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Unified Greeley County completes Sunflower’s site certification

24-acre tract certified for industrial development

Hays, Kan.— Oct. 18, 2021— Unified Greeley County completed the site certification process for a light industrial property in Tribune, Kan. Unified Greeley County, in conjunction with Greeley County Community Development, submitted the necessary information to qualify it for certification through Sunflower Electric Power Corporation’s Certified Sites Program.

“We’re excited to have Unified Greeley County’s first certified site through the Sunflower Certified Sites Program. This 24-acre tract of land is conveniently located adjacent to the city of Tribune and provides an excellent opportunity for development,” said Christy Hopkins, director for Greeley County Community Development. “Unified Greeley County welcomes development and has ample space to facilitate growth. The certification of this site sends a message that our community is open for business and invites new opportunities to our area.”

Unified Greeley County is the second organization to complete the certification process for industrial development through Sunflower’s program.

“The addition of this tract of land in Tribune to Sunflower’s inventory of certified sites highlights the diversity of sites that can qualify for certification,” said Nikki Pfannenstiel, Sunflower’s manager of member services. “Opportunities come in all shapes and sizes, and completing due diligence on these sites in advance adds a competitive edge to a community’s effort to respond to potential opportunities.”

Sunflower developed its certified sites program to create greater awareness of industrial opportunities within its members’ service territories spanning central and western Kansas. A benefit of the Sunflower Certified Sites Program includes an independent third-party review of the site’s potential.

Chad Sayre, vice president at Allstate Consultants who performed the independent review, praised Greeley County's efforts to participate in Sunflower's program.

"It has been a pleasure working with Greeley County and the Sunflower team as they work to refine the Sunflower Certified Sites Program. Bringing the engineering and technical view to the process helps communities identify the potential these great sites possess," Sayre said.

Communities that participate in Sunflower's program are committed to strengthening their competitive edge and developing new opportunities for the region.

Sunflower continues to work with other communities within its member's service territories to certify sites for industrial opportunities. With the addition of Greeley County's site, Sunflower currently has 270 acres of land certified through the program.

About Sunflower—Sunflower Electric Power Corporation is a regional wholesale power supplier that operates a system of solar wind, natural gas, and coal-based generating plants and a transmission system of approximately 2,400 miles for the needs of its seven Members, who serve customers living in central and western Kansas. Visit Sunflower's website at <http://www.sunflower.net>

Sunflower's member cooperatives include Lane-Scott Electric Cooperative, Dighton; Pioneer Electric Cooperative, Ulysses; Prairie Land Electric Cooperative, Norton; The Victory Electric Cooperative Association, Dodge City; Western Cooperative Electric Association, WaKeeney; and Wheatland Electric Cooperative, Scott City, Kansas. Southern Pioneer Electric Company is also a Member of Sunflower.

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