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Hometown of Laura Ingalls Wilder set for a growth spurt

By Bart Pfankuch
South Dakota News Watch

A rural South Dakota county known mainly as the former home of beloved author Laura Ingalls Wilder is on the precipice of rapid growth as two record-setting agricultural processing plants are proposed for the area.

If the planned projects – the state’s largest individual dairy farm with up to 25,000 cows and a nearly \$1 billion biofuels plant – both come to fruition, Kingsbury County in east-central South Dakota could see a sudden surge in its population, economy and tax base.

So far, local officials and the state of South Dakota are rolling out the welcome mat for the two projects. They see an opportunity to create hundreds of jobs that would attract new residents, new spin-off businesses and new amenities to the rural county of fewer than 6,000 people over 832 square miles.

Joe Jensen, zoning director for Kingsbury County, said the two agriculture plants and a large hog farrowing facility that recently began operation in the area could bring economic opportunity to Kingsbury County and the cities of Lake Preston, Arlington and De Smet, the county seat.

“It will be a huge shot in the arm for our county,” Jensen said.

Projects would generate new jobs in Kingsbury County

State records show that the proposed \$190 million dairy, planned for a site 10 miles southwest of De Smet near the tiny town of Manchester, would create about 100 new full-time jobs.

The proposed Gevo Net-Zero 1 biofuels plant, eyed for a site two miles east of Lake Preston, would create 1,500 construction jobs and 460 permanent positions, including 90 in Lake Preston, along with generating up to \$250 million in

annual economic activity, according to the company’s website. Project leaders said it would be the largest single development project in South Dakota history.

Jensen said he expects that if both projects become operational, the county would see a jump of at least \$500 million and up to \$1 billion in its tax base, which could lead to development of new schools, better roads and overall improved infrastructure.

The new dairy could also drive growth in ancillary agricultural businesses, including trucking, feed grinding and the growing and bailing of corn and alfalfa, Jensen said. Gevo, meanwhile, could bring new high-tech jobs and a stronger connection to cutting-edge agricultural research at South Dakota State University in nearby Brookings, he said.

“It will bring a lot of opportunity, especially for a county of only around 5,000 or 6,000 people,” Jensen said. “The main streets in our small towns have struggled a little bit, so this will help a lot in bringing in more people and money, and it will be a big benefit to those small towns.”

Limited opposition to dairy so far

Opposition to the huge dairy, which received unanimous county commission approval in December, has so far been limited to concerns over water usage and whether local roads are able to handle increased truck traffic, according to county records reviewed by News Watch. The addition of new workers has also brought to light the need to develop more housing in the county, an issue many communities in South Dakota struggle with, though the dairy operation is expected to provide on-site housing for some workers.

Jensen said there is widespread local support for the projects, and he hasn’t heard any concerns that they could somehow nega-

tively affect the existing tourism industry, largely centered on Ingalls Wilder, who grew up and lived in De Smet.

Nicknamed the “Little Town on the Prairie,” De Smet offers covered wagon rides, building tours, a discovery center and an annual pageant dedicated to the memory of the author of “Little House on the Prairie” and other notable books.

“Absolutely, it will look and feel differently here,” Jensen said. “But the population is extremely sparse where these projects will be located, so you can still go visit Laura Ingalls all you want and you won’t see or smell any of it.”

State of South Dakota providing millions in support

The South Dakota Governor’s Office of Economic Development has provided major financing help to the two projects through its Livestock Nutrient Management Bond program, state records show.

In May 2023, the South Dakota Economic Development Finance Authority within GOED approved a \$187 million bond to Gevo Net-Zero 1 for waste management at its proposed plant. That project, according to the company, would process locally grown corn into jet fuel on a 240-acre swath of farmland north of U.S. 14 a couple miles east of Lake Preston.

In April, the same board approved a \$55 million bond to Minnesota-based agricultural firm Riverview LLP. The production agriculture company would use the bond funds to build infrastructure needed to handle animal wastes at the proposed dairy that would be built on the site of an existing cattle feedlot south of U.S. 14 about 10 miles west of De Smet.

