

Getting The Waters Tested

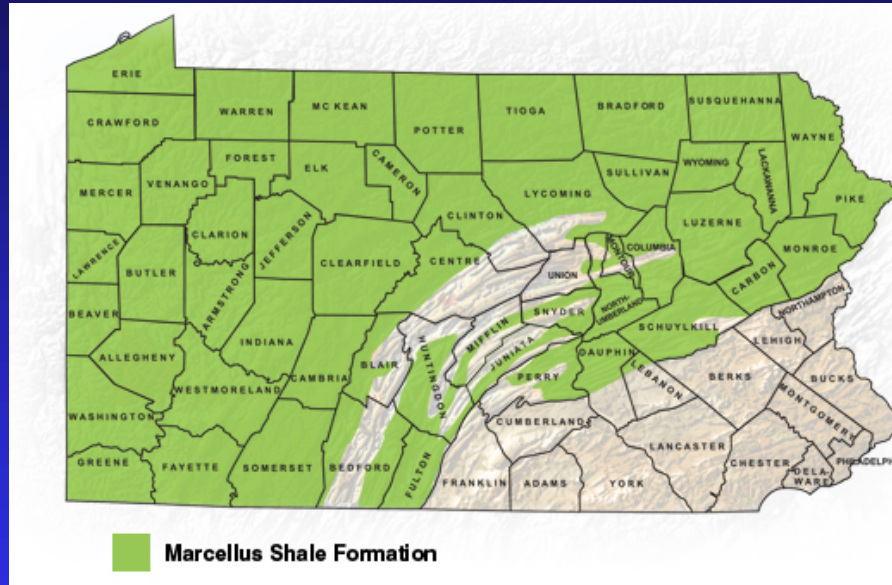
The Marcellus Shale Factor



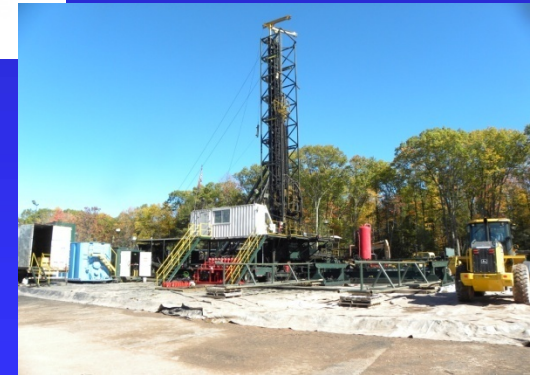
Water Resources



Environment



Old Issues



New Issues





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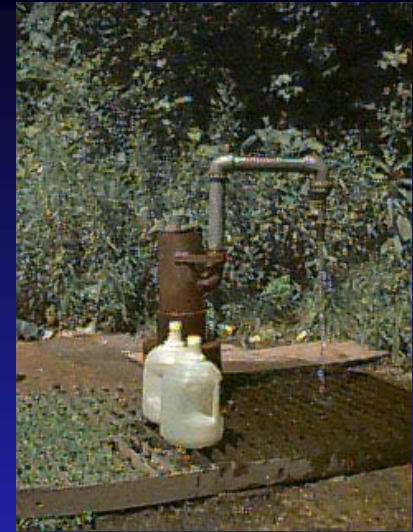
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- Water Quality Help Guides – Information Library
- Community and Business Outreach Programs
- Low Cost – Informational Water Testing Program with National Laboratory
- Citizen Monitoring Programs

Website: <http://www.water-research.net>

Announcements

- Announcement – New Private Well Owner and Watershed Survey for Marcellus Shale Region - Going to Offer **200 Free Radon in Water Tests**. <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NMG6RQ3>
- Want to host a community meeting to discuss baseline testing, gas migration, community monitoring, Citizen Groundwater/Surfacewater Database or other issues – call (570) 335-1947, bfenviro@ptd.net or Visit Us at <http://www.bfenvironmental.com>

New Fact Sheet Related to Methane Gas and Updating the Free Booklet for Private Well Owners.

Target Audience

- Stakeholders
- Community Advocates and Scientists
- Municipal and Local Officials
- Water Supplies and State Regulators
- Grassroots Conservation and Environmental Groups

What is the Marcellus Shale Factor?

- We have been educating private wellowners for 20+ years- but it was difficult to get citizens to test their well water. It looks clear – I am not sick – It is fine.
- The Marcellus Shale Factor – Baseline Testing for Natural Gas Development is conducting Testing and Citizens are be told they have a Problem NOW.
- Based on Private Well Construction and Placement - Some Private Wells may be the pathways for Contamination.
- **WE NEED TO PROTECT OUR SOURCE WATER- not just from Marcellus Shale Development and other hazards, but from “us” and our past.**
- **How do we track an unregulated activity – such as: Private Wells and Identify Zones or Areas that are Vulnerable to Contamination.**
- **This lead to the idea for creating the Citizen Groundwater / Surfacewater Database**

WE Support the Citizen Groundwater Database at
Wilkes University !



Goals

- Private Well Water Quality for the Region
- Existing Problems in Region
- Brief Introduction to Marcellus Shale and Importance of Proper Well Construction
- Review of Hydraulic Fracturing
- The Citizen Groundwater Database
- Well Monitoring and Purgings
- Chain-of-Custody
- Baseline Testing – What Parameters?
- Educating the Community



Private Wells/ Water Systems in Pennsylvania



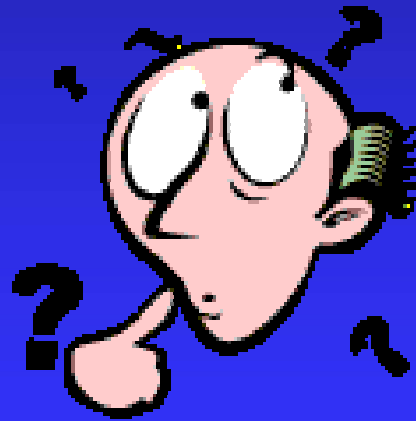
What ?



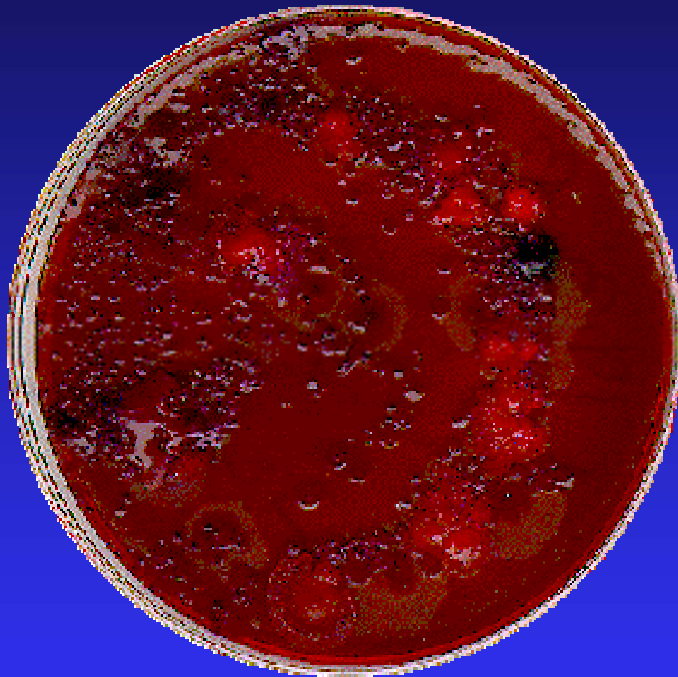
County	# of homes served by private water systems			Avg. Change in homes served by private water systems per year	% of all homes served by public water	% of all homes served by private water system
	1980	1990	2000			
Bradford	13,443	16,865	20,287	+342	37	63
Carbon	6,594	12,235	17,876	+564	55	45
Lackawanna	9,952	12,745	15,538	+279	86	14
Luzerne	19,994	24,662	29,330	+467	82	18
Monroe	21,129	37,246	53,363	+1612	32	68
Pike	9,441	16,875	24,309	+743	45	55
Sullivan	2,147	4,727	7,307	+258	13	87
Susquehanna	9,423	15,212	21,001	+579	25	75
Tioga	9,126	11,888	14,650	+276	35	65
Wayne	9,913	19,097	28,281	+918	33	67
Wyoming	7,236	8,657	10,078	+142	27	73
Region	118,398	180,209	242,020	+562	43	57

Our Groundwater is Pure and
Regulated?

Information We Know Without
Compiling the Baseline Water
Quality Data



Based on the geology of the NEPA and my 20 years experience, the **common** water quality problems are as follows:



Corrosive Water

Low pH

Soft Water (low hardness) to
Moderate Hardness

Iron and Manganese

Discolored Water – Reddish
to Brown Tints

Total Coliform Bacteria

Sulfur Odors and
Methane- Biogenic Gas
(Tends to be < 10 mg/L)

Radon Gas

Contamination by VOCs, SOCs,
Glycols, Saline Water (< 3 %), and Radionuclides
are NOT COMMON!

This is Drinking Water in PA?



50%

Corrosion



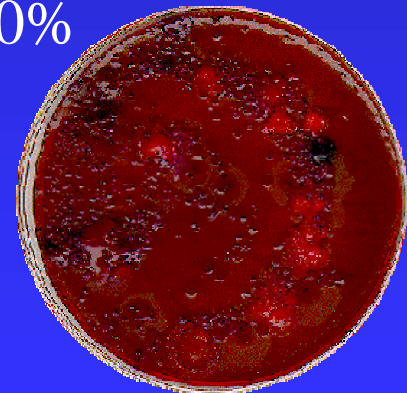
Iron / Manganese



Sediment / Gases



Other 50%



Bacteria



Drinking Water Regulations

The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), passed in 1974 and amended in 1986 and 1996, gives the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) the authority to set drinking water standards.

These standards are divided into two broad categories: Primary Standards (NPDWR) and Secondary Standards (NSDWR).

Primary Standards (NPDWR)

National Primary Drinking Water Regulations

Primary standards protect drinking water quality by limiting the levels of specific contaminants that can adversely affect public health and are known or anticipated to occur in water. They take the form of Maximum Contaminant Levels or Treatment Techniques.

There are over 100 chemical and biological primary drinking water standards, which include: trace metals, disinfection agents, disinfection by-products, radiological, microbiological agents, and organic chemicals.

Examples: Arsenic, Lead, MTBE, total coliform, *Giardia*, Trihalomethanes, Asbestos, Copper, Benzene, Trichloroethane, etc.

Secondary Standards

National Secondary Drinking Water Regulations

These standards were established more for cosmetic effects (such as skin or tooth discoloration) or aesthetic effects (such as taste, odor or color) in drinking water.

The secondary standards include: aluminum, chloride, color, corrosivity, fluoride, foaming agents, iron, manganese, odor, pH, silver, sulfate, total dissolved solids, and zinc.

Private Wells Not Regulated

- Private Wells Are Not Regulated under Safe Drinking Water Act
 - ◆ EPA – NO
 - ◆ PADEP – NO
 - ◆ County – Very Few Counties in PA
 - ◆ Townships – some have basic ordinance on placement- some have comprehensive requirements

Private Wells - The Facts

- Are they Regulated?
 - ◆ Not really – no state-wide construction standard
 - ◆ Not Classified as a Regulated Source
- Are they Permitted?
 - ◆ May be the Licensed Well Driller Submitted a Log
 - ◆ Maybe a permit issued at the local level
- Are they Tested?
 - ◆ Not required- Data not stored
- Do we know where they are located?
 - ◆ Maybe +/- a few hundred feet.
 - ◆ PaGWIS - PA Groundwater Information System

Factor - Private Wells / Landowners



1. Concerns about groundwater quality
2. Concerns related to surfacewater quality.
3. They have never tested the water
4. They had testing done, but no-one explained the results.
5. There is no program to help fix existing problems.

Some Believe Their Water is PURE H₂O
- It is not.

Before Marcellus Shale Development What was the Quality of Private Well Water?

A USGS survey found that 70% of private wells were contaminated. This contamination could result in acute or chronic health concerns (1996).

Testing Conducted under my supervision at Wilkes University in through out the United States indicates that 30 to over 50 % may be contaminated – Mostly by Total Coliform Bacteria (1989 – 2011).

PSU – Master Well Owner Network suggests that 33 to 50 % of Private Well Owners in PA may have some form of contamination.

