

# DIRECTOR'S CUT

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#### PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

This briefing provides key updates on the state's energy sector, covering production trends, market outlooks, state initiatives, and key litigation. Topics include industry activity, infrastructure developments, and ongoing efforts related to resource management and environmental stewardship.

In addition, insights on transportation and distribution will be shared, highlighting key factors influencing the movement of oil and natural gas.

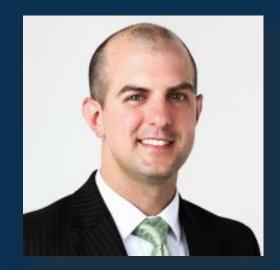
Presented to a global audience, this update offers a broad perspective on the region's energy landscape.



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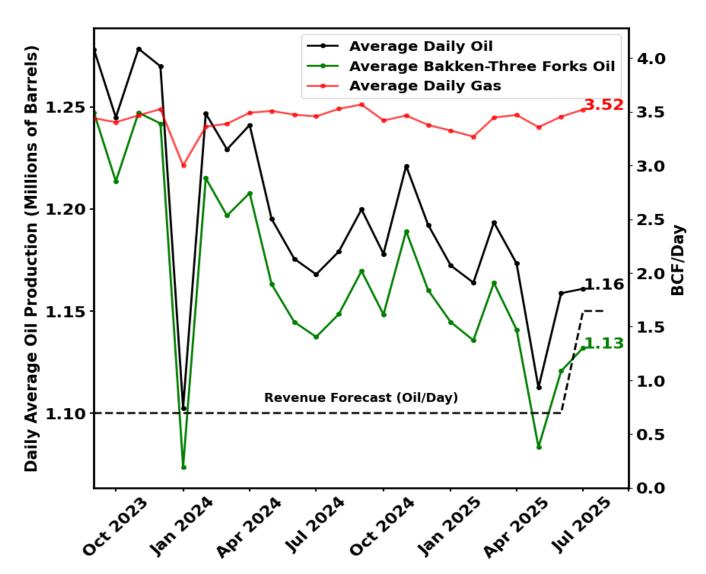
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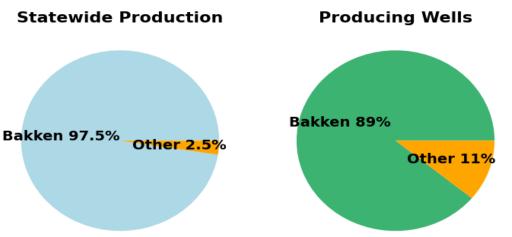




## NORTH DAKOTA PRODUCTION







#### **OIL PRODUCTION:**

- July: 35,987,222 bbls = 1,160,878 bbls/day
- June: 34,761,793 bbls = 1,158,726 bbls/day
  - 0.95% above Revenue Forecast (RF = 1,150,000 bbls/day)
     +0.19% from June to July
  - +2,152 bbls/day June 2025 to July 2025
- 1,131,971 bbls/day or 97.5% from Bakken/Three Forks
- 28,907 bbls/day or 2.5% from non-Bakken/Three Forks

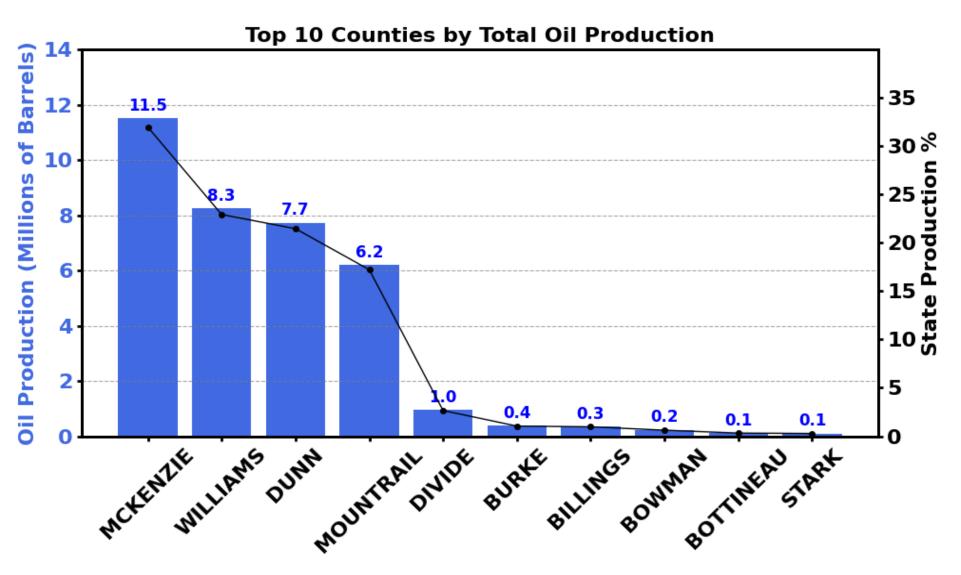
#### **GAS PRODUCTION:**

- July: 109.1 BCF/Month = 3.520 BCF/Day
- June: 103.6 BCF/Month = 3.455 BCF/Day
  - +1.91% from June to July



## North Dakota County Production



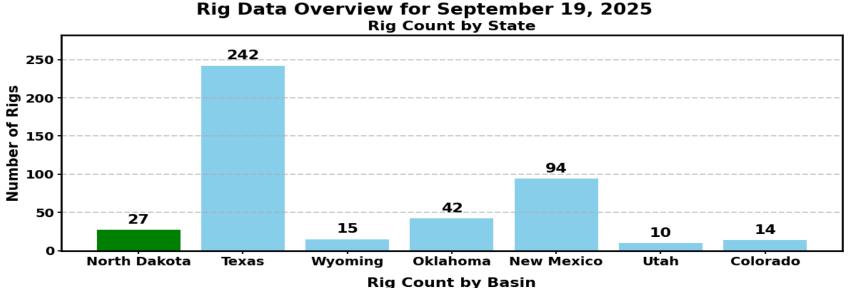


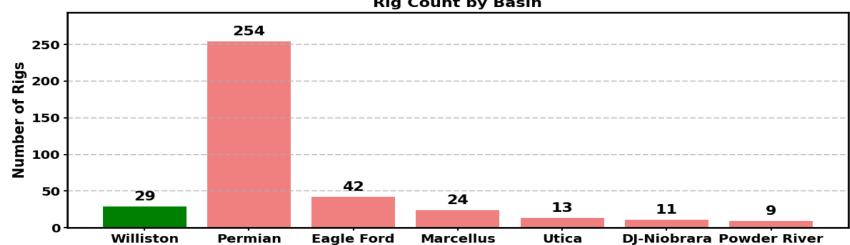
- ~32% of ND production comes from McKenzie County
- Top 5 counties make up ~96.4% of ND oil production



## RIG COUNTS BY STATE AND BASIN







- Total US Rig Count = 533
  - August was approx. 539
- ~45.4% of Rigs are in Texas
- ND Rig Count Trend
  - Current = 27
  - August = 29
  - July = 29
  - June = 32

All time high of 218 on 5/29/2018

- 29 total rigs in Williston Basin
- 254 rigs in Permian (TX & NM)
- ~47.7% of total US rig Count
- 31 rigs in the NE US, dry gas play

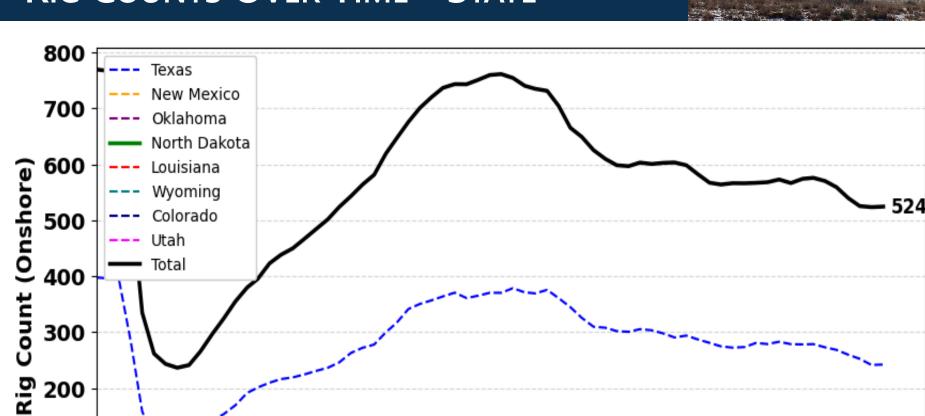


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## RIG COUNTS OVER TIME - STATE



