

Hydraulic Fracturing:

What is it?

Why do we care?



Exploring Oil and Natural Gas through Education

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The Michigan Oil and Gas Producers Education Foundation (MOGPEF) was created to provide facts about the Michigan oil and gas industry to the public and to provide financial support for programs that will inform the people of Michigan about the importance of our local oil and natural gas industry and about the environmental safeguards that we employ.

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OVERVIEW

- Michigan Activity
- The Fundamentals
- Horizontal Drilling
- Hydraulic Fracturing
- Water
- Regulation
- Economic Impacts

Michigan Activity



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MICHIGAN'S QUICK FACTS

- Michigan has been producing oil and natural gas since the late 1800's.
- Wells in 64 of the 68 lower peninsula counties have cumulatively produced more than 1.2 billion barrels of oil and 7 trillion cubic feet of natural gas.



1983 - Making a connection on the rig floor
(Source: Clark Historical Library)

- 17th out of 32 states for oil production.
- 16th out of 33 states for natural gas production.



1938 – West Branch
(Source: Clark Historical Library)



1930's – Farm life goes on amidst drilling
(Source: Clark Historical Library)

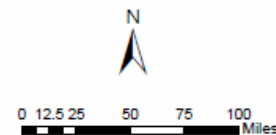
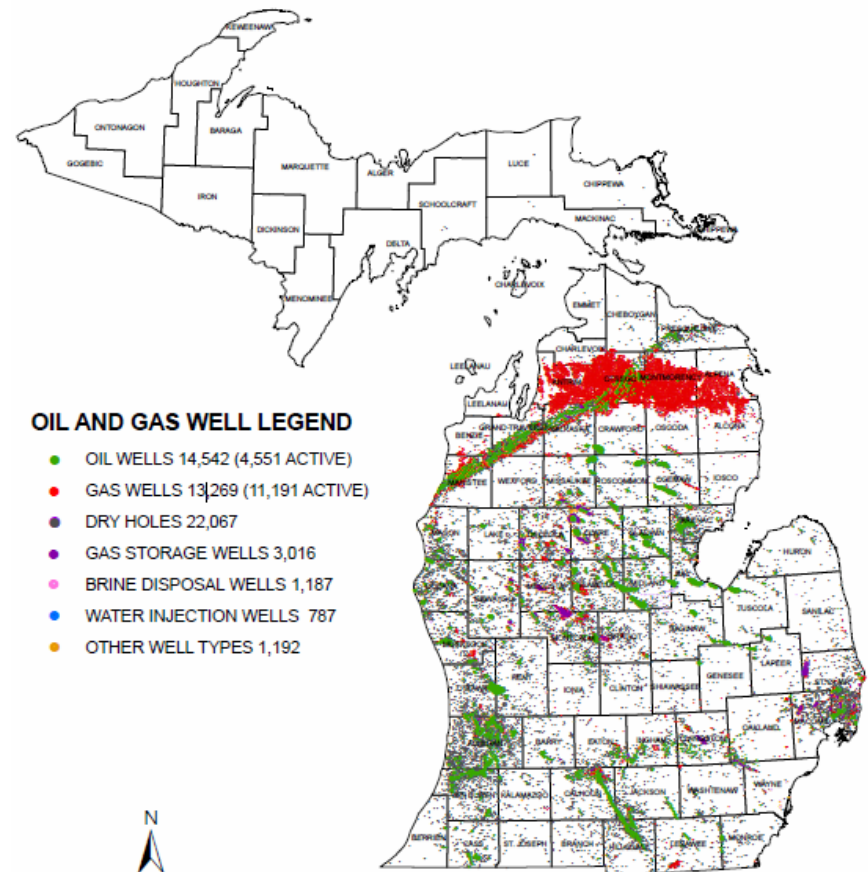
- Since 1925 more than 56,000 oil or natural gas wells have been drilled in Michigan.
- Michigan has the largest underground storage capacity of any state in the nation.

MICHIGAN'S OIL AND NATURAL GAS WELL MAPS

1933



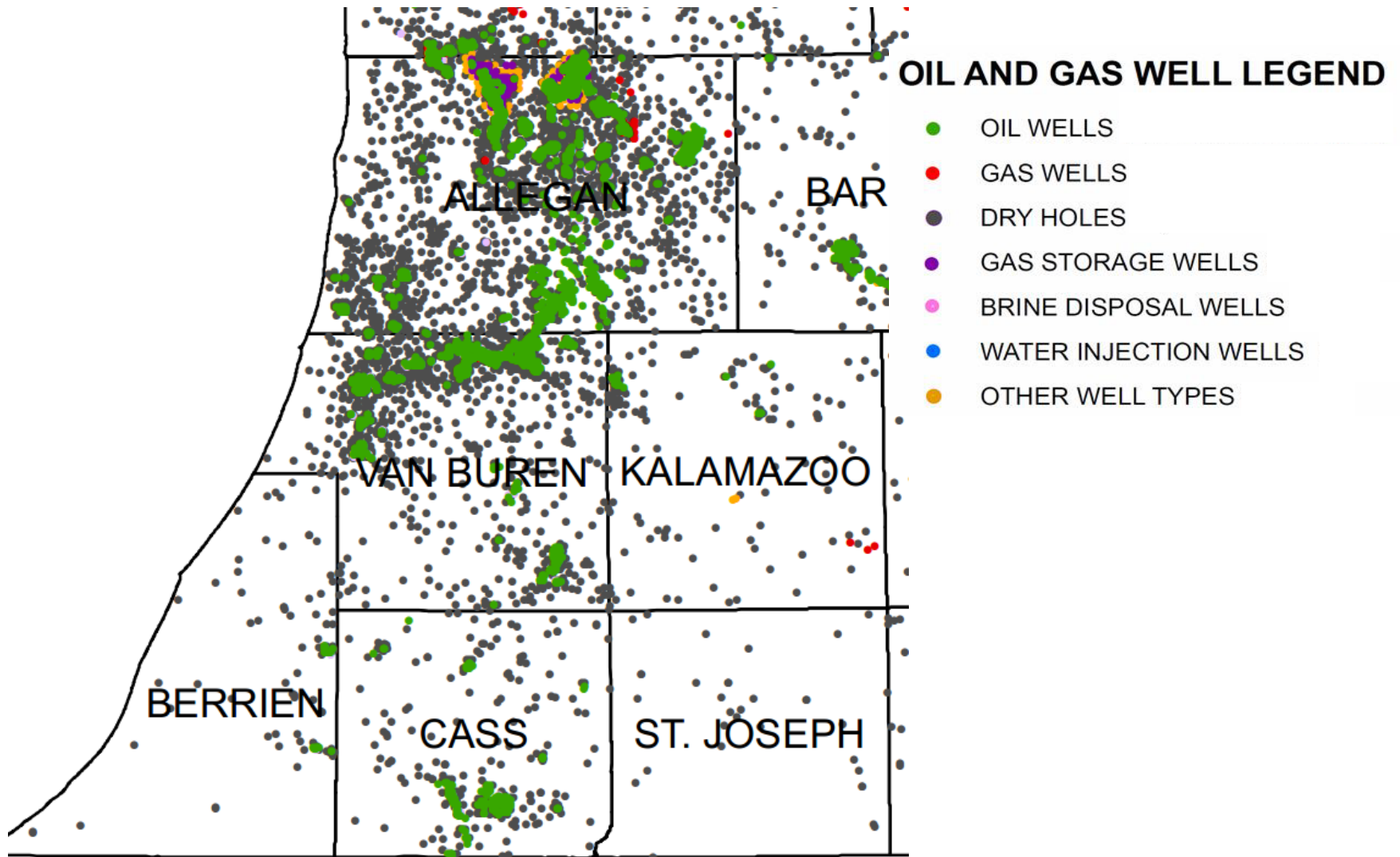
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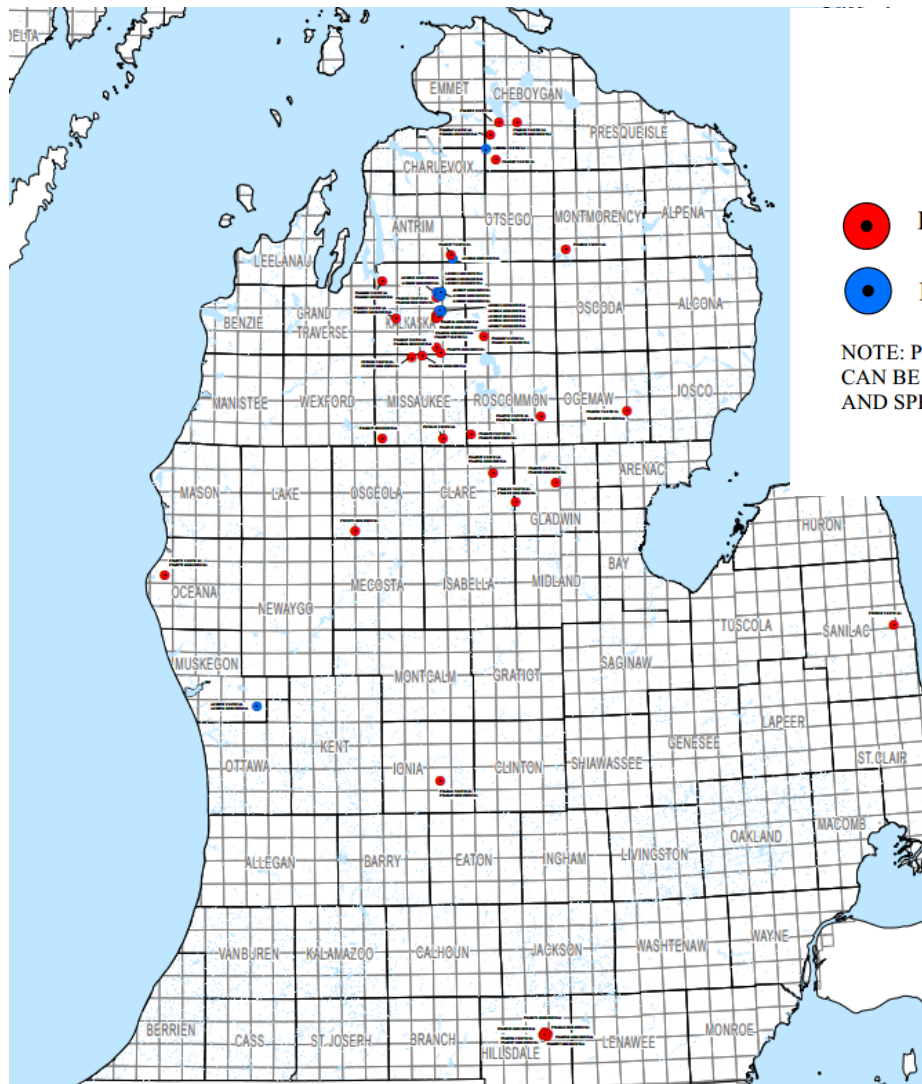
Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
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Drilling activity in SW Michigan