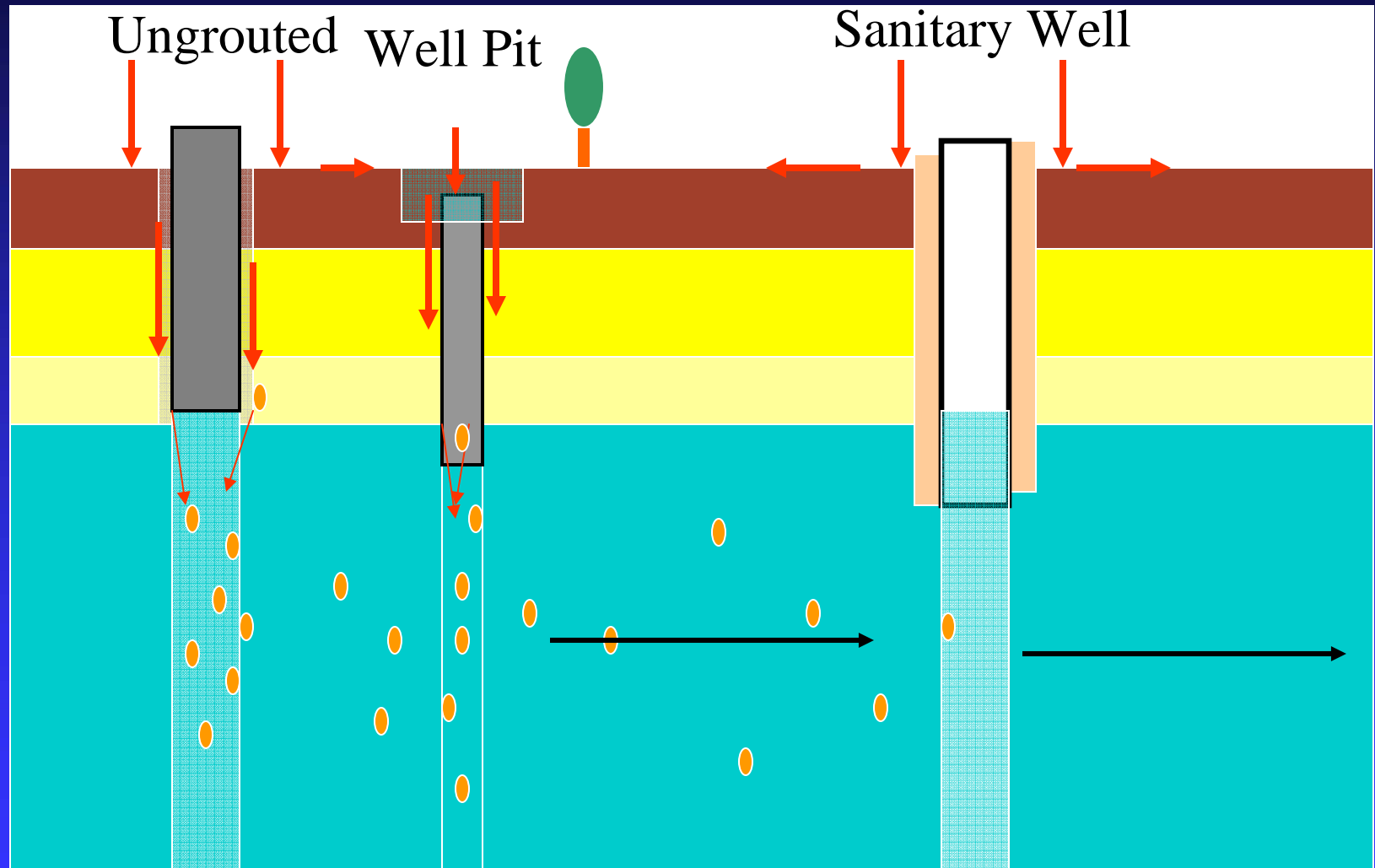
Most Contamination appears to be associated with Total Coliform Bacteria



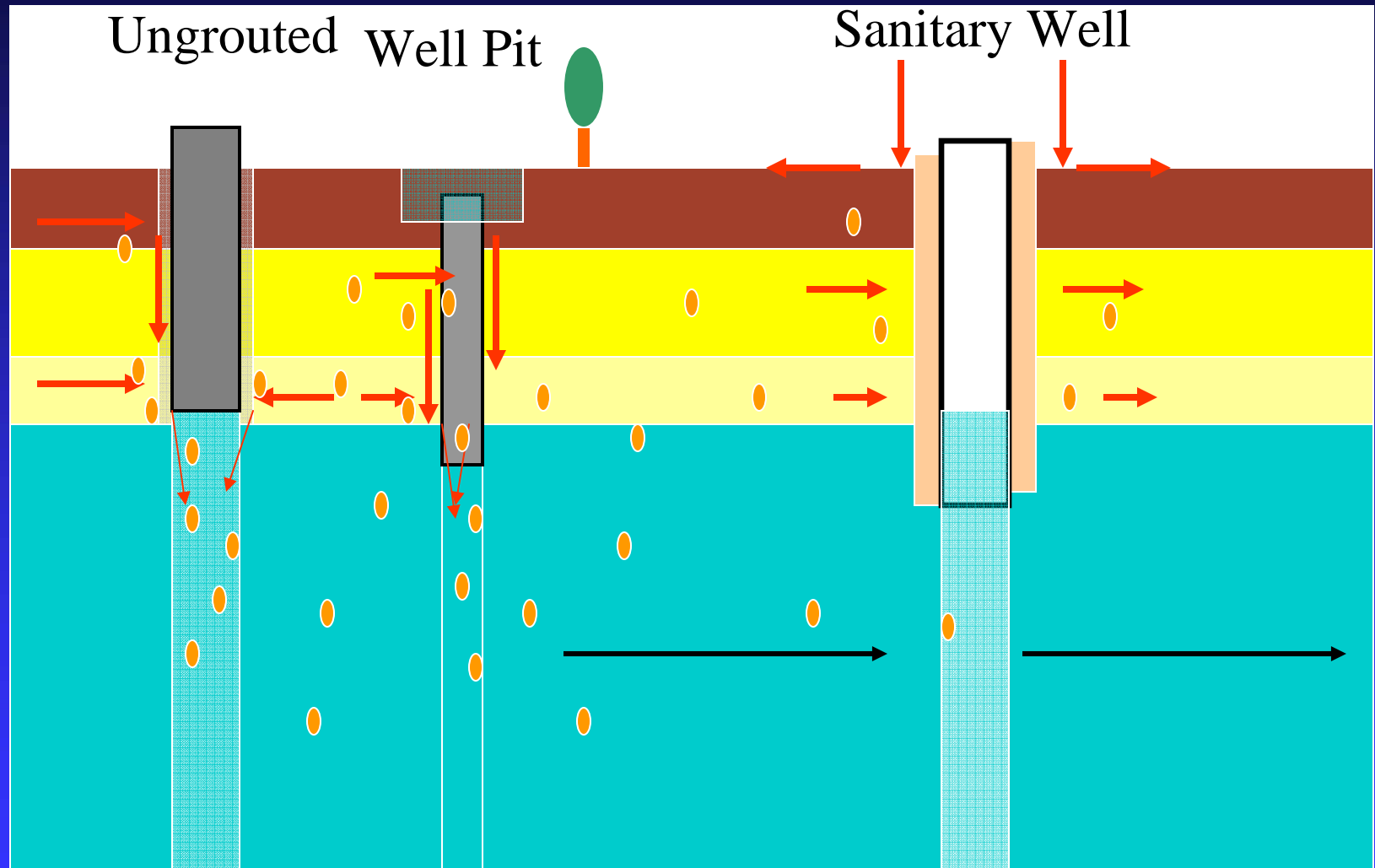
- Insects, Larvae and Nests / Egg Masses
- Mouse Colonies
- Snakes
- Beehives
- Mud - when casing to close to ground

Therefore – In some cases - the Private Wells are Facilitating Groundwater Contamination.

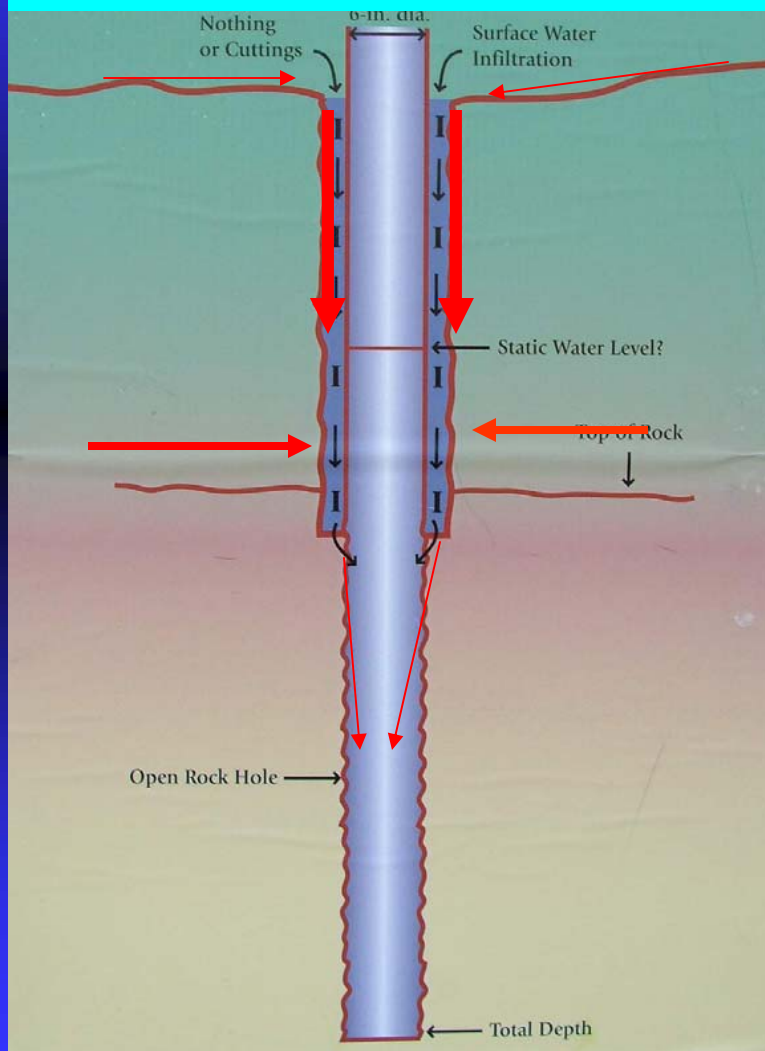
How Contaminants Can Get In to the Aquifer (Surface)



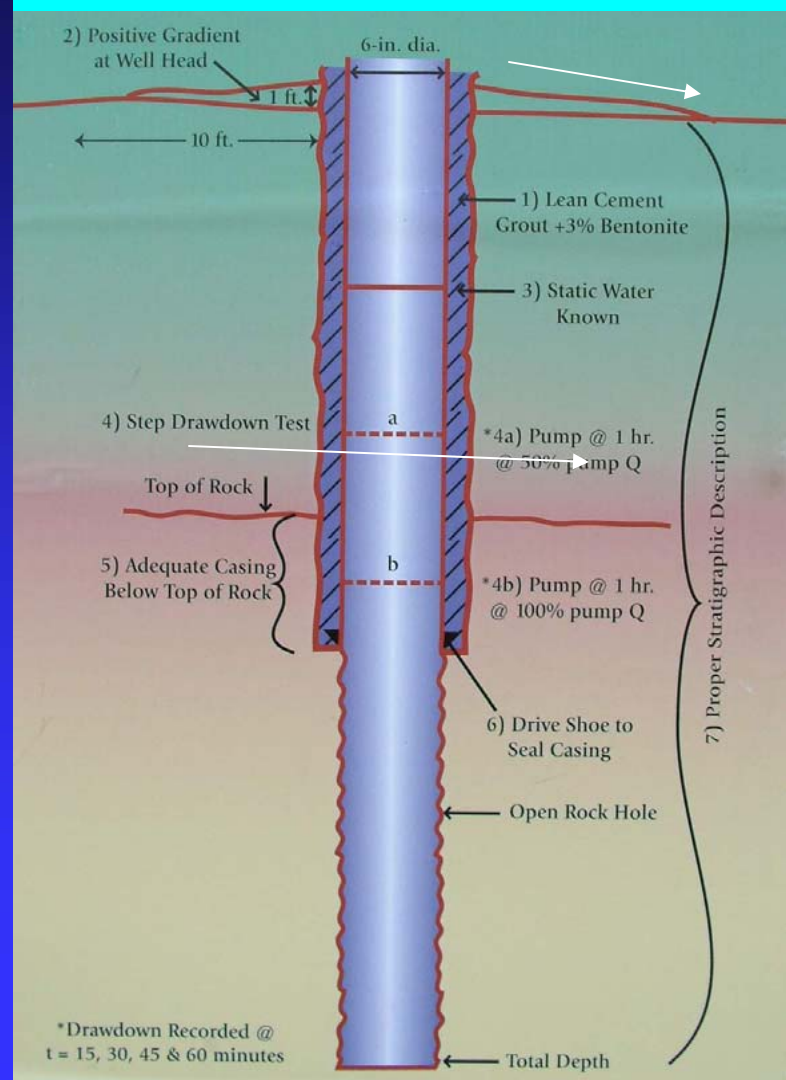
How Contaminants Can Get In to the Aquifer (Subsurface)



