

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA.  
VALUATION SECTION NO. 13.  
LINTON BRANCH.

PRE-INVENTORY INFORMATION.  
GENERAL OUTLINE AND HISTORY OF THE WORK.

This is a single track branch line extending from McKenzie to Linton.

Was built by the Northern Pacific Railway Company in the years 1902 and 1903. The general work of grading, building bridges and culverts, laying of culvert pipe, and tracklaying and surfacing was done by Cook and Hinds under the terms of their contract of May 20th, 1902, copy of which and of the final estimate incurred under same are submitted with the inventory. The construction of this line required approximately two years, the shortage of labor requiring an extension of time.

The country traversed is a rolling prairie country covered with a heavy sod, the subsoil is of hard pan and in many places large prairie boulders abound.

During the construction of this line it was necessary to change the grade of the M. St. P. & S. Ste W. Railway Company at the crossing of their line in Mile 13. This work was done at the cost of the Northern Pacific Railway Company.

The subsidence of the roadbed will be developed at the time of Government Inventory.