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2024

2025

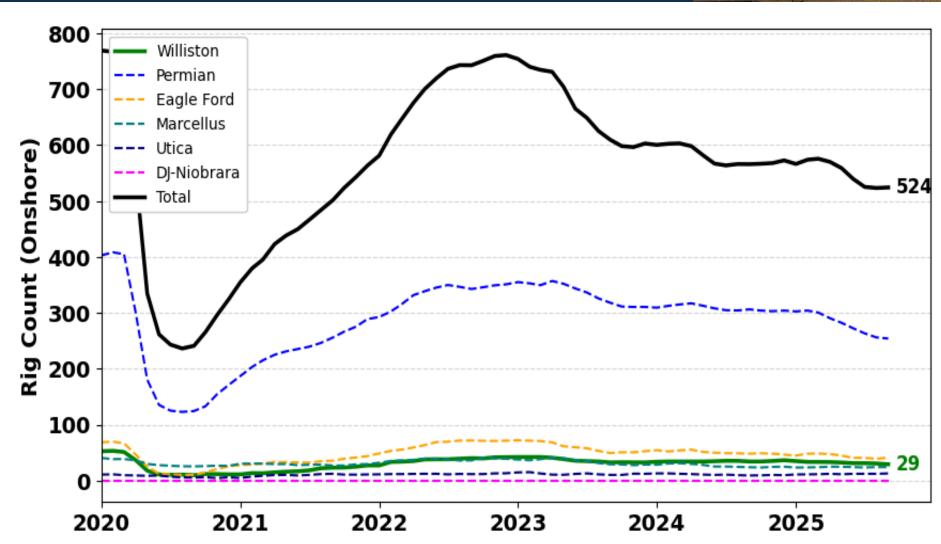
- North Dakota rig count = 27
- US rig count remained static at 524 from August to September
- Texas rig count remained stable at 242
- Total US rig count includes land only

2021

2022



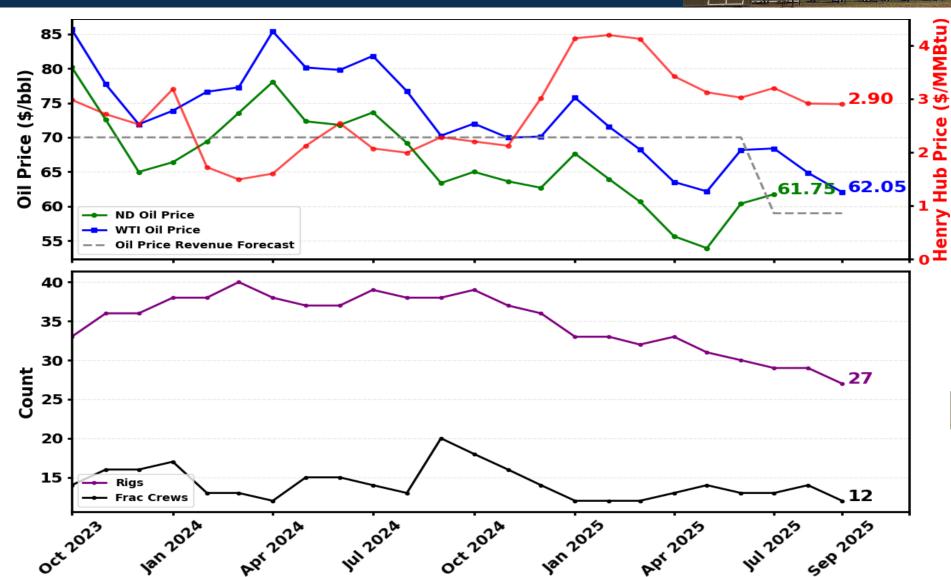
## RIGS OVER TIME - BASINS



- Williston Basin rig count declined to 29
- US rig count remained static at 524 from August to September
- Permian Basin rig count decreased slightly from 255 in August to 254 currently
- Total US rig count includes land only



## PRICING AND ACTIVITY LEVELS



- Current WTI Oil = \$62.05
- Current HH Gas = \$2.90

#### **ND Market Oil Price**

Revenue Forecast = \$59.00

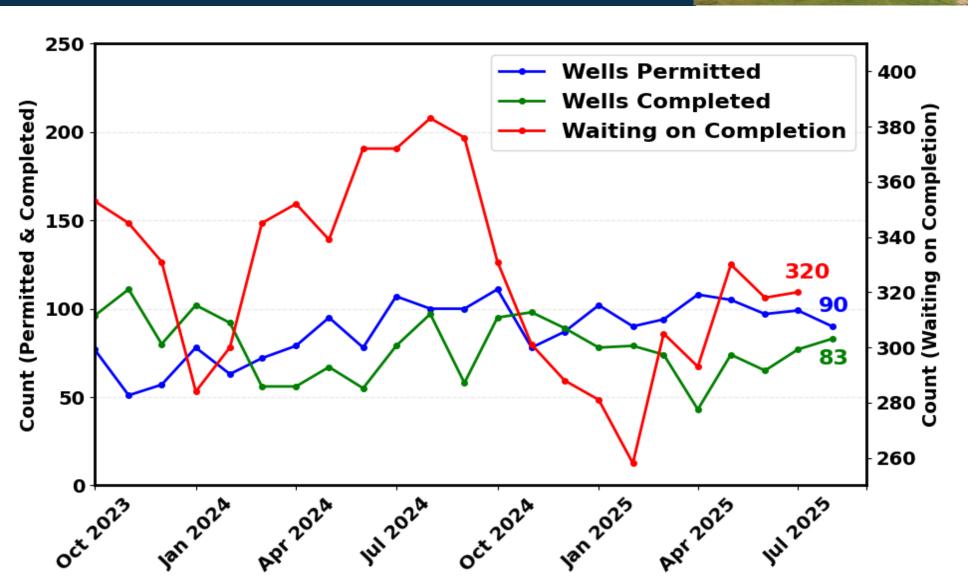
- July = \$61.75
- June = \$60.40 +4.7% TO RF

Current frac crew count = 12

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## PERMITS AND COMPLETIONS



#### **PERMIT TREND**

- August = 90
- July = 99
- June = 97

#### **COMPLETION TREND**

- August = 83
- July = 77
- June = 65

#### **EXTENDED REACH PERMITS**

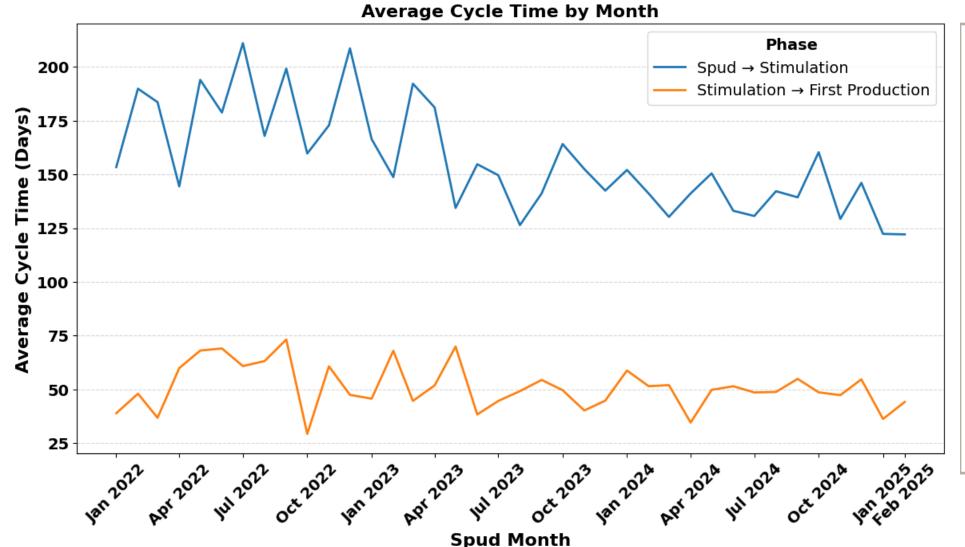
(Issued to date)

- 1111 3-mile lateral permits
- 56 4-mile lateral permits
  - 5 completed
- 16 U-Shaped lateral permits
- 2 J-Shaped lateral permits



## AVERAGE WELL CYCLE TIMES



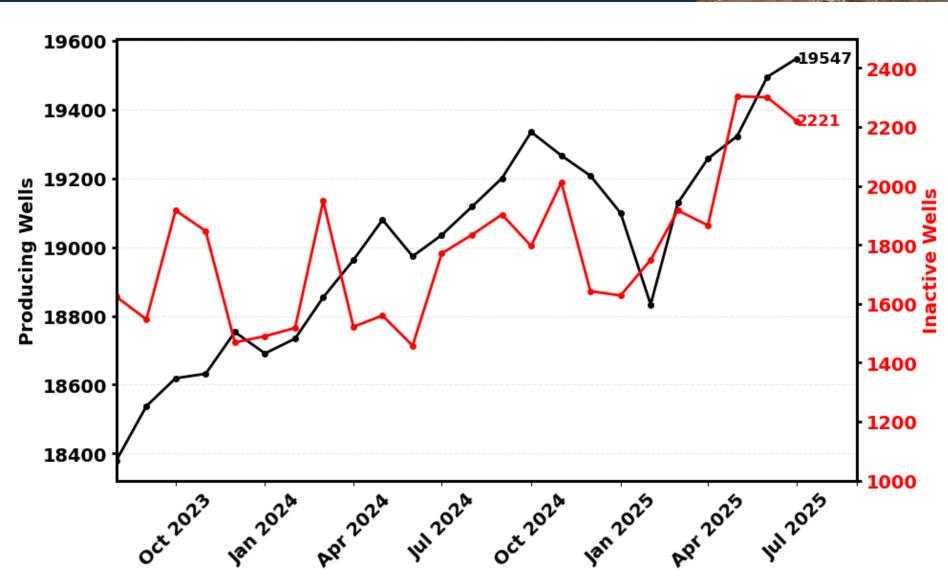


#### **Cycle Times Improving**

- Spud → Stimulation = First
   Spud to Last Stimulation
- Stimulation → First
   Production = Last Stimulation
   to First Production
- Operators continue to find operational efficiencies as seen in the continuous decrease from Spud to Stimulation
- Slight increase in Stimulation to First Production