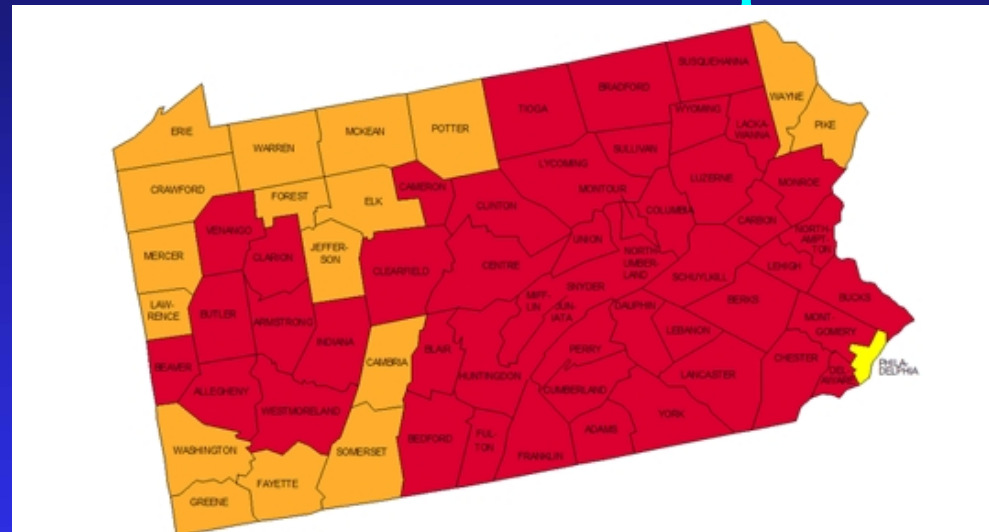
An UngROUTED Residential Well



A Properly Grouted Well



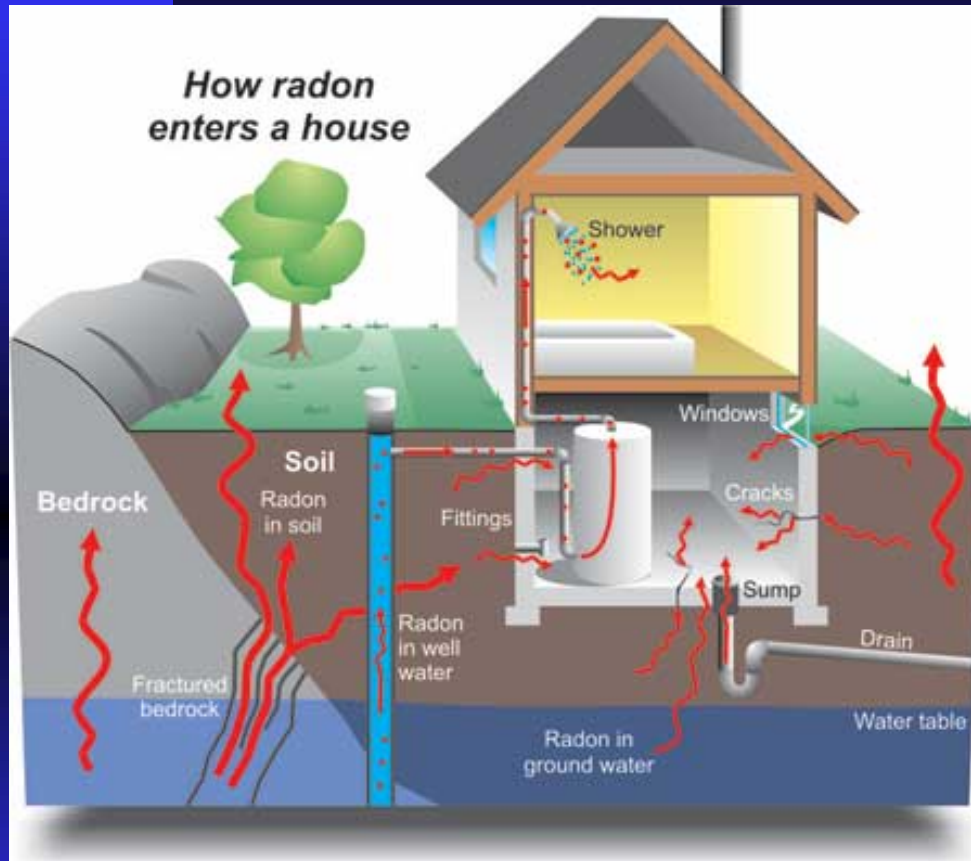
Radon (In Air)- PA Recommend < 4 pCi/L



Susquehanna County – 48 % < 2 pCi/L, but 31 % > 4 pCi/L

Bradford County – 38 % < 2 pCi/L, but 43 % > 4 pCi/L

Radon Exposure



Radon in Water – no Standard, but proposed range 300 to 4000 pCi/L

Recent testing in Susquehanna/Luzerne County at 577 to 2200 pCi/L – 100% over 300 pCi/L

Recommendations

1. Test indoor radon in air levels.
2. If radon in air > 2 pCi/L- test the radon level in the water.
3. Add to Community Baseline Testing Program

Methane in Water

- Methane has been a hidden issue in NEPA.
- The gas is colorless, tasteless, and odorless and there are no known health effects.
- Potential concerns relate to flammability/explosiveness of gas.
- Background – appears to range from non-detect to over 20+ mg/L (highly variable) in Northeast Pennsylvania.
- I made my first well water sample burn in about 1989- thanks to methane gas.

Methane Gas

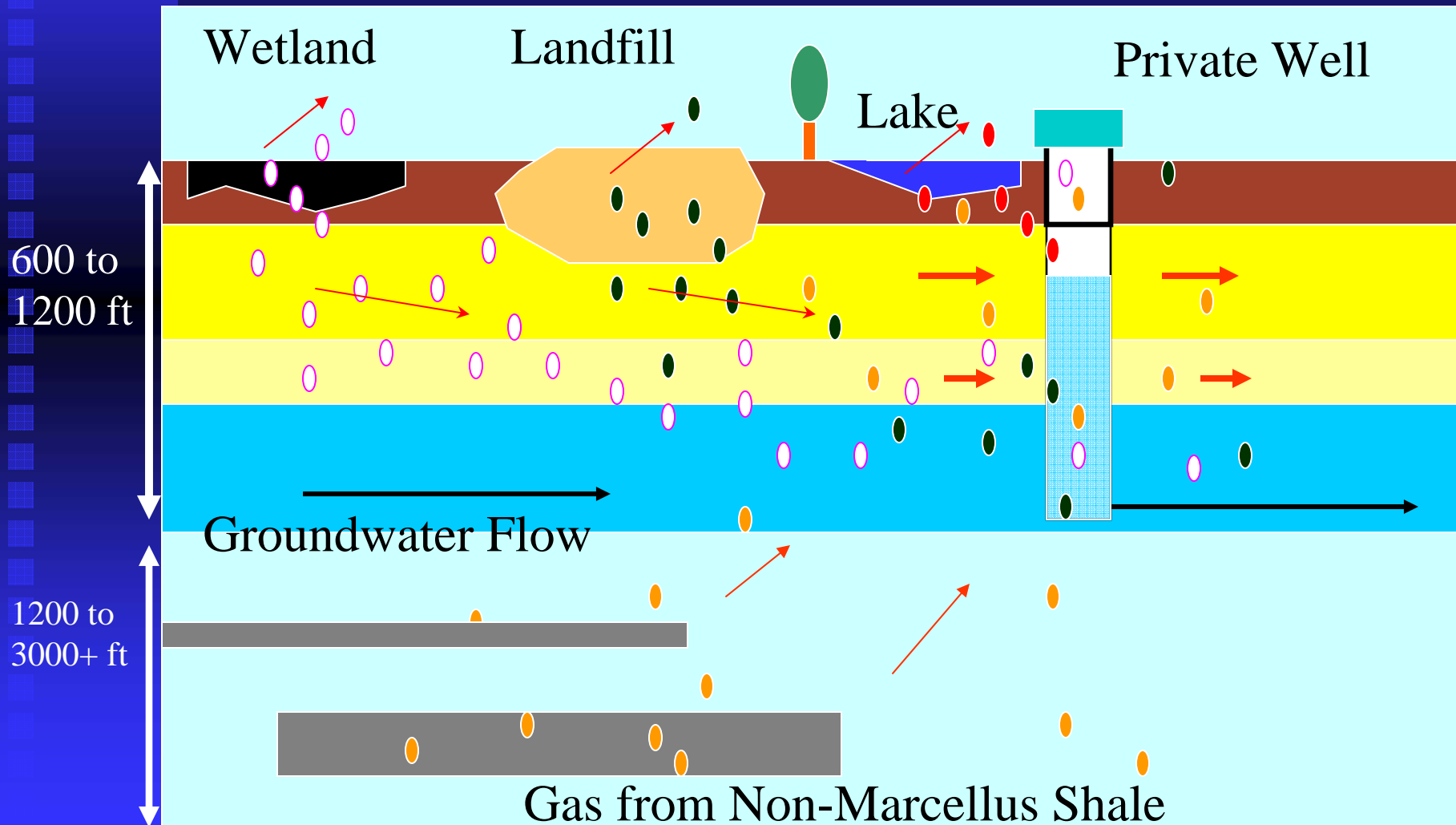


Video from Salt Springs State Park – Fall 2010, by Brian Oram

<http://www.friendsofsaltspringspark.org>

“At the base of the gorge is a bubbling salt spring, traces of an 1850s woolen mill, and mid-19th century farmhouses and barns.”

Methane Gas Migration- Not Related to Marcellus Shale

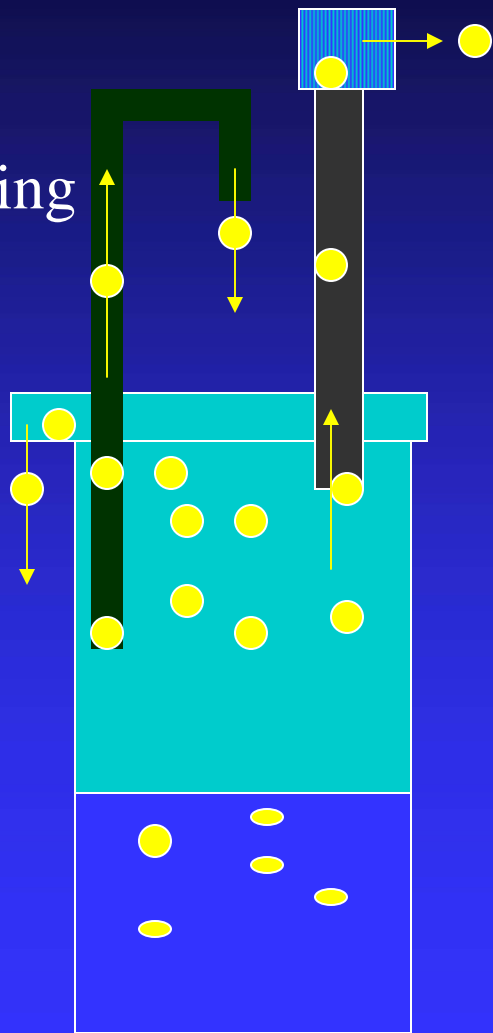


Methane (a little more)

- The Coal regions and northern portion of NEPA, and areas associated with the Mahantango / Marcellus Shale may have elevated levels of methane.
- No drinking water limit, but Office of Surface Mines recommends monitoring for concentrations from 10 to < 28 mg/L and immediate action for concentrations > 28 mg/L
- My Recommendations:
 - ◆ < 2 mg/L – Monitor annually with passive venting
 - ◆ > 2 to 7 mg/L – Real-Time Monitoring with passive venting.
 - ◆ > 7 mg/L to < 10 mg/L – active venting, Isotopic Analysis – “Like fingerprinting the source of the gas”
 - ◆ > 10 mg/L – Treatment , plus active venting and Isotopic Analysis

Methane Ventilation, process will also work for Radon and Hydrogen Sulfide

Passive Venting

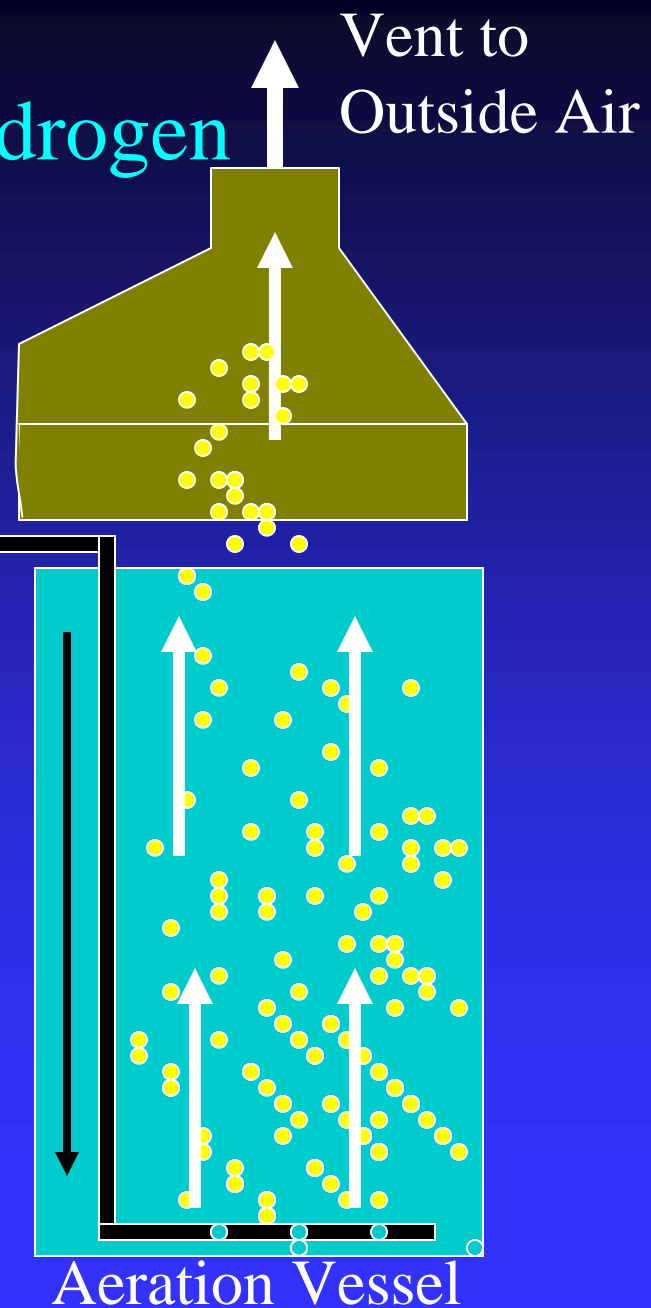


Well Cap
Ventilation

Add
Air

(P)

Well



Problems with Iron, Manganese, and Sulfur – May be Bacterially Related



In Northeastern PA- “Nuisance Bacteria may be associated with an Odor, Iron, Manganese, or Sulfur problem. Up to 50% of the time.

