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## **Updated spill volume for oil and brine release in McKenzie County**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (NDDEQ) has been notified through the National Response Center of an updated volume released from the Environmentally Clean System’s saltwater injection facility. The company now estimates the release at 1,215 barrels (51,030 gallons) of brine and 79 barrels (3,318 gallons) of oil.

The cause of the release was due to a fire created by a lightning strike. The spill occurred Wednesday, Sept. 23, approximately 8 miles north of Alexander and impacted a tributary to Camp Creek.

Personnel from the NDDEQ have been on-site and are continuing to monitor the investigation and remediation.

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