GOED said in a release that the dairy would house 15,000 to 20,000 cows, but public records filed in

Kingsbury County show that the dairy could be home to 25,000 milking cows. That would make it the largest single dairy operation in the state, Jensen said.

According to GOED documents obtained by News Watch through an open records request, the animal waste management bonding for the dairy will finance land acquisition costs and construction of concrete containment lagoons, manure disposal equipment and settling ponds.

The agricultural growth in Kingsbury County is being driven, officials said, by its location in the heart of the South Dakota corn belt, where corn prices are low. The county also has a flat east-west highway that connects to Interstate 29, and the county is in close proximity to cheese plants in Brookings, Lake Norden and Milbank that have undergone expansion.

Gov. Kristi Noem said in a news release that providing financial aid to the dairy is part of a strategy using agriculture as the center of efforts to enhance overall economic development.

“South Dakota’s economy is thriving thanks to continued growth for the ag industry and for our small businesses,” she said.

Officials with Riverview LLP, the company in Morris, Minnesota, that recently bought land from Noem’s brothers for a separate South Dakota dairy project, did not respond to numerous phone messages left by News Watch.

Gevo, based in Englewood, Colorado, has raised some uncertainty about whether the Lake Preston facility is viable. And despite a formal groundbreaking ceremony at the site in 2022, no construction has begun.

Officials with Gevo did not return an email from News Watch seeking comment. But recent reports have indicated that officials

with the biofuels plant want construction of a carbon-dioxide pipeline through eastern South Dakota before building. Gevo officials also said recently, however, that the project could be buoyed by new biofuels tax credits being offered by the federal government.

Region welcoming to new residents

Kingsbury County, and De Smet in particular, are prime locations for new industry in part because the area has long taken a progressive, welcoming approach to new businesses and residents, said Jamie Lancaster, economic development director for the De Smet Development Corp.

Lancaster noted that city leaders have a history of encouraging development of light industry and new businesses, including creation of an industrial park in the 1960s, before it was common in small towns. That park has led to job creation by a wide range of businesses that include a window and door manufacturer, a seed company, a sign firm, a medical device manufacturer and a company that makes plastic parts used to build casino gaming machines used around the world.

Residents of De Smet also looked to the future in 2022 when they voted to approve bonding for a \$9 million elementary school now under construction.

Lancaster, who moved to De Smet from California, said he has noticed the community embracing the arrival of workers at the local industrial park, including some Hispanic immigrants. U.S. Census data show that 3.3 percent of Kingsbury County’s population consisted of Hispanic or Latino residents in 2023.

Lancaster said the local grocery store, Maynard’s Food Center, has added more spicy foods lately, including fresh Mexican chorizo sausage and a par-

tial aisle dedicated to other staple Hispanic foods. The school system has also expanded its ability to teach students who speak English as a second language, he said.

Lancaster said the region is also well equipped to handle the health care needs of new and existing residents, with an Avera Health hospital and a Horizon Health Care clinic that includes dental services, both located in De Smet.

New growth won’t harm rural charm, officials say

While investments of more than \$1 billion into the regional economy will surely ripple through the county, residents and Kingsbury County government leaders aren’t expecting explosive or immediate growth, Lancaster said.

“It is a once-in-a-generation opportunity, but at the same time, we’re trying not to get ahead of ourselves,” he said. “We’re taking things as they come to a certain degree because what sets us apart really comes down to the quality of life for the people who are going to work in the businesses.”

Looking to the future, Lancaster said he expects that some parts of De Smet and Kingsbury County will surely look different. But he predicts that even if both the dairy and biofuels plants are developed, they won’t overwhelm the community or reduce the rural charm that attracted him and his family to De Smet after an Ingalls Wilder vacation.