Make sure to test for total coliform, standard plate count, and Nuisance Bacteria.



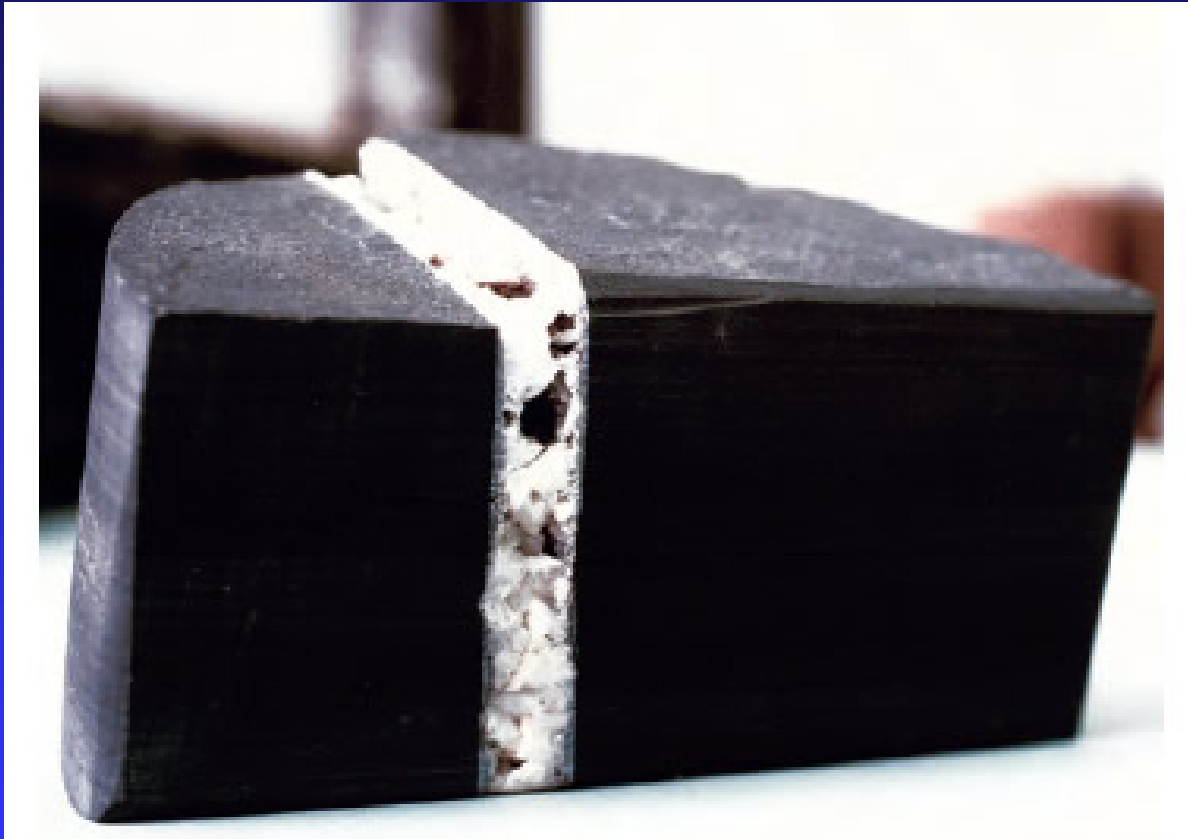
These may impact the performance of any water treatment system.

Marcellus Shale- What is it?

Dr. Sid Halsor
Holding a Core Sample from
About 7800 feet



Marcellus Shale



This is Causing all the Concern?

Geological Sequence

Time	Period	Deposit or Rock Type
0 to 1.8 million years	Quaternary – Glaciation	sand, silt, clay, and gravel
1.8 to 290 million	Tertiary to Permian	Not present (eroded and weathered)
290 – 320 million	Pennsylvanian	Llewellyn (coal) and Pottsville (minor coal)
320 – 354 million	Mississippian	Mauch Chunk Pocono and Spechty Kopf
354 - 417 million	Devonian	Catskill Formation Trimmers Rock Formation Mahantango Formation Marcellus Formation (Black Shale)- Target Onondaga Formation
417 – 443 million	Silurian	(calcareous sandy shale)

OLDER
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385 Million Years Ago



Source: <http://www2.nau.edu/rcb7/nam.html>

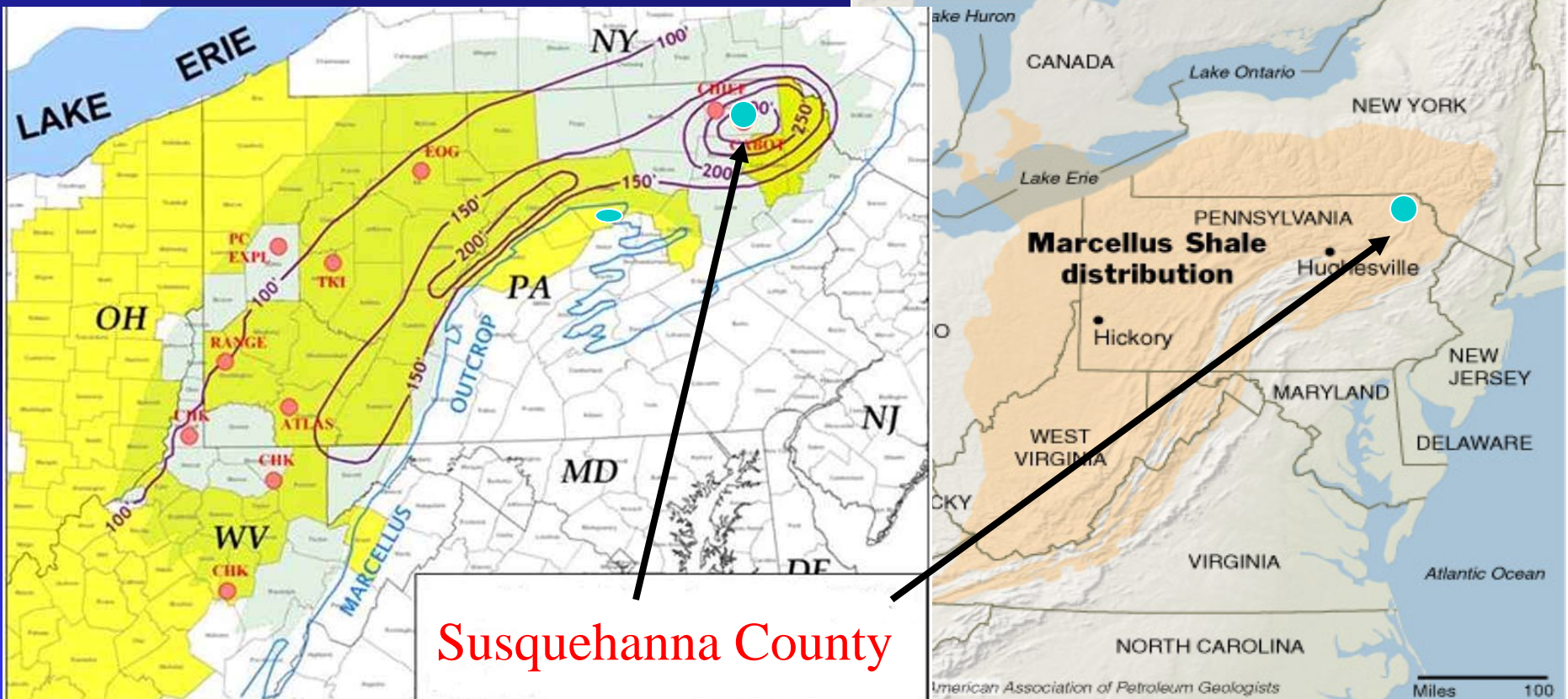
Looking Back 400 million Years



Barkley, 2009

Marcellus Shale- Natural Gas Play

84 to 500 trillion cubic feet



Shale may be 300+ feet thick.

■ Marcellus Shale Development

- ◆ Drilling
- ◆ Casing
- ◆ Cement
- ◆ What are the weaknesses?
- ◆ What are the contaminants of concern?
- ◆ Where to monitor?

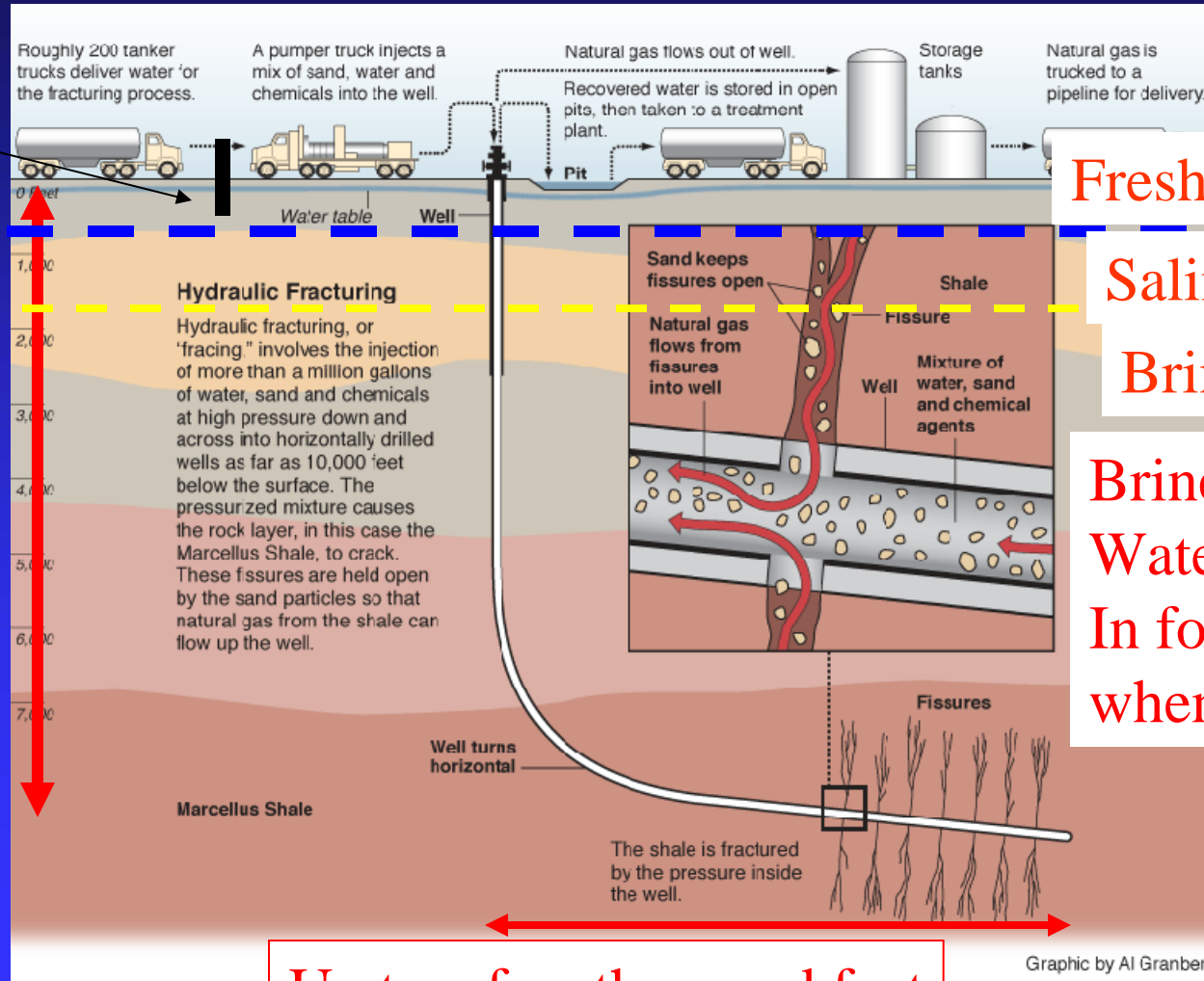
Marcellus Shale Drilling Site



Total disturbed pads areas can be 5 acres – but one pad may support drilling multiple horizontal wells.

