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## Hydraulic oil spill reported in Williams County

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (NDDEQ) has been notified of a 30-gallon release of hydraulic oil in Williams County. The spill occurred while Zavanna, LLC was pumping water from the Little Muddy River to use for enhanced oil recovery.

The incident occurred about 7 miles northeast of Williston on January 12 and was reported to the NDDEQ on January 14. The cause of the spill was a failed seal on a water heater unit.

Zavanna estimates that approximately 10 gallons were recovered. The remainder of the oil dispersed on the ice of the Little Muddy River, with an estimated 5 gallons released into the river.

Personnel from the NDDEQ have inspected the site and will continue to monitor the investigation and remediation.

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