High volume hydraulic fracturing



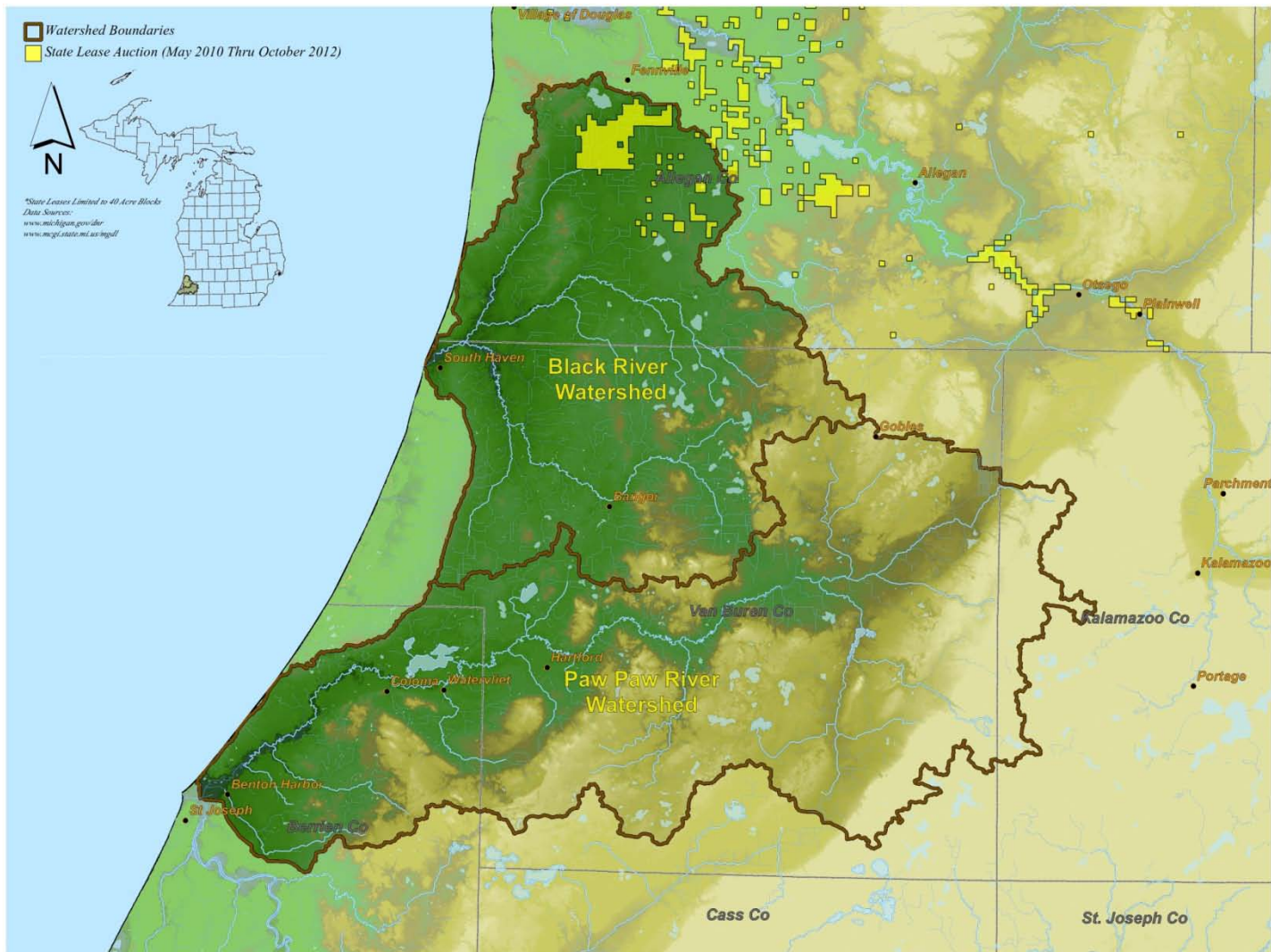
Legend

- ISSUED ACTIVE PERMITS (52)
- PENDING ACTIVE APPLICATIONS (17)

NOTE: PERMIT NUMBER AND APPLICATION NUMBER CAN BE CROSS REFERENCED BETWEEN THE MAP AND SPREADSHEET.

● Using a total of more than 100,000 gallons of fluid.