Getting to The Natural Gas

Freshwater Well



Freshwater

Saline

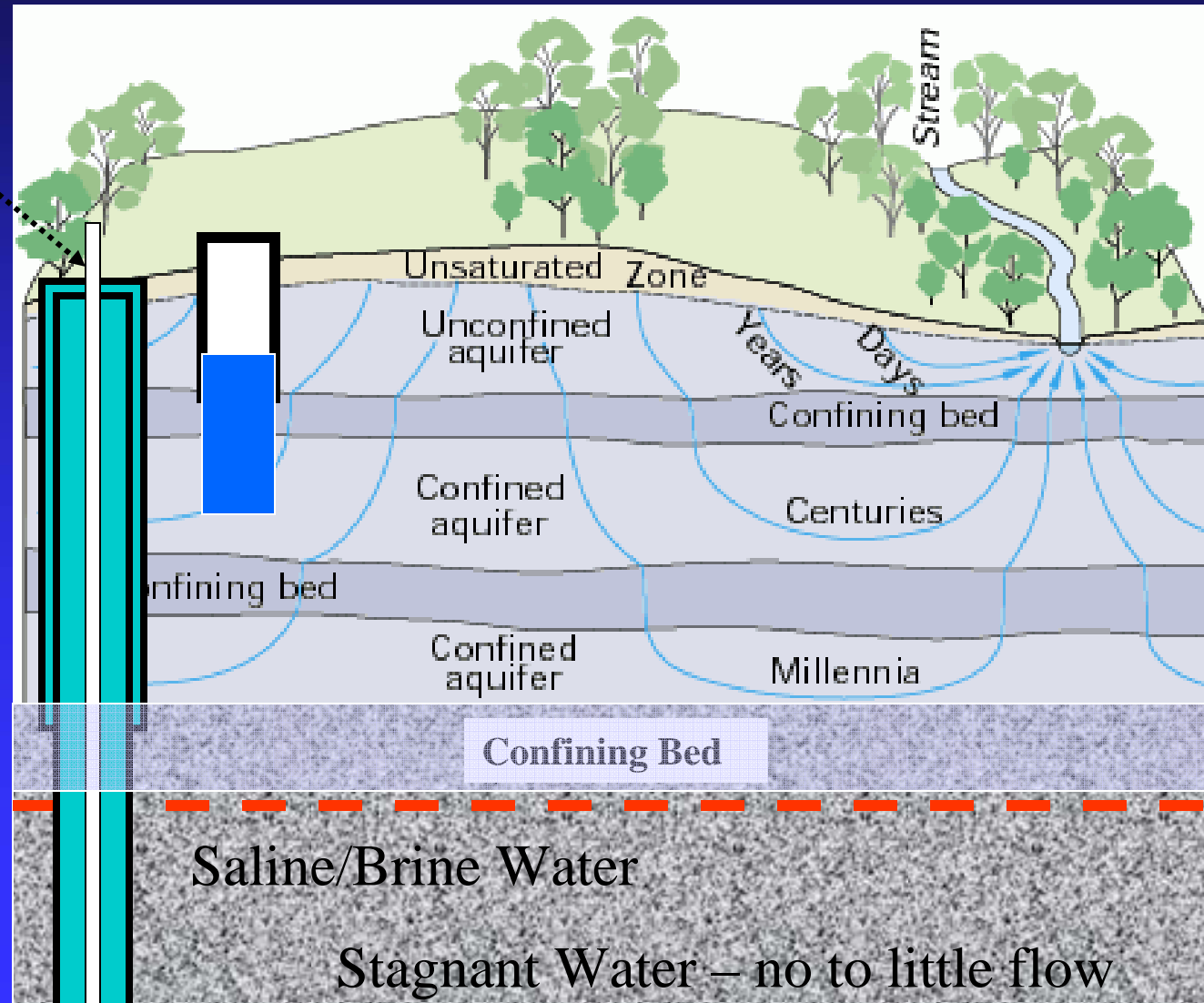
Brine

Brine / connate
Water- Trapped
In formation
when deposited

5000 to
7000 feet

Up to a few thousand feet

Properly Constructed Wells and Ideal Natural Gas Wells

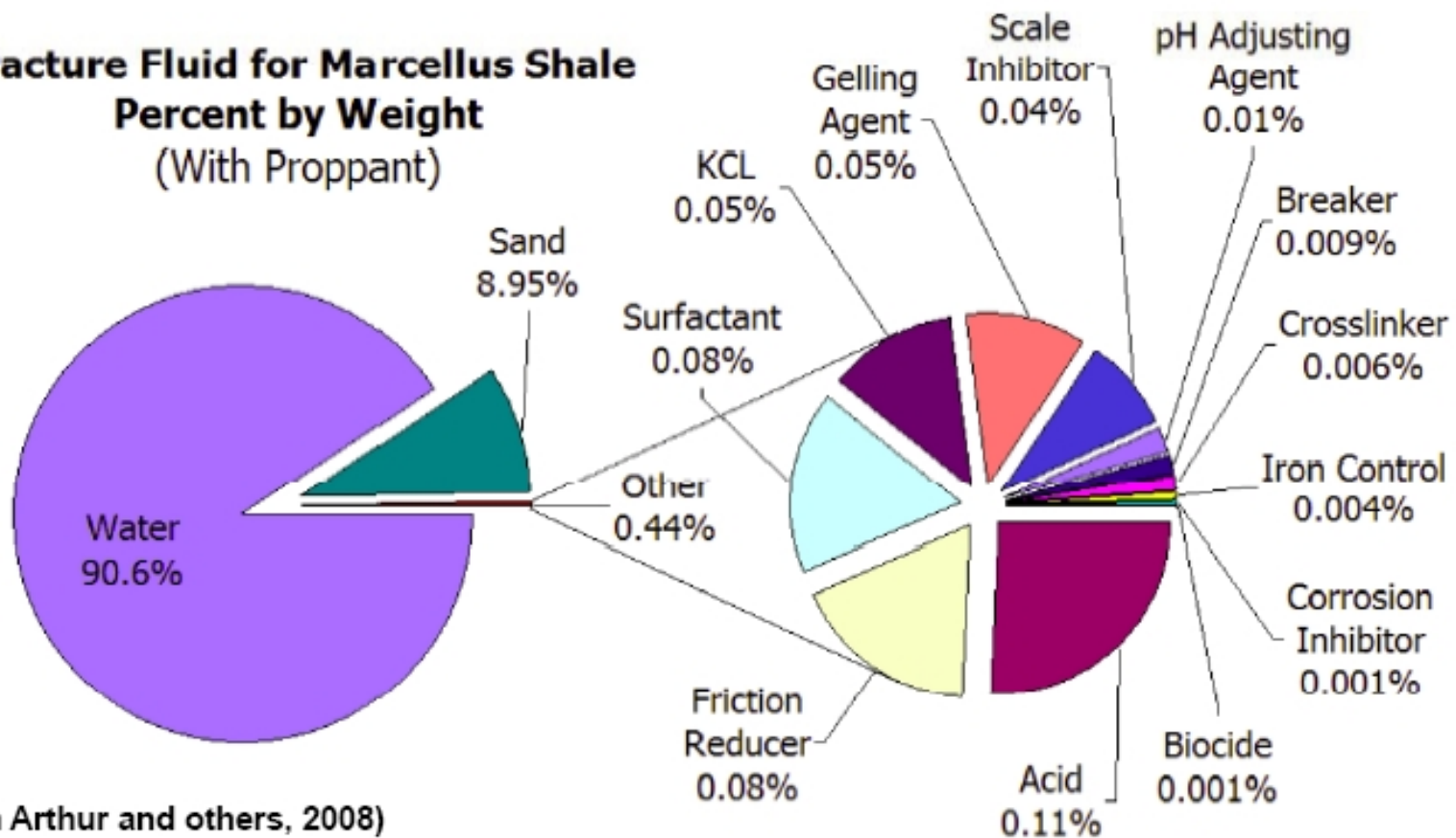


Sea Level

Types of Fluids - Associated with Marcellus Shale

- Top hole fluids – typically the water from the freshwater aquifer. This water from the first 600 to 1200 feet.
- Bottom hole fluids – brine or connate water.
- Stimulation Fluids – fluid used to improve recovery (frac process)- includes biocides and other chemicals.
- Production Fluids – water produced along the natural gas release – similar to bottom hole fluid.

Fracture Fluid for Marcellus Shale Percent by Weight (With Proppant)



(from Arthur and others, 2008)

Arthur et. al., 2008 – All Consulting – “ Natural Gas Wells of the Marcellus Shale”, Presented at Groundwater Protection Council 2008 Annual Forum.

Active Marcellus Production Site – Frac Fluid Chemistry

Typically Frac Water is comprised of clean water with a low probably for scale formation, but treated effluents and other sources being evaluated.

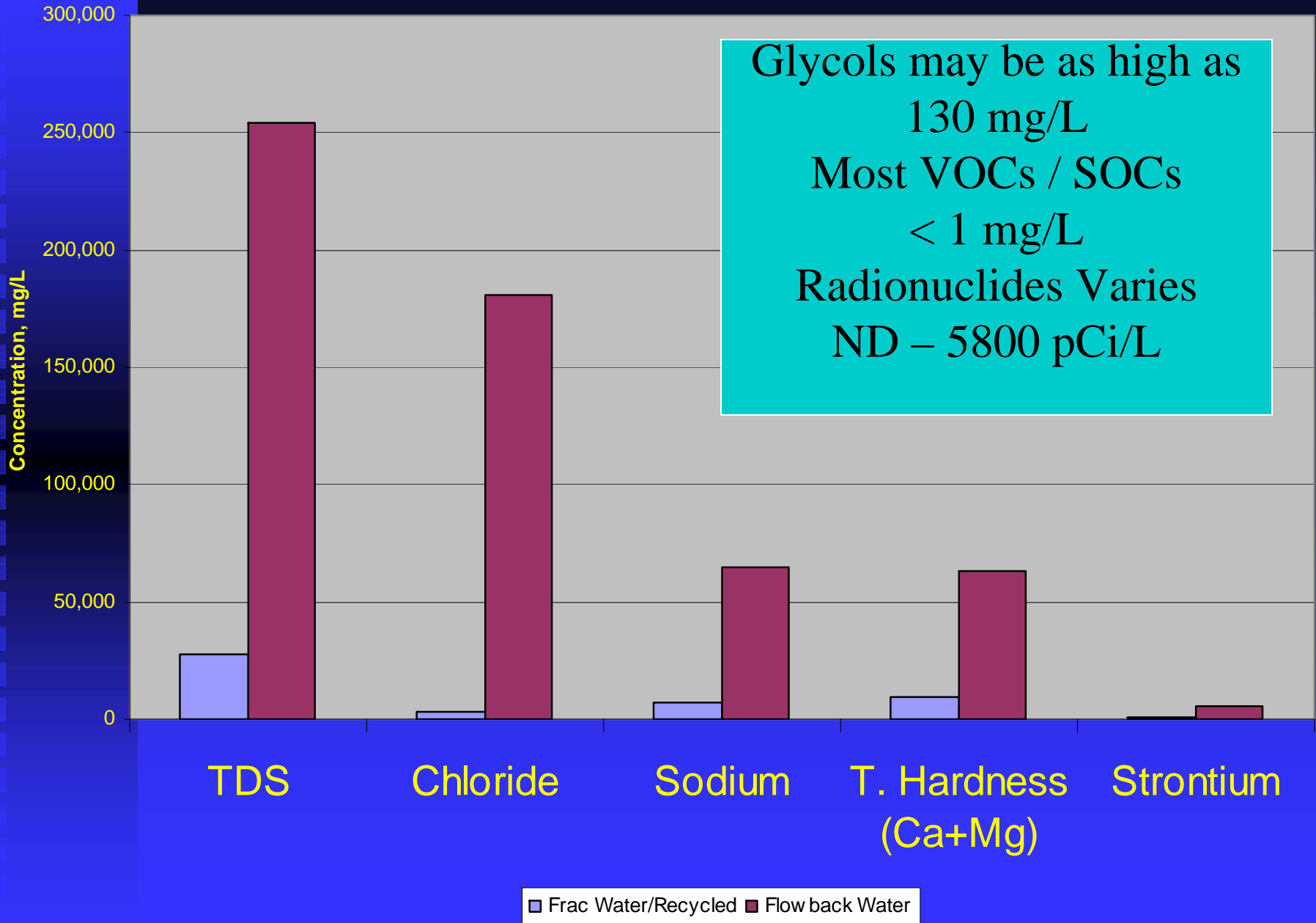
The components include:

