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Freshwater spill reported in Divide County

BISMARCK, N.D. – Hunt Oil notified the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (NDDEQ) of a freshwater release from a tank on a well location in Divide County, approximately 13 miles southwest of Crosby, on Saturday, Nov. 2.

Hunt released the remaining 278 barrels of freshwater from their hydraulic fracture process (fracking) onto the well site, resulting in a portion of the released water flowing off the well pad. Freshwater used in fracking is typically sourced from permitted locations, which may include nearby wetlands or municipal water supplies.

Personnel from the NDDEQ are working with the responsible party 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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