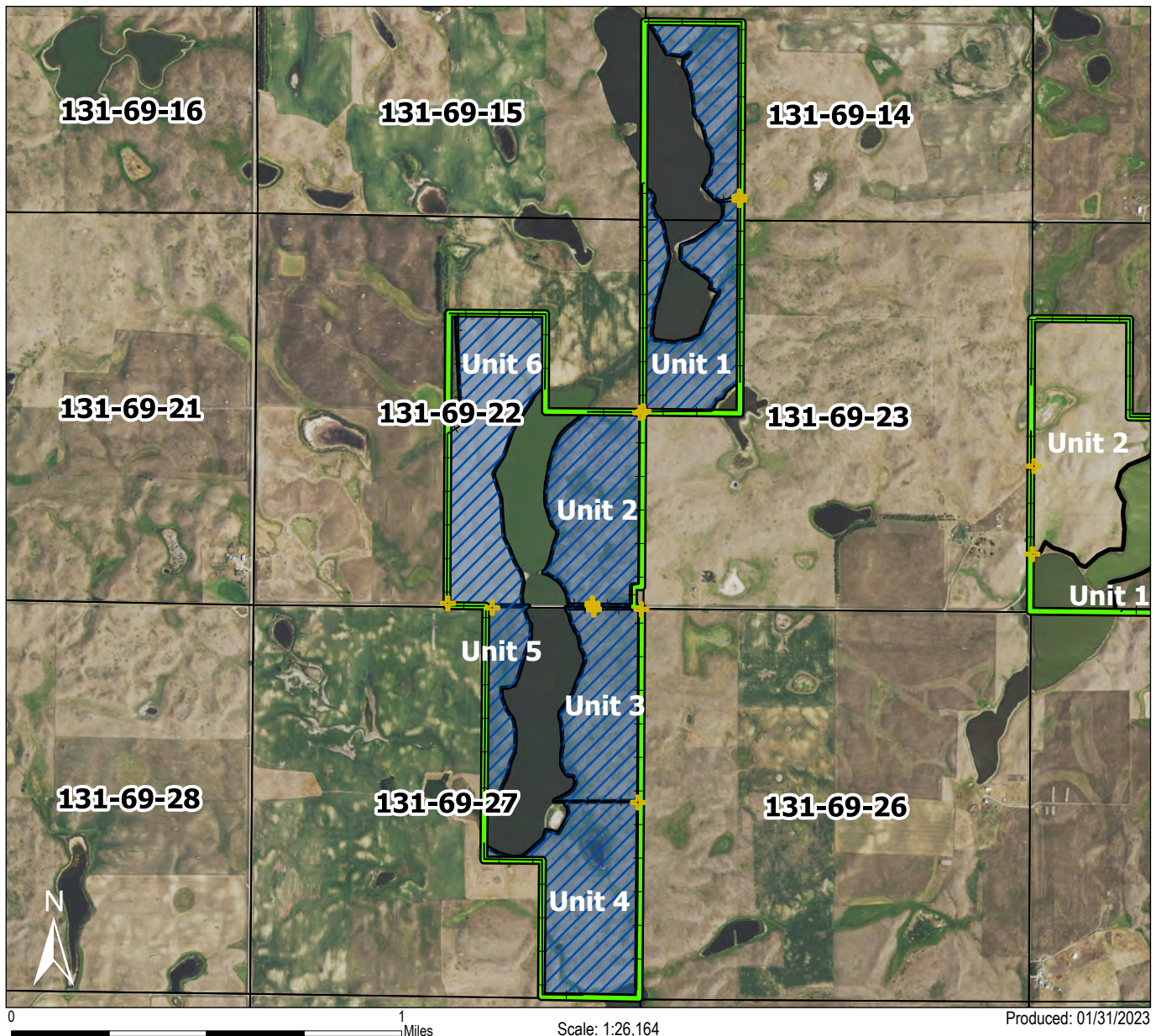
Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 25,000 feet of exterior and interior fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule. Contact: Matthew Nelson 701-535-0562 (cell) or 701-647-2866 (office). Email: [matthew\\_j\\_nelson@fws.gov](mailto:matthew_j_nelson@fws.gov)

- Gate
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## GEISZLER WPA: Units 1,2,3,4



**Grazing Plan Area:** 299 acres across 4 units (1,2,3,4)

Minimum Animal Units: 60 AU/50 pair

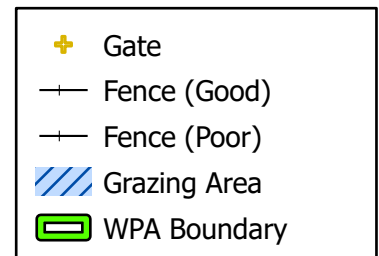
2023: Units 1 - 2 (165 acres), Not to Exceed 80 days

2024/2025/2026: TBD

### Additional Requirements

Units 1, 2, and 4 are Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units. Each September, our plant composition surveys are recorded and management recommendations for the following year are made on these units, either graze, burn, rest, or burn and graze within the same season. The permittee of this multi-year grazing contract will be informed of these recommendations and understands that acres and units to be grazed each year will depend on the NPAM unit recommendations. Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 26,200 feet of barbed-wire fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