Friction Reducer – anionic polymer high molecular weight
(hold frac sand and other particles)

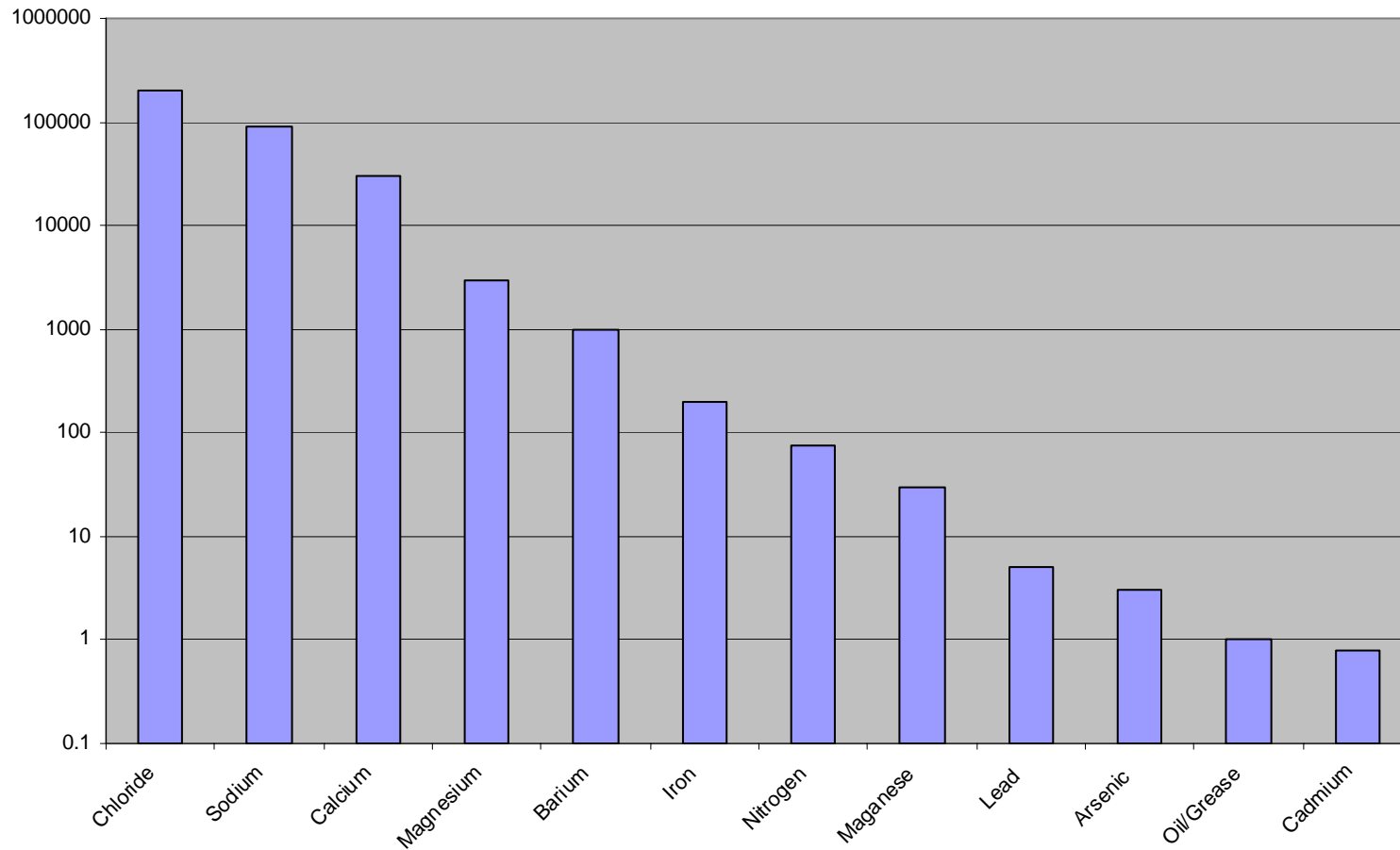
Wetting Agent- nonionic surfactant – reduce surface tension and improve frac water flowback.

Biocides- control growth or regrowth of microorganisms.

Scale Inhibitor – phosphate based chemicals to inhibit precipitate formation and scale formation.



Approximate Flowback Water - Wastewater Chemistry Concentration - mg/L (Source: PSU and Marcellus Shale Coalition)



More Data can be found at <http://www.bfenvironmental.com>

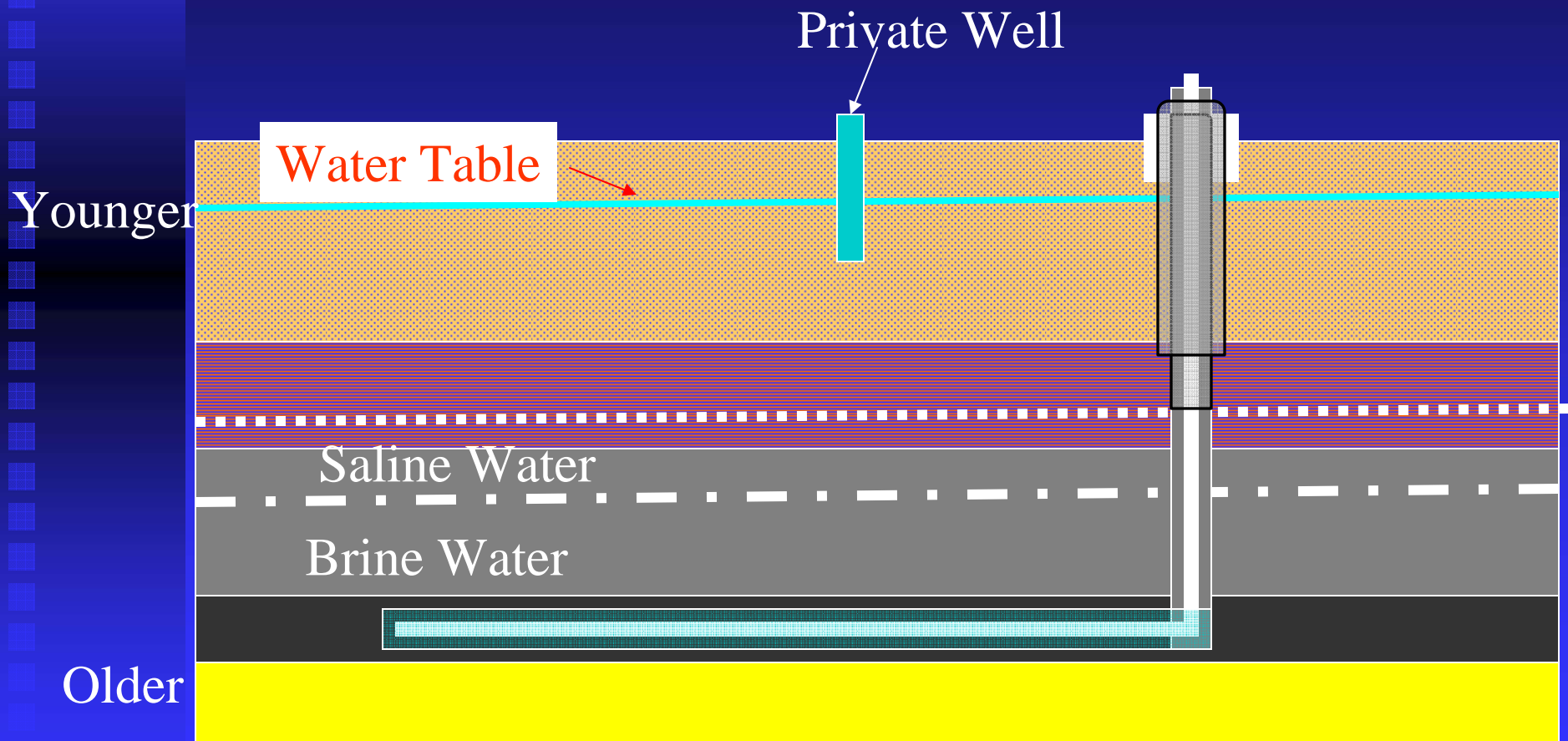
Concerns Related to Marcellus Shale

- In general, the concerns are related to the following:
 - ◆ Surface Spills and Releases Near Surface
 - ◆ Methane Gas Migration
 - ◆ Pushes and Slugs associated with Improper Cementing and not Properly Sealing the Existing Confining Layers
 - ◆ Improper Disposal of Brines
 - ◆ Freshwater Aquifer Contamination by brine water and drilling fluids/ muds.
 - ◆ Drilling fluids may contain environmental contaminations (metals and organics).

Frac Water Chemical Disclosures

- FracFocus” - <http://fracfocus.org/>. - the hydraulic fracturing chemical registry website.
- This website is a joint project of the Ground Water Protection Council Interstate Oil and Gas Compact

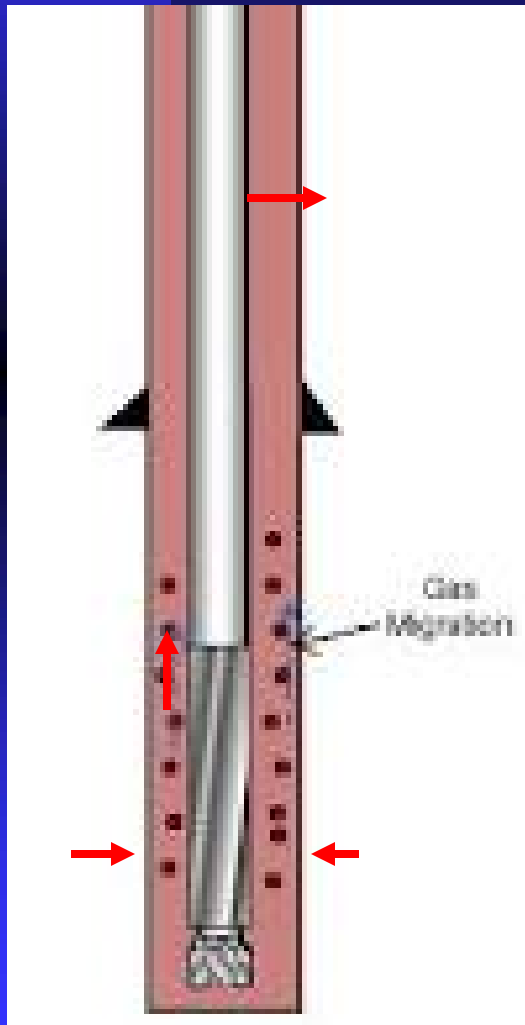
General Geology- Susquehanna County



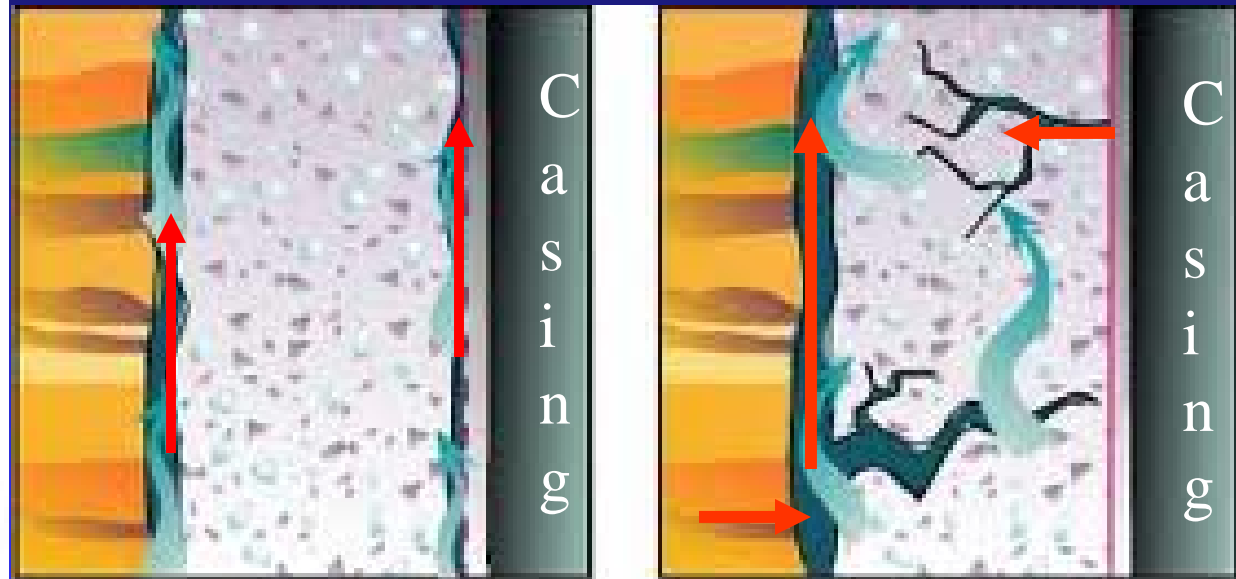
Protective Casing – Do it Right !

