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# THE DRILL DOWN:

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# ND PRODUCTION – FEBRUARY 2021



1,083,020 **BARRELS PER DAY** 

## 1,519,037 Record Nov 2019





2,703,948

MCF PER DAY

15,773 **PRODUCING WELLS** 

3,145,172

Record Nov 2019

16,280 March 2020

## RIG COUNT – 16 (5/3/2021)



# WELLS

<b>Active Dec 2020</b> Conventional Bakken/Three Forks	15,798 2,112 13,686
<b>Inactive Dec 2020</b> WTI \$35-\$45 > 90 days = EIA 1/30/2021	2,687
<b>Waiting on Completion Dec 2020</b> WTI \$45-\$50 > 90 DAYS = EIA 3/4/2021	668
<b>Permitted Dec 2020</b> WTI \$55-\$60 > 90 days ?? EIA 5/3/2021	1,673
Increase Density Dec 2020 ICO 31152	11,949
Total	34,884
Estimated Final \$60/BO = 55-65 Rigs = 20 Yr \$70/BO = 65-75 Rigs = 45 Yr \$80/BO = 70-80 Rigs = 70 Yr	40,000 65,000 85,000









# DAILY OIL PRODUCTION



# DAILY GAS PRODUCTION





# GAS CAPTURE POLICY

### NDIC Order 24665 Updated September 2020

- Increase the volume of captured gas and reduce the percentage of flared gas
- Incentivize investment in gas capture infrastructure

74%

**Oct 2014-Dec 2014** 



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# CAPTURING NATURAL GAS IN ND



**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

February 2021 Data – Non-Confidential Wells

# CAPTURING NATURAL GAS IN ND





### SPILL.ND.GOV

NEW UNIFIED SPILL REPORTING JAN 2021



#### UNIFIED SPILL REPORTING SYSTEM

#### **CLICK HERE TO REPORT A SPILL**

Spills, discharges, and emergency releases can cause serious harm to public health and the environment. Federal and state laws require federal and/or state agencies be notified in the event of an accidental spillage of any materials that may pollute water, air or soil.

#### Unified Spill/Tier II Reporting System

North Dakota uses a whole-of-government approach for developing long-term strategies for managing energy development in an environmentally responsible manner. The state's Unified Spill/Tier II reporting system is a tool for and effective state response and a mitigation strategy for unanticipated spill events.

This effort also provides transparency with stakeholders, including fellow North Dakotans, producers, transporters, developers and media members.

In accordance with state and federal law, the intentional or unintentional release of hazardous materials must be reported to the state within 24 hours of the incident. This can be accomplished by using this reporting system to meet the requirement of notifying all state agencies, both online and by calling **1-833-99SPILL (1-833-997-7455)**. This number provides a one-call routing menu with options for reporting based on the nature of the spill.



#### Immediate Spill/Release Reporting Criteria

- Any spill/release that has an impact, or potential impact, to public health
- Waterways impacted/threatened
- Injuries or Deaths
- · Evacuations, or potential need for
- · Any spill/release that has immediate impact to wildlife



# CARES ACT FUNDING

To provide economic relief to businesses and their employees in Western North Dakota, the Bakken Restart Task Force sought use of the CARES Act Funds to facilitate a program plugging abandoned wells in the state which would create work for those who may otherwise be seeking assistance from unemployment.

The <u>Department of the Treasury released CARES Act Guidance</u> which provided their interpretation of the above limitations on the permissible use of Fund payments.

The CARES Act provides that payments from the Fund may only be used to cover costs that:

- 1. are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);
- 2. were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the CARES Act) for the State or government; and
- 3. were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020 and ends on December 31, 2021.

Item 1: "Necessary Expenditures Incurred Due to the Public Health Emergency" is clarified in the Department of Treasury's guidance as including:

"The requirement that expenditures be incurred "due to" the public health emergency means that expenditures must be used for actions taken to respond to the public health emergency. These may include expenditures incurred to allow the State, territorial, local, or Tribal government to respond directly to the emergency, such as by addressing medical or public health needs, <u>as well as expenditures incurred to respond to second-order effects of the emergency, such as by providing economic support to those suffering from employment or business interruptions due to COVID–19-related business closures. Funds may not be used to fill shortfalls in government revenue to cover expenditures that would not otherwise qualify under the statute. Although a broad range of uses is allowed, revenue replacement is not a permissible use of Fund payments. The statute also specifies that expenditures using Fund payments must be "necessary." The Department of the Treasury understands this term broadly to mean that the expenditure is reasonably necessary for its intended use in the reasonable judgment of the government officials responsible for spending Fund payments."</u>



## Average unemployment rate from January to September 2020 in North Dakota's top 16 oil & gas producing counties increased 2.29%.