Why we are here



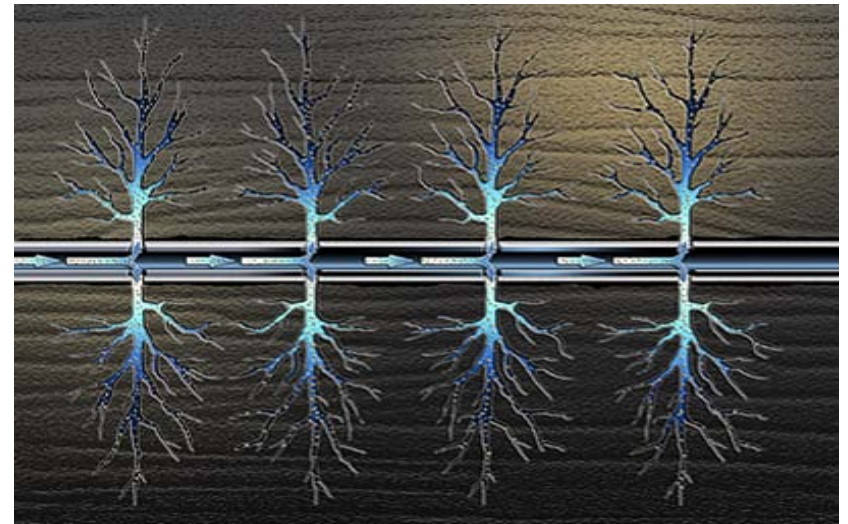
The Fundamentals



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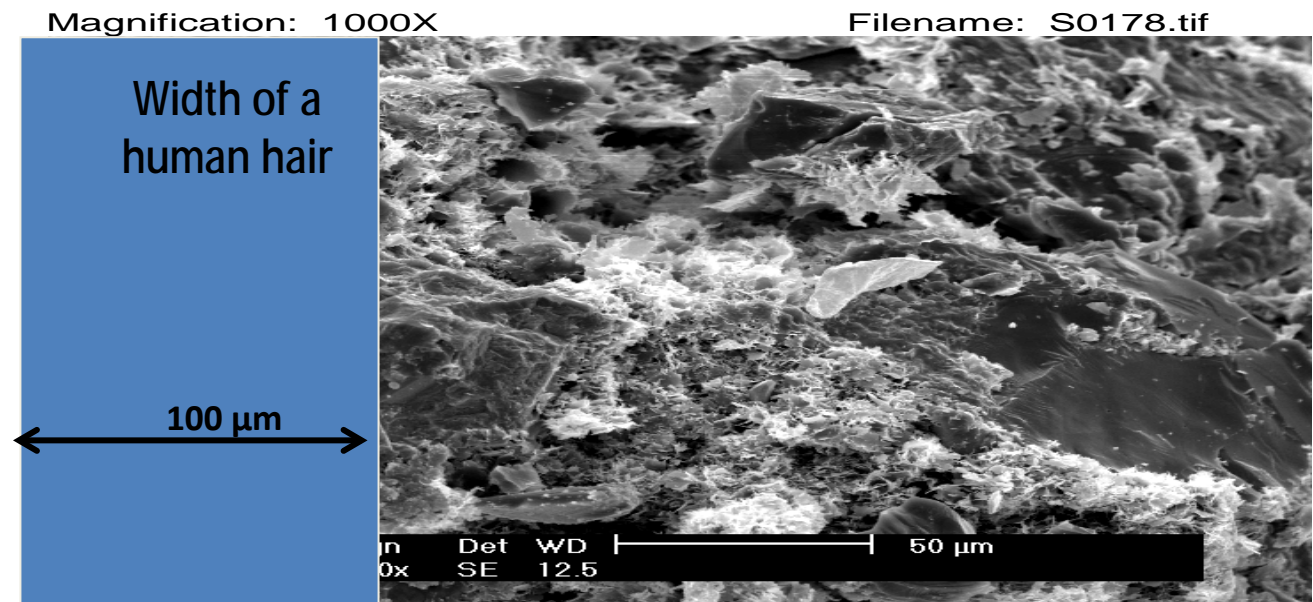
Definition

- The use of water, sand, and chemicals pressurized and pumped into the well to form microscopic fractures
- The placement of small granular solids into the crack to ensure the crack remains open after the hydraulic pressure is no longer applied

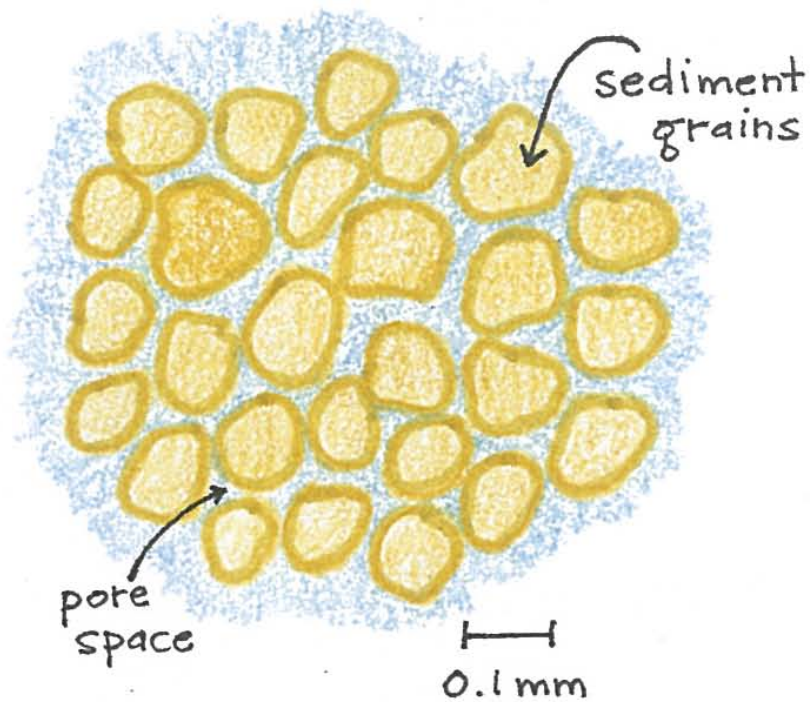


Why hydraulically fracture a well?

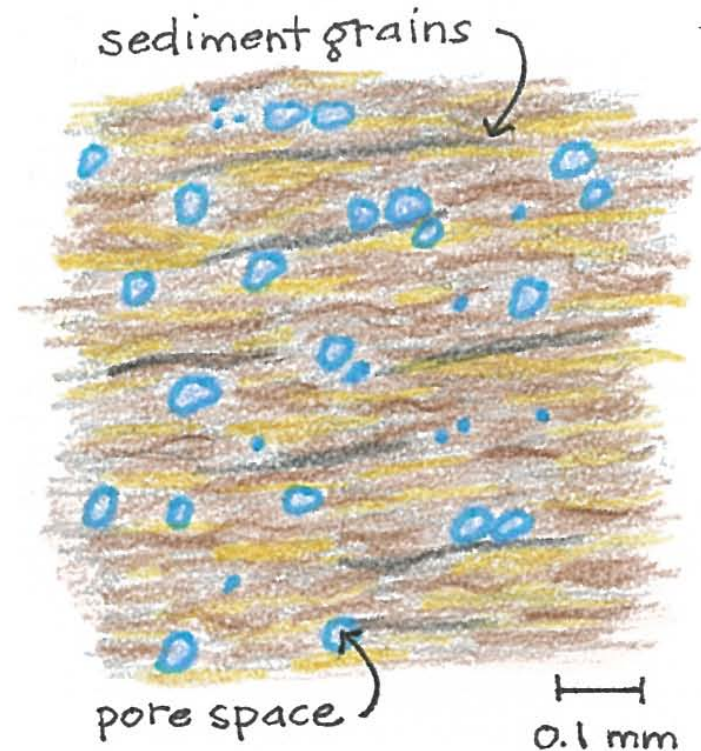
- Increase the **rate** at which the well is capable of producing oil or natural gas
- Over 95% of wells drilled today **require** hydraulic fracturing in order to be economic
- Does not increase total **reserves**