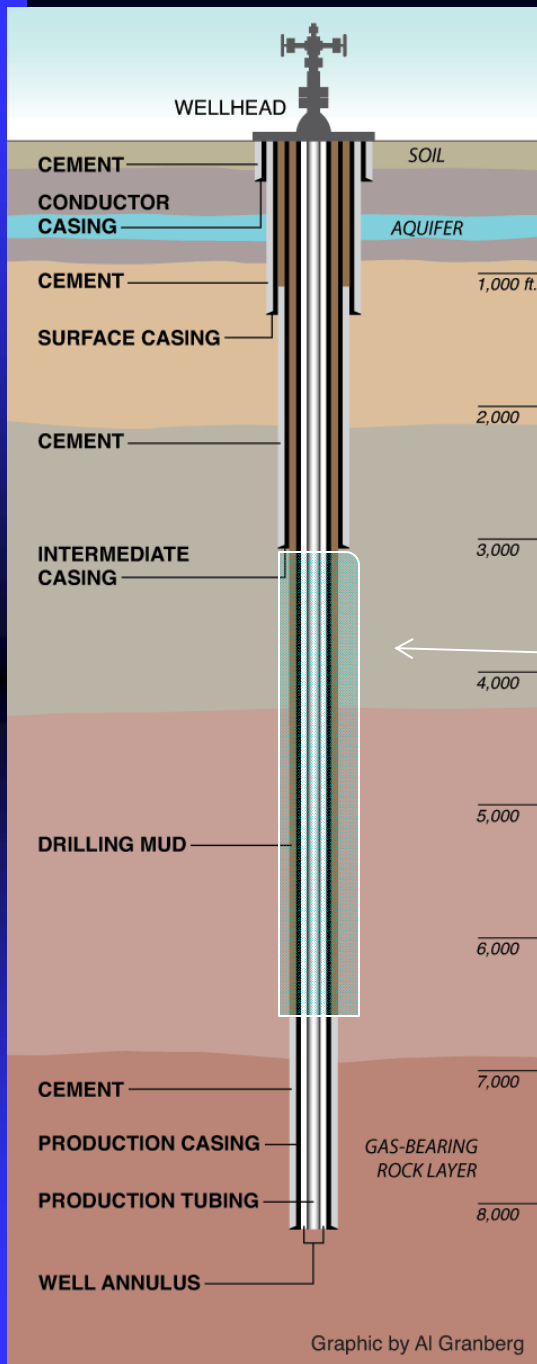


Problems with Gas Migration and Cement



Does not Bound





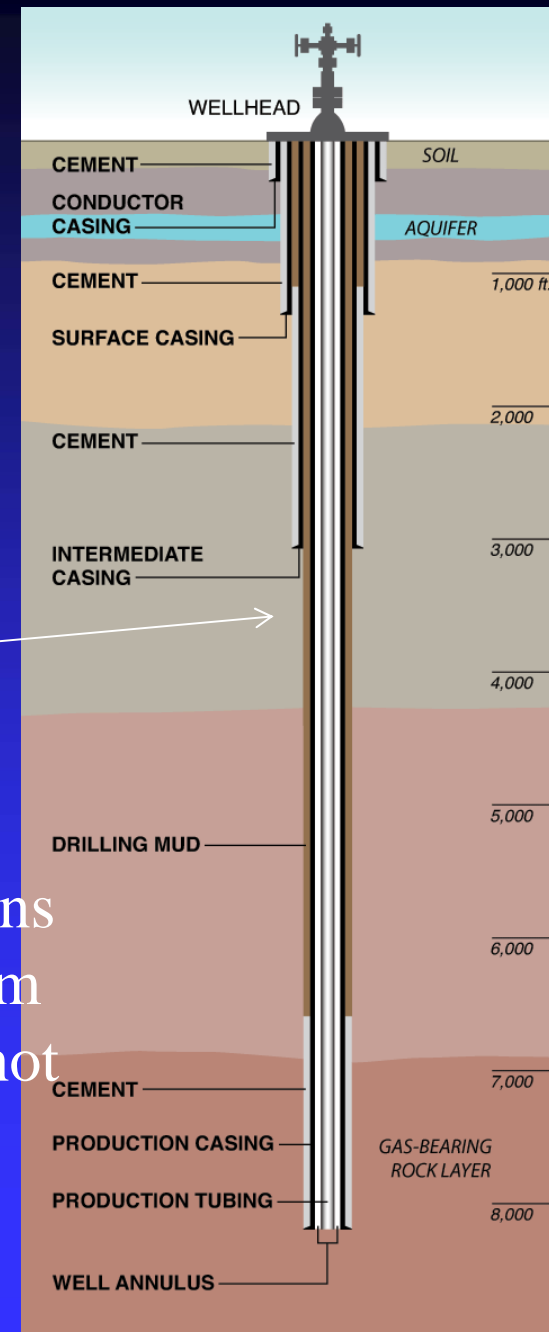
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Typical Well

Additional Cemented Zones

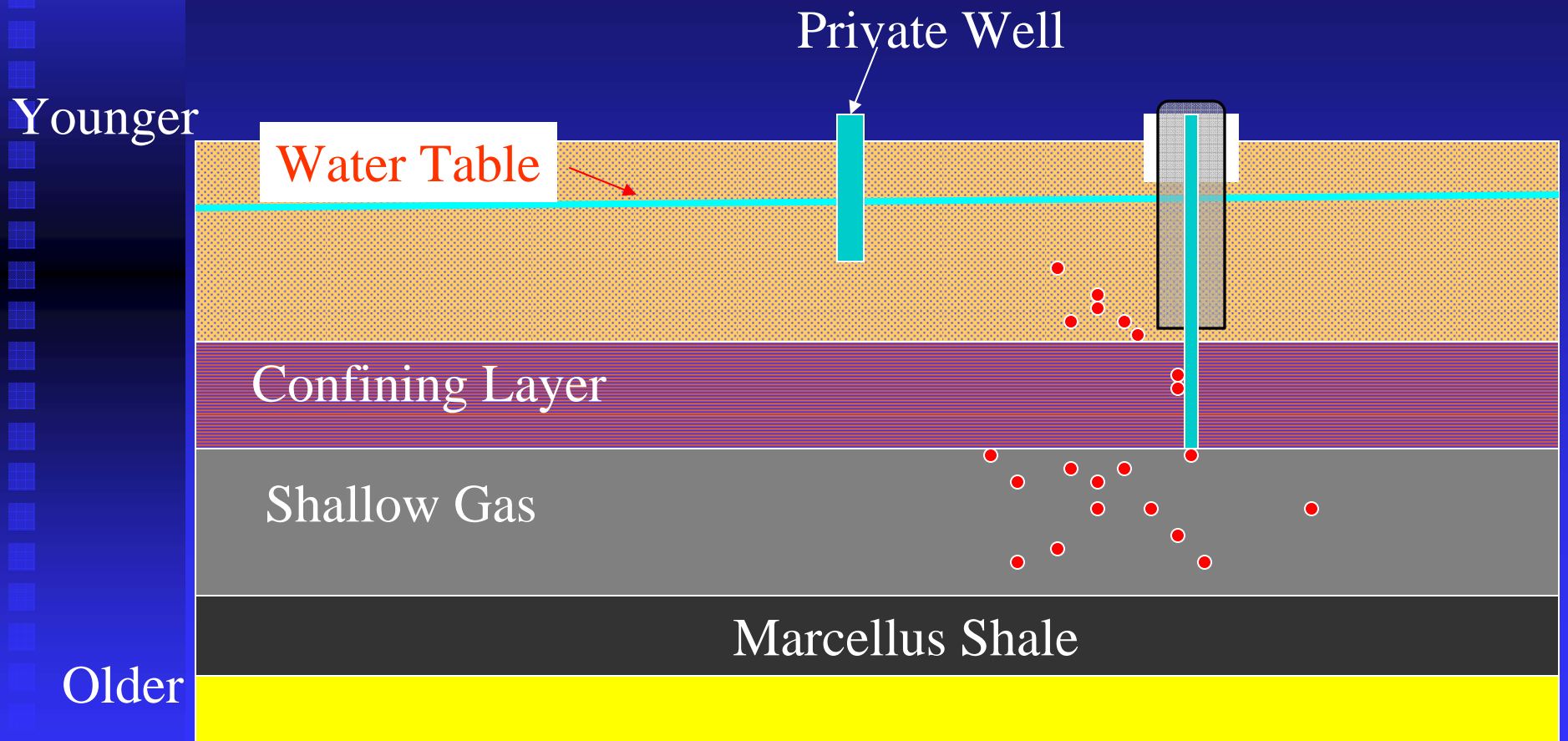
This Zone should be cemented

Even after new regulations
There may be a zone from
1500 to 2000 feet thick not
Cemented.

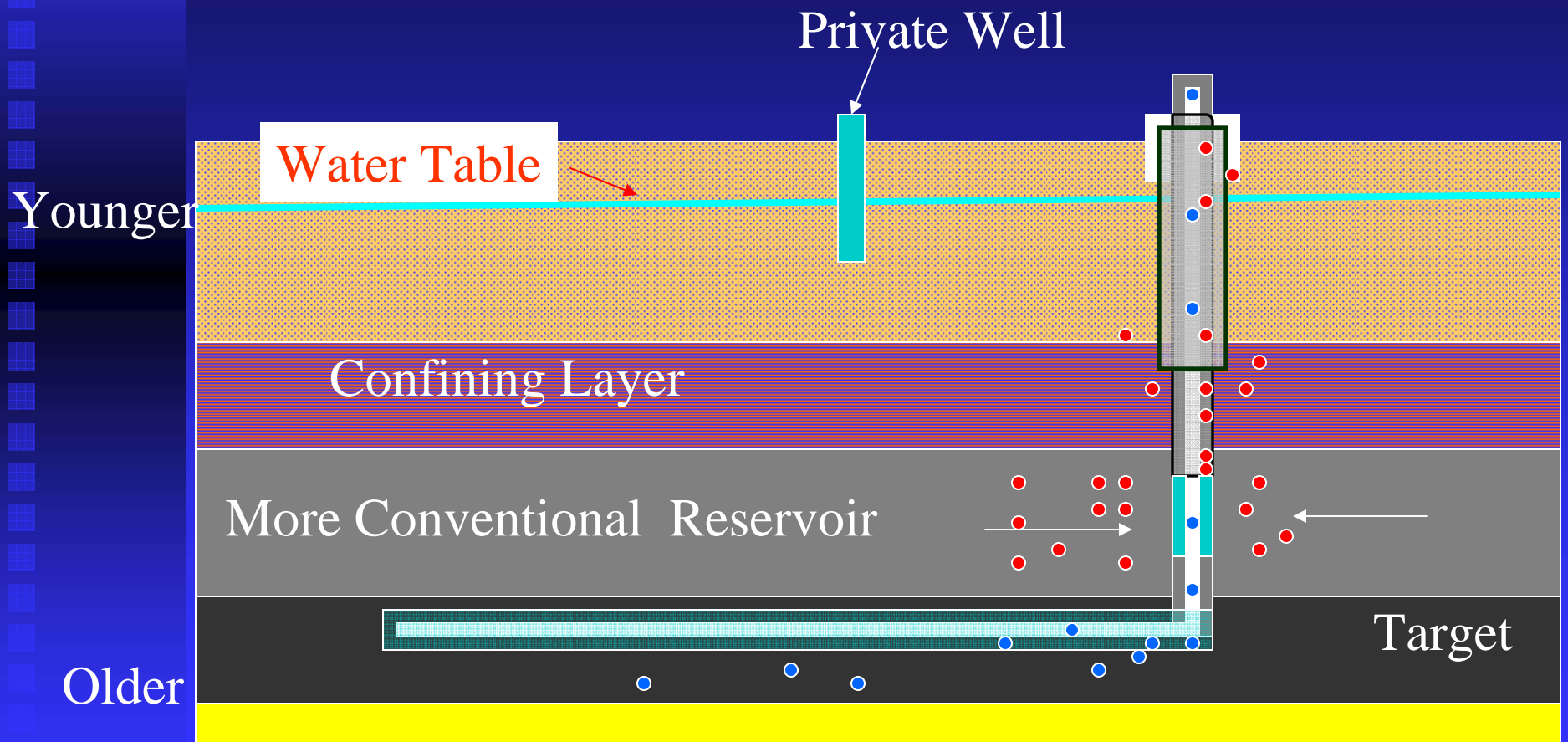


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Migration Concepts- Non-Marcellus Shale - While Drilling- Proper Casement Placement



Migration Concepts- Multiple Casements and Recreate Confining Layers- Need Good Cement Bonds- Cement up to Deepest Casement or Surface



Migration



■ Citizen Database



Goal of the Database

- Provide a Central Location to Store Baseline Pre-Drilling and/or Post-Drilling Water Quality Data for the Region
- Document Quality by Geological Formation
- Identify Existing Regional Issues or Concerns
- Provide an Un-Biased Community Resource
- Provide a Mechanism to Track Temporal, Spatial, and other Geospatial Variation in Water Quality.