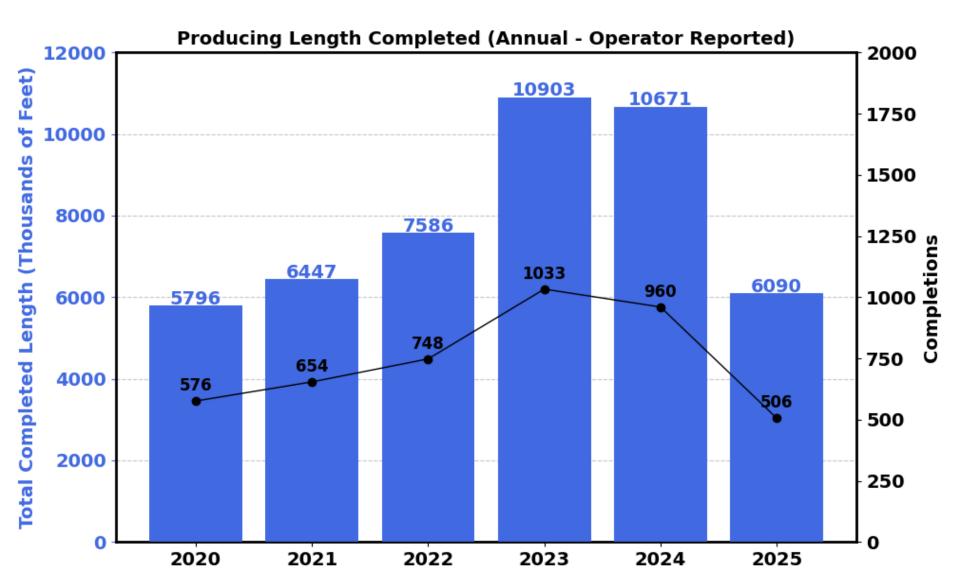
## WELL COUNT



- Total number of producing wells is up 38, month over month
- Number of inactive wells decreased by 80, month over month
- Producing wells were at an all-time high of 19,547 in July 2025.



## COMPLETED FOOTAGE OVER TIME

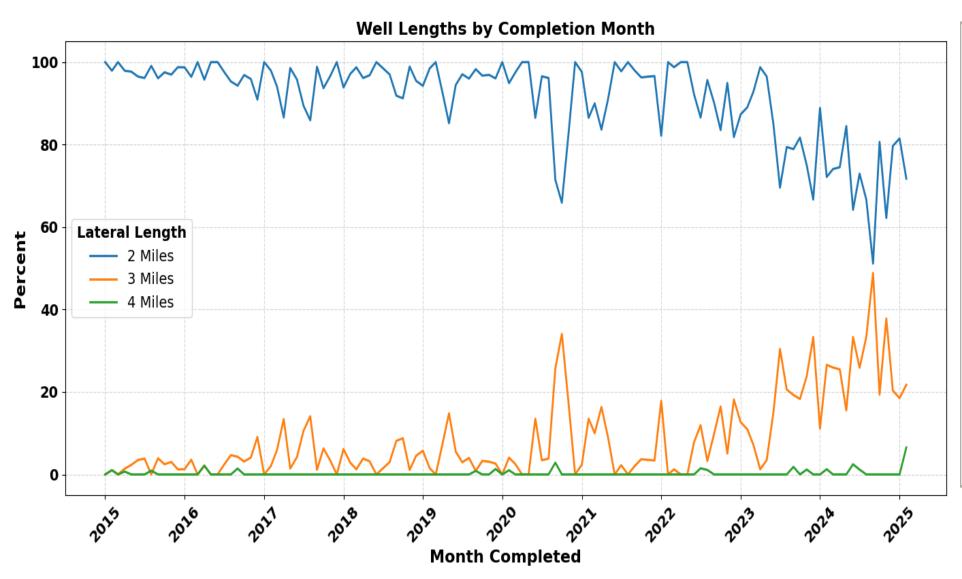


#### TREND OF LATERAL LENGTHS

- 2024 = 10,671,000 total feet completed
- Estimated average lateral length completed by year:
  - 2020 = 10,062
  - 2021 = 9,850
  - 2022 = 10,141
  - 2023 = 10,554
  - 2024 = 11,149



## LATERAL LENGTHS OVER TIME



- The total percentage of 2-mile laterals is ~70%
- The total percentage of 3-mile laterals is ~30%
- 4-mile lateral development began in 2024 and is in its infancy, but we continue to see an increase in 4-mile permits

#### **Lateral Length Categorization:**

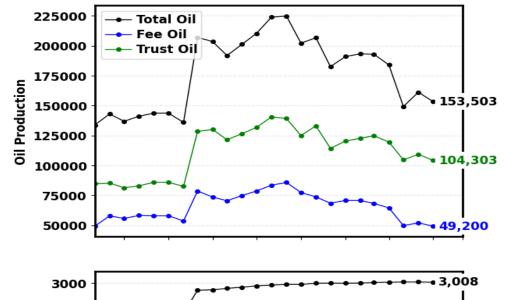
(First to last perforation)

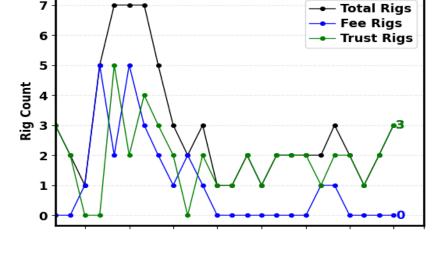
- 1.5-2.24 miles = 2-mile
- 2.25-3.24 miles = 3-mile
- 3.25-4.24 miles = 4-mile



## FORT BERTHOLD ACTIVITY





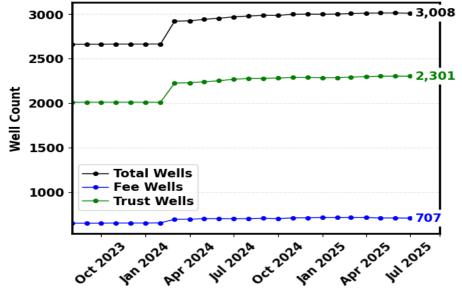


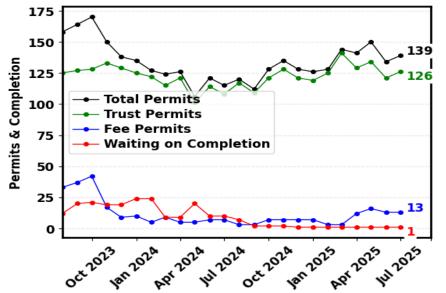
July Oil Production = 153,503

- 4.8% decrease
- Decrease of 7,664 bopd

June Oil Production = 161,167

Rig count at 3





Total Active Permits = 139

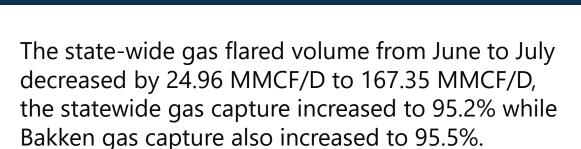
Slight increase from last month

Number of Active Wells = 3,008

- Fee = 707
- Trust = 2,301



## GAS CAPTURE



### Gas capture details are as follows:

Statewide	95.2%
Statewide Bakken	95.5%
Non-FBIR Bakken	95.3%
FBIR Bakken	97.2%
Trust FBIR Bakken	97.0%
Fee FBIR	96.7%

The Commission has established the following gas capture goals:

74% October 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014

77% January 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016

80% April 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016

85% November 1, 2016 through October 31, 2018

88% November 1, 2018 through October 31, 2020

91% beginning November 1, 2020



## **SUMMARY**



Month and Year	July 2025
Days	31
Oil Production (bbls)	35,987,222
Average Daily Oil (bbls/day)	1,160,878
Gas Production (MCF)	109,133,687
Average Daily Gas (MCF/day)	3,520,441
Daily Average Oil Revenue Forecast (bbls/day)	1,150,000
Oil Revenue Forecast Price (\$/bbl)	59
Avg Daily Bakken-Three Forks Prod (bbls/day)	1,131,971
Bakken Production (%)	97.50
Other Production (%)	2.50
Bakken-Three Forks Wells (%)	89
Percentage Other Wells (%)	11
WTI Oil Price (\$/bbl) (current)	62.05
ND Oil Price (\$/bbl)	61.75
Henry Hub Price (USD/MMBtu)	2.90
Wells Permitted (August)	90
Wells Completed (August)	83
Waiting On Completion	320
Inactive Wells	2,221
Total Producing Wells	19,457
Fort Berthold Total Oil	153,503
Fort Berthold Fee Oil	49,200
Fort Berthold Trust Oil	104,303
Fort Berthold Total Rigs	3
Fort Berthold Fee Rigs	0
Fort Berthold Trust Rigs	3
Fort Berthold Total Wells	3,008
Fort Berthold Fee Wells	707
Fort Berthold Trust Wells	2,301
Fort Berthold Waiting On Completion	1
Fort Berthold Total Permits	139
Fort Berthold Fee Permits	13
Fort Berthold Trust Permits	126
North Dakota Rigs (current)	27
North Dakota Frac Crews (current)	12

1 seismic crew recording



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# Pipeline Authority Monthly Update

