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### **Produced Water Spill in Williams County**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) has been notified of a produced water spill in Williams County resulting from a lightning strike at a saltwater disposal facility owned by Oasis Petroleum. The spill occurred on Sunday, May 14, approximately 15 miles northwest of Williston and was reported Tuesday, May 16. Produced water is a by-product of oil and gas development.

Initial estimates by Oasis indicate approximately 325 barrels of produced water were released. Of that amount, 245 barrels were contained to the site, and an estimated 80 barrels were released from the site. No surface waters were impacted.

NDDoH personnel will be inspecting the site and will work with the company on remediation activities.

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