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NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY ANTI-TERRORISM SUMMARY



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NORTH DAKOTA

North Dakota's other big money-making opportunity: A look beyond the drillers working the state's Bakken field reveals many players who see another opportunity: building North Dakota's infrastructure.

<http://finance.yahoo.com/news/north-dakotas-other-big-money-132800715.html>

North Dakota Bishop Exposes 100s to Hepatitis A: The bishop of the Fargo Catholic Diocese exposed potentially hundreds of churchgoers in two North Dakota cities to the hepatitis A virus in late September and early October.

<http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/north-dakota-bishop-exposes-100s-hepatitis-20680575>

North Dakota seeks aid in response to fall storm: Some local governments and rural electric cooperatives could receive federal aid before the end of the month in response to the intense autumn blizzard that slammed parts of southern North Dakota. <http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/416228/group/News/>

Tesoro says no date set to restart burst North Dakota pipeline. Tesoro Logistics LP announced October 21 it still did not have a date to restart the oil pipeline in North Dakota that spilled 20,600 barrels of crude onto farmland after a portion of the 6 inch pipeline ruptured. The company has collected 3,400 barrels of the spilled oil, and removed and sent the ruptured pipeline for analysis.

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/business/sns-rt-us-tesoro-pipeline-spill-20131021,0,2456012.story>

Butane leak in crash causes evacuation, highway shutdown east of New Town.

An accident involving a semi-truck carrying hazardous material at North Dakota Highways 8 and 23 caused the closure of the intersection and evacuation of a 1-mile radius east of New Town due to leaking butane October 18. The crash is still under investigation. <http://www.thedickinsonpress.com/event/article/id/73143/>

Report: Hundreds of N.D. oil spills not publicized: North Dakota, the nation's No. 2 oil producer behind Texas, recorded nearly 300 oil pipeline spills in less than two years, state documents show. None was reported to the public, officials said.

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http://www.willistonherald.com/news/report-hundreds-of-n-d-oil-spills-not-publicized/article_1269b5c4-3d97-11e3-9b95-001a4bcf887a.html

REGIONAL

(Montana) Cut line knocks out Bitterroot phone service, 9-1-1 impacted.

CenturyLink officials reported a contractor in Hamilton in Ravalli County cut a fiber-optic trunk line October 23 causing phone, DSL Internet, and emergency services to suffer an outage. Service was expected to be restored October 23.

<http://www.kaj18.com/news/cut-line-knocks-out-bitterroot-phone-service-9-1-1-impacted/>

(Minnesota) Xcel's Sherco power plant Unit 3 is back online: After suffering a disastrous failure November 2011, Unit 3 of Xcel Energy's Sherco power plant near Becker, Minnesota, was back online after 2 years and undergoing more than \$200 million in repairs. Investigators determined the unit's failure was a result of the design after stress corrosion prompted extensive cracking in one row of turbine blades. http://www.twincities.com/business/ci_24356569/xcels-sherco-power-plant-unit-3-is-back

(Wyoming; North Dakota; Montana) Nuclear officers napped with blast door left open: U.S. Air Force officials announced officers in charge of guarding launch keys to long-range nuclear missiles were caught twice in 2013 leaving open a blast door used to help prevent intruders from entering their underground command post. In both cases one of the crew members inside was asleep, violating protocol of never leaving the blast doors open if crew members are not awake and alert. <http://abcnews.go.com/Politics/wireStory/ap-exclusive-nuke-officers-left-blast-door-open-20648966?singlePage=true>

NATIONAL

Suzuki recalling 210,228 motorcycles in the U.S.: Suzuki announced a recall of 210,228 model year 2004-2013 GSX-R600 and GSX-R750 and model year 2005-2013 GSX-R1000 vehicles due to an issue with the braking system that can reduce braking power. <http://www.foxnews.com/leisure/2013/10/24/suzuki-recalling-210228-motorcycles-in-us/>

INTERNATIONAL

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Recent Highlights in Terrorist Activity: <http://www.ctc.usma.edu/posts/recent-highlights-in-terrorist-activity-45>

BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY

Bank of America liable for Countrywide mortgage fraud: A federal jury found Bank of America and a former Countrywide executive liable for originating shoddy loans and then selling them to Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, resulting in \$848.2 million in losses to the government mortgage organizations.

<http://news.msn.com/us/bank-of-america-liable-for-countrywide-mortgage-fraud>

CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

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CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

Nissan to recall 153,000 vehicles for braking issue. Nissan announced a recall of 153,000 model year 2013-2014 Pathfinder, model year 2013 Infiniti JX35, and model year Infiniti QX60 vehicles due to an issue with antilock braking system software that may lead to increased stopping distances.

