



## Status Report - January 2016 Bakken Briefings, by Curt Glasoe



### Technical Outreach for January 2016:

County	Activity
<b>Divide</b>	Had a phone conversation with Bryan Haugenoe, Road Superintendent on various road issues and sent him more copies of the Gravel Roads Maintenance and Construction Manual.
<b>Slope</b>	I met with Dale Powell, Highway Road Superintendent, to review four road projects in all stages of design, the county wants to complete contracting of all four projects this year. The county has tested three gravel pits for erionite. The test results are back and show the pits are erionite free.
<b>Stark</b>	Discussed the low water crossing project with Al Heiser, Highway Road Superintendent. A project report has been prepared.
<b>Ward</b>	Steve Chase and Denise Brown, NDLTAP, facilitated the NDLTAP Sign-Truck Show and Tell Roundtable training in Ward County. Entities that

attended: City of Minot, Bottineau County, Grand Forks County, Divide County, NDDOT Minot District, Ward County, and Burke County.

### Other activities:

- ND County Highway Engineers Conference, Jan. 20-22, 2016.



Al Heiser Awarded 2016 Engineer of the Year

Bryon Fuchs Awarded 2016 Friends of NDACE

Del Olson, Dunn County  
Awarded NDLTAP Road Scholar, Level I

Dale Heglund presented at the conference on NDLTAP/TLN program highlights, 2015 year review, ND Asphalt Conference - April 5-6, 2016 and also presented **New Program Developments:**

- Unpaved Roads, Maintenance and Design on-site workshop, Stark County Highway Dept. March 29, 2016
- Excavating and Trench Awareness on-site workshop, Mountrail County Highway Dept. March 30, 2016 and McLean County Law Enforcement Center, March 31, 2016
- Motor-Grader Operator Boot Camp - Burleigh County Highway Dept., May 3-4, 2016 - this will be a hands-on training, details are forthcoming
- Pipe Installation Demonstration Workshop - targeted for late summer 2016
- Bridge 101 - targeted for fall/winter 2016

Tim Horner, UGPTI, presented information on the 129,000 GVW Truck Harmonization Study.

Brad Wentz and Andrew Wrucke, UGPTI, helped county leaders on their asset inventory data entry - GRIT.

Sandy Baisch and Dale Heglund presented the NDLTAP Road Scholars with their awards. This year there were 40 Level I Road Scholars and 4 Level II Road Scholars. [Click here for Road Scholar Program Information](#)

Denise Brown worked on the 2016 Motor-Grader Operator Training sign-up.

Jon Mill reviewed Signing 101 with the counties. [Click here for Signing Resources](#)

Steve Chase promoted the use of Safety Talks publication for month safety meetings. [Safety Talks](#)

Dale Heglund continues to work with counties and consultants on TRIP submissions. [Click here for TRIP Information](#)

NDLTAP held a Sign-Truck Show and Tell Workshop in Ward County January 22.

Entities in attendance were Bottineau, Burke, Divide, Dunn, Grand Forks, and Ward counties, NDDOT and the City of Minot. 3-D Specialties sponsored the lunch.

**Course Description:** The Sign Truck Show and Tell Workshop will be a large "Show and Tell" session replacing the typical classroom format with hands on line-up of sign trucks and equipment. Given the venue, the Ward County shop, we have the opportunity to see a wide-array of real life innovations in a comfortable environment. Dana Larsen, Ward County Highway Engineer is the host for this event. Dana is confident everyone will walk away with ideas to work more efficiently and safely.

This is a great opportunity to learn from your peers, to share your expertise, to meet old friends and to create county cooperatives.

Check out [NDLTAP Training Schedule and Conferences](#) for 2016



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