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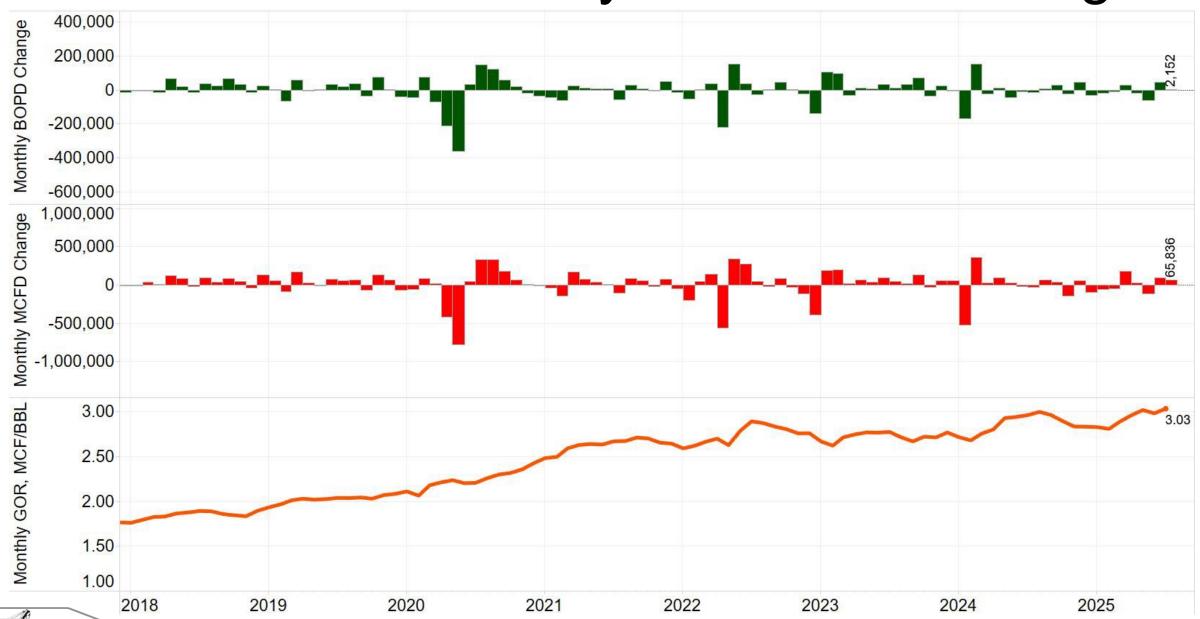
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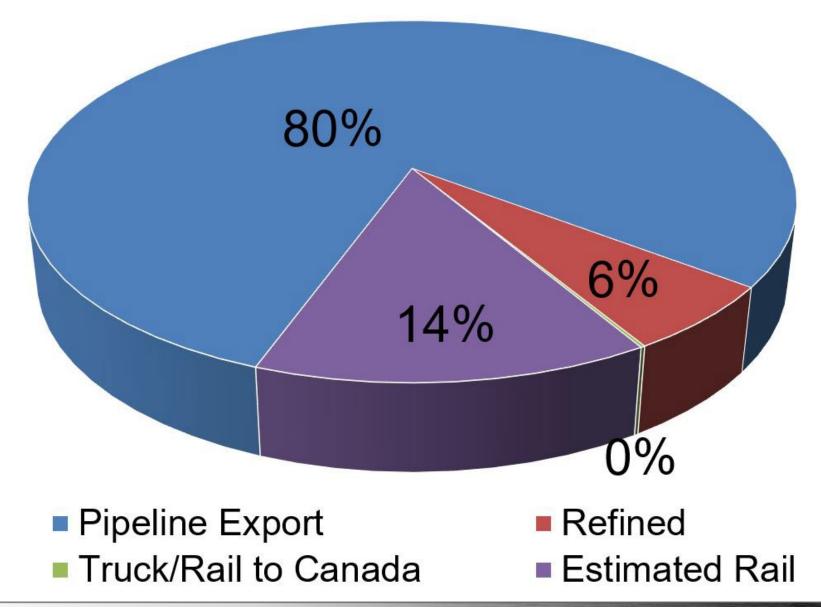
## US Williston Basin Oil Production - 2025

MONTH	ND	Eastern MT*	SD	TOTAL
January	1,175,131	74,977	2,281	1,252,389
February	1,164,562	71,719	2,282	1,238,563
March	1,193,936	76,008	2,272	1,272,216
April	1,172,730	74,879	2,294	1,249,903
May	1,112,416	79,601	2,295	1,194,312
June	1,158,726	78,986	2,145	1,239,858
July	1,160,878			
August				
September				
October				
November				
December				

# North Dakota Monthly Production Change

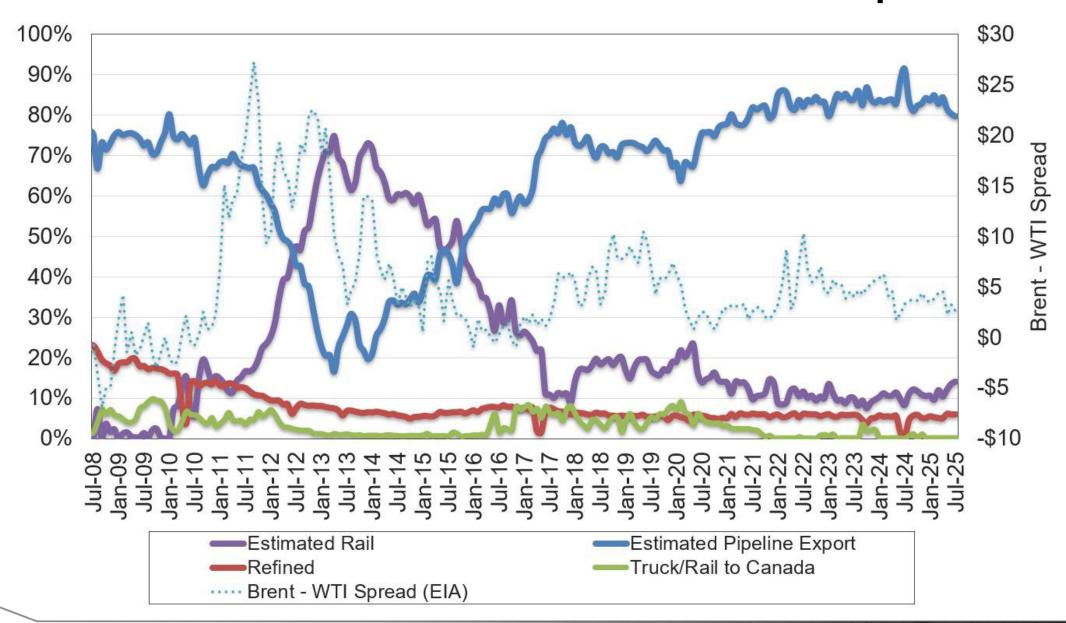


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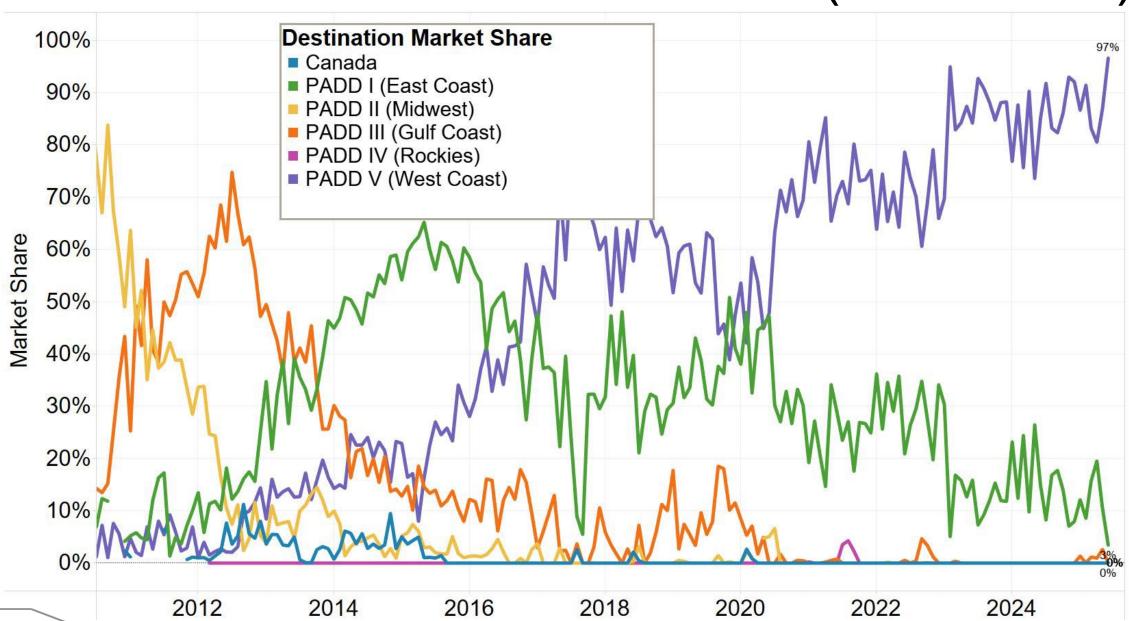