Porosity and Permeability

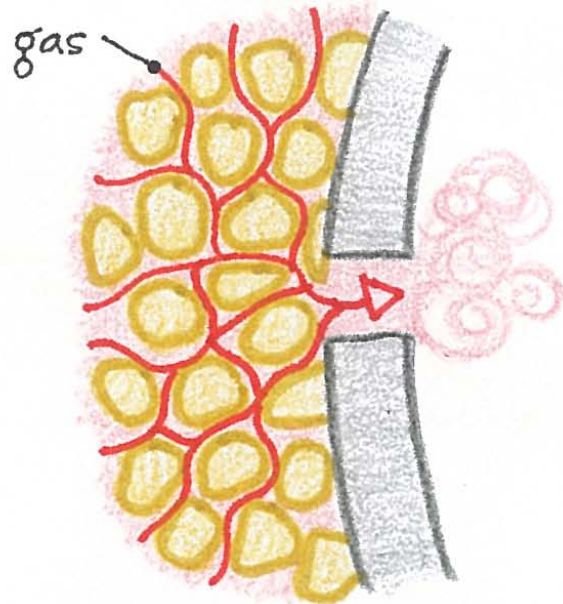


Microscopic view
of sandstone

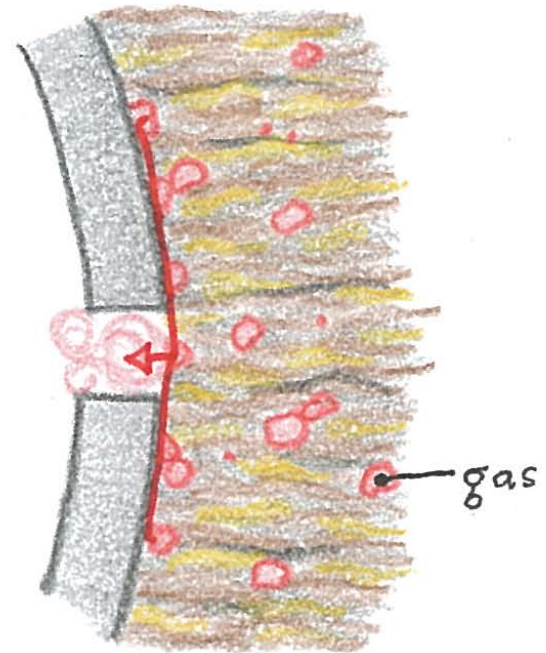


Microscopic view
of shale

The role of permeability

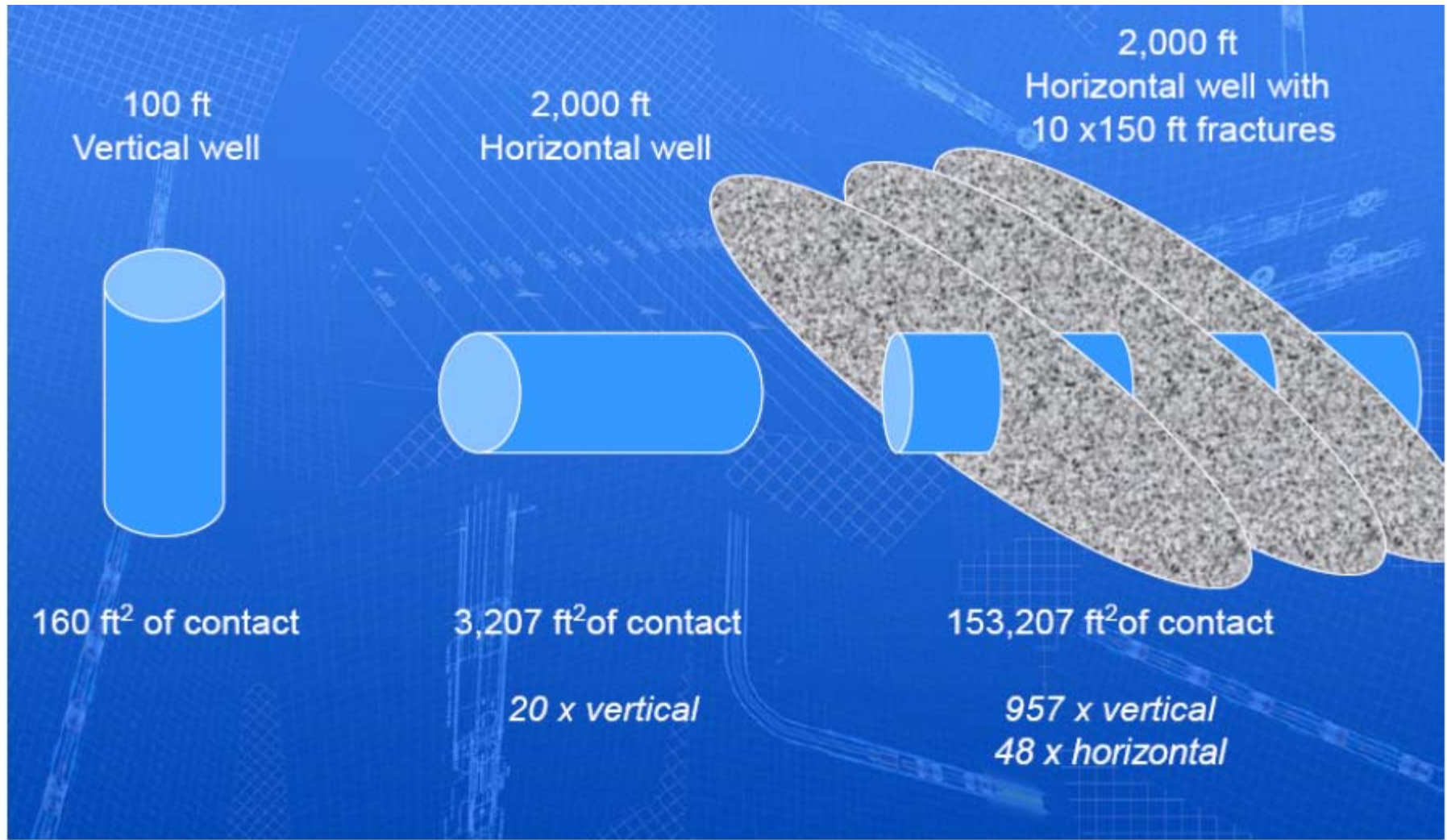


WELL



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Fractured Contact



Surface Footprint



“HydraFrac” Process

- July of 1947 – Stanolind Oil & Gas
 - 1st Job: Klepper No. 1
 - Hugoton Gas Field, Kansas
- Late 1948 – Patent issued, 23 wells hydraulically fracture before commercial application began.
- In 1949, The Halliburton Oil Well Cementing Co. was granted an exclusive license to pump the new “HydraFrac” process.
 - 332 wells were treated in the first 12 months
 - 75% success rate

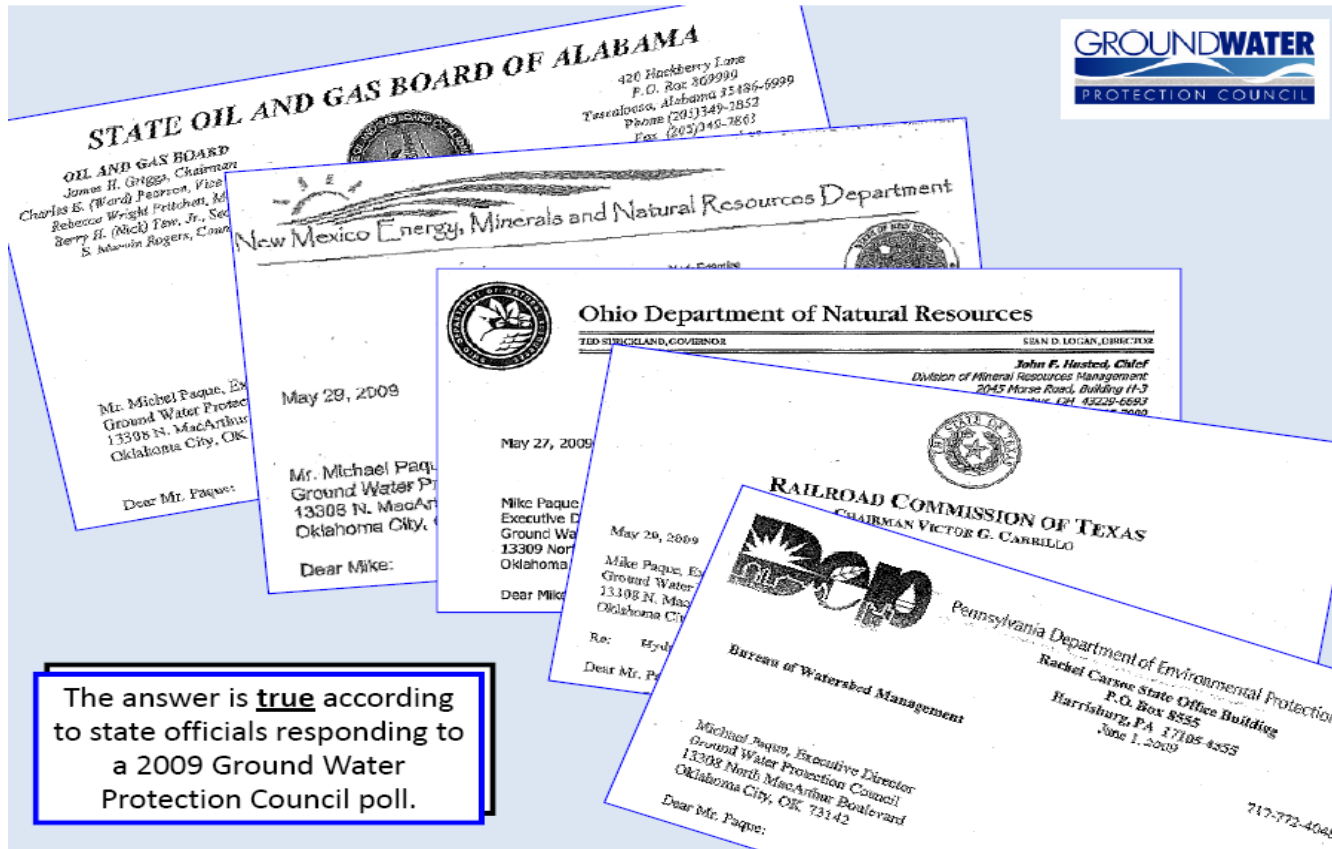
Good news!

- History has proven the process of hydraulic fracturing is safe.
 - In the U.S., there have been over 1,000,000 hydraulic fracturing stimulations within the USA without compromising fresh groundwater, and
 - Over 12,000 of those have taken place in the state of Michigan.

True or False?

True!

● The Michigan DEQ was a contributor to this report!

