Evolving Environmental and Social Issues

Protecting Water Sheds

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Ground Water Protection Council

Mission: "...Promote the protection and conservation of ground water resources for all beneficial uses, recognizing ground water as a critical component of the ecosystem."

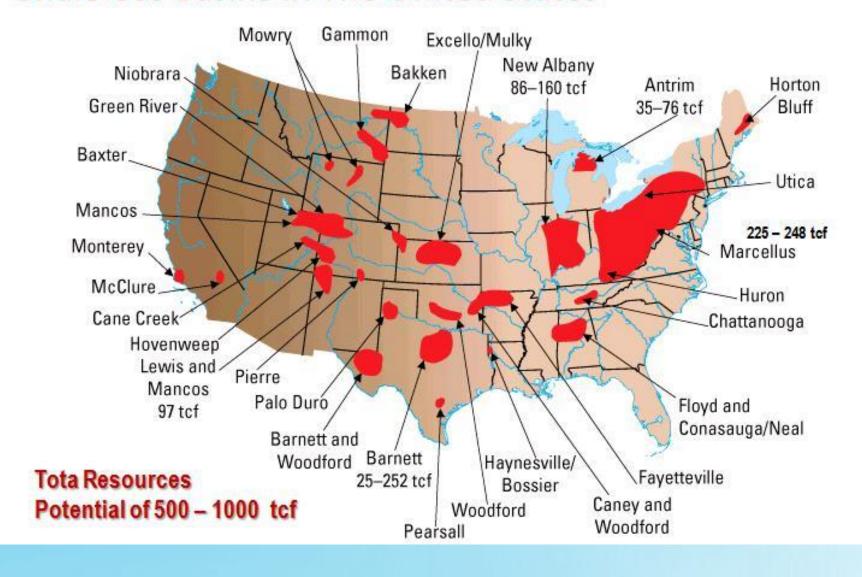


GWPC Activities

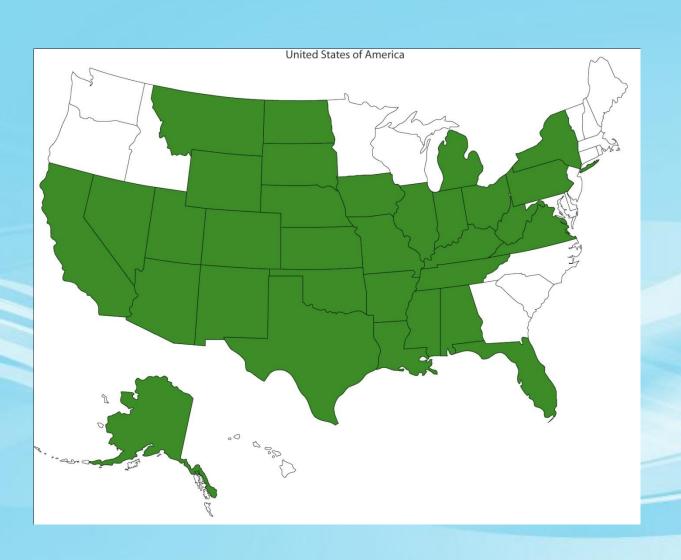
- Symposia
- Resolutions
- Surveys/Research
- Education and outreach
- Data management assistance