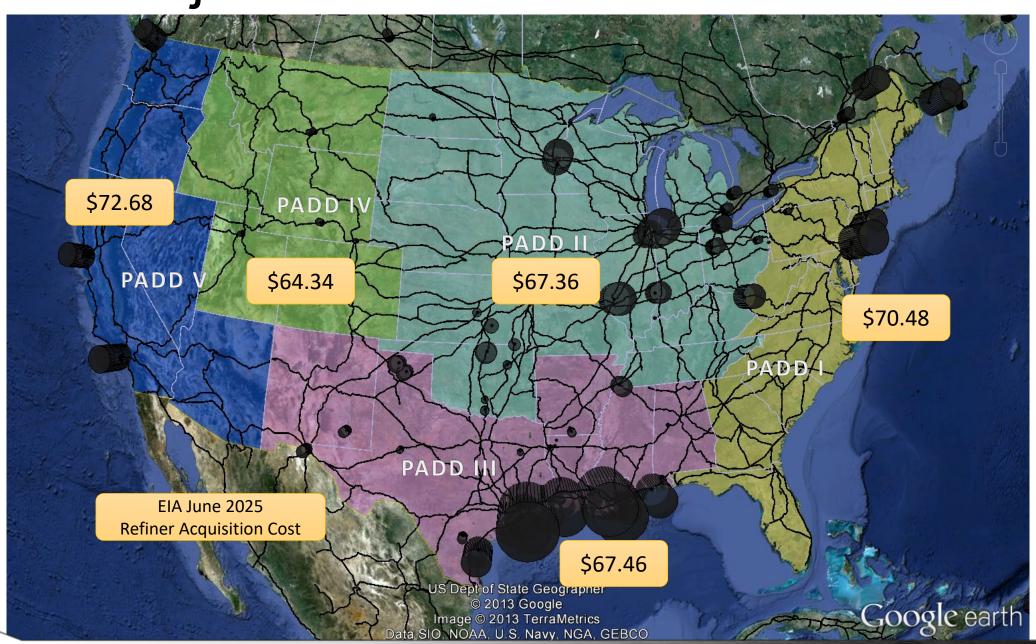
# Estimated ND Rail Export Volumes



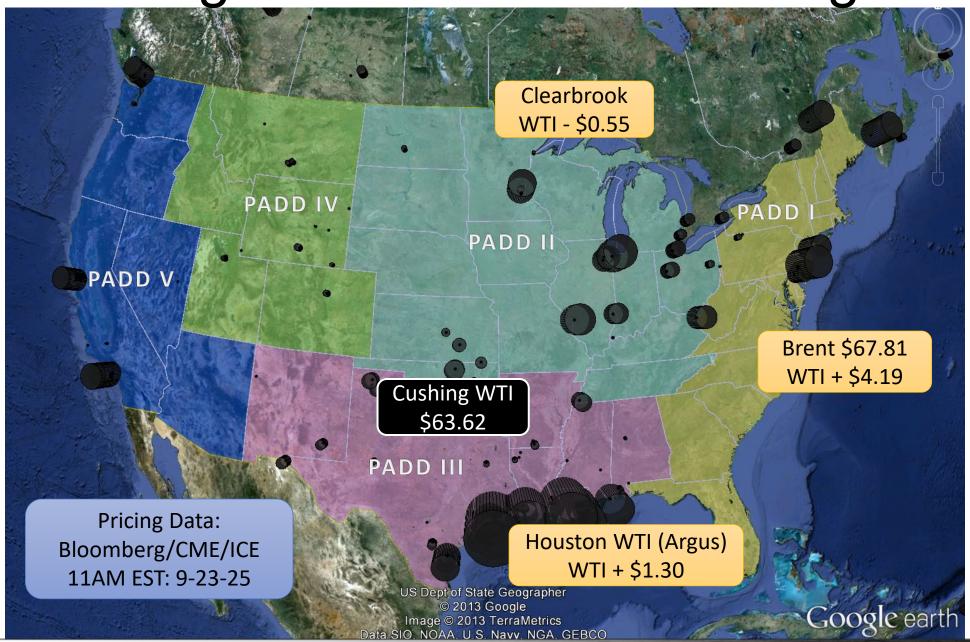
# Rail Destinations Market Share (June 2025)



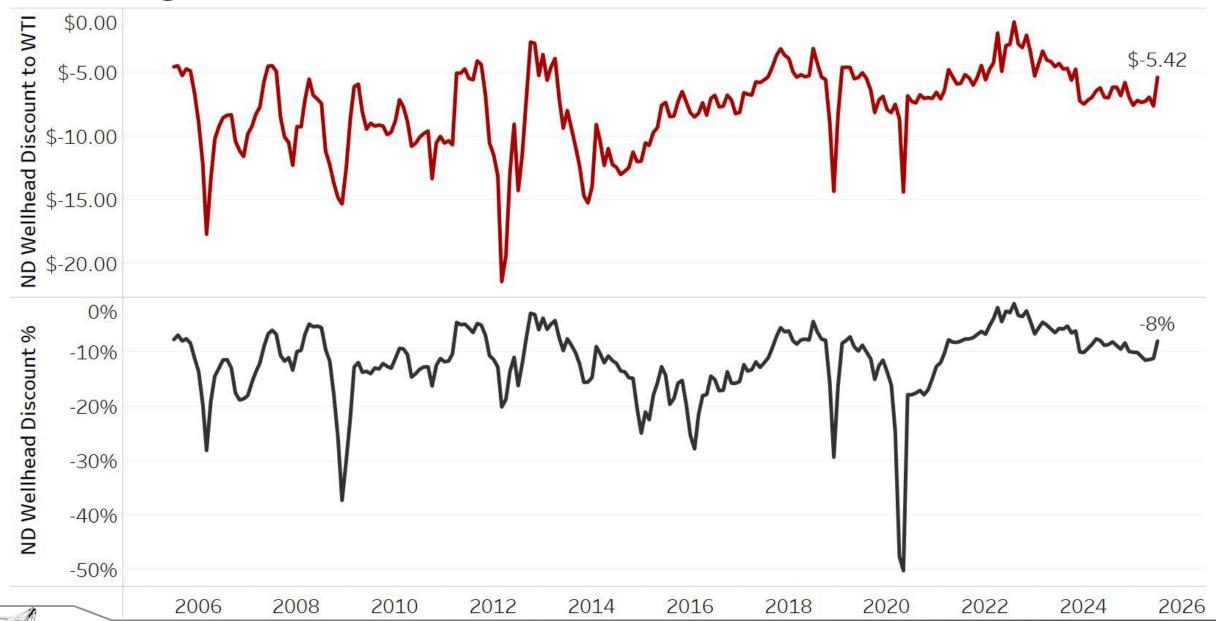
# Major Rail Lines and Refineries



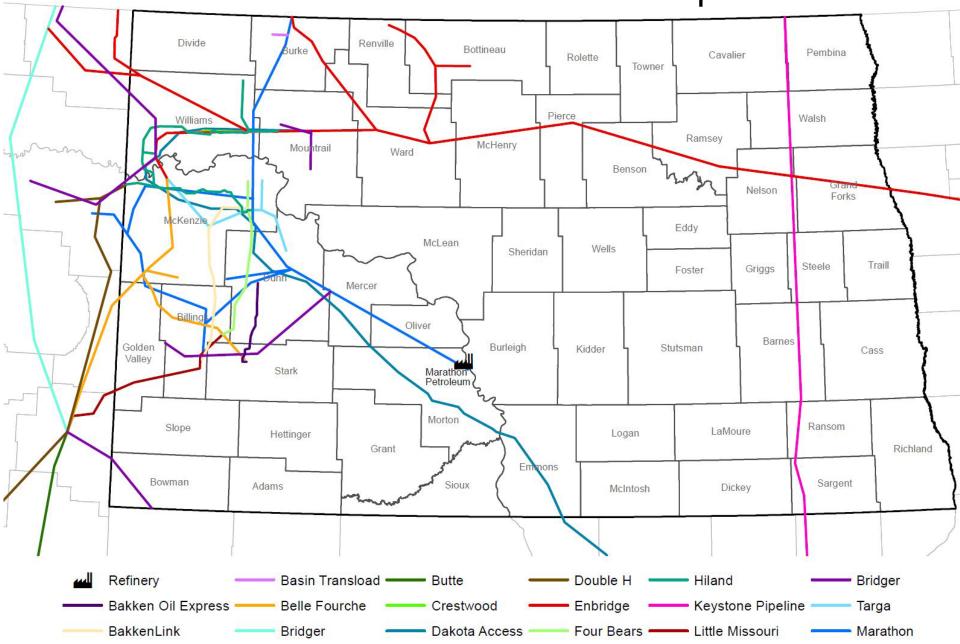
# Major Pricing Benchmarks & Refining Centers



