

## Produced water spill reported in Billings County

BISMARCK, N.D. – Scout Energy Management, LLC recently notified the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality of a produced water spill caused by a pipeline leak in Billings County. The incident occurred about 7.5 miles northeast of Medora on Friday, March 15.

Produced water is a by-product of oil and gas development. Scout Energy estimates approximately 350 barrels (14,700 gallons) of produced water were released from the pipeline, impacting rangeland.

Cleanup is under way. Personnel from Environmental Quality have inspected 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](https://spill.nd.gov) for more information about North Dakota's Unified Spill Reporting System notifications and the public access tool.

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