

**Mail Processing Facility Review
Notice of Public Input Meeting**

Dakota Central P&DC in Huron SD to Fargo P&DC in Fargo ND

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As part of its 10-year strategic Delivering for America plan to modernize the nation's aging postal network, the U.S. Postal Service initiated a Mail Processing Facility Review (MPFR) to evaluate moving some of the mail processing operations from the Dakota Central Processing & Distribution Center (P&DC) in Huron, SD to the Fargo P&DC in Fargo, ND. Results from the initial review support the business case. However, this MPFR, currently in review at Postal Service headquarters and its regional office, is subject to change.

A public meeting will be held to share the initial results of the study and to allow members of the community to provide additional oral feedback. The public's input will be considered prior to a final decision. The meeting will be held on Friday, December 8 at 12:00 noon at the Huron Campus Center, Kerr Room, 333 9th St SW, Huron SD 57350. A summary of the MPFR will be posted on *about.usps.com* at least one week prior to the public input meeting.

Below are some preliminary highlights from the study:

Business Case

The Postal Service is investing heavily in operations as it moves to modernize the nation's aging and outmoded postal network and to achieve the organization's goal of 95% on-time delivery across all mail products.

The initial results of the facility review support the business case for keeping the Dakota Central P&DC open and modernizing the facility as a Local Processing Center with simplified processes and standardized layouts. Additionally, the business case supports transferring some mail processing operations to the Fargo P&DC.

Future of Facility

The Dakota Central P&DC will remain open and will be modernized. It will be repositioned as a Local Processing Center for destinating mail processing.

Local Customers

- Retail and other services currently available at the Dakota Central P&DC will not change.
- Business mail acceptance will remain the same.
- A local postmark will continue to be available at retail post offices.
- Delivery times of mail to residence and businesses should not change because of this review.

Commercial Mailers

- Mailers who presort mail will continue to receive appropriate postage discounts.
- Mailers who drop ship to Destination Sectional Center Facility (DSCF) can expect no changes if the MPFR is approved.

Please go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/mpfr-dakota-central> to submit written comments. All written comments must be received by Dec 23, 2023.