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OIL AND GAS TAX REVENUES MONTHLY UPDATE

Legislative Council

This memorandum provides an update on oil production and prices, oil and gas tax revenue collections, and oil and gas tax revenue allocations for May 2025 and for the biennium to date. The forecasted amounts reflect the 2023 legislative revenue forecast ("original forecast") prepared at the close of the 2023 regular legislative session and the March 2025 revised legislative forecast ("March 2025 revised forecast").

OIL PRODUCTION AND PRICES

The schedule below provides information on oil production and prices for March 2025 and for the biennium to date. Oil and gas tax revenue allocations reflect production and price from 2 months prior. The actual oil prices reflect the North Dakota oil prices reported by the Tax Department.

Original Forecast										
	March 2025				Biennium to Date					
			Varia	ance			Varia	ince		
	Actual	Forecast	Amount	Percent	Actual	Forecast	Amount	Percent		
Average daily oil production	1,193,138	1,100,000	93,138	8%	1,209,955	1,100,000	109,955	10%		
Average oil price per barrel	\$60.68	\$62.00	(\$1.32)	(2%)	\$69.87	\$66.36	\$3.51	5%		

March 2025 Revised Forecast										
	March 2025				Biennium to Date					
			Varia	ance		Variance		ince		
	Actual	Forecast	Amount	Percent	Actual	Forecast	Amount	Percent		
Average daily oil production	1,193,138	1,150,000	43,138	4%	1,209,955	1,203,453	6,502	1%		
Average oil price per barrel	\$60.68	\$62.00	(\$1.32)	(2%)	\$69.87	\$69.55	\$0.32	0%		

OIL AND GAS TAX REVENUE COLLECTIONS

The chart below provides information on total oil and gas tax revenue collections based on the original forecast and actual allocations through May 2025.



OIL AND GAS TAX REVENUE ALLOCATIONS

The schedule below provides information on oil and gas tax revenue allocations to the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, state funds, and political subdivisions for May 2025 and for the biennium to date.

Original Forecast								
	May 2025				Biennium to Date			
			Variance				Varia	nce
	Actual	Forecast	Amount	Percent	Actual	Forecast	Amount	Percent
Three Affiliated Tribes	\$17.63	\$26.76	(\$9.13)	(34%)	\$454.98	\$617.79	(\$162.81)	(26%)
Legacy fund	56.23	53.58	2.65	5%	1,443.30	1,237.78	205.52	17%
North Dakota outdoor heritage fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	15.00	15.00	0.00	0%
Abandoned well reclamation fund	0.77	0.65	0.12	18%	14.81	13.21	1.60	12%
Political subdivisions	27.94	25.45	2.49	10%	768.77	632.71	136.06	22%
Common schools trust fund	8.35	8.75	(0.40)	(5%)	212.90	202.22	10.68	5%
Foundation aid stabilization fund	8.35	8.75	(0.40)	(5%)	212.90	202.22	10.68	5%
Resources trust fund	17.12	17.95	(0.83)	(5%)	436.45	414.55	21.90	5%
Oil and gas research fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	17.50	17.50	0.00	0%
State energy research center fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	7.50	7.50	0.00	0%
General fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	460.00	460.00	0.00	0%
Social service fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	250.00	250.00	0.00	0%
Budget stabilization fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A
Lignite research fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	10.00	10.00	0.00	0%
State disaster relief fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	8.45	12.53	(4.08)	(33%)
Strategic investment and improvements fund	68.20	0.00	68.20	N/A	629.85	400.00	229.85	57%
PERS main system plan	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	65.00	65.00	0.00	0%
Municipal infrastructure fund	0.00	31.59	(31.59)	(100%)		89.63	25.37	28%
County and township infrastructure fund	0.00	31.59	(31.59)	(100%)		89.63	25.37	28%
Airport infrastructure fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	20.00	0.00	20.00	N/A
Total oil and gas tax revenue allocations	\$204.59	\$205.07	(\$0.48)	0%	\$5,257.41	\$4,737.27	\$520.14	11%

March 2025 Revised Forecast									
	May 2025				Biennium to Date				
	Variance				Variance				
	Actual	Forecast	Amount	Percent	Actual	Forecast	Amount	Percent	
Three Affiliated Tribes	\$17.63	\$18.06	(\$0.43)	(2%)	\$454.98	\$455.66	(\$0.68)	0%	
Legacy fund	56.23	55.65	0.58	1%	1,443.30	1,444.47	(1.17)	0%	
North Dakota outdoor heritage fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A		15.00	0.00	0%	
Abandoned well reclamation fund	0.77	0.73	0.04	5%	-	14.70	0.11		
Political subdivisions	27.94	27.27	0.67	2%	768.77	766.69	2.08	0%	
Common schools trust fund	8.35	8.62	(0.27)	(3%)	212.90	214.52	(1.62)	(1%)	
Foundation aid stabilization fund	8.35	8.62	(0.27)	(3%)	212.90	214.52	(1.62)	(1%)	
Resources trust fund	17.12	17.68	(0.56)	(3%)	436.45	439.76	(3.31)	(1%)	
Oil and gas research fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	17.50	17.50	0.00	0%	
State energy research center fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	7.50	7.50	0.00	0%	
General fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	460.00	460.00	0.00	0%	
Social service fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	250.00	250.00	0.00	0%	
Budget stabilization fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	
Lignite research fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	10.00	10.00	0.00	0%	
State disaster relief fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	8.45	8.45	0.00	0%	
Strategic investment and improvements fund	68.20	66.72	1.48	2%	629.85	628.63	1.22	0%	
PERS main system plan	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	65.00	65.00	0.00	0%	
Municipal infrastructure fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	115.00	115.00	0.00	0%	
County and township infrastructure fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	115.00	115.00	0.00	0%	
Airport infrastructure fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	20.00	20.00	0.00	0%	
Total oil and gas tax revenue allocations	\$204.59	\$203.35	\$1.24	1%	\$5,257.41	\$5,262.40	(\$4.99)	0%	