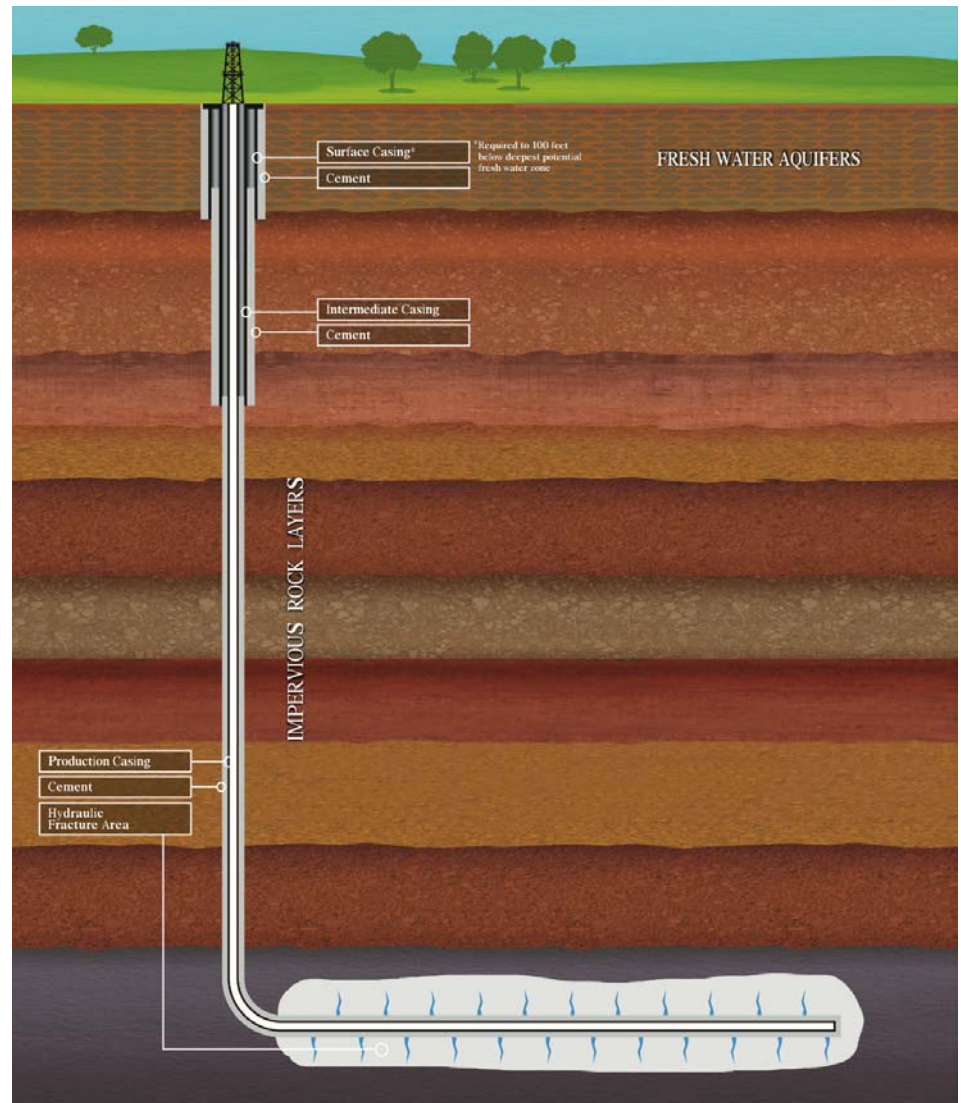
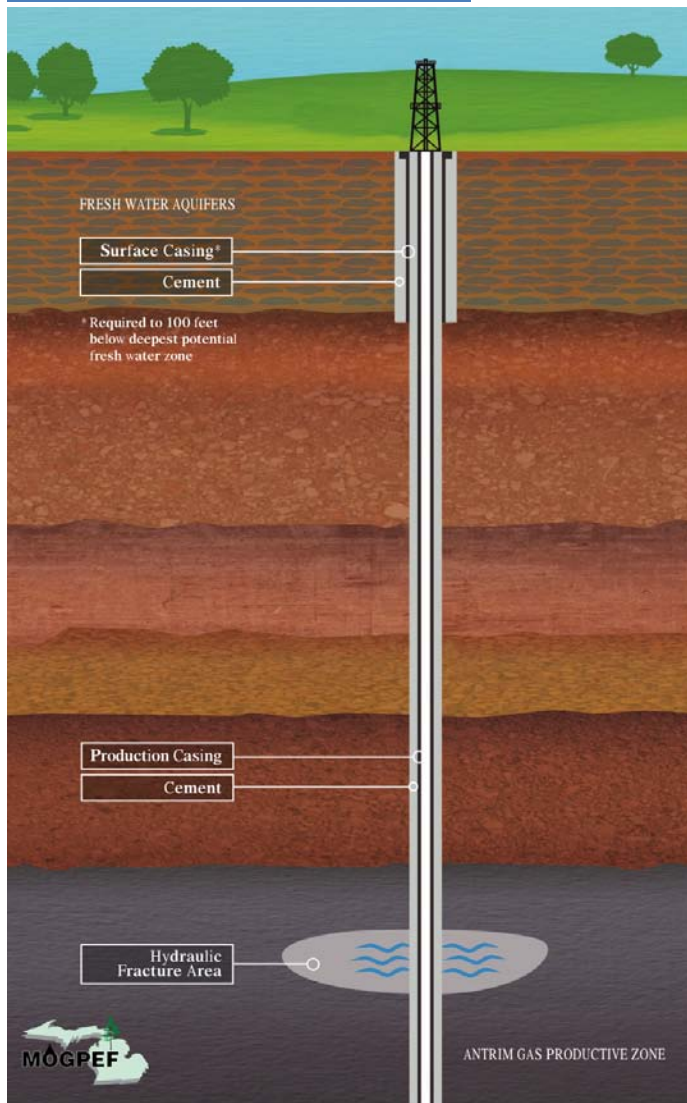


Horizontal Drilling



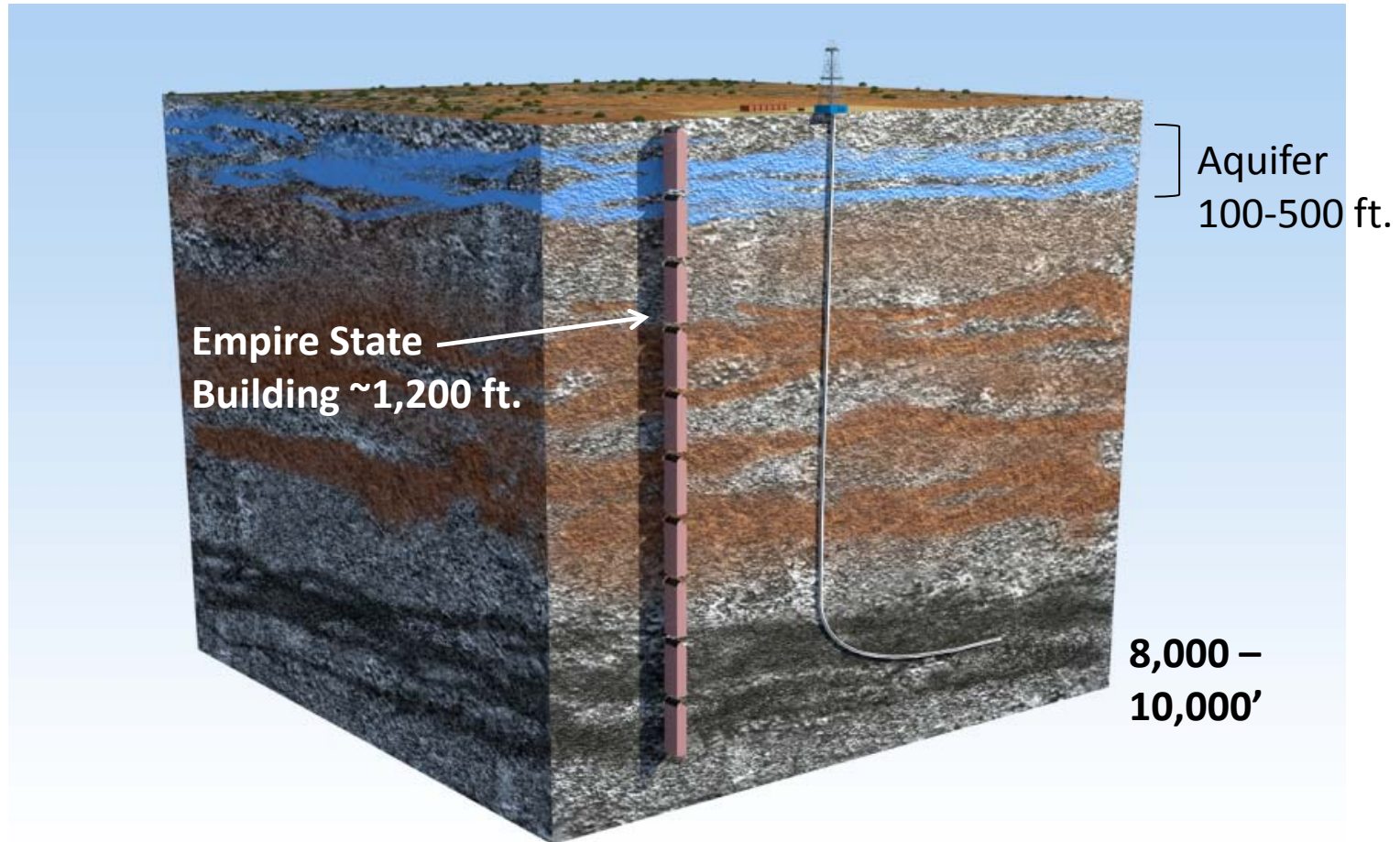
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Drilling Types