<http://www.detroitnews.com/article/20131023/AUTO0104/310230059/1361/Nissan-to-recall-153-000-vehicles-for-braking-issue>

DEFENSE/ INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR

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(New Jersey) Owner of Allied Components LLC admits transmitting military blueprints to India without a license: The owner of Allied Components LLC, of Sparta, New Jersey, a defense hardware supplier to the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD), pleaded guilty October 23 to emailing sensitive military technical data to India and to providing faulty aircraft parts to the DoD. Source: <http://www.justice.gov/usao/nj/Press/files/Luba,%20Robert%20Plea%20News%20Release.html>

EMERGENCY SERVICES

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ENERGY

(Wisconsin) Dairyland Power to shutter remaining coal boilers at 1 plant near La Crosse: Due to demand, market prices, and regulations, Dairyland Power Cooperative announced October 21 plans to indefinitely suspend operations at one of its two coal-fired generating plants in Alma. http://host.madison.com/business/dairyland-power-to-shutter-remaining-coal-boilers-at-plant-near/article_a5bb4cc0-063e-557b-b137-ae31b841603e.html?comment_form=true

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

FSIS issues new guidance on humane handling: The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service will issue new guidance to support the Humane Methods of Slaughter Act to ensure and enforce the humane treatment of livestock presented for slaughter. <http://www.imperialvalleynews.com/index.php/news/national-news/5711-fsis-issues-new-guidance-on-humane-handling.html>

(Colorado) Colo. farmers plead guilty in tainted melon case. Two owners of Jensen Farms in Colorado, whose cantaloupes were tied to a 2011 listeria outbreak that killed 33 people, pleaded guilty to 6 counts of introducing adulterated food into interstate commerce October 22. http://santamariatimes.com/news/local/colo-farmers-plead-guilty-in-tainted-melon-case/article_7620fbd2-3ba7-11e3-9929-0019bb2963f4.html

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GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)

(Washington) 11-year-old accused of bringing gun and 400 rounds of ammo to school: Police arrested and charged a Vancouver, Washington 11-year-old after he caused Frontier Middle School to go on lock down for roughly 2 hours October 23 when he brought 400 rounds of ammunition, multiple knives, and a handgun to the campus. Source: <http://www.cnn.com/2013/10/24/justice/washington-school-gun-arrest/index.html>

(Massachusetts) Mass. teacher slain; 14-year-old student charged. Police charged a teenage student in connection with the death of a Danvers High School teacher and closed the school October 23 after the teacher's body was found in the woods behind the school.

http://www.boston.com/news/local/massachusetts/2013/10/23/danvers-schools-closed-during-homicide-probe/4Ktdgv02XD2JzgEaVybBTO/story.html?rss_id=Top+Stories

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Experts warn of critical flaws in Netgear ReadyNAS storage devices: Researchers at Tripwire identified several critical vulnerabilities in Netgear ReadyNAS RAIDiator firmware that could allow attackers to inject their own commands without authentication. Newer versions of the firmware address the vulnerabilities, but the researchers found that 73 percent of the appliances connected to the Internet were not patched.

<http://news.softpedia.com/news/Experts-Warn-of-Critical-Flaws-in-Netgear-ReadyNAS-Storage-Devices-393679.shtml>

NATIONAL MONUMENTS AND ICONS

Nothing Significant to Report

POSTAL AND SHIPPING

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PUBLIC HEALTH

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(Maine) **Maine first state to legalize buying prescription drugs abroad:** Maine became the first state this October to legalize buying prescription drugs from abroad. http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-505263_162-57608685/maine-first-state-to-legalize-buying-prescription-drugs-abroad/

TRANSPORTATION

(Kansas) **Thieves pose as truckers to steal huge cargo loads:** To steal huge shipments of valuable cargo, thieves are turning to a deceptively simple tactic: They pose as truckers, load the freight onto their own tractor-trailers and drive away with it. <http://news.msn.com/crime-justice/thieves-pose-as-truckers-to-steal-huge-cargo-loads>

(Louisiana) **Four arrested in missing AR-15s case:** Four Louisiana men were arrested after 63 semi-automatic rifles went missing from the Con-way Freight shipping warehouse in Shreveport October 23. <http://www.cnn.com/2013/10/23/justice/missing-ar-15-arrests/index.html>

WATER AND DAMS

Souris to flow all winter: Water is being released into the Souris River in both Saskatchewan and North Dakota. Further increases are expected in the coming days. River interests on both sides of the border say they anticipate the releases to last through the coming winter.

<http://www.minotdailynews.com/page/content.detail/id/589164/Souris-to-flow-all-winter.html?nav=5010>

NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: **North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center:** 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: ndslic@nd.gov; Fax: 701-

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328-8175 State Radio: 800-472-2121; Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI): 701-328-5500; North Dakota Highway Patrol: 701-328-2455; US Attorney's Office Intel Analyst: 701-297-7400; Bismarck FBI: 701-223-4875; Fargo FBI: 701-232-7241.

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<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NDSLICFeedback>

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