Produced water spill reported in Bowman County

BISMARCK, N.D. – Denbury Onshore LLC recently notified the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality of a produced water spill from a pipeline line they operate in Bowman County. The incident occurred about 10 miles south of Marmarth on Tuesday, Oct. 11.

The initial report from Denbury indicates 20 barrels (840 gallons) of produced water released, of which an unknown volume entered Spring Creek. Produced water is a by-product of oil production. The cause of the spill is under investigation.

Personnel from Environmental Quality are inspecting the site and will continue to monitor the investigation and remediation.

Federal and state laws require that operators report the spillage of any materials that may pollute water, air, or soil. Visit spill.nd.gov for more information about North Dakota’s Unified Spill Reporting System notifications and the public access tool.

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