Produced water and oil spill reported in McKenzie County

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (NDDEQ) has been notified of a produced water and oil spill resulting from a pipeline leak in McKenzie County. The pipeline is operated by Henry Hill Oil Services LLC.

The incident occurred about 4 miles west of Watford City on August 30, and it was reported the next day. The cause of the pipeline leak is currently unknown.

Produced water is a by-product of oil and gas development.

Initial estimates indicate approximately 200 barrels of produced water were released from the pipeline, impacting pastureland. Personnel from the NDDEQ are inspecting the site and will continue to monitor the investigation and remediation.

For more information, contact:

Bill Suess, Program Manager
Spill Investigation Program
918 East Divide Ave | Bismarck, ND 58501-1947
PHONE: 701-328-5216 | EMAIL: bsuess@nd.gov

www.deq.nd.gov

# # #