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oped methodically by the industry these complex factors, addressed by industry, community, and state leaders determined the slow development of the Williston Basin; booming only when these issues had been satisfactorily resolved.

RANK WILDCAT TERRITORY - NORTH DAKOTA'S DISCOVERY PERIOD

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Post discovery North Dakota was anything, but an oil boom. Amerada first, the communities of Bismarck, Ray, Tioga, and Williston second, and the state's burgeoning petroleum industry third, had several complex issues to deal with once oil was discovered in commercial quantities. Amerada had discovered oil in rank wildcat territory. The communities surrounding the discovery well were initially incapable of providing support to the industry due to a lack of infrastructure. This reality was made worse by the fact that there was no immediate guarantee enough petroleum could be produced from this or additional wells for the market. More importantly there was no current market, i.e. refineries, for that petroleum where it would be produced. The complexities of the petroleum market and North Dakota's infrastructure would also contribute to the delay in development until such a time as production induced the necessary capital investment, not just for additional exploration, but for development of the industry including service companies, housing, and infrastructure. Despite the American Petroleum Institute's claim that North Dakota would be devel-