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ONE BASIN- *One Way!* holds kickoff meeting ahead of NDSC Safety Conference

When: Tuesday, February 19, 2019
1:00pm – 4:00pm CT

Where: Bismarck Event Center – Prairie Rose Rooms

Bismarck, N.D. – The North Dakota Petroleum Council (NDPC) recently announced the launch of **ONE BASIN- *One Way!***, a standardized contractor safety orientation program. **ONE BASIN- *One Way!*** will hold a kickoff meeting on Tuesday, February 19, ahead of the North Dakota Safety Council's (NDSC) annual Safety Conference, February 20-22 in Bismarck.

Currently, contractors for the oil and gas industry must meet orientation and training requirements for each company they perform work for throughout the year. The average contractor attends 4-8 orientations, with similar material being presented each time. This adds up to almost 1.25 million manhours lost to redundant training. Last spring, NDPC members began developing a standardized orientation program with input from 99 committee members including producers, contractors and training providers.

These efforts produced the **ONE BASIN- *One Way!*** program, an orientation program that covers safety orientation at all producer's sites. This will eliminate the need for contractors to sit through hours of orientations at every site where they work. By consolidating these individual programs into one program delivering fifty five prominent safety topics, the **ONE BASIN- *One Way!*** program will deliver a robust safety orientation while concentrating on improving the overall industry safety record.

The **ONE BASIN- One Way!** advisory committee selected the North Dakota Safety Council, TrainND Northwest, and Diamond B to provide the training. The North Dakota Petroleum Council is encouraging all its members to join the **ONE BASIN- One Way!** program so we can see increased efficiencies and safety across the oil and gas workforce in North Dakota.

The kickoff meeting will include an overview of the program, a review of the curriculum, and presentations from the training providers.

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About the North Dakota Petroleum Council

Since 1952, the Petroleum Council has been the primary voice of the oil and gas industry in North Dakota. The Petroleum Council represents more than 500 companies involved in all aspects of the oil and gas industry, including oil and gas production, refining, pipeline, mineral leasing, consulting, legal work, and oil field service activities in North Dakota, South Dakota, and the Rocky Mountain Region. For more information, go to www.ndoil.org.

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