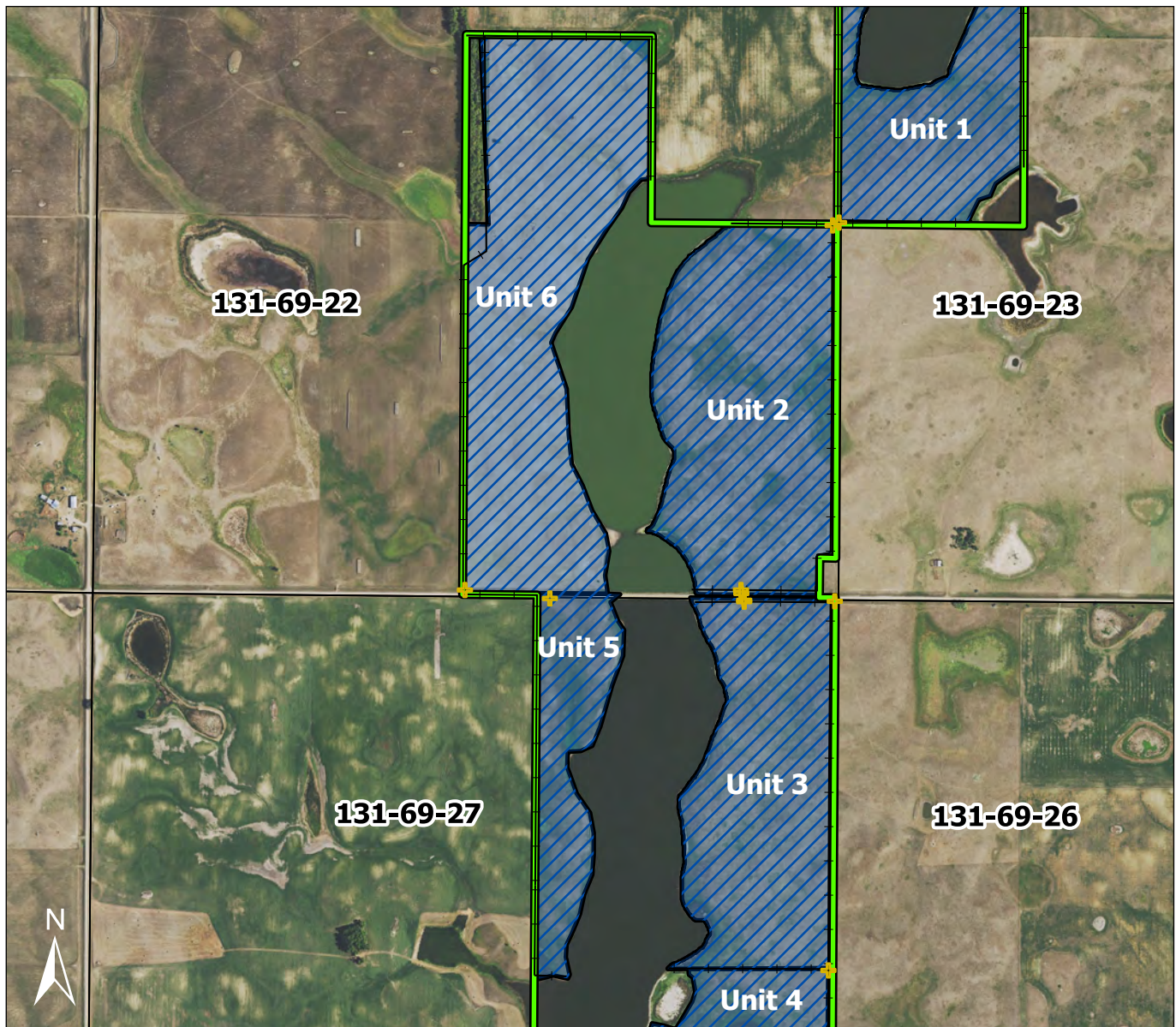
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## GEISZLER WPA: Units 5,6



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**Grazing Plan Area: 110 acres across 2 units (5,6)**

Minimum Animal Units: 60 AU/50 pair

2023: Unit 5 (25 acres), Not to Exceed 12 days

2024: Unit 6 (85 acres), Not to Exceed 42 days

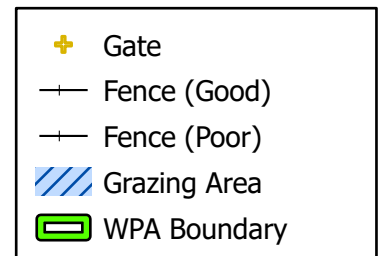
2025: Unit 5 (25 acres), Not to Exceed 12 days

2026: Unit 6 (85 acres), Not to Exceed 42 days

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 10,600 feet of barbed-wire fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