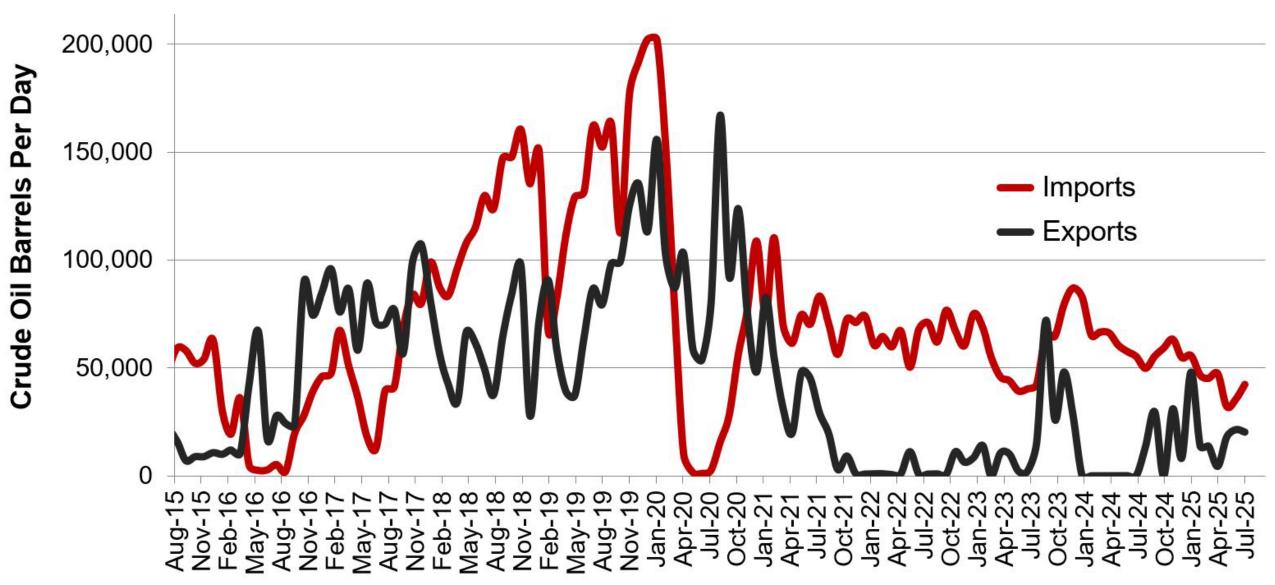
# Average North Dakota Oil "Discount" to WTI



## North Dakota Oil Transmission Pipelines

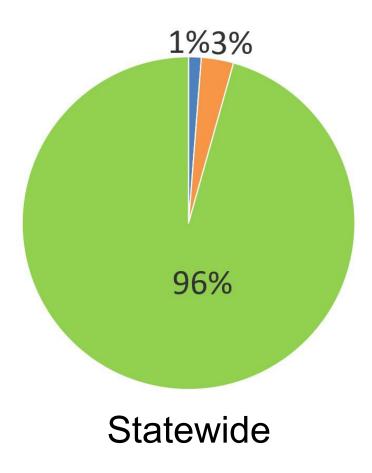


## Williston Basin Truck/Rail Imports and Exports with Canada



Data for imports/exports chart is provided by the US International Trade Commission and represents traffic across US/Canada border in the Williston Basin area.

# Solving the Flaring Challenge



GREEN – % of gas captured and sold Blue – % flared from zero sales wells Orange – % flared from wells with at least one mcf sold.

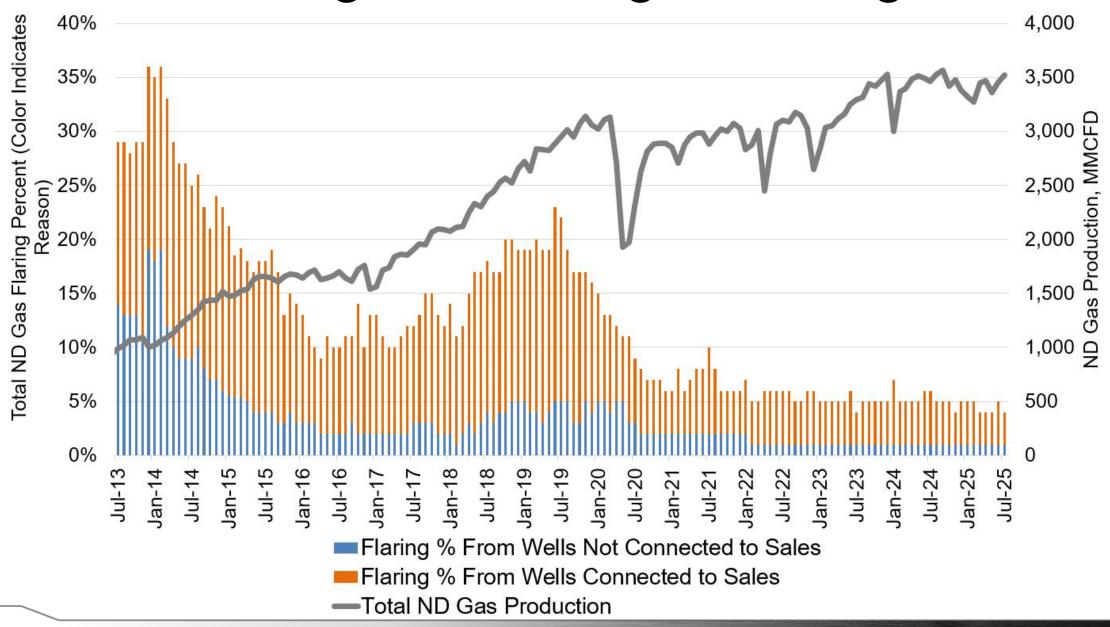
#### **Simple Terms**

Blue – Lack of pipelines

Orange – Challenges on existing infrastructure

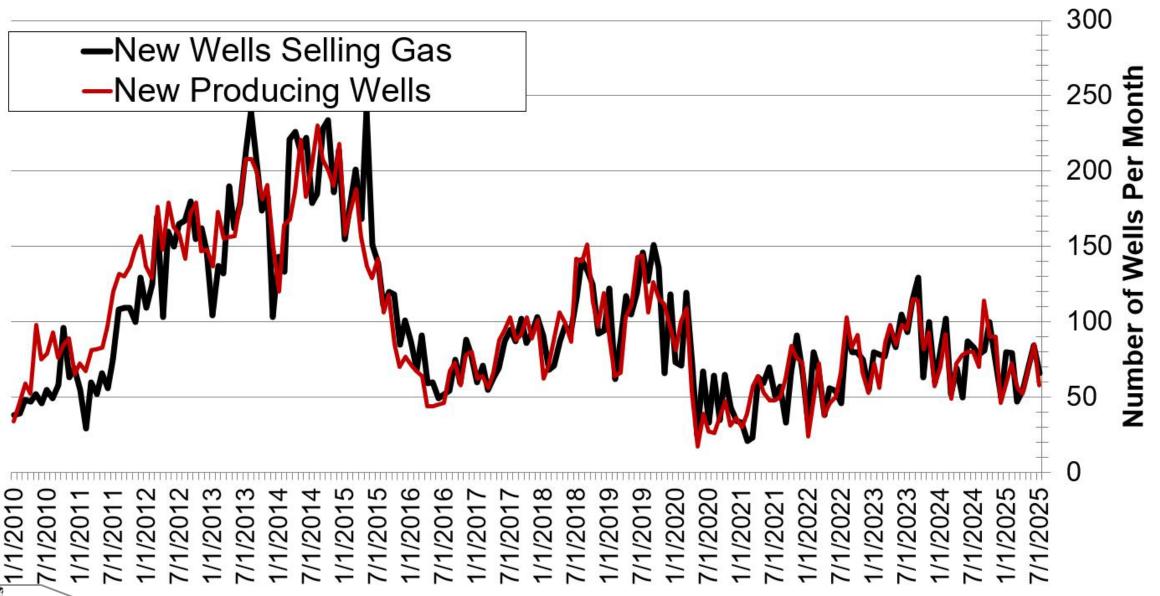
July 2025 Data - Non-Confidential Wells

# Solving the Flaring Challenge



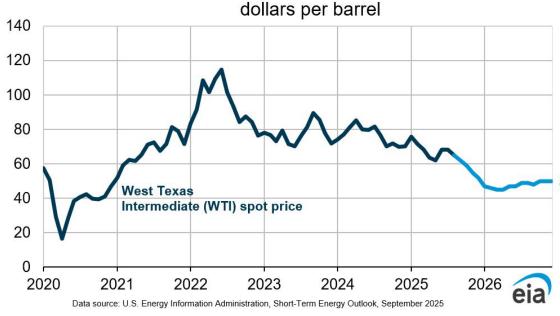


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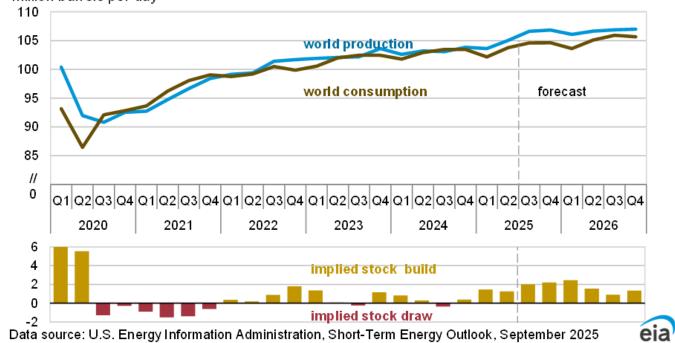
# EIA Oil Price Outlook (September 2025)

