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***North Dakota Petroleum Council
Oil and Gas Education Program***

Submitted by North Dakota Petroleum Council

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Request for \$72,000

Total Project Costs \$243,000

Duration: 36 months

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- This proposal combines three existing education and outreach programs developed by the Petroleum Council over the past two decades.
- - Energy Career Awareness Partnership (ECAP)
 - Teacher Education Seminar
 - Oil & Gas *Tidbits*.
- These education programs have three primary components, which provide targeted education to students, teachers, parents, policy-makers and the general public.

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- ECAP was begun in 2002. It has developed into a year-round program that puts someone in classrooms across the state on a regular basis to make presentations, conduct seminars, attend trade-shows, and hold training sessions about careers in the energy industry
- ECAP encourages students to consider career opportunities in North Dakota's energy industry when they begin thinking about what careers paths and courses to take in high school and college.

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- The teachers educational seminar is a 4 day course that consists of classroom and field experiences.
- As a result of the Seminar, the teachers gain a better understanding of the complexity of the oil and gas industry and develop a factual basis and background of the substantial cost and risk required to explore, produce, and refine a barrel of oil.

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- The *Oil & Gas Tidbits* is a quarterly one-page educational flyer.
- This publication is designed to provide short articles on the use of new technology and items of interest to policy-makers across the state to educate them about the oil and gas industry.

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- 2 independent technical reviewers scored the proposal very high with 218/250 points.
- Both recommend funding the project.

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- The proposal was reviewed by a single OGRC technical advisor that also strongly recommends funding.