BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) has been notified of a produced water spill in Mountrail County resulting from a tank leak at a central tank battery owned by Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation. The spill occurred on Friday, Feb. 3, approximately 7 miles north of New Town and was reported that same day. Produced water is a by-product of oil and gas development.

Initial estimates indicate approximately 450 barrels of produced water were released, impacting a cultivated field. Whiting is in the process of cleaning up the spill. Personnel from the NDDoH and North Dakota Oil and Gas Division were on site and will continue to monitor the investigation and remediation.

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