“Things will be somewhat different and everything changes with time, but I don’t see it being drastically different, other than maybe more restaurants and more of the businesses that come along with more people,” Lancaster said. “Other than that, I don’t see a drastic change, and of course, Laura (Ingalls Wilder) will always be a big part of our community.”

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Black Hills



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Custer EATS	Black Hills Sauce & Dough Tues. - Sat 11am- 3pm Thurs-Fri. 5pm - 7:30pm	Three Forks Bar, Grille & Casino Daily 11 am - 7 pm	Hot Springs EATS	Edgemont EATS	Isabella's Sunday - Wednesday 11 am - 8 pm Thursday - Saturday 11 am - 9 pm
Buglin' Bull Restaurant & Sports Bar Sun-Thursday 11am-8 pm Friday-Saturday 11am-9pm	Skogen Kitchen Tuesday - Saturday 5-8 p.m.	Turtle Town Sunday-Thursday 10am 4 pm Friday-Saturday 9am-5 pm	American Legion Monday - Saturday 10am - close	Igloo Bar Daily 9 am - 12 am Friday & Saturday 9am - 2 am	Perkins Tavern Monday - Wednesday 11 am - 8 pm Thursday - Sunday 7 am - 9 pm
Calamity Jane's Tuesday - Sunday 7am to 9pm	Subway Restaurant Mon-Sat 8 am - 9 pm Sunday 8 am -8 pm	Twisted PineTasting Room Tues-ThursNoon-5pm Fri-Saturday Noon-7pm	Dairy Queen Daily 10:30 am - 9 pm	Khantong Thai Cuisine Monday-Wednesday- Friday 11 am - 4:30 pm	Pizza Barn Monday - Thursday 4 pm - 9 pm Friday & Saturday 4 pm - 10 pm
Custer Beacon Wednesday - Saturday 4 pm to close	Hill City EATS	Hermosa EATS	Mornin' Sunshine Monday-Saturday 7am-2 pm Sunday 7am -1pm	The Hat Creek Grill Friday & Saturday Noon - 10 pm	Uncle Vito's Tuesday - Friday 7 am - 2 pm Saturday 7 am - 10 am
Custer County Candy Co. Sunday-Monday closed Tuesday-Saturday 11:00 am - 4:00 pm	The Alpine Inn Monday - Saturday 11 am - 2:30 pm LUNCH 5 pm - 9:30 pm DINNER	Corner Pantry Deli Daily 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Pizza Hut Monday - Saturday 11 am - 9 pm	Victory Steakhouse & Lounge 11 am - 9 pm Tuesday - Saturday	Pringle EATS
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Maria's Mexican Restaurant Monday - Saturday 6:30 - 10 am, 11 am - 3 pm 4:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Tin City Saloon Friday-Wednesday 11am - 8 pm	Xanterra@ Mt. Rushmore Daily 8 am - 9 pm		Howdy Bakery Thursday, Friday, Saturday 8am-6pm Sat. 9am - 4pm	
Miner's Cup Monday - Saturday 6:30 am - 1:30 pm		Carver's Cafe @ Mt. Rushmore 8 am - 4:30 pm		Hi-16 Cafe Thursday - Sunday 7 am - 9 pm	
Pizza Mill Monday- Saturday 11 am - 8 pm					
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BLACK HILLS

Live

LIVE MUSIC - LOCAL EVENTS

Wednesday 5-15

Men's Breakfast Bible Study
The Little White Church
Hill City, SD
7:30 AM

Driver's License Exams
Custer County Courthouse
Annex Pine Room
Custer, SD
8 AM to 5 PM

Seniors Functional Fitness
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
9 AM

Custer County Library Board Meeting
Custer County Library
Custer, SD
10 AM

Seniors Bridge Card Games
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
10 AM - 3 PM

Seniors Board Meeting
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
10 AM

Keystone Town Board Meeting
Keystone Community Center
Keystone, SD
5 PM

Disciples of God
Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Hermosa, SD
5:30 PM

