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### **Oil and Produced Water Spill in Billings County**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) has been notified of an oil and produced water spill resulting from equipment failure in Billings County at a site operated by Hess Bakken Investments II, LLC. The spill occurred on Monday, July 11, approximately four miles west of Fryburg.

Initial estimates indicate 200 barrels of oil and 225 barrels of produced water were released onto the well pad containment area. The company estimates 20 barrels of the oil and water mixture migrated off the well pad and onto adjacent pasture land and into Sully Creek. Personnel from the North Dakota Oil and Gas Division and the NDDoH have inspected the site. NDDoH personnel will continue to monitor the investigation.

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