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South Dakota 2026 Maintenance Plan

Ballast and Surfacing

- Spot dump roughly 2000 ton of ballast (this will be added or subtracted from depending on track surface issues)
- Estimated cost of ballast at \$62,500
- Spot tamp and regulate

Maintenance Ties

- Install between 200 to 400 new ties behind surfacing crew
- Estimated cost between \$15,000 and \$30,000

Yearly Bridge Inspections

- Inspect bridges between Geneseo Jct and Aberdeen
- Estimated cost for inspections \$8,300
- Will be spot replacing defective bridge deck ties on various bridges
- Adding rip rap on various bridges

Weed Control

- Spray from Geneseo Jct to Aberdeen two applications, possibly 3 if needed.
- Estimated cost for both applications \$40,000
- If weeds do not get a good kill from chemical we will run brush cutter to keep them under control
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Normal Maintenance

- Yearly foot inspections along with weekly and monthly track patrols and yard walks
- Checking on culvert conditions and drainage replacing if need be



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2026 Napa to Platte Railroad Maintenance Plan

I. Noxious Weed Control

The Department of Transportation (SDDOT) will contract spraying for noxious weeds through a request for quotes. The entire line will be treated within the railroad right of way. This will be accomplished by June 15, 2026 by a selected vendor.

II. Tie Cleanup

SDDOT will be coordinating efforts for tie and other track materials cleanup with the Yankton Region of SDDOT and have the ties taken to the Yankton transfer center for disposal. The expired materials are currently located in the City of Tabor.

III. Culvert Maintenance

SDDOT will inspect the culverts and have them cleaned out if necessary. The cost of this work will be determined based on inspection findings and the extent of cleaning or minor repairs required.