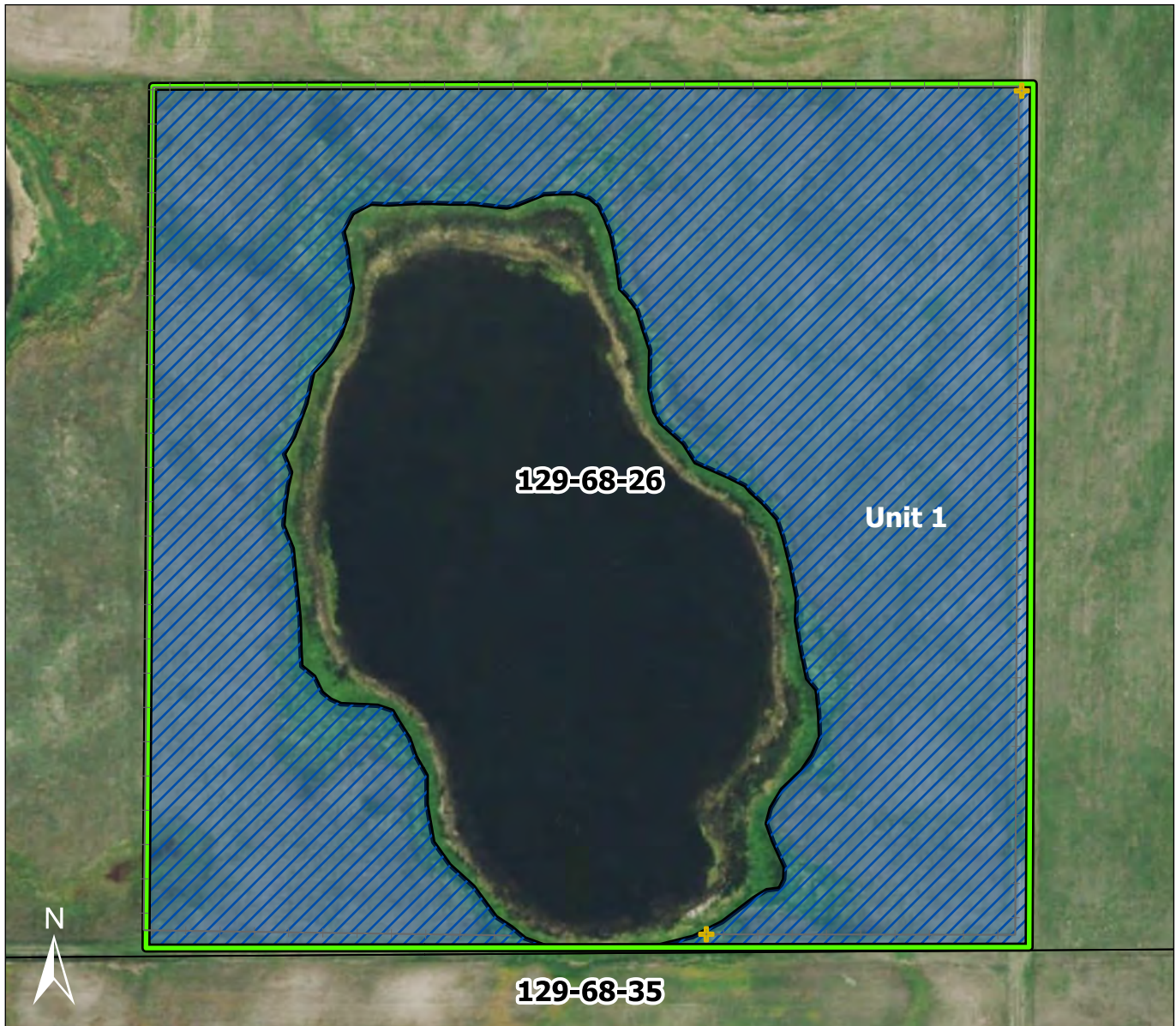
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## HIGGINS WPA



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**Grazing Plan Area:** 25.5 acres across 1 unit

Minimum Animal Units: 24 AU/ 20 pair

2023: Unit 1 (25.5 acres), Not to Exceed 30 days





2024: Unit 1 (25.5 acres), Not to Exceed 30 days

2025: Unit 1 (25.5 acres), Not to Exceed 30 days

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 5,280 feet of exterior barbed wire fence. This fence is in relatively poor condition. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

