

Volume update for July 2021 Tallgrass pipeline spill in McKenzie County

BISMARCK, N.D. – Tallgrass Energy recently notified the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality of a recalculation in volume lost during a pipeline break in July 2021. Tallgrass first estimated 850 barrels (35,700 gallons) of produced water released from the break. The company now calculates the volume was likely 17,000 barrels (714,000 gallons). This incident occurred approximately seven miles south of Watford City in McKenzie County.

Personnel from Environmental Quality have inspected this site several times over the past year. They continue to work with the company regarding 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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