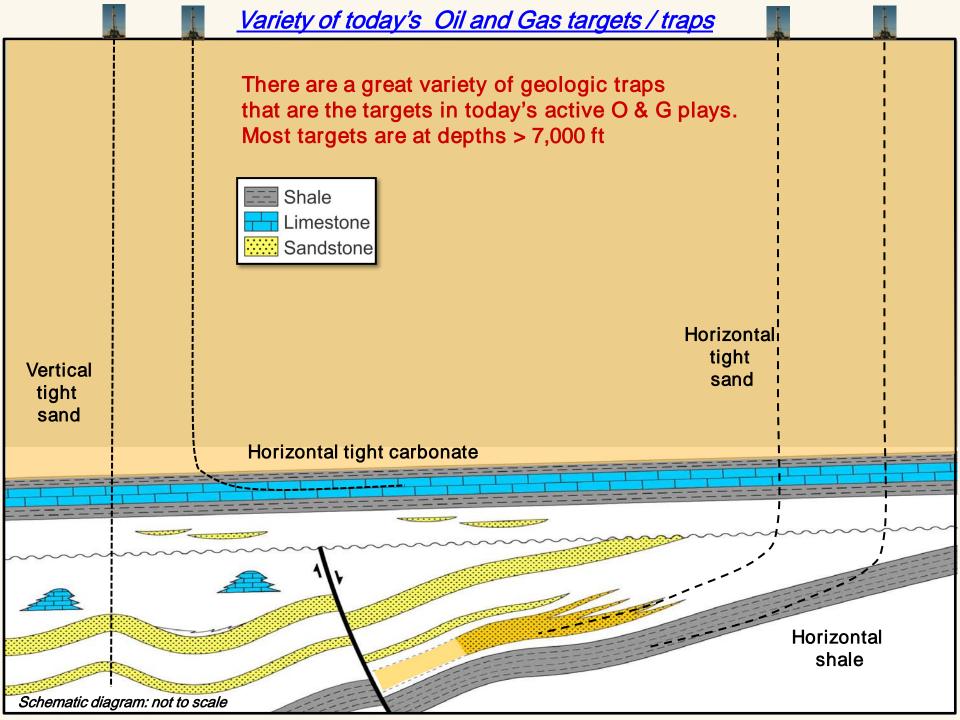


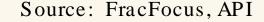
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What is Hydraulic Fracturing

- Injecting fluid and sand into a wellbore at high pressure to crack rock and enable production
- Without hydraulic fracturing, the vast majority of US gas production would be uneconomic leading to a greater reliance on gas imports and coal
- > Process has been in use since 1947
- Over 1 million wells have been hydraulically fractured
- Fractures tend to propagate horizontally and meaningful vertical fractures are limited
- > Typical fracturing fluid composition is approximately 90% water, 9.5% sand and 0.5% additives
- Multi-zone hydraulic fracturing combined with directional and horizontal drilling is driving growth in production



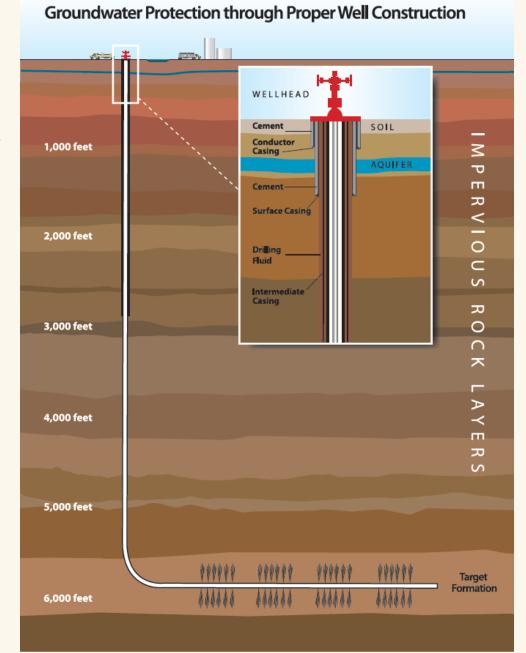
Hydraulic Fracturing Risks/Impacts

- Well construction/integrity
- > Water use
- > Flowback water
- > Surface disturbance
- > Production operations
- Emissions and air quality
- > Traffic and other human impacts



Risks: Well Construction vs. Hydraulic Fracturing

- ➤ Well construction consists of several distinct procedures, of which hydraulic fracturing is one
- Proper well construction is important for all of the procedures involved
 - Multiple casing layers
 - Cement
 - Cement bond logs
 - Seismic, core and log analysis to define confining layers
 - Microseismic studies
 - Pressure tests
 - Casing integrity surveillance