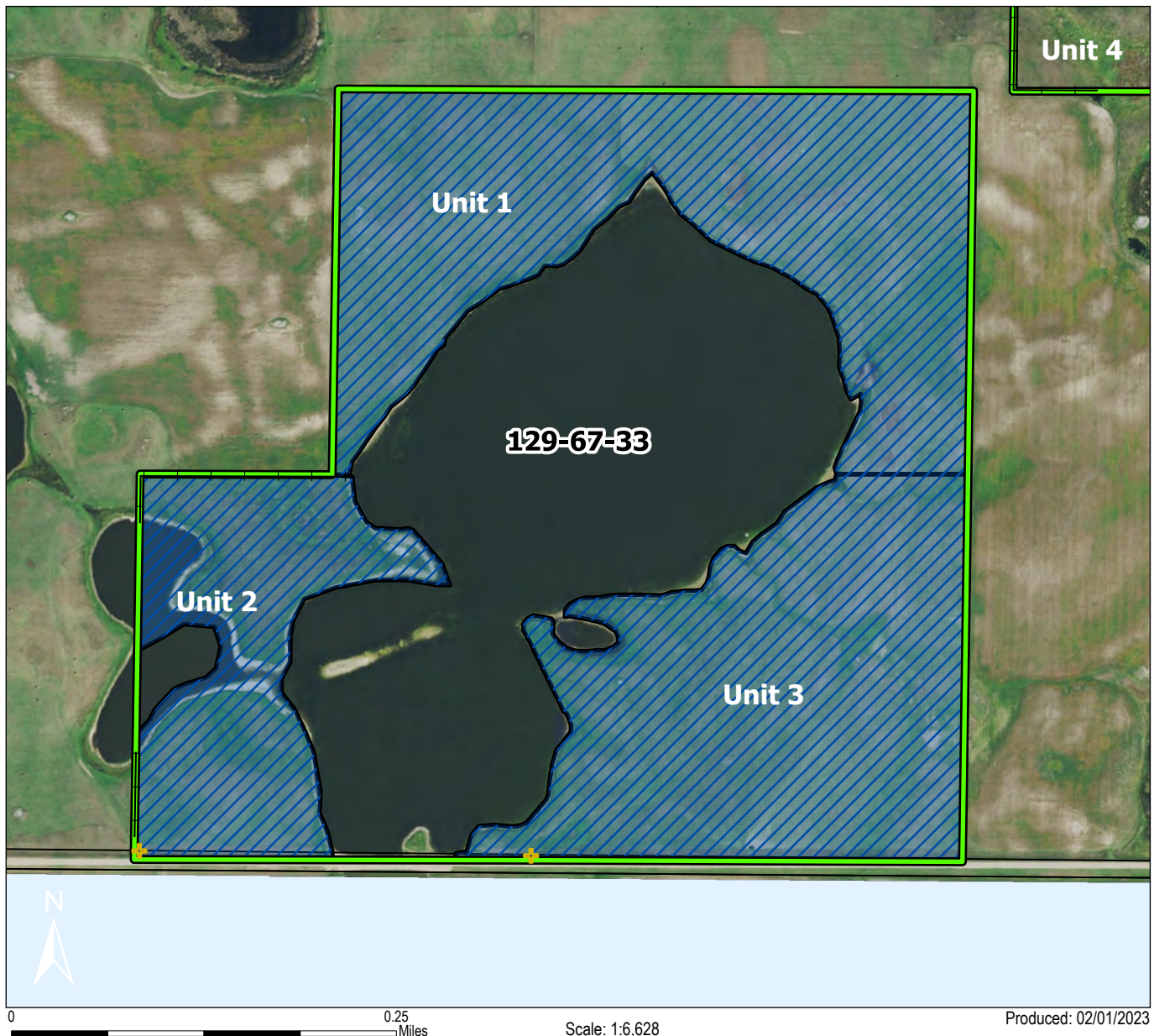
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## KAPPES WPA



**Grazing Plan Area:** 96.7 acres across 3 units

Minimum Animal Units: 25 AU/ 30 pair

2023: Units 2 - 1 - 3 (96.7 acres), Not to Exceed 93 days

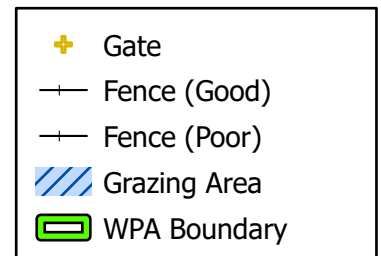
2024: Units 3 - 1 - 2 (96.7 acres), Not to Exceed 93 days

2025: Units 2 - 1 - 3 (96.7 acres), Not to Exceed 93 days

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 16,600 feet of single strand high tensile fence, located on unit boundaries and fencing out the water. Blue-green algae has occurred in the past. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

