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Produced water spill reported in McKenzie County

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (NDDEQ) has been notified of a produced water spill on a well pad in McKenzie County. The well is operated by Newfield Production Company.

The incident occurred about 10 miles northwest of Keene. The incident was originally reported on May 4 by Newfield as a 30-barrel spill that occurred on May 2. The cause of the spill was a leak in a 2-inch polyethylene pipeline running from the treater to the produced water storage tank. At that time Newfield estimated that 30 barrels of produced water surfaced on the well pad and flowed off, impacting rangeland.

Subsequent investigation and production trend analysis now estimate that 850 barrels of produced water may have been released.

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

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