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Comments: After review of the materials provided the USFWS would have the following recommendations:

1. All equipment used during the proposed project should be cleaned prior to entering the project area to prevent spread of noxious weeds.
2. Project area should be surveyed for suitable Dakota skipper habitat, if present then occupancy surveys may be warranted.
3. Reclamation of the disturbance should be completed immediately and the area monitored for growth and noxious weed presence. Seed mix should include additional forbs as presented in the Dakota skipper 2024 survey protocol.