Drilling Distance

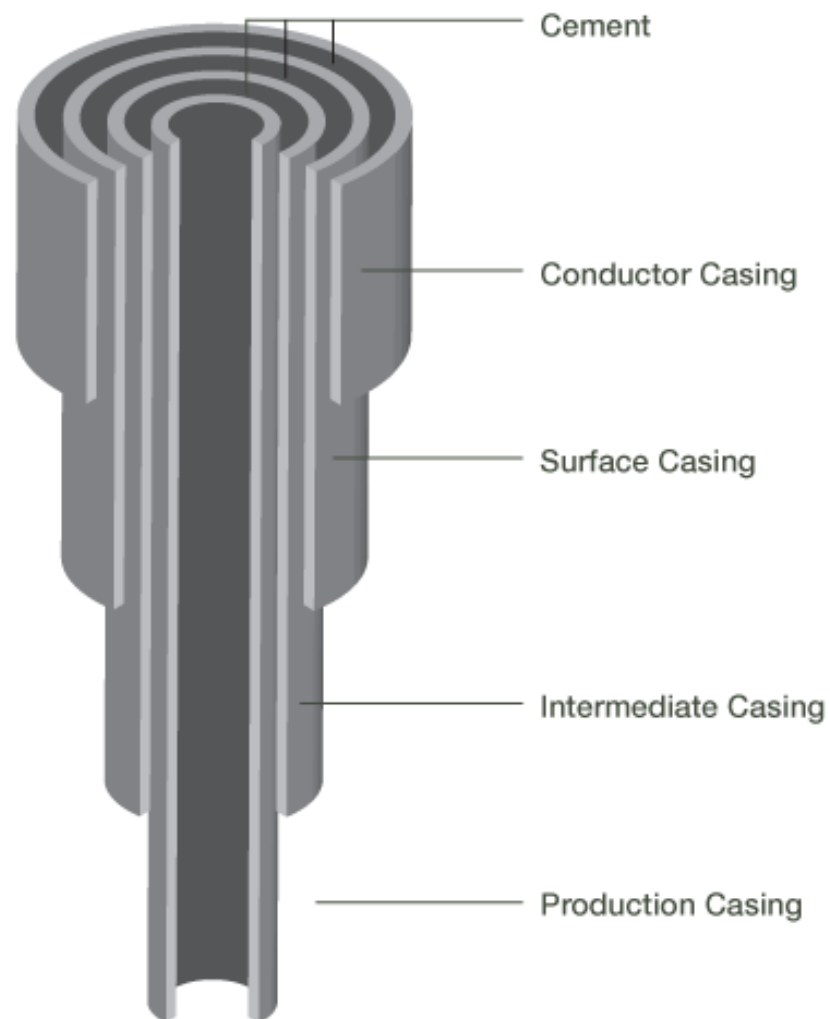
- Typical depth of a Michigan deep horizontal well.



Casing

Typical Well Casing Diagram

(Not to Scale)

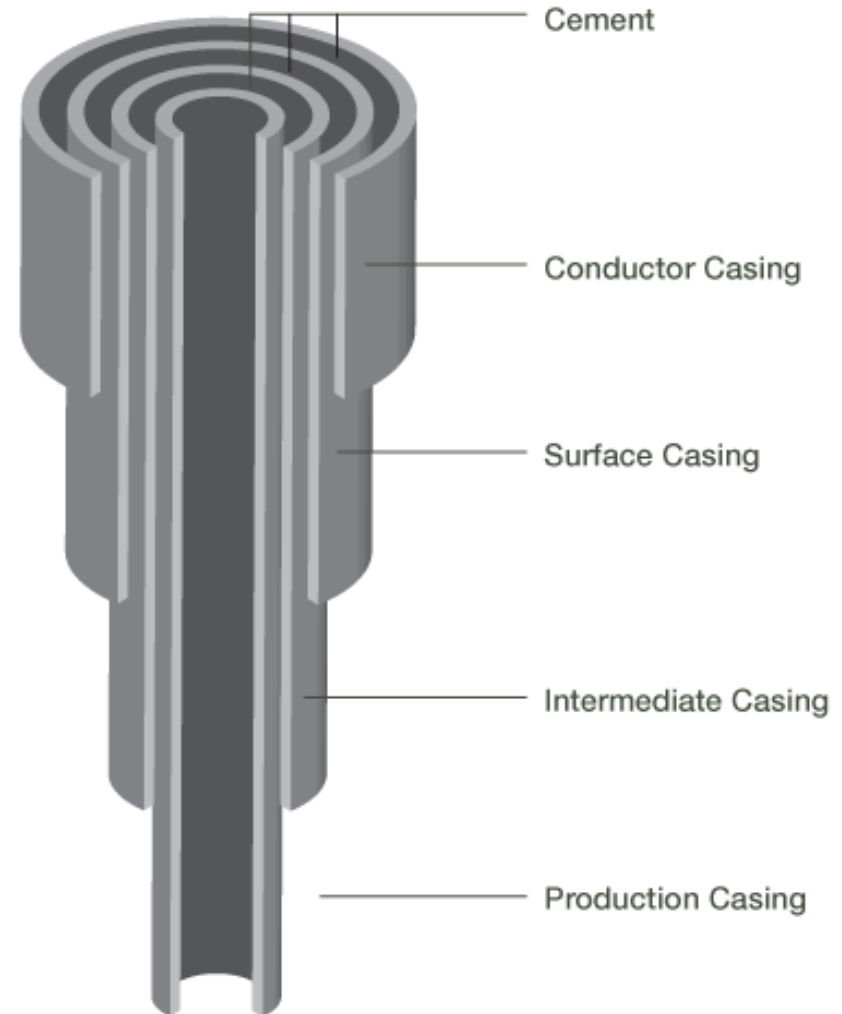


- Multiple layers surrounding the aquifer
 - Conductor Casing
 - Cement
 - Surface Casing
 - Cement
 - Intermediate Casing
 - Cement
 - Production Casing
 - Cement

Surface Casing

Typical Well Casing Diagram

(Not to Scale)



○ Purpose

- Protect ground water
- Provide stable wellbore during drilling operation
- Provide well control during drilling

○ Depth Requirements

- Set by State regulations
- Extends below the aquifer

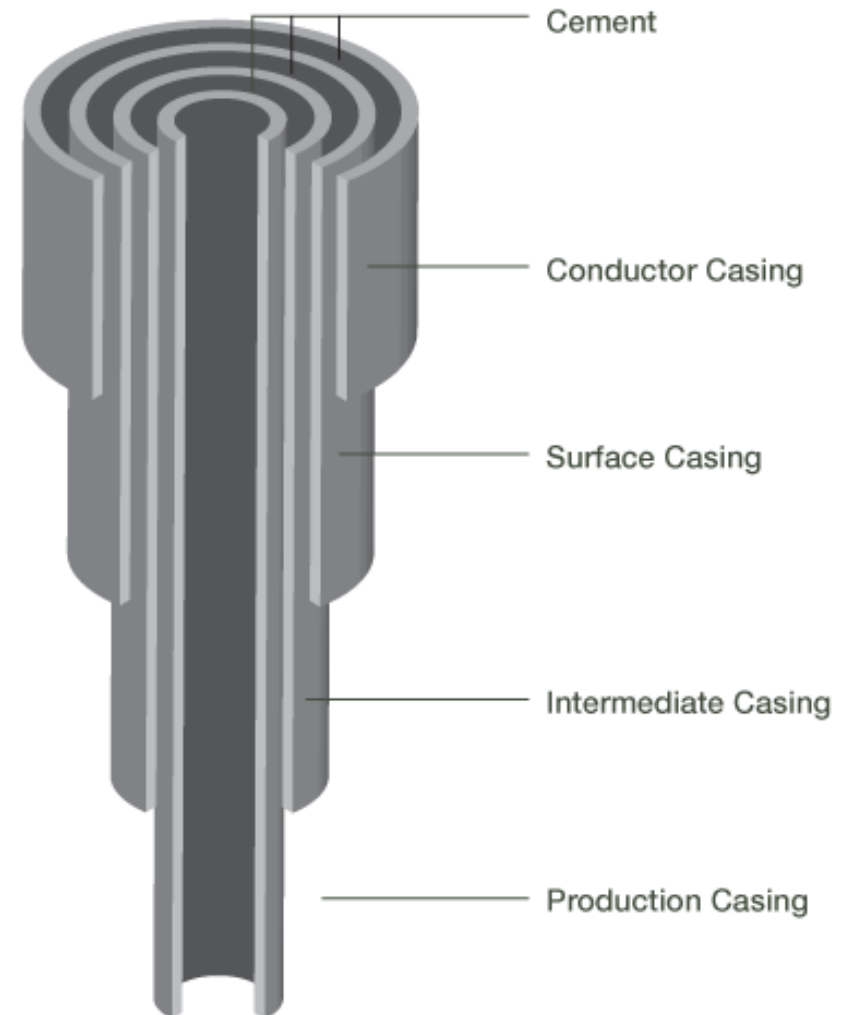
○ Cement Helps

- Protect casing from corrosion
- Provide zonal isolation
- Support casing in wellbore

Intermediate Casing

Typical Well Casing Diagram

(Not to Scale)



○ Purpose

- Typically the longest section of casing
- Provide stable wellbore during drilling operation
- Provide well control during drilling

