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Produced Water Spill in McKenzie County

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) has been notified of a produced water spill in McKenzie County caused by a faulty gasket on a gathering line owned by Oasis Petroleum. The release occurred on Tuesday, Feb. 28, approximately 11 miles northwest of Arnegard and was reported the same day. Produced water is a by-product of oil and gas development.

Initial estimates indicate approximately 500 barrels of produced water have been released, impacting a nearby unnamed tributary to Timber Creek. The flow has been stopped. Personnel from the NDDoH and North Dakota Oil and Gas Division are on site and will continue to monitor the investigation and work with the company on remediation.

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