Bible Study
The Little White Church
Hill City, SD
6 PM

Crossroads Church Xtreme Youth Group
Crossroads Church
Custer, SD
6:30 PM

Bingo
Custer Beacon
Custer, SD
6:30-8 PM

Fairburn Town Board
Custer Senior Center
Custer, SD
Noon

Thursday 5-16

Seniors Foot Clinic
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
9 AM - 12 PM

Seniors Hand & Foot Card Games
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
1 PM

Custer County Library Foundation Meeting
Custer County Library
Custer, SD
1 PM

Hermosa/Fairburn Food Bank
Hermosa Town Hall
Hermosa, SD
3-5 PM

Imagination Club
Hill City Public Library Kid's Annex
Hill City, SD
3:15 PM

Tony DuBlois, Musical Savant *LIVE*
The Hills Finest
Custer, SD
5-8 PM

Custer Area Chamber of Commerce Mixer
Custer's Last Stop
Custer, SD
5-7 PM

Trivia Night
HippieRockStar Boutique
Wine & Beer Bar
Hill City, SD
6 PM

Legion Meeting
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
6 PM

Custer County Democrats
Custer County Courthouse
Annex Pine Room
Custer, SD
6 PM

Kindergarten Program
Custer Jr./Sr. High School Theatre
Custer, SD
7 PM

Civil Air Patrol
Custer County Airport
Custer, SD
7 PM

Friday 5-17

Sound of Silence Tesla Rally
Downtown Custer

Custer State Park Open House Weekend Starts
Custer State Park
Custer, SD
8 AM



SOUND OF SILENCE — The annual Sound of Silence Tesla Rally is coming to Custer this weekend. There will be a welcome and question and answer session with owners of the vehicles Friday from 3-5 p.m. There will be a social gathering at the Custer Beacon from 5 p.m. [Submitted Photo]

Seniors Coffee Club
Hill City Center Small Room
Hill City, SD
9 AM

Community Food Pantry
The Little White Church
Hill City, SD
9 AM - 11 AM

Hill City Seniors Flow & Relax Yoga
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
9 AM

Story Time
Hill City Public Library
Kids' Annex
Hill City, SD
9:30 AM

Show & Share Showcase
Custer County Library
Custer, SD
10 AM

Tesla Rally Viewing
Custer Area Chamber of Commerce Parking Lot
Custer, SD
3-5 PM

Brent Morris *LIVE*
Lemongrass
Hill City, SD
5 PM

Tesla Rally Mixer
Custer Beacon
Custer, SD
5-7 PM

Seniors Potluck & Game Night
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
5:30-8 PM

Celebrate Recovery
Crossroads Church
Custer, SD
Meal at 6 PM
Lesson at 6:30 PM

Bodhi Linde *LIVE*
Sprockets Fun Foundry
Keystone, SD
6 PM

Black Hills Storytellers
Custer County Courthouse
Annex Pine Room
Custer, SD
7 PM

Bingo
Hermosa American Legion
Hermosa, SD
7-9 PM

Saturday 5-18

Yes, We're Open: World Whiskey Day
Keystone, SD

Sound of Silence Tesla Rally
Downtown Custer

Custer State Park Open House Weekend Starts
Custer State Park
Custer, SD
8 AM

Pancake Feed
Custer State Park
Custer, SD
8-10 AM

Black Hills Biker Blessing
The Little White Church
Hill City, SD
9 AM

Fishing Derby
Legion Lake
Custer State Park
9 AM to 12:30 PM

25th Anniversary Celebration
Prairie Berry Winery
Hill City, SD
10 AM - 7 PM

Coffee with the Mayor
Elizabeth's Coffee Company
Hill City, SD
10 AM

Outdoor Fair
Peter Norbeck Outdoor Education Center
Custer State Park
10 AM to 2 PM

