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Produced Water Spill in Divide County

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) has been notified of a produced water spill resulting from a pipeline leak in Divide County. The pipeline is part of a gathering system owned by USG Bakken Midstream. The spill was discovered on Sunday, February 25, approximately 3 miles north of Fortuna and was reported the same day. Produced water is a by-product of oil and gas development.

Initial estimates indicate approximately 200 barrels of produced water were released from a 6-inch pipeline, impacting rangeland. The leak occurred at an above-ground flange of the pipeline. Personnel from the NDDoH and North Dakota Industrial Commission are inspecting the site and will continue to monitor the investigation.

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