#### West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude oil price



#### STEO forecast

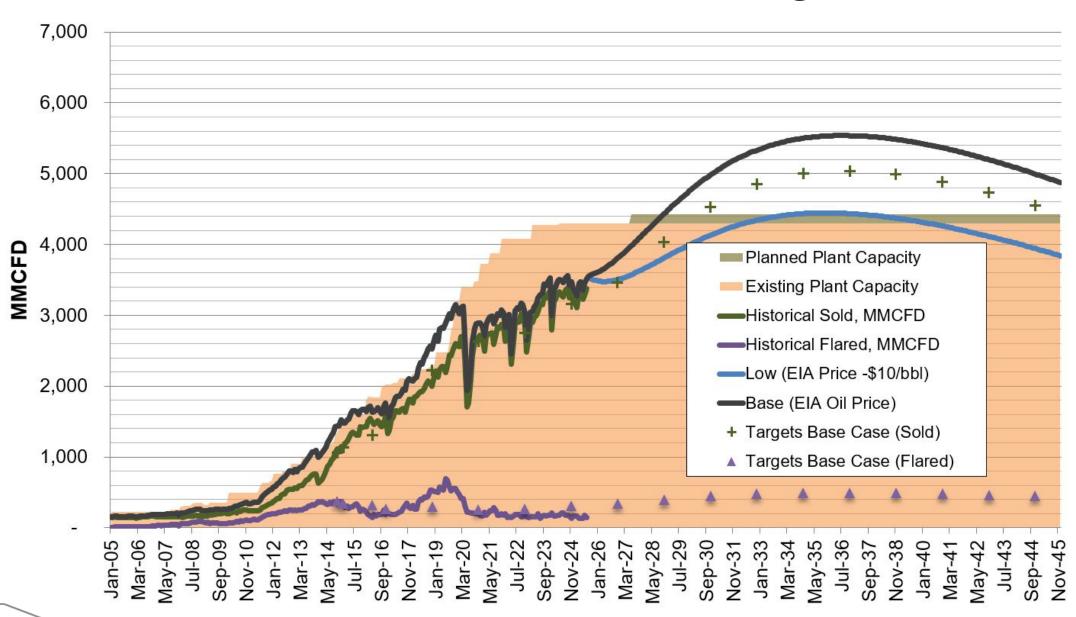
#### World liquid fuels production and consumption balance million barrels per day



Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, Short-Term Energy Outlook, September 2025