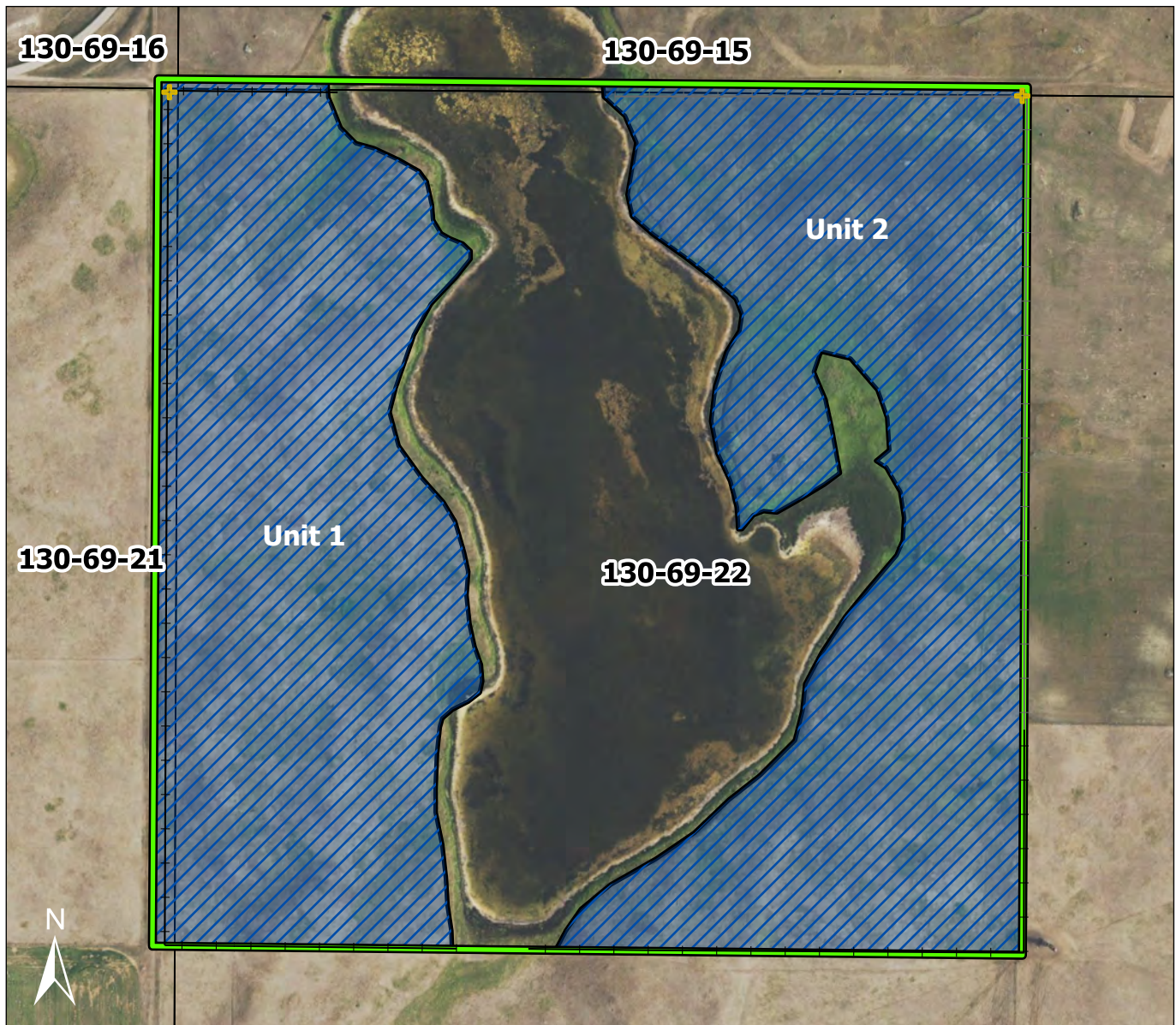
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## MARZOLF WPA



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### Grazing Plan Area: 104.4 acres across 2 units

Minimum Animal Units: 48 AU/ 40 pair

2023: Units 1 - 2 (104.4 acres), Not to Exceed 64 days






2024: Units 2 - 1 (104.4 acres), Not to Exceed 64 days

2025: Units 1 - 2 (104.4 acres), Not to Exceed 64 days

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 10,500 feet of barbed-wire fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

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## PINTAIL WPA



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### Grazing Plan Area: 40.3 acres across 1 unit

Minimum Animal Units: 42 AU/ 35 pair

2023: Unit 1 (40.3 acres), Not to Exceed 30 days






2024: Unit 1 (40.3 acres), Not to Exceed 30 days

2025: Unit 1 (40.3 acres), Not to Exceed 30 days

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 6300 feet of high-tensile fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

