

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Fresh Water Spill in McKenzie County**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) has been notified of a fresh water spill 4 miles southwest of Keene in McKenzie County. Fresh water is used for drilling and has minimal environmental impacts.

The spill occurred when a water storage tank failed at a site operated by Continental Resources. Initial estimates indicate approximately 2,400 barrels of fresh water were released, and an undetermined amount has flowed off the well pad. At this time, no known surface water sources have been impacted.

The release occurred on Tuesday, Dec. 27 and was reported the same day. Personnel from the NDDoH are visiting the site to verify the spill was fresh water and determine if any remediation is required.

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