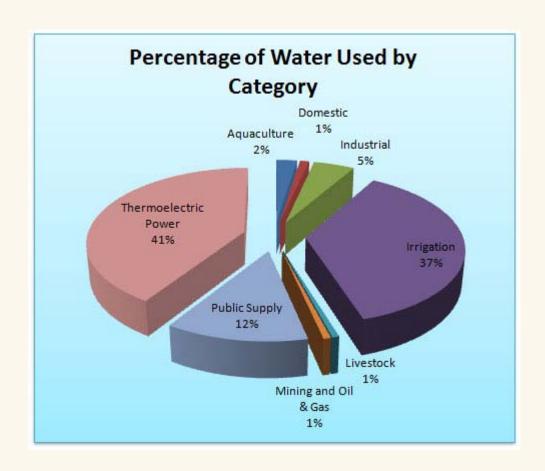




Source: API

Water Use in the United States

- Hydraulic fracturing water use seems large on a perwell basis
- Oil and gas water consumption is a very small part of total water use
- Mitigation:
 - Reduce water requirements
 - Use non-potable water
 - Recycle produced water



Source: USGS - Estimated Use of Water in the United States in 2005

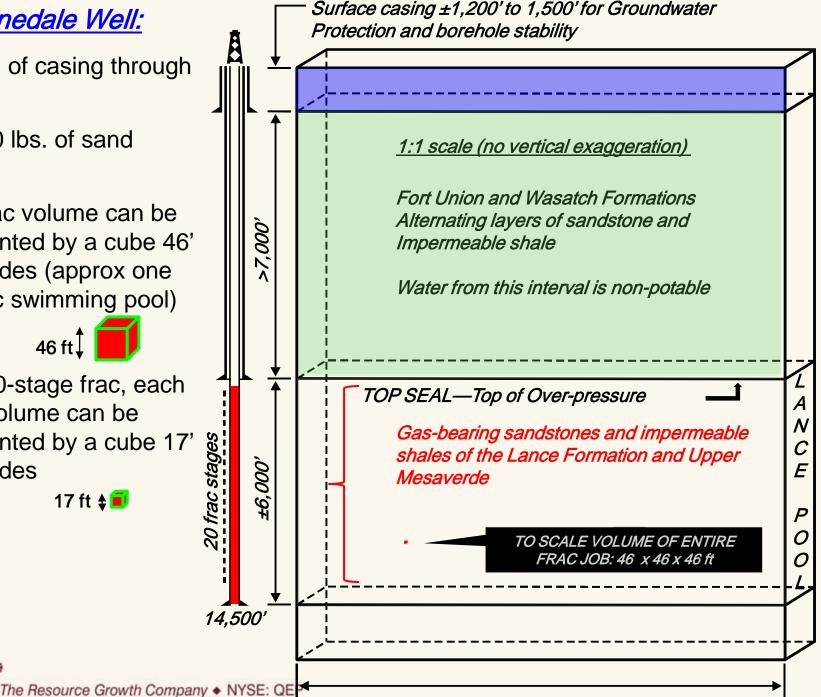
Pinedale Well:

- 3 layers of casing through aquifer
- •700,000 lbs. of sand TOTAL
- Total frac volume can be represented by a cube 46' on all sides (approx one Olympic swimming pool)

46 ft]

 For a 20-stage frac, each stage volume can be represented by a cube 17' on all sides

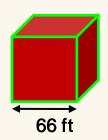
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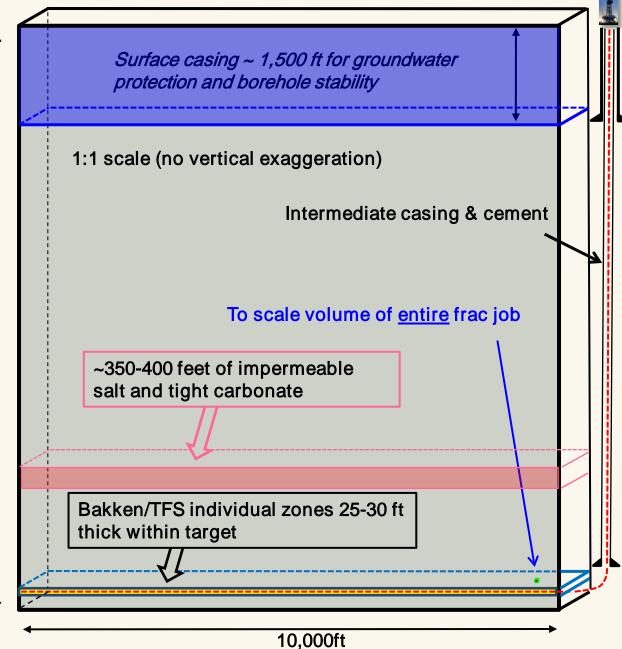




Bakken Well:

- Horizontal design
- 3.4 MM lbs. of sand
- Total frac volume can be represented by a cube 66' on all sides