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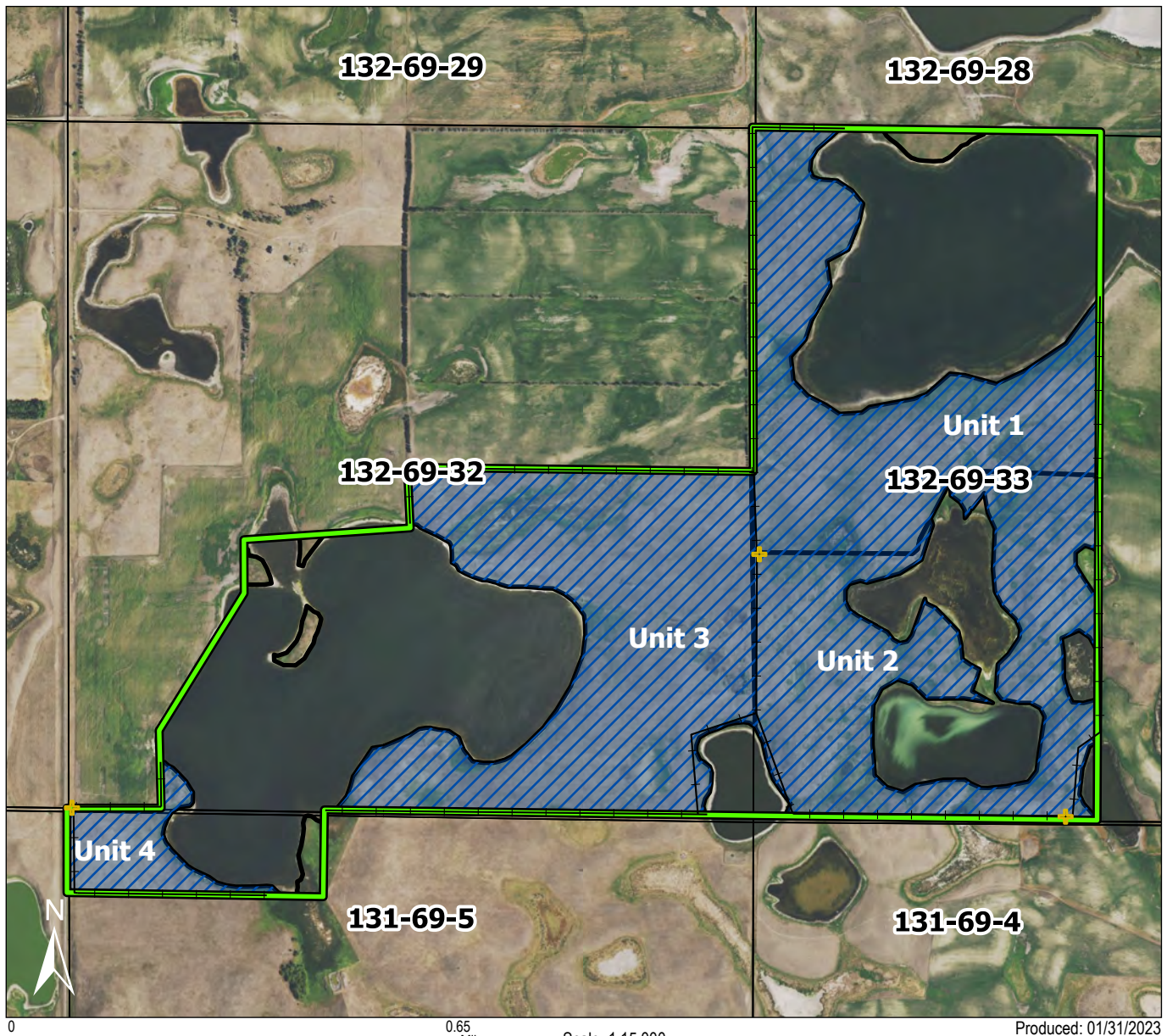
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## ZIEGENHAGEL WPA



**Grazing Plan Area:** 320 acres across 4 units

Minimum Animal Units: 84 AU/ 70 pair

2023: Units 1 - 2 (182.3 acres), Not to Exceed 62 days

2024: Units 3 - 4 (137.2 acres), Not to Exceed 48 days

2025: Units 2 - 1 (182.3 acres), Not to Exceed 62 days

2026: Units 4 - 3 (137.2 acres), Not to Exceed 48 days

- Gate
- Fence (Good)
- Grazing Area
- WPA Boundary

### Additional Requirements

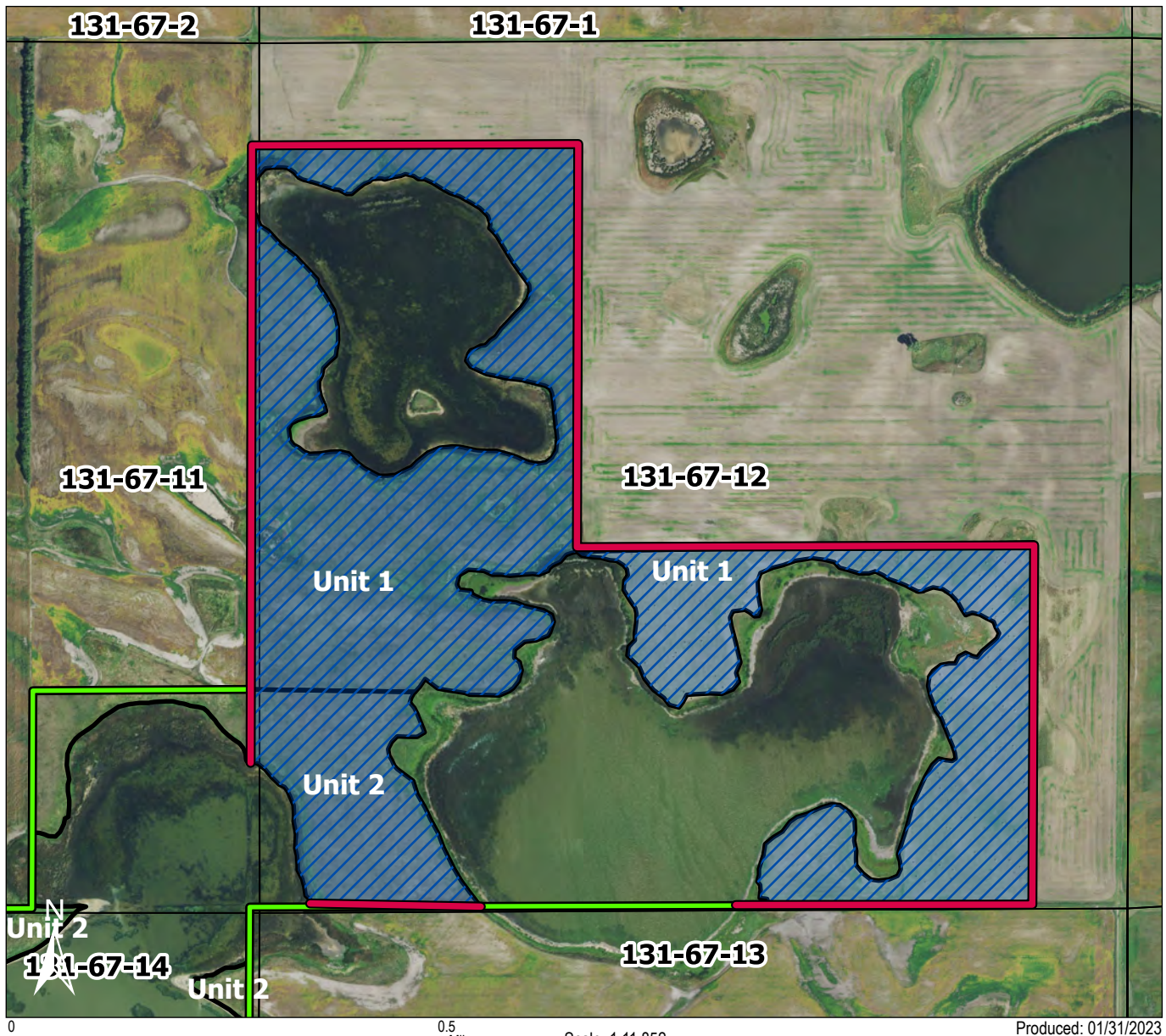
Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance/repairs of approximately 25,000 feet of barbed-wire fence. USFWS will supply fencing materials for pre-approved construction and maintenance/repairs. Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

