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His work in the oil industry has taken Lynn Helms all over the world. Most recently, Lynn has served as Director of the North Dakota Industrial Commission Oil & Gas Division since July 1998 and Director of the Department of Mineral Resources since it was formed in July 2005. Before moving to Bismarck to work in state government, he worked as a production engineer, reservoir engineer, and asset team leader on projects in Abu Dhabi, Alaska, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, Texas, and Wyoming. Lynn earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering from South Dakota School of Mines and Technology. When he's not working Lynn enjoys spending his free time with his wife, college-aged children, and his four horses.