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Manure spilled in Sioux County near Hawarden

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HAWARDEN—DNR staff investigated a complaint of a manure spill northeast of Hawarden on Wednesday.

They traced the spill to a broken manure application hose which released an unknown, but significant, amount of manure early Wednesday morning. The manure flowed into an underground tile line, then into an unnamed stream moving several miles before entering Six Mile Creek, a tributary of the Big Sioux River.

Manure from the Van Voorst Dairy in Sioux Center was being land applied by Pro Pumping of Mitchell, S. D., when the hose broke. The applicator shut down the pumps after discovering the break.

DNR staff did not see any fish in the stream.

DNR will monitor cleanup and consider appropriate enforcement action.