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## WOLF WPA



**Grazing Plan Area:** 179 acres across 2 units (1,2)

Minimum Animal Units: 48 AU/40 pair

2023: Units 1 - 2 (179 acres), Not to Exceed 100 days

### Additional Requirements

Permittee will be responsible for the installation and removal of approximately 15,700 feet of temporary electric fence for this single season contract.

Permittee is responsible for keeping livestock in and following the grazing schedule.

Contact: Melissa Shockman, 701-647-2866 or [melissa\\_shockman@fws.gov](mailto:melissa_shockman@fws.gov)

- Fence (Planning)
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## COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION



### National Wildlife Refuge System

Refuge Name:

Address:

Attn: (Refuge Official)

E-Mail:

Phone #:

#### For Official Use Only:

Approved Permit #:

Station #:

Permit Term: from  to

**Note: We do not require all information for each use. Please fill out the highlighted fields and attached forms for commercial agriculture applications. These are items 2, 5, 6, 7, and 9 under Applicant Information on this page.**

1a) Identify the type of Permit you are applying for: New ☐ Renewal ☐ Modification ☐ Other ☐

1b) Have you applied, or do you intend to apply, to any other refuges for this same activity? ☐ Yes ☐ No

1c) If yes, which refuges?

### Applicant Information

2) Full Name:  3) Title:

4) Business Name:

5) Physical Address:

City/State/Zip:

6) Mailing Address: (if different than above)

City/State/Zip:

7) Business Phone #:  8) Business Fax #:

9) E-mail:  (optional) 10) Business Tax ID #:

11a) Within the past 5 years, has the company (entity) , its owners, or any employees who have or will be expected to operate on the refuge, been convicted, pled nolo contendere, forfeited collateral, or are currently under charges for any violations of any State, Federal, or local law, or regulations related to fish and wildlife or permit activities? ☐ Yes ☐ No

11b) If you answered "YES" to question #11a, provide the individual's name, date of charge, charge(s), location of incident, court, and action taken for each violation.

**Kulm Wetland Management District  
2023 COMPETITIVE RANKING FORM**

**WPA NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. Have you had USFWS grazing privileges revoked in the past?      Yes (-1 pt);      No (1 pt)
  
2. How near do you own or rent pasture land to this WPA?  
    < 1 mile (3 pts);      1-5 miles (2 pts);      5-10 miles (1 pt);      >10 miles away (0 pt)  
  
    a. *Required:* What is the location of the nearest pasture land you own or rent?  
        Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter \_\_\_\_\_
  
3. Are you able to respond onsite to livestock escapes within 1 hour?      Yes (1 pt);      No (0 pt)
  
4. Do you manage the animal units necessary to implement this rotational grazing system as described?  
    Yes, I own (1 pt);      Yes, I own & lease (1 pt);      No (0 pt)  
  
    a. If you answered No above; Will you cross-fence to meet USFWS habitat objectives if you do not meet minimum AU requirements?      Yes (0 pt);      No
  
5. Are you willing to do other management activities according to FWS specifications?  
    (Informational Use Only- No point value)  
        Control noxious weeds  
        Mow roadsides according to township or county specifications  
        Fence Construction/Removal
  
6. Please provide an explanation of any special circumstances that we should be aware of when considering your application for this WPA.
  
