

Environmental Quality

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Produced water and crude oil spill reported in Bottineau County

BISMARCK, N.D. – Scout Energy Management, LLC recently notified the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality of a produced water and crude oil spill resulting from a tank overflow in Bottineau County. The incident occurred about two miles southeast of Renville on Monday, Jan. 15.

Scout Energy estimates approximately 160 barrels (6,720 gallons) of produced water and 40 barrels (1,680 gallons) of crude oil total released from the tanks, with 60 barrels (2,520 gallons) leaving the location and impacting surrounding rangeland. Produced water is a by-product of oil and gas development.

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

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

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