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We have not included the numerous sources of information on which the various articles were based, due to a lack of space. However, those who are interested in accessing these sources may do so either through the WRM web page (entering the "bulletin" area and looking for the year and month corresponding to the article in question) or through the Oilwatch web page.

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