

Updated spill volume for Caliber Midstream pipeline release in McKenzie County

BISMARCK, N.D. – Caliber Midstream notified the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality of a produced water spill from a pipeline they operate in McKenzie County near Arnegard on Tuesday, Oct. 3.

Caliber initially estimated the pipeline malfunction released approximately 100 barrels (4,200 gallons) of produced water, impacting waters in a Cherry Creek tributary and range land. Caliber recently updated that release volume to 1,446 barrels (60,732 gallons). Produced water, also known as brine or saltwater, is a byproduct of oil production.

Personnel from Environmental Quality are working with the responsible party on cleanup and will continue to monitor the investigation and remediation.

Federal and state laws require operators to 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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