



Status Report Feb. - April 2016 Bakken Briefings, by Curt Glasoe



Technical Outreach for Feb. - April 2016:

County	Activity
Adams	I met with Theo Schalesky, Road Superintendent, to discuss upcoming training opportunities and road issues in the county.
Bowman	I met with Neil Hofland, Road Superintendent to discuss current road projects and road issues. I also presented Neil Hofland with the NDLTAP Road Scholar Award - Level I for the 2015 training year.
Hettinger	I met with Lee Meier, Road Superintendent, to discuss upcoming training opportunities that are available for the county operators. I also met with Kerry Schoch to provide him with Gravel Roads Construction & Maintenance Guide for the Township Association Annual Meeting.
McLean	McLean County hosted the NDLTAP - OSHA Excavating and Trench Awareness training.
McKenzie	McKenzie County participated in the NDLTAP Motor-Grader Operator classroom training.
Mountrail	Mountrail County Participated in the NDLTAP Motor-Grader Operator classroom training. Mountrail County hosted the NDLTAP - OSHA Excavating and Trench Awareness training.

Renville	I met with Richard Brunner, Road Superintendent, to discuss the NDLTAP training program. We also discussed road issues, signing, gravel spec, asset management and safety.
Slope	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.
Stark	<p>I attended the NDLTAP on-site training - Unpaved Roads Maintenance at the Stark County Highway Department. 20 people attended this training. This program looks at the service level of the unpaved road to determine the maintenance and materials used to maintain that service level. The instructor discussed the hidden costs of an unpaved road to both the agency and the driving public.</p> <p>In mid-April I met with Dave Leftwich, Al Heiser and Rory Nelson to discuss upcoming road projects in Stark County.</p> <p>I participated in the Gravel Roads Academy hosted by Stark County. The Gravel Roads Academy training consists of: Road Design: Understanding of construction to reshaping including shape and drainage, aggregate considerations, and alternatives Road Maintenance: Understanding of grading to material replacement Road Stabilization: Understanding of the process involved, the products required, and the benefits you can expect Program Efficiency: Understanding of cost vs. savings, air quality and safety, and potential sources of funding The training consists of 1/2 day classroom training and 1/2 day of field training. This is a free training offer in part by the Road Dust Institute. http://www.gravelroadsacademy.com/</p>
Ward	Ward county participated in the NDLTAP Motor-Grader Operator classroom training. Sandy Baisch facilitated the NDLTAP Motor-Grader Operator Training Field training.
Williams	I facilitated the NDLTAP Motor-Grader Operator Training (classroom) held at the Williams County Highway Complex. Corey Urich is the instructor for this training. Other counties attending the classroom training were Ward, McKenzie and Mountrail. I also facilitated the Motor-Grader Operator Training Field training was conducted in Williams County the following day.

Other activities:

- Curt Glasoe and Dale Heglund attended the NDDOT Tack Coat Seminar.

- Leanna Emmer presented at the ND Sheriff's Association Conference on the UGPTI Truck Weight Calculator <http://dotsc.ugpti.ndsu.nodak.edu/TWC/>
- Motor-Grader Operator Boot Camp - Burleigh County Highway Dept., was held May 3 and 4, 2016. The Boot Camp was well attended by counties across North Dakota. This was a training event focused on learning how to use the grade controls on both RDO and Butler CAT machines. The operators were able to learn in an one on one, hands-on environment. The operators were also able to learn from suppliers of blade attachments, cutting edges, safety equipment and signs.
- Dale Heglund and Denise Brown presented at many of the North Dakota Township Association Legislative Update meetings. The topics presented at the meetings were Signing 101 and Gravel 101. <http://www.ndltap.org/library/>



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