Hayrack Rides
Blue Bell Lodge
Custer State Park
11 AM to Noon

Skyline String Band *LIVE*
Prairie Berry Winery
Hill City, SD
1-3 PM

Sip & Plant Succulent Workshop with Mystic Plant Co.
Addie Camp General Store
Hill City, SD
1-3:30 PM

Custer High School Graduation
Custer Armory
Custer, SD
2 PM

Hayrack Rides
Blue Bell Lodge
Custer State Park
2-3 PM

Ice Cream Social
Coolidge General Store
Custer State Park
2-4 PM

Bison Patio Talk
Bison Center
Custer State Park
2-4 PM

Grand Re-Opening and New Artist Reception
ArtForms Gallery
Hill City, SD
3-7 PM

Brent Morris *LIVE*
Lemongrass
Hill City, SD
3:30 PM

Station Talk
Wildlife Station
Visitor Center
Custer State Park
4-5 PM

Custer High School Graduation Celebration
Custer Beacon
Custer, SD
4-7 PM

Tony DuBlois, Musical Savant *LIVE*
The Hills Finest
Custer, SD
5-8 PM

Buffalo Gap Community Dance *LIVE*
Buffalo Gap Community Center
Buffalo Gap, SD
7 PM

Evening Program
Game Lodge Campground
Custer State Park
7-8 PM

Sunday 5-19

Sound of Silence Tesla Rally
Downtown Custer

Yes, We're Open: World Whiskey Day
Keystone, SD

Custer State Park Open House Weekend Starts
Custer State Park
Custer, SD
8 AM

Pancake Feed
Custer State Park
Custer, SD
8-10 AM

Fishing Derby
Legion Lake
Custer State Park
9 AM to 12:30 PM

Craft Beer & Bingo
Miner Brewing Company
Hill City, SD
10 AM - 7 PM

Hayrack Rides
Blue Bell Lodge
Custer State Park
11 AM to Noon

Junior Naturalist Program
Peter Norbeck Outdoor Education Center
Custer State Park
Noon to 1 PM

Hayrack Rides
Blue Bell Lodge
Custer State Park
2-3 PM

Buffalo Chip Flip
Peter Norbeck Outdoor Education Center
Custer State Park
Noon to 1 PM

Adult Bible Study
The Little White Church
Hill City, SD
4-5:30 PM

KISS AA Meeting
Keystone Community Center
Keystone, SD
6 PM

Monday 5-20

Community Food Pantry
The Little White Church
Hill City, SD
9 AM - 11 AM

Seniors Functional Fitness
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
9 AM

Seniors Share-a-Lunch
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
11:30 AM

Custer Rotary Club
Custer Senior Center
Custer, SD
Noon

Hill City Seniors Mahjong
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
1-3 PM

Pringle Volunteer Fire Department Meeting
Pringle Community Center
470 Railway St.
Pringle, SD
5 PM

Hill City Planning and Zoning Meeting
City Hall
Hill City, SD
5:30 PM

Custer City Council
Custer City Hall
Custer, SD
5:30 PM

Brent Morris *LIVE*
Mount Rushmore Brewing Co.
Custer, SD
6 PM

Chick Chat and Crafts
The Little White Church
Hill City, SD
6:30 PM

AA Meeting
Lighthouse Assembly of God
Hill City, SD
7 PM

Tuesday 5-21

Seniors Hand & Foot Card Games
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
1-3 PM

Seniors Knitting & Crocheting Group
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
1-3 PM

Hermosa Town Board
Hermosa Town Hall
Hermosa, SD
6 PM

Beginner Line Dance Lessons
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
6:30 PM
\$20 per class

Beginner Country Swing Lessons
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
7:45 PM
\$20 per class

Celebrate Recovery
The Little White Church
Hill City, SD
5:45 PM

Wednesday 5-22

Men's Breakfast Bible Study
The Little White Church
Hill City, SD
7:30 AM

Custer County Commission
Custer County Courthouse
Custer, SD
8 AM

Heart and Vascular Screening
Custer City Hall
Custer, SD
8 AM to 6 PM
\$25

Seniors Functional Fitness
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
9 AM