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North Dakota Unemployment - September 2020





### **CARES ACT FUNDING OVERVIEW:**

	CARES Act Funding Awarded	Paid to Date by Funding Source		Total Paid to Date	Estimated Work/ Invoices Pending
		CARES Act	AWPSRF		CARES Act/AWPSRF Future Work
Plugging Plugging of Abandoned wells in North Dakota confiscated by the NDIC.	\$33,175,000	\$33,175,000	\$6,100,572	\$39,275,572	\$13,300,000
	375 wells			157,719 man-hours 1,380 FT jobs 280 wells	95 wells
Reclamation Reclamation of abandoned	\$16,300,000	\$16,300,000	\$12,718,837	\$29,018,837	\$32,700,000
sites confiscated.	185 sites			45,872 man-hours 1,925 FT jobs 176 sites = 880 acres	201 sites
<b>DUC Well Completions</b> Reimbursement of funds for water acquisition, handling, and disposal for completion of	\$16,000,000	\$11,684,461	\$0	<b>\$11,684,461</b> 32 ND companies 400 FT jobs \$4,600,000 sales tax	\$4,315,534
DUC wells.				47 wells	\$3,215,000 sales tax 33 wells
<b>Operating</b> Covid-19 costs: hand sanitizer, non-contact thermometers, webinar upgrade, etc.	\$1,512	\$1,512			
TOTAL:	\$65,476,512	\$61,160,973	\$18,819,349	\$79,978,870	CARES Act \$4,315,539
NORTH	1,875 acres 1,230 crop 645 pasture			3,705 FT jobs \$7,815,000 sales tax	Future AWPSRF costs \$46,000,000 SW Bonds \$5,825,000 CARES/AWPSRF/Civil \$40,175,000



### PASSED

- SB 2065 DMR Bill relating to regulation of permitting and amalgamation of underground storage.
- HB 1055 DMR Bill relating to mailing of printed Orders to interested parties
- HB 1452 Establishes the Clean Sustainable Energy Authority
- HB 1395 Appropriation of CARES Act Funds
- HB 1096 Addition of CO2 Flowlines to definition of "gas or liquid transmission facility"
- SB 2014 Industrial Commission Budget including studies on Salt Caverns and Hydrogen

### FAILED

- HB 1054 DMR Bill relating to the requirement of single well bonds for abandoned oil and gas wells.
- SB 2064 DMR Bill proposed relating to the definition of person adding in "responsible corporate officer"

### **OTHER ND IMPACTS**

- March 2021 US Department of Interior launched review of federal oil and gas leasing program
  - Key step to determining whether current administration will permanently halt new leases on federal land and water.
  - Kicks of public forum on oil and gas leasing to generate an interim report released early summer 2021 outlining next steps and recommendations.
- Climate Leadership and Environmental Action for our Nation's Future Act - "CLEAN Future" Act – filed in Congress on March 2021.

### **OTHER ND IMPACTS**

- Revive Economic Growth and Reclaim Orphaned Wells Act – "REGROW Act" – filed in Congress April 2021
  - Providing states, tribes, and federal agencies resources to properly plug orphaned wells.

### Dakota Access Pipeline

- Army Corps is conducting an environmental and safety review expected to be complete in early 2022.
- Current administration has indicated the pipeline can continue to operate while the review is in progress.



# **CENSUS REVIEW**







### BILLINGS COUNTY



### BOTTINEAU COUNTY



#### **BOWMAN COUNTY**



#### **BURKE COUNTY**

### MONTHLY OIL PRODUCTION FOR LOCAL COUNTIES 0 rigs



### DIVIDE COUNTY

### **DUNN COUNTY**







#### MONTHLY OIL PRODUCTION FOR LOCAL COUNTIES



### **GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY** 34



### MCHENRY COUNTY



### MCKENZIE COUNTY



#### MONTHLY OIL PRODUCTION FOR LOCAL COUNTIES



#### MCLEAN COUNTY



#### MERCER COUNTY



### MOUNTRAIL COUNTY



### **RENVILLE COUNTY**



-SLOPE

-wells

SLOPE COUNTY



### STARK COUNTY



#### WARD COUNTY

### WILLIAMS COUNTY





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