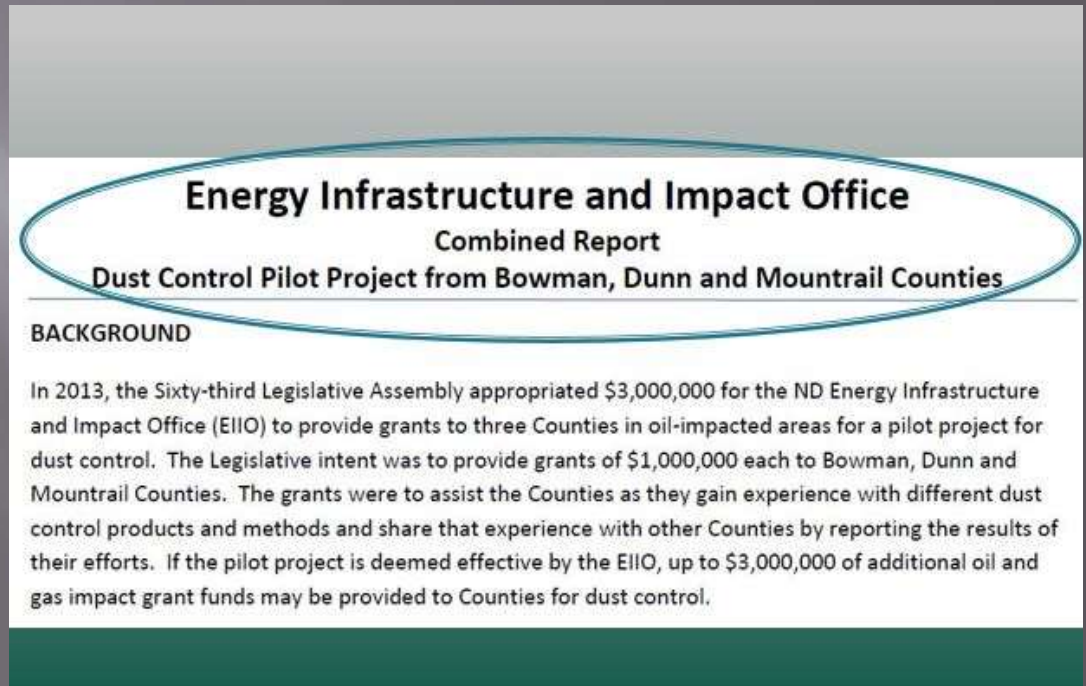


Brine use for dust and ice control



Energy Infrastructure and Impact Office Combined Report

- Bowman County has used Stabilock, a natural occurring by-product of the vegetable oil refining process for 4 years.
- The product is spray applied at a rate of 42.3 oz per sq yard after the surface aggregate is scarified to a depth of 1-2 inches using stinger teeth on a mother grader.
- The product is then mixed with the aggregate by motor grader, relayed and packed with a rubber tired roller to finish the road crown
- Enough aggregate must be mixed with the product to adequately absorb the product. The product may bleed to the surface in hot weather if not properly incorporated



Studies show brine application is very similar to conventional applications

- Researchers observed that treatments lowered dust levels improving visibility, air quality, and safety conditions
- Dust levels decreased with increased surface moisture
- A secondary benefit observed that treatments reduced the need for grading by an estimated 50%



Department of Health Guidelines and Rules

North Dakota Department of Health guidelines for the use of oilfield salt brines in dust and ice control

<https://www.ndhealth.gov/WQ/rules.htm>



Guidelines and Requirements

GUIDELINES FOR USE OF OILFIELD SALT BRINES

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Guidelines for the Use of Oilfield Salt Brines for Dust and Ice Control

The North Dakota Administrative Code 33-24-22-02(1)(a)(2) states that wastes are exempt from waste management rules and are not considered a waste when it is "used or reused as effective substitutes for commercial products."

When used in the manner outlined in this guidance, the North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) considers oilfield-produced saltwater (brine) to be an effective substitute for commercial dust and ice control products. If oilfield saltwater brine is used in a manner that does not fall within these guidelines it may be considered illegal disposal of a waste, and the user may be subject to penalties pursuant to the requirements in North Dakota Century Code Chapter 23-29 and Chapter 61-26, and North Dakota Administrative Code Article 33-16, Article 33-20, and Article 33-24.

