

Mora Municipal Airport fuel leak fixed

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The Mora Municipal Airport's 100 Low-Lead aviation fuel is back in service after a leak in the fuel line made the fuel temporarily unavailable.

Crews worked May 21 and 22 to repair the leak. The fuel pump was back in service Friday, just in time for Memorial Day weekend.

While the cause of the leak is not known for certain, city administrator Joel Dhein said they suspect the fuel line between the tank and the pump was struck by an auger when installing bollards around the tanks. The leak caused an estimated 2,100 gallons of fuel to spill into the surrounding ground over the course of several months. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency is working with the city to investigate the impact of the spill and develop steps to address the contamination. This investigation could take six months or more to complete.

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Out of Order

A leak between the fuel tank and the pump made 100LL aviation fuel temporarily unavailable at the Mora airport. The leak was repaired and fuel was again available to pilots May 23. Photo by Kirsten Faurie.