  
7. You can opt to withdraw your application. If you would like your application withdrawn due to another's application, please list their name(s) here: \_\_\_\_\_

**Certification**

**By signing below, I certify that my answers are true. I further understand that selection as a permittee is not a guarantee of grazing rights on waterfowl production areas and can be cancelled by either party with 45 days' notice if either party is not carrying out their roles and responsibilities of the agreement. The Service reserves the right to reject any and all applicants. The agreement can be canceled immediately by the Service, if necessary to protect human or wildlife health or safety. I understand that selected applicants will be required to submit a tax identification number or social security number for billing purposes at the time a permit is issued.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Print Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**NOTE: Whenever two or more applicants are equally qualified under this competitive ranking process, a drawing will be held between the applicants to determine the successful applicant.**

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS  
GRAZING  
KULM WETLAND MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
2023**

1. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service reserves the right to modify or terminate the Special Use Permit (SUP) if habitat conditions warrant and/or the terms of the permit are not fulfilled by the permittee. The permit may be revoked or altered if habitat conditions change (*in this case the cooperator will not be charged for non-use*).
2. You, the permittee, **must own at least 50% of the livestock** that are to be grazed on the WPA. If you use another person's livestock, you can only collect the same dollar amount per AUM as you are being charged by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. As the person named on the permit, you are responsible for 100% of the livestock grazed, the amount paid, and compliance with all conditions of this permit. Subletting is not permitted.

*We urge you not to increase the size of your herd based on the availability or the expectation of annually grazing Fish and Wildlife Service lands.*

3. The permittee must be in compliance with the respective state and local livestock health regulations.
4. You are responsible for the care of your livestock; i.e. **moving them on the specified dates and into the correct pastures**, ensuring they have water, etc. You are liable for any damage to neighboring lands should your livestock escape the WPA. All liability relating to livestock and livestock management to include all persons working for the permittee, whether related, hired, or as a partner is strictly that of the permittee as listed on the SUP. Permittees are responsible for ensuring fences are sufficient to keep cattle within permitted fields.
5. The stocking rate and grazing fee are specified on the Annual Work Plan. Rates are calculated as follows:

1 Animal Unit Month (AUM) = (Animal Unit Equivalent (AUE) X # days)/30

AUEs: Yearling (9 months - 18 months)	= 0.70 AUE
Weaner calf	= 0.50 AUE
Mature cow	= 1.00 AUE
Mature cow w/nursing calf	= 1.20 AUE
Bull	= 1.50 AUE
Mature sheep or goat	= 0.20 AUE
Ewe w/ lamb or nanny w/ kid	= 0.30 AUE

AUE were established by USDA Statistic Board

6. The grazing fee and rate for cow-calf pairs will be based on the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Statistics Board publication for "Grazing Fee Rates for Cattle –States, Regions, and United States". The published USDA base grazing fee for 2022 in North Dakota is \$23.50/AUM and \$27.50/cow-calf pair. USFWS policy limits increases to \$1.00 over the previous year's rates. **2023 USFWS fee rates are \$21.00/AUM and \$24.00/cow-calf pair in North Dakota.**

### Fee Reductions:

- a. A standard reduction of the grazing fee is applied for required fence inspection and maintenance at a rate of \$0.03/foot (1 mile = 5,280 feet, or \$158.40 reduction) in the units grazed. This rate is doubled in the first grazing year for new cooperators of a grazing unit.
  - b. Reductions for pre-approved permanent or temporary fence construction and removal will be calculated. Consult with Refuge Manager for current rates. Rates are based on the latest ND Custom Farm Work Rates publication. Fencing materials will be supplied by the FWS or reimbursed through a reduction of grazing fees upon submission of a receipt.
  - c. Additional reductions may be applied for unusual circumstances or additional work needed; e.g. the need to haul water. Please contact the Kulm WMD should these circumstances exist. Reductions cannot exceed 75% of the total grazing fee. A minimum of 25% of the grazing fee will be collected annually.
7. In circumstances where reductions exceed grazing fees, the value of reductions in excess of 75% of the gross grazing fee will be forfeit that year. Though accommodation will be sought when this is due to no fault of the cooperator (e.g. only access goes underwater), there may be circumstances where a cooperator will not be reimbursed in full for their materials or labor.
8. You may replace livestock which have died or you have taken home because of sickness. Contact the Refuge Manager for further guidance in this situation.
9. If water becomes unavailable, you can either haul water or remove livestock from the WPA. Under either circumstance, please notify the Kulm WMD immediately. You will only be charged for days your livestock actually grazed on the WPA.
10. All gates are to be closed when livestock are removed from the WPA.
11. All private property, including containers for minerals, salt, or other supplemental feeds or feeders, must be removed at the end of the grazing period. All supplemental feed use must be pre-approved.
12. The use of pesticides requires advance Refuge Manager approval. If approved, the permittee is required to report all pesticide use on FWS lands.
13. The permittee must **maintain records of livestock stocking rates and grazing dates** and provide them to the Refuge Manager within 15 days after the grazing period has concluded for the year.
14. Noncompliance with any of the conditions in the Special Use Permit could result in the revocation of the permit. Should the permit be revoked there will be NO refunding of any unused portion of this permit. Revocation of permits may result in forfeiture of any future grazing opportunity.
15. Grazing bills will be sent by mail or email (if you opt in) by the Denver Finance Office. Payment is due by the date listed on the bill. Failure to submit full payment by the due date will result in the USFWS turning outstanding charges to a collection agency, and the permittee will forfeit future grazing privileges.