○ Depth Requirements

- Set by State regulations
- Required for drilling to deeper formations

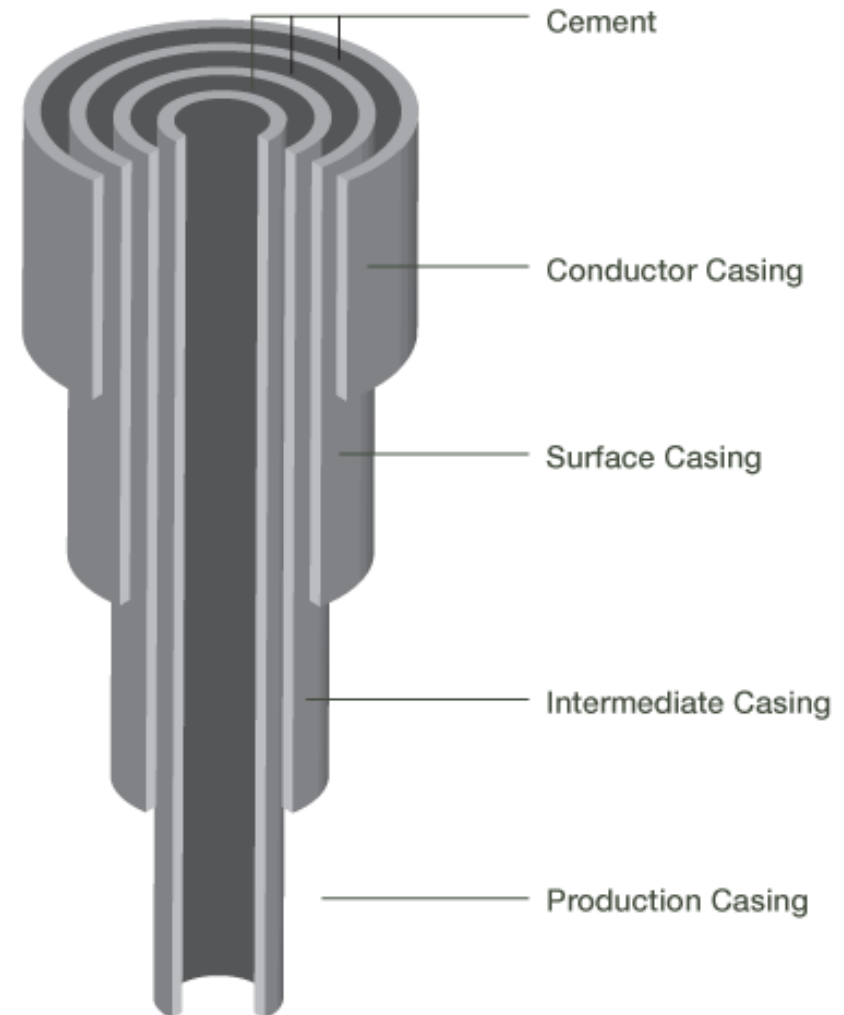
○ Cement Helps

- Protect casing from corrosion
- Provide zonal isolation
- Support casing in wellbore

Production Casing

Typical Well Casing Diagram

(Not to Scale)



○ Purpose

- Installed last and is the deepest section of casing
- Provides a conduit for production

○ Depth Requirements

- Set by State regulations

○ Cement Helps

- Protect casing from corrosion
- Provide zonal isolation
- Support casing in wellbore

A different view...



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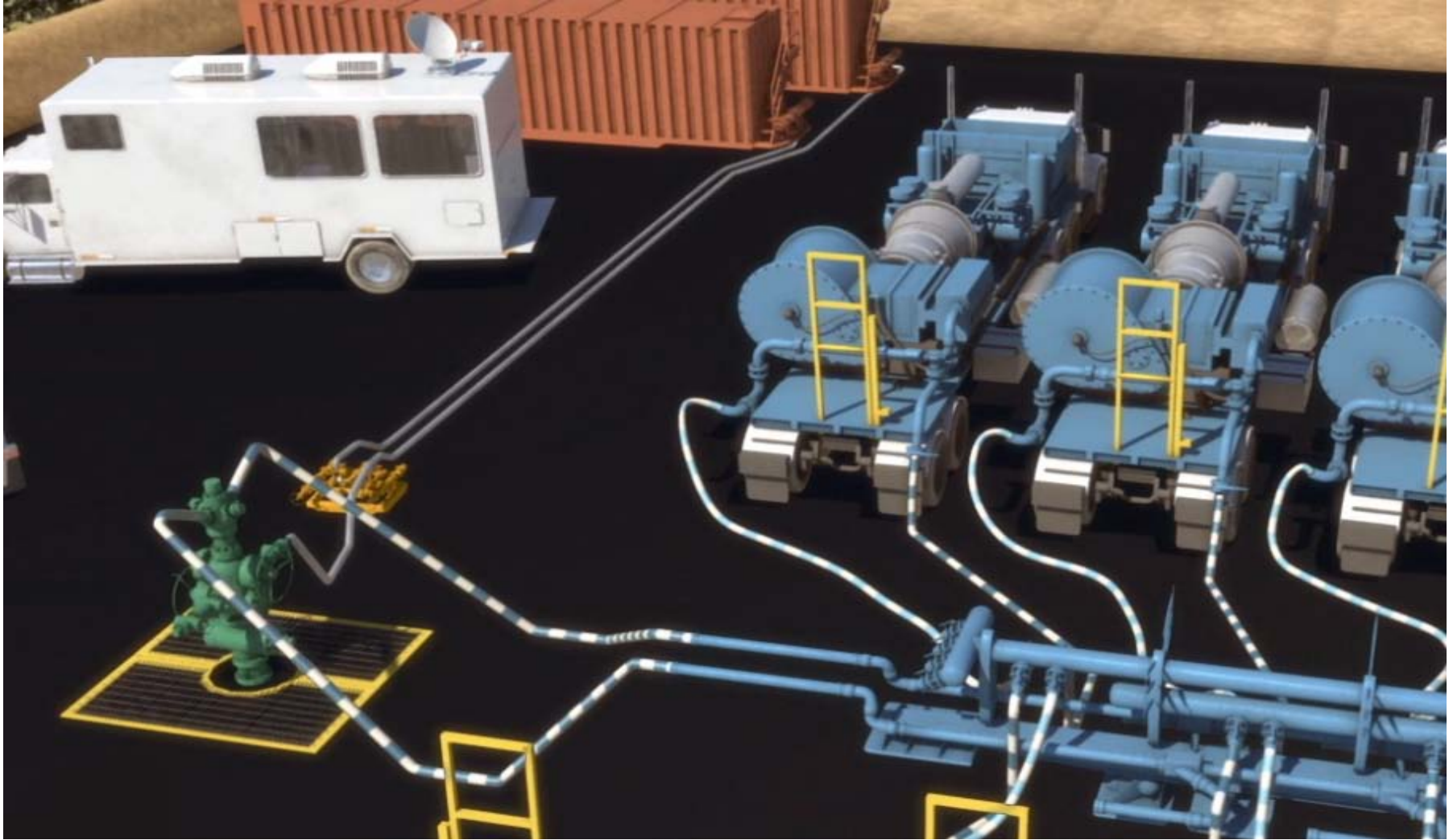


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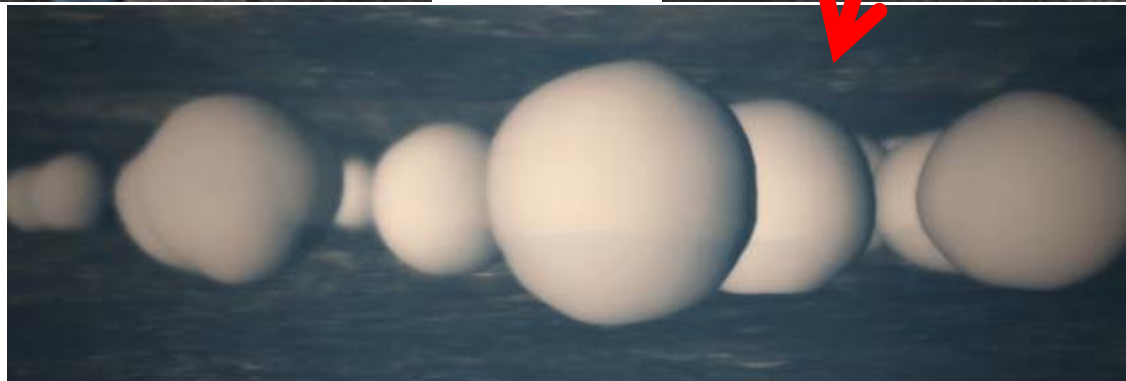
Perforating Gun



