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A DEP inspector discovered the spill while inspecting the well pad. The inspector found that the bottom valve on a 21,000-gallon fracking fluid tank was open and discharging fluid off the well pad. No one else was present at the pad, which has one producing Marcellus well.

Note that the VERY short staffed DEP inspector found this incident and it would have continued for how long had he not come by? I don't understand why the fracking fluid was in a tank? I thought that recovered fluid was held in ponds (that of course will eventually overflow or otherwise spill when, say a hurricane, tornado, flood, etc comes through)? If it is a producing well the drilling was over. Why was the fluid there in a tank?