Seniors Bridge Card Games
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
10 AM - 3 PM

Vinyl Record Club
Custer County Library
Custer, SD
5 PM

Julie Frye-Mueller Prop. Tax Elimination Forum
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
5:30-8 PM

Disciples of God
Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Hermosa, SD
5:30 PM

Bible Study
The Little White Church
Hill City, SD
6 PM

Crossroads Church Xtreme Youth Group
Crossroads Church
Custer, SD
6:30 PM

Thursday 5-23

Heart and Vascular Screening
Custer City Hall
Custer, SD
7 AM to 4 PM
\$25

YMCA Story Time
Custer County Library
Custer, SD
10 AM

Seniors Hand & Foot Card Games
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
1 PM

Tony DuBlois, Musical Savant *LIVE*
The Hills Finest
Custer, SD
5-8 PM

Trivia Night
HippieRockStar Boutique
Wine & Beer Bar
Hill City, SD
6 PM

Life Struggles Suicide Prevention Group
Custer VFW
Custer, SD
6 PM

Trivia Night
Custer Beacon
Custer, SD
6:30-8 PM

Friday 5-24

Seniors Coffee Club
Hill City Center Small Room
Hill City, SD
9 AM

Community Food Pantry
The Little White Church
Hill City, SD
9 AM - 11 AM

Hill City Seniors Flow & Relax Yoga
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
9 AM

Story Time
Hill City Public Library Kid's Annex
Hill City, SD
9:30 AM

Creation Station
Custer County Library
Custer, SD
10 AM

Celebrate Recovery
Crossroads Church
Custer, SD
Meal at 6 PM
Lesson at 6:30 PM

Neon City ft. Jonathan Jacky
Custer Beacon
Custer, SD
7-10 PM

Saturday 5-25

Yes, We're Open: Tours, Trains and Helicopters, Oh My!
Keystone, SD

Coffee with the Mayor
Elizabeth's Coffee Company
Hill City, SD
10 AM

Chess Club
Pringle Community Center
Pringle, SD
5-7 PM

U.S. Air Guitar Championships
Custer Senior Center
Custer, SD
6-10 PM

Sunday 5-26

Yes, We're Open: Tours, Trains and Helicopters, Oh My!
Keystone, SD

Adult Bible Study
The Little White Church
Hill City, SD
4-5:30 PM

Jimmy Ray & The Stingers *LIVE*
Gold Pan Saloon
Custer, SD
5-8 PM

KISS AA Meeting
Keystone Community Center
Keystone, SD
6 PM

Monday 5-27

Memorial Day

Seniors Functional Fitness
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
9 AM

Custer Rotary Club
Custer Senior Center
Custer, SD
Noon

Hill City Seniors Mahjong
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
1-3 PM

Brent Morris *LIVE*
Mount Rushmore Brewing Co.
Custer, SD
6 PM

AA Meeting
Lighthouse Assembly of God
Hill City, SD
7 PM

Mile High Garden Club
Custer, SD
Call 673-4598

Hill City Seniors Flow & Relax Yoga
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
10:30 AM

Zonta
Custer County Library
Custer, SD
1 PM

Seniors Hand & Foot Card Games
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
1-3 PM

Seniors Knitting & Crocheting Group
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
1-3 PM

Hill City Common Council Meeting
City Hall
Hill City, SD
5:30 PM

Hermosa Planning & Zoning
Hermosa Town Hall
Hermosa, SD
6 PM

Beginner Line Dance Lessons
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
6:30 PM
\$20 per class

Beginner Country Swing Lessons
Hill City Center
Hill City, SD
7:45 PM



FREE FISHING THIS WEEKEND — This weekend is the annual open house and free fishing weekend in Custer State Park. The park will have three days of activities, from fishing derbies to games for children to the always-popular Buffalo Chip flip. A full schedule of events can be found inside this week's issue of the Chronicle. [Submitted Photo]

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