



### Pipeline proposed through Lake Sakakawea

Enbridge has proposed a 36-mile pipeline project that would bore under Lake Sakakawea and move up to 100,000 barrels of oil a day. The project must be approved by the Bureau of Land Management, which will conduct an Environmental Assessment. [Read the story in the Bismarck Tribune.](#)

### Wyoming groundwater pollution scrutinized

A US Environmental Protection Agency official said at a Washington, DC, subcommittee hearing this week that its December 2011 draft report of groundwater pollution in Pavillion, Wyo., was a unique case. The EPA report theorized that the drinking water could have been tainted due to local hydraulic fracturing. But the EPA said this week the oil wells in Wyoming were drilled much closer to the same depth of the drinking wells than in other oil and gas plays in the US. [Read the story in the Bismarck Tribune.](#)

### Keystone XL has possible second chance

A new bill was introduced Monday by US Senator John Hoeven, 43 Republican senators and one Democrat to authorize the Keystone XL pipeline construction, despite President Obama’s decision last week to deny the project. The Congressional Research Service found that, according to the Constitution’s commerce clause, Congress has authority over matters like the Keystone XL project. [Read the full story in the F-M Forum.](#)

### Western South Dakota prepares for oil boom

Community leaders from North Dakota’s oil boom region discussed challenges and opportunities that may be “coming down the pipe” to South Dakota. A standing-room-only crowd Thursday night in Belle Fourche listened as the panelists described the impact to North Dakota communities. South Dakota has its own oil wells, and community residents want to be ahead of the frenzy. [Read the full story in the Bismarck Tribune.](#)

### Chesapeake Energy uprooting Dickinson rigs

Chesapeake Energy announced yesterday that they are uprooting two rigs south of Dickinson and might move out of North Dakota. The 50 employees will have the option of following Chesapeake to its new location. The move comes as a surprise to ND Department of Mineral Resources, but Dickinson Mayor Dennis Johnson said there have been rumors that Chesapeake wasn’t having much success at their location. [Read the Dickinson Press tory here.](#)

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February 27-29	<a href="#">ARPA-E Energy Innovation Summit</a>	Washington, DC
May 22-24	<a href="#">Williston Basin Petroleum Conference</a>	Bismarck, ND
June 4-7	<a href="#">Fuel Ethanol Workshop &amp; Expo</a>	Minneapolis, MN
July 24	WEST! Event	Williston, ND



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