The use of certain oilfield salt brines may be acceptable in dust and ice control on North Dakota roads and highways if the following conditions are met:

1. Definitions

- Owner/End User:** The person, government or business that owns or has legal control over roads or parking lots where oilfield salt brine will be applied for ice or dust control.
- Producer:** The company which owns the oil well(s) and/or tank batteries from which oilfield brine will be acquired for the purpose of ice or dust control.
- Transporter:** The person or company transporting oilfield brine from the producer's loading site to the owner/end user storage facility or brine-spreading vehicle.
- Brine Spreader:** The driver and vehicle applying oilfield brine to roads or parking lots for ice or dust control.

2. Criteria for the choice of brine

- Produced brine shall not have hydrogen sulfide (H_2S) concentrations which constitute a hazard.
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Division of Laboratory Services - Chemistry
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Log Number: 15-N115

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Time Collected: 15:00 Time Received: 8:12
Township: 159 Range: 11
Section: 19 Owner: WAYNE FORMATION
Source: PRODUCTION WATER/ROAD
Project:
Comments:

RITCH GIMBEL
314 W 5TH ST
BOTTINEAU ND 58316

Approved by: 

Analyte	Chemical Analysis of Sample Result	Units	Evaluation
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Alkalinity (CaCO3) (Total)	See Comment 1		
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Sulfate as (SO4)	< 1000	mg/L	Very High
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Fluoride (F)	1.15	mg/L	
Nitrate + Nitrite (N)	See Comment 1		
Boron (B)	185000	ug/L	
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Application for Brine or Dust Control use

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Notification of Oil Field Brine Use for Ice or Dust Control

(Produced Water Only)

Name of Owner/Operator/Municipality/County: Bathman County RD Dept Mailing Address: 101 Ohmer St City: Bathman Zip: 58318

Contact Person: Rick Gabel Telephone: 701-298-3678 Cell Phone: 701-263-1403 E-mail Address: rick.gabel@co.bathman.nd.us Office Location: Bathman

Understanding and Acceptance of Use Guidelines (yes/no): ☒ Yes ☐ No

Brine Character Reviewed by NDDoH Department of Health? ☒ Yes ☐ No Date of Chemical Analysis: 2/17/15 Brine Source/Producer: Bathman Petroleum

Special Comments on Brine, Brine Source, or Sample?

Will be doing burn to market 57 1/2 mile stretch monthly

Brine Source Location (Town, Range, Sec. OOO):

159 48 1/2 sec 19

Brine Storage Location (Town, Range, Sec. OOO):

Bathman, ND

Geologic Formation(s) of Brine Source:

Wagner Formation

Vehicles Engaged in Spreading the Brine:

1982 Ford LTL 9000

Vehicles Clearly Marked (yes/no): ☒ Yes ☐ No

Log Maintained in Each Vehicle and Collected Each Week (yes/no): ☒ Yes ☐ No

Describe proposed spreading rate (gallons per square yard) and anticipated application frequency:

Dust Control: 1/2 gal of gal/sq yd on first pass then .17 gals/sq yd for top coat
Ice Control: for total of 1/2 gal

Owner Certifies that all spreading for ice or dust control will abide by Guidelines provided by North Dakota Department of Health.

Signature:

[Signature]

Date of Signature:

6/2/16

Title:

Road Supervisor

Instructions:

Operators Log for Brine use

Operator's Brine Spreading Log

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County/Municipality/Owner	Brine Source	Operational Dates		Operator
Bathfurness	Chalfeld CTB	May	To June	

Date	Road Name	Rd Segment - (from - to)	Volume (gallons)	Dust	Ice
5-28-16	CO RD 57	20 th Ave NE to 21 st Ave NE	114.25 25	X	
5-27-16	CO RD 57	State Hwy 43 1 mile south stopped	114.25 25	X	
6-2-16	CO RD 57	State Hwy 43 1 mile south to intersection and 1 mile east stopped	114.25 25	X	



Bottineau County Roads after Dust Control

Bottineau County Road 57 Long Lake Loop



Bottineau County Dust Control Pilot Picture comparison



Base one Stabilizer being used on a Bottineau County Township road



Bottineau County's Water Truck





Digital Monitoring System

Dual use

Veritech industries – installation



Storage Tanks and Facilities

Local Oil companies
donated storage tanks



Brine water costs nothing



Only fee is trucking expenses



Bottineau County Rates VS. Conventional Rates

- ▣ Bottineau County charges .25 cents per foot.
- ▣ Conventional dust control charges \$1.00 or more per foot.



Ice Control Benefits: Cost saving for the County



In conclusion

- The commissioners and public are very happy with the results of the water truck
- Many private parties are asking for the County to do their roads and driveways, however we are not ready to compete with local contractors
- While the application process may seem long the initial cost benefits we have seen out-weighs the paperwork.