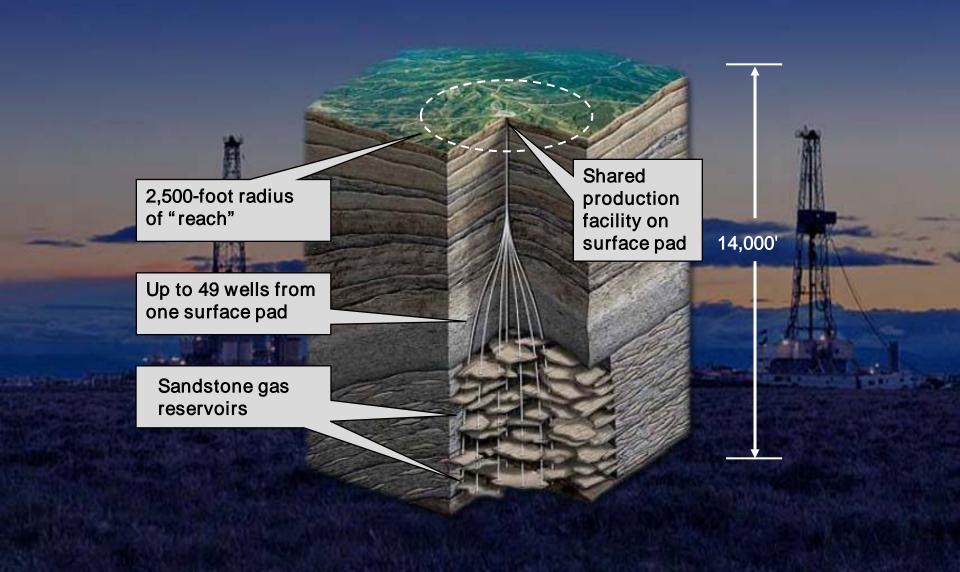






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Directionally Drilling Multiple Wells From A Single Pad Minimizes Surface Disturbance



Pinedale well pod construction













Reducing Traffic and Human Activity

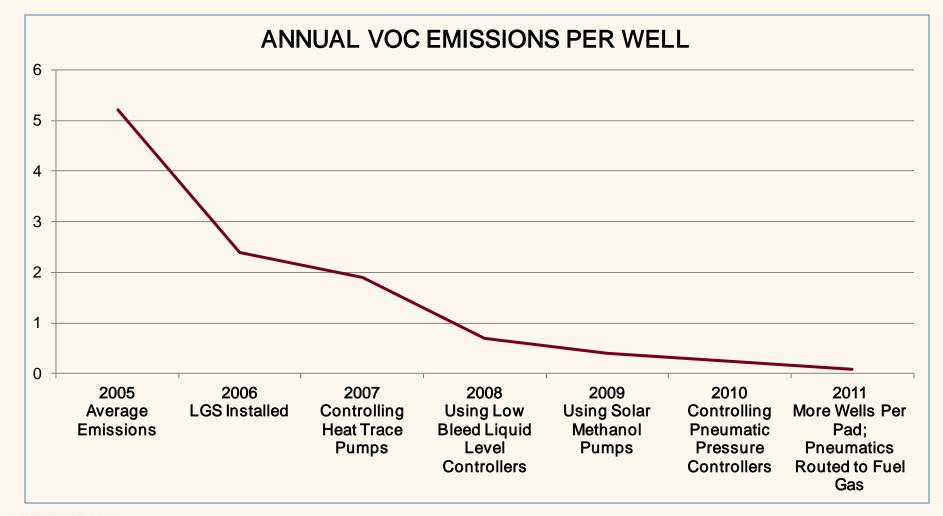


- Liquids Gathering System
 - Eliminates 165,000 tanker truck trips per year at peak production
 - QEP removed 120 storage tanks & avoided installing another 250 tanks
 - Reduced tank VOCs by over 90%
- Remote monitoring of all wells & facilities since 2003
- Bussing of winter crews since 2003

Drilling and Completion Mitigations

- Tier II engines on all QEP drilling rigs since 2006
- Implemented Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel 4 years before required by EPA
- Converted rig boilers from diesel to natural gas in 2006
- Completions
 - 99% flare-less completions
 - Tier II engines on frac truck engines
 - **Production**
 - Reduced methane emissions through pneumatic (air) valves
 - Liquids Gathering System
 - Initiated controls on single well pads and other systems
 - Dust suppression

QEP ENERGY VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND (VOC) PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT EMISSION TRENDS





Benefits of Hydraulic Fracturing

- Horizontal and directional development
 - Less wells required
 - Reduced surface disturbance
- Improved economics lowers supply cost
- Economic benefit from domestic development activity
 - Consumers benefit from lower energy cost
 - Improves global competitiveness in manufacturing and other industries
 - Reduced energy imports and improves trade balance
- Lower carbon footprint than coal or oil