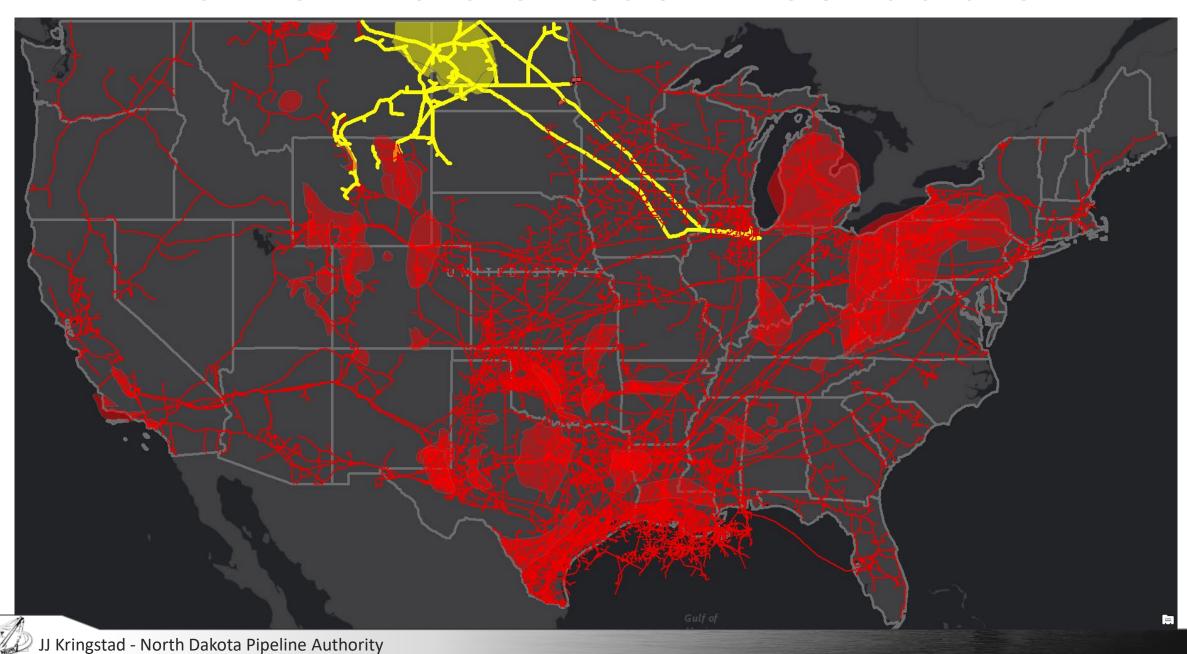


# North Dakota Gas Processing Outlook

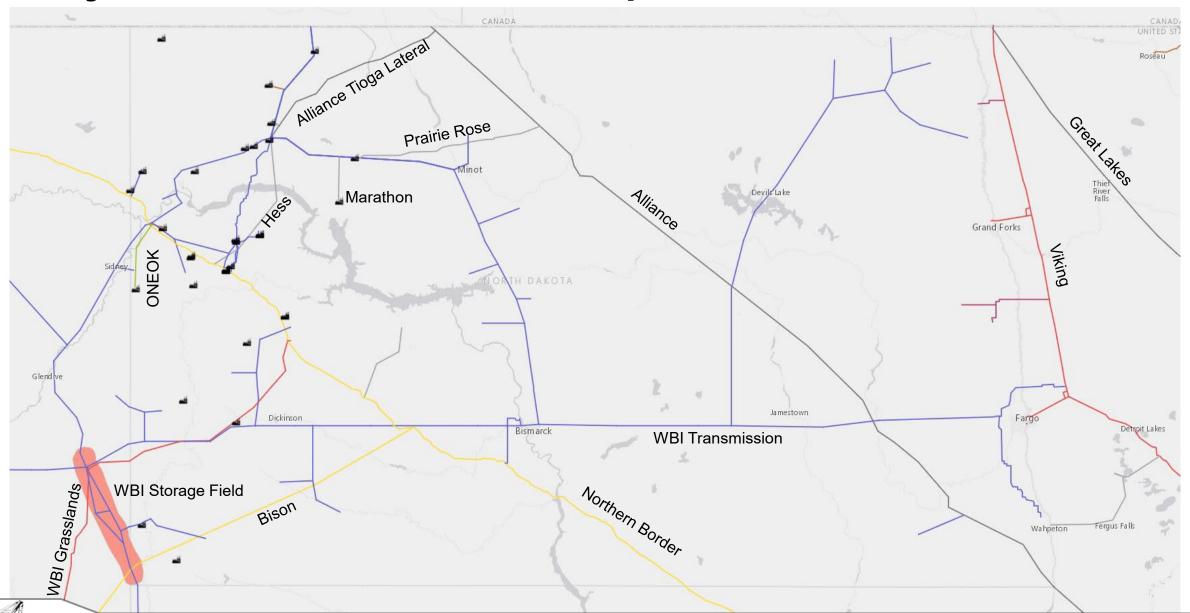




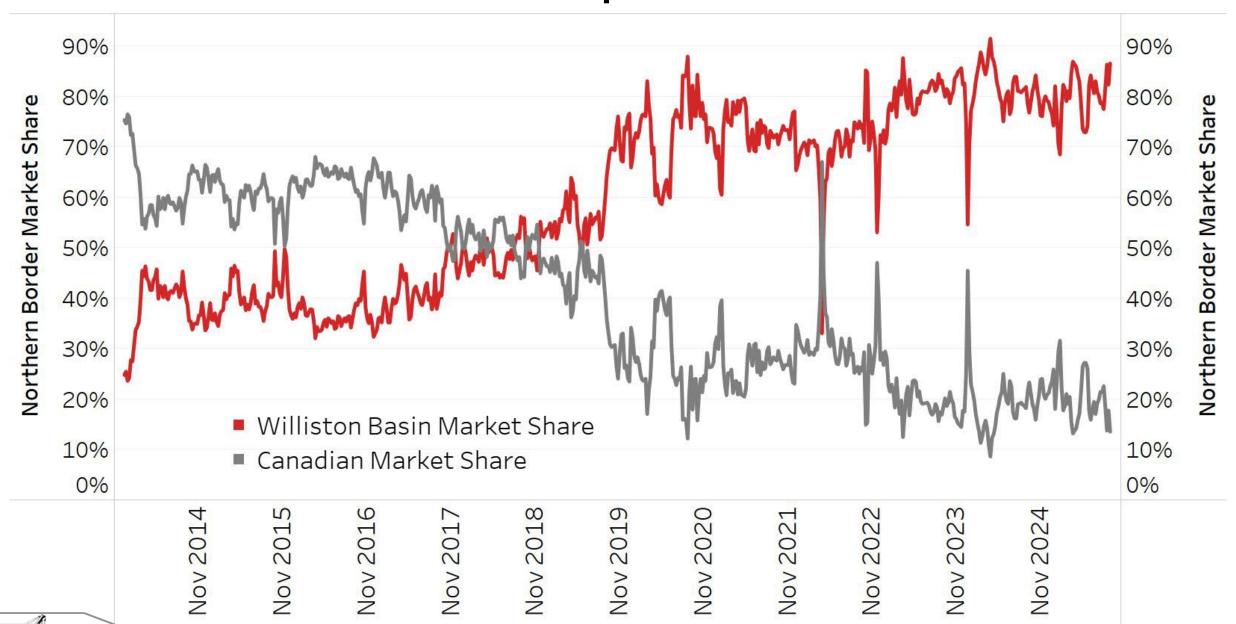
# Bakken Natural Gas Infrastructure



# Major Residue Gas Pipeline Infrastructure

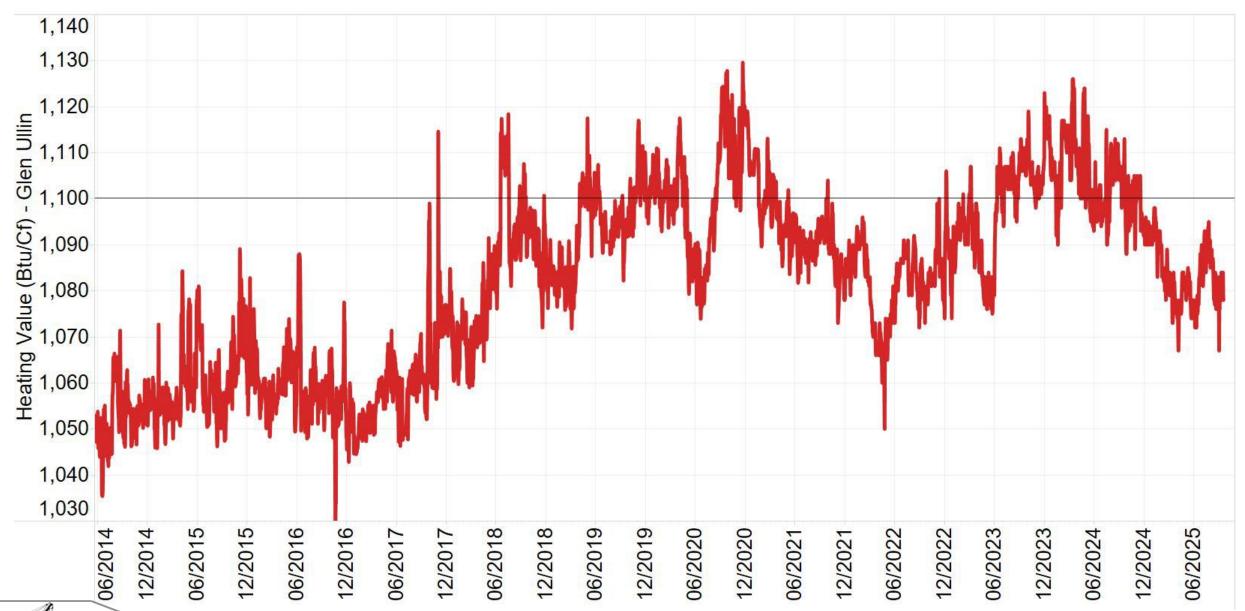


# Northern Border Pipeline Market Share





# Northern Border BTU at Glen Ullin, ND



# WBI Energy: Proposed Bakken East Project



- Non-binding open season Dec 16 Jan 31, 2025
- 455 Miles: 36", 30", & 20" Pipe
- Proposed Capacity (East) 1,000,000 Dth/Day
- Phase 1 (West): Nov 2029 targeted in-service
- Phase 2 (East): Nov 2030 targeted in-service
- Seeking commitments 20yrs or Longer

#### **Estimated Rates**

- \$0.85 to \$0.90/Dth + Fuel/Electric/Commodity
- Anchor Shipper Minimum: 100,000 Dth/Day
- Foundation Shipper Minimum: 250,000 Dth/Day

# Intensity Infrastructure Partners Proposed Pipeline



#### **Phase 1 Project Highlights**

- Non-binding open season Feb 3 Mar 7, 2025
- 136 Miles: 36" Pipe
- Proposed Capacity 1,100,000 Dth/Day
- July 2029 targeted in-service
- Seeking commitments 10yrs or Longer

#### **Phase 1 Estimated Rates**

- Sub-\$0.40/Dth + Fuel/Electric/Commodity
- Anchor Shipper Minimum: 100,000 Dth/Day
- Foundation Shipper Minimum: 250,000 Dth/Day

#### **Phase 2 Project Highlights**

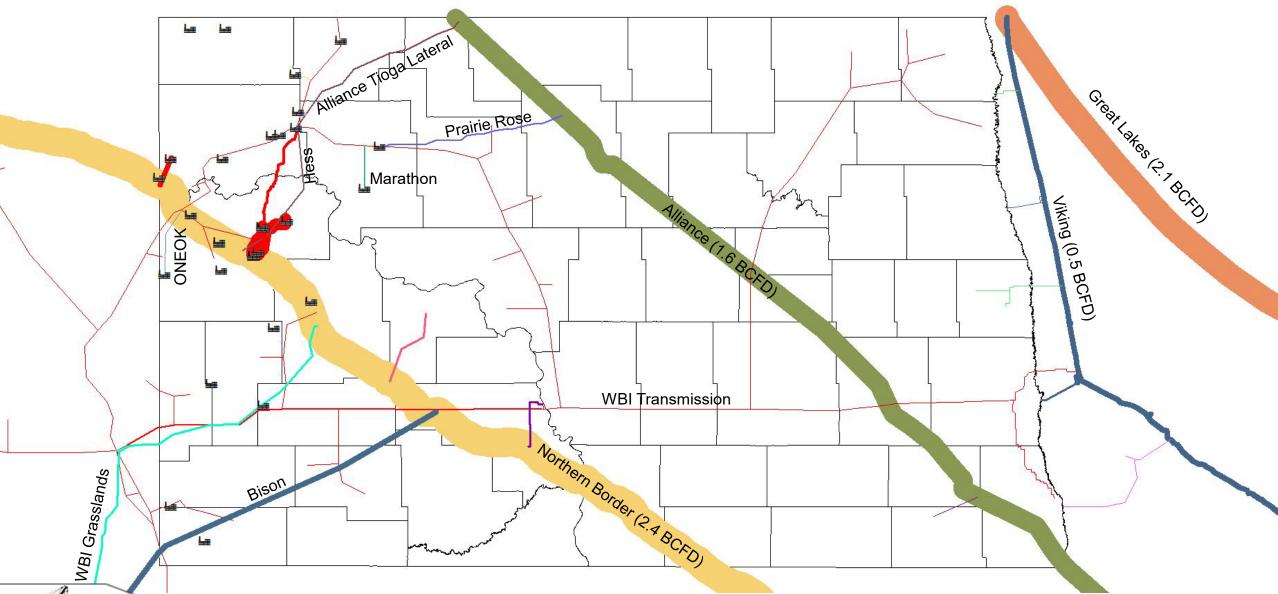
- Non-binding open season Apr 17 May 23, 2025
- 208 Miles: 30" Pipe
- Proposed Capacity 430,000 Dth/Day
  - January 2030 targeted in-service
- Seeking commitments 10yrs or Longer

#### **Phase 2 Estimated Rates**

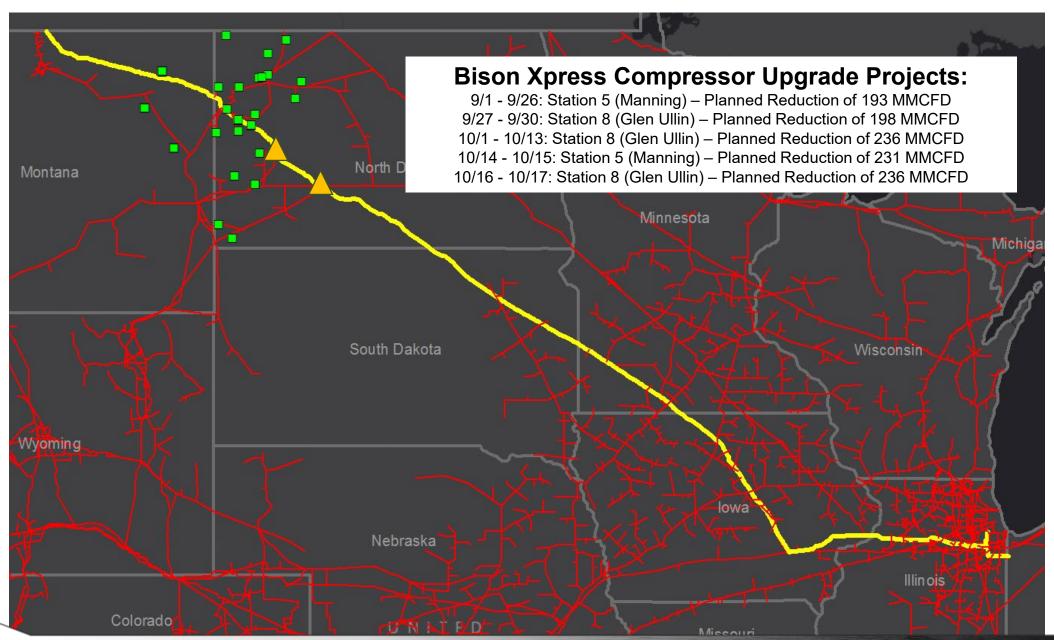
- \$0.80/Dth + Fuel/Electric/Commodity
- Anchor Shipper Minimum: 100,000 Dth/Day
- Foundation Shipper Minimum: 250,000 Dth/Day



# Residue Gas Pipeline Capacity Visualization



# Northern Border Maintenance



# Regional NGL Infrastructure



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