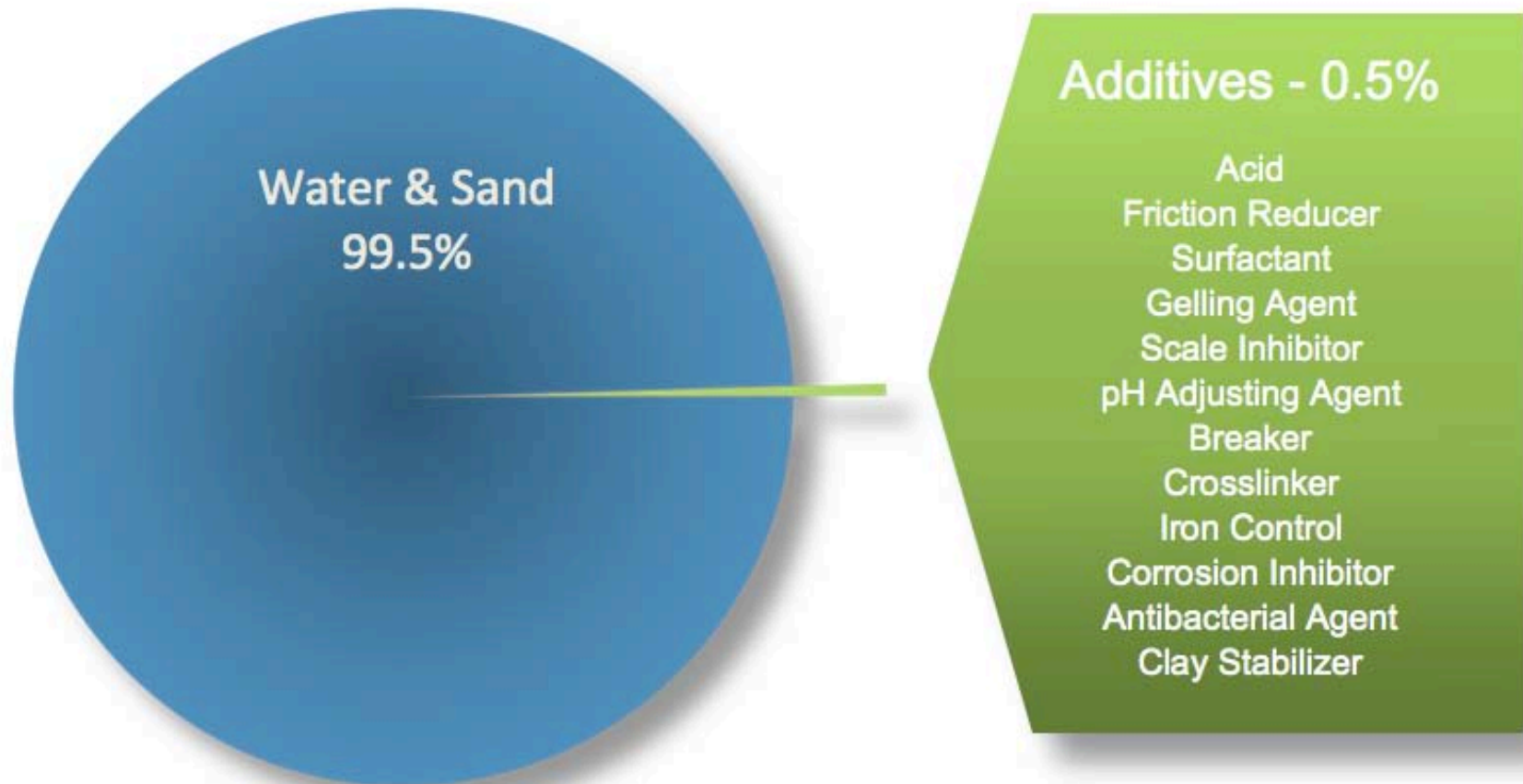
Fluids are pumped



Fractures and Proppant



Hydraulic fracturing fluids



Hydraulic fracturing fluids

Additive	Main Compound	Common Use
Diluted Acid	Hydrochloric, Muriatic Acid	Swimming Pools
Biocide	Glutaraldehyde	Dental Disinfectant
Breaker	Ammonium Persulfate	Bleaching Hair
Crosslinker	Borate Salts	Laundry Detergents
Iron Control	Citric Acid	Food Additive
Gelling Agent	Guar Gum	Biscuits
Scale Inhibitor	Ethylene Glycol	Antifreeze
Surfactant	Isopropanol	Glass Cleaner
Friction Reducer	Polyacrylamide	Water and Soil Treatment

Hydraulic fracturing fluids

- Depending on the fluid system being pumped various additives are used:
 - Polymers, Crosslinkers, pH Control, Gel Breakers, Surfactants, Clay Control, Bacteria Control, & Fluid Loss Additives
- Additives are transported in concentrated form
- Typically injected at less than 3 gallons per 1,000 gal of water (0.3%)
- The purpose of any additive is to help improve the overall process

What does it look like?



Water Management



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Water Use

- Typical Michigan vertical well uses approximately 50,000 gallons.
 - This is similar in size to a restaurant aquarium.



- Typical Michigan horizontal well uses approximately 5 million gallons.
 - This is similar in size to 8 acres of corn in a growing season.



How much is 5 million gallons?

- Equivalent to:
 - A 1,000 megawatt coal-fired power plant in 12 hours
 - A golf course in 25 days
- Compared to other energy forms – natural gas has the lowest water usage per MMBTU of energy produced.
- The chemical reaction of burning natural gas releases water molecules into the atmosphere:
 - 11 million gallons of water is added to the atmosphere from burning 1 billion cubic feet of natural gas.

Regulation



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Michigan's track record

- Successful history
 - Nearly 60 years of experience
 - Over 12,000 wells in Michigan
- Safe
 - Water resources are protected
 - No incidences of harm
- Regulated
 - Compliant to both state & regulatory agencies

Exempt from Federal laws?

- **Claim:** Oil and natural gas wells are exempt from federal laws.
- **Truth:** In every step of the way, oil and natural gas production is regulated at the federal, state, and local levels – **often at multiple levels simultaneously.**

A 2012 study by the Government Accountability Office (GAO) makes clear that oil and natural gas developers are required to comply with no fewer than 8 federal regulations.

INDUSTRY AND REGULATORY OVERSIGHT

- Michigan DEQ Supervisor of Wells Instruction 1-2011
- US EPA
- Model Regulatory Framework
- Groundwater Protection Council
- Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission



Economic Impact



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Abundant, clean and affordable

- Oil and natural gas production has risen dramatically over the past 10 years.
 - Since 2005 we've reduced imports from 50% to 45% - this couldn't have taken place without hydraulic fracturing.
- Natural gas is playing a major and growing role in our clean energy future – burns cleaner meaning less pollution.
 - It also provides a good bridge fuel for renewables such as wind, solar or biofuels.
- It's abundance means lower energy costs for you and your family, along with businesses.

What we use it for

○ Petroleum/Oil

- Transportation
- Propane, Butane
- Nearly all plastics
- Medicine
- Clothing
- Makeup
- Solvents
- Ink
- Eye Glasses
- 1000's more

○ Natural gas

- Transportation
- Residential
 - 80% of MI homes are heated with natural gas
- Electricity Generation
- Manufacturing
- Fertilizer

What roles does this play in MI?



- More than \$150 million in income to 8,000 private Michigan landowners annually.

- Pay approximately \$78 million annually in state and local taxes.
- \$8.3 billion annual Michigan labor impact.
- Over \$16.8 billion overall to Michigan's economy.



MICHIGAN JOBS FROM MICHIGAN COMPANIES

- Michigan's oil and natural gas industry supports **10,000 jobs** directly.
- In all, over **150,000 Michigan jobs** are provided for or supported by our industry.



MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND

- Established in 1976 in a partnership between the energy industry and conservation.
- More than **\$1.25 billion** in funding for more than **1,600** approved projects.



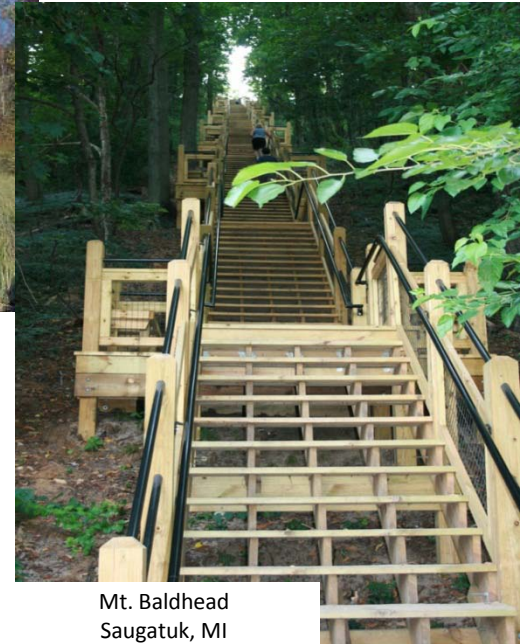
Riverfront Boardwalk
Allegan, MI



Lake Michigan Nature Preserve
Casco Township, Allegan County



Harbor Natural Area
Saugatuk, MI



Mt. Baldhead
Saugatuk, MI

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