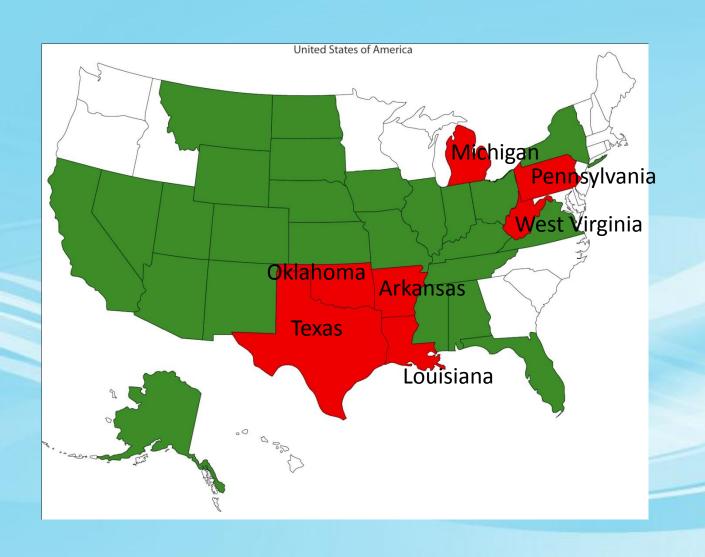
Shale Gas Basins In The United States



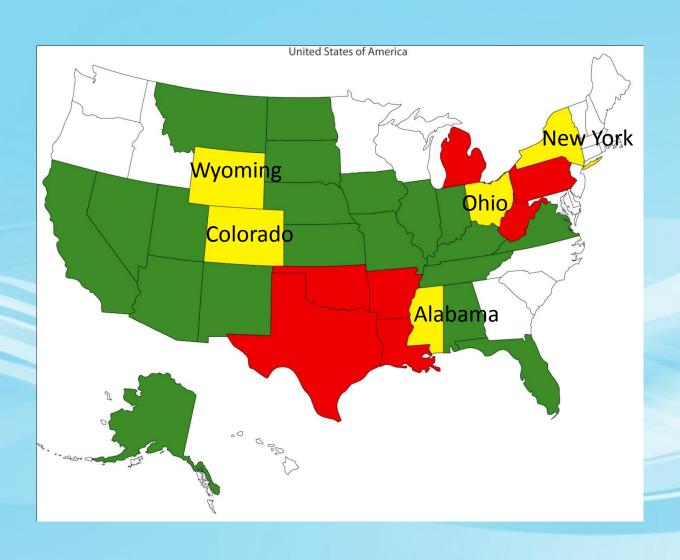
Oil & Gas Producing States



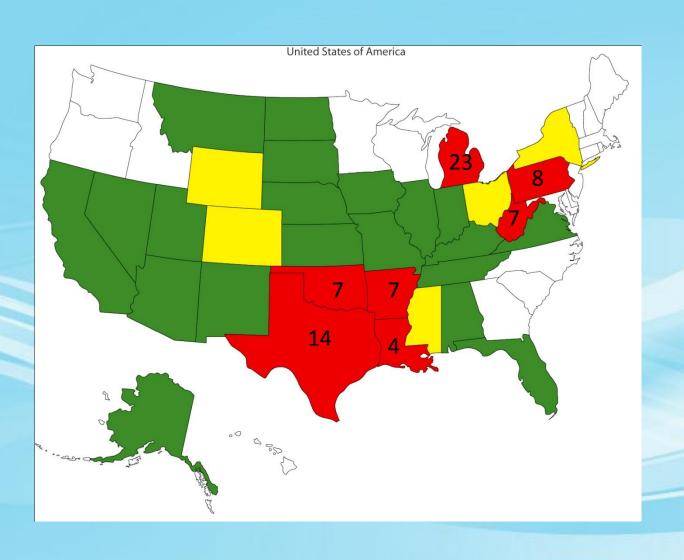
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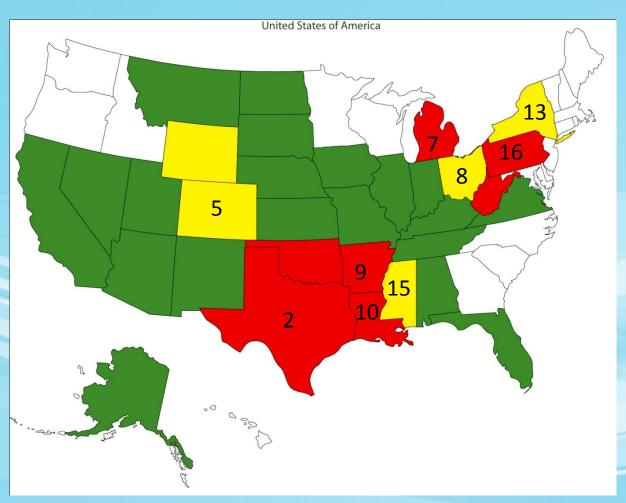
Emerging Shale Gas Development



Development Years



Rank: Total Ground Water Withdrawal (USGS, 2005)

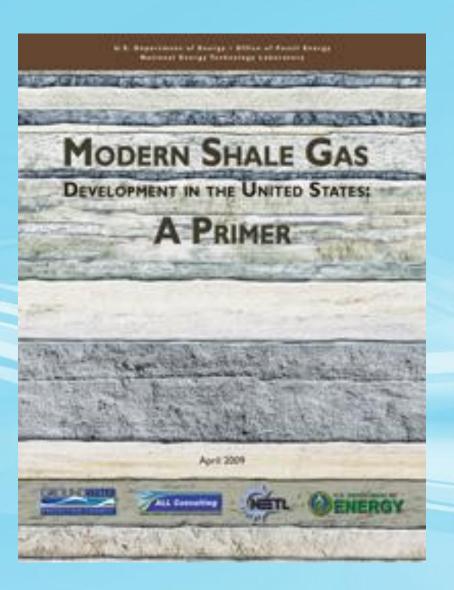


Regulatory Framework

- Federal
- Regional
- State
- Local



Reference



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Issues of Scale

- Storm water management
- Water withdrawals
- Surface management of fluids/ additives
- Large volume hydraulic fracturing stimulations
- Management/ disposal of produced water returns

Storm Water Management



The federal CWA prohibits discharges of contaminated storm water into "Navigable Waters"

States manage by:

- •Requiring site development plans,
- Storm water and erosion control BMPs, and
- Enforcing surface water quality standards

Water Withdrawals



2-6 million gallons per treatment

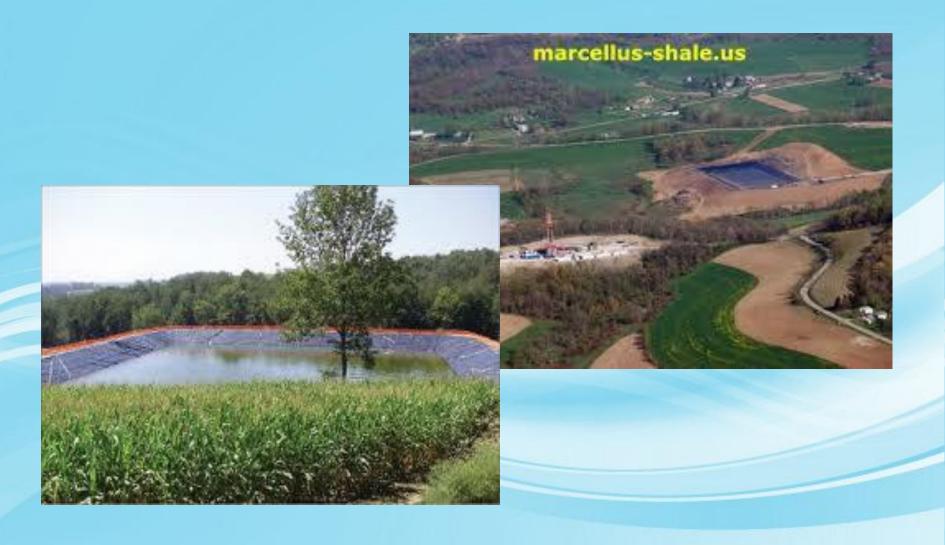
< 1.0% total usage

Regional, State and Local Agencies regulate by:

- Registration
- Reporting
- Impact analysis



Surface Storage



Large Volume Stimulations



Large volume stimulation

Protections:

- Multiple layers of cemented casing
- Pre-stimulation equipment tests
- Pre-stimulation casing integrity test
- Annular pressure monitoring

Produced Water Management

Methods:

- Class II injection (SDWA)
- Treatment and surface discharge (CWA)
- •Re-use





Class II Injection wells

170,000 nationwide

30 years: 720 billion barrels disposed

Risk Based Data Management System Hydraulic Fracturing Module

- Water sources
- Water volumes
- Chemical additives by purpose, trade name, ingredients, CAS #, concentration
- Stimulations pressures and rates
- Produced water volume and fate
- Mechanical integrity assessment

FracFocus

Hydraulic Fracturing Chemical Registry:

A Single Website with Multiple Areas Designed to Provide Information to the Public

Project Objectives

- ▶ Industry Transparency/ Public Education via:
 - Web interface where operators voluntarily post hydraulic fracturing chemicals;
 - Web interface where public finds more information on hydraulic fracturing process:
 - Public education component
 - Fact based, layman's terms
 - FAQ's to explain the process/protections
 - Well site search tool

Hydraulic Fracturing Fluid Product Component Information Disclosure

Fracture Date	1/2/2010		
State:	Montana		
County:	Petroleum		
API Number:	25-069-05420		
Operator Name:	Test Me Out		
Well Name:	Well Name 1		
Longitude:	-123.333344		
Latitude:	18.333444		
Long/Lat Projection:	WG984		
True Vertical Depth (TVD):	12,333		
Total Water Volume (gal):	5,000,000		
Production Type:	Oil		

Hydraulic Fracturing Fluid Composition:

Trade Name	Supplier	Purpo se	Ingredients	Chemical Abstract Service Number (CAS#)	Ingredient Concentration in Additive (% by mass)*	Ingredient Concentration in HF Fluid (% by mass)*	Comments
M/-4		Carrier/Dans Elvid					
Water		Carrier/Base Fluid					
Sand (Proppant)		Proppant					
		Surfactant	Ethanol	64 17-5	45-60%	0.0222 - 0.02939%	
			Heavy aromatic petroleum naphtha	64742-94-5	25-30%	0.012 - 0.01469%	
			Naphthalene	91-20-3	0.05	2.45E-05	
			12,4 Trimethylbenzene	95-63-6	0.01	4.9E-06	
			Poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), alpha (4-nonylphenyl)-omega hydroxy-, branched	127087-87-0	0.05	2.455-05	
		Friction Reducer	Hydrotreated light petroleum distillate	64742-47-8	0.3	3.53E-05	
		Biocide	T				
			Proprietary		Proprietary	Proprietary	
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^{*} Information is based on the maximum potential for concentration and thus the total may be over 100%

Project Status

- Operator upload site is being populated
- Public access/education component in development

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