Citizen Database at Wilkes University- Guidelines for Submission

II. Guidelines for Data Submission

1. Third Party Samplers following chain-of-custody to certified laboratory.
2. Submit detailed reports from certified laboratory with a GPS position for the well.
3. The water sample must be collected ahead of any water treatment system.
4. other conditions – Learn More at the Wilkes University Website.

Learn More –
<http://www.wilkes.edu/water>

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Recent Baseline Testing in Luzerne County, PA 320 Private Wells

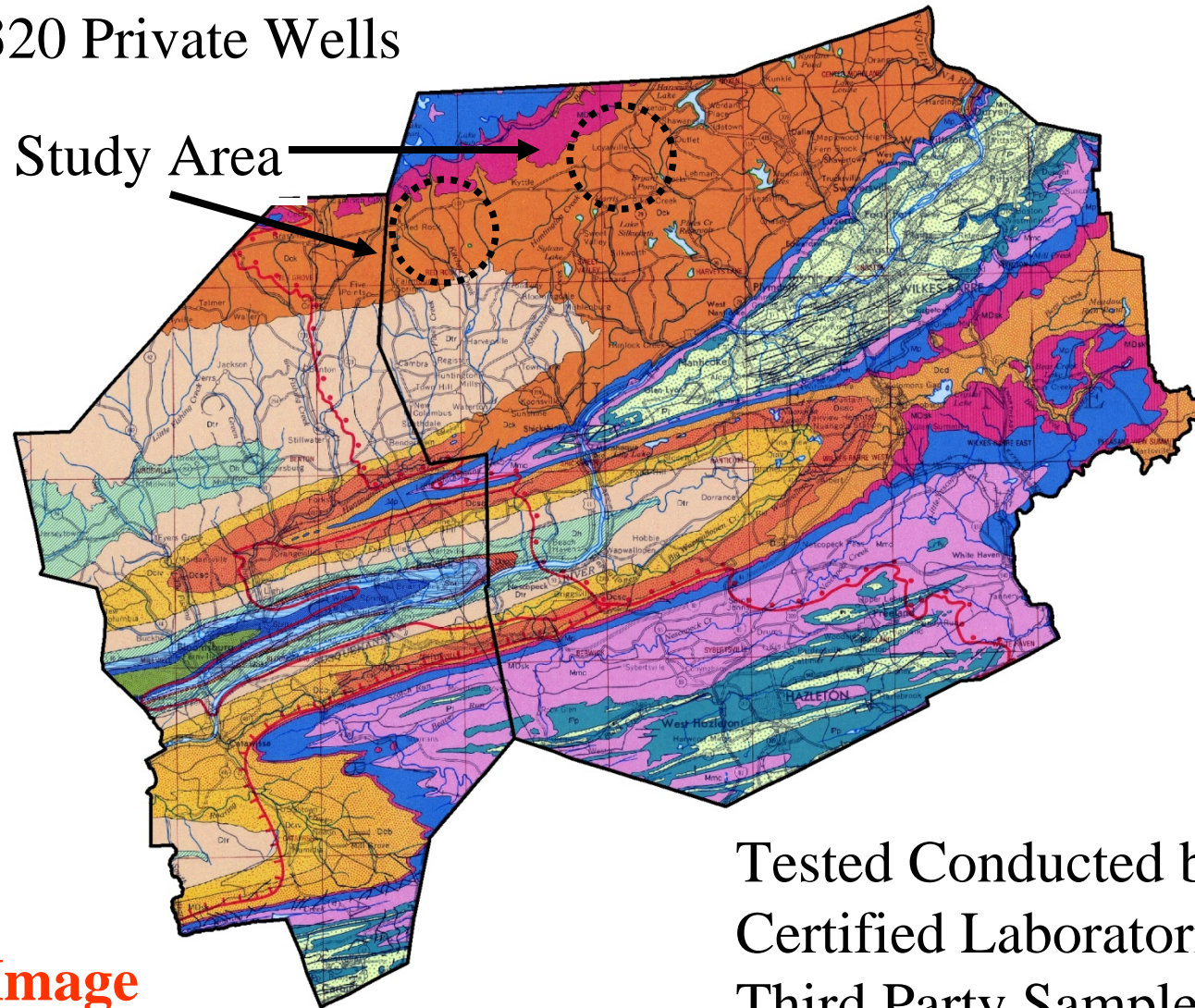
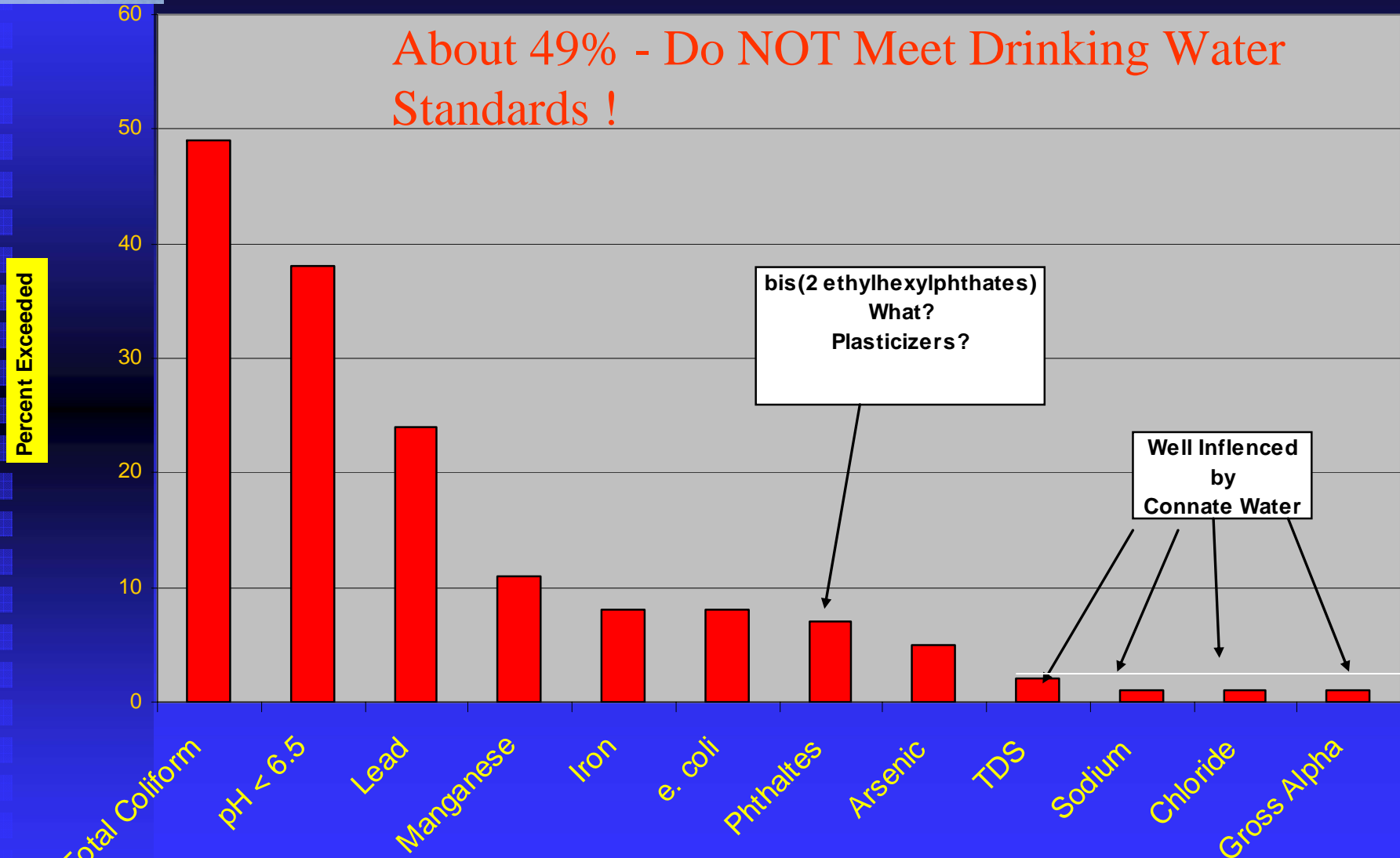


Image
Source: Luzernecounty.org

Tested Conducted by
Certified Laboratories
Third Party Samplers
Not Wilkes University

Source – Wilkes University Database

About 49% - Do NOT Meet Drinking Water Standards !



Connate water is water that was trapped in formation when material was deposited.

What are Phthalates?

- Used as Plasticizers- is a substance which when added to a material, usually a plastic, makes it flexible and easier to handle.
- Bis(2thylhexylphthalte) (DEHP) – DW Standard – 6 ppb – GI problems, possible endocrine disruptor and carcinogen.
- Recent Testing – Highest Value was 60 ppb.
- How did this get in the aquifer?

How ? Not Sure – Here are Some Ideas

- Trace Level or near Detection Limit may be related to contamination during field sampling or laboratory testing, but this does not appear to account for levels at or above the drinking water standard.

Other Sources

- Private Wells Not Regulated and there are no plumbing codes.
- Sources – PVC plastic piping used in the home.
- Sources – Drop Pipe and Delivery Piping used in the well.

This is only a hypothesis.

Sometimes we also see hits for **Vinyl Chloride** and **Toluene**

(What the electric Tape !!!!)

The Marcellus Shale Factor- The Truth about Private Wells

- In 1996 – we knew 50% of Private Wells in PA were contaminated – But What Did We DO?
- The Marcellus Shale Factor or the Development of this resource is NOW bringing this problem to the surface.
- Baseline Testing is being conducted and more problems with groundwater quality are being identified.
- What do we do now? What is the Risk? What is the pathways to Contamination/ Impact? How should Risk be Managed?
- What to Test For as Part of Baseline Testing?
- Some Private Wells may be the pathway to Contamination.

Baseline Testing

■ Baseline Testing

- ◆ Proper Well Purging, Field Monitoring, and Sampling
- ◆ Documenting Existing Conditions and Well or Water Source Information
- ◆ Chain-of-Custody Protocols
- ◆ Using a Certified Lab / Using Certified Methods
- ◆ Picking Water Quality Parameters



Entrance Photo



Locate Well



Look for Treatment (Bypass System)



Work as a Team

Wellbore Volume- Volume of Water in Storage (WBV)

Well Depth from Drillers Log – 300 feet

Well Diameter – 6 inches

Static Water Level (no pumping) – 51 feet

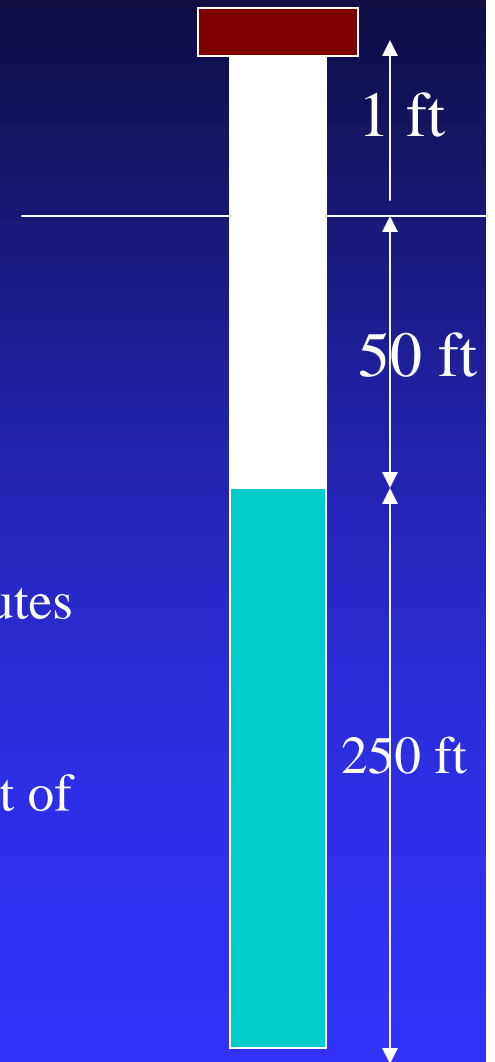
Water Column in the Well – 250 feet

Water in the Well ($250 \text{ ft} * 1.5 \text{ g/ft} = 375 \text{ gallons}$)

1 – Wellbore Volume – 375 gallons

If pump produces 5 gallons per minute, it will take 75 minutes to purge wellbore volume

Normally – we attempt to purge 3 wellbore volumes as part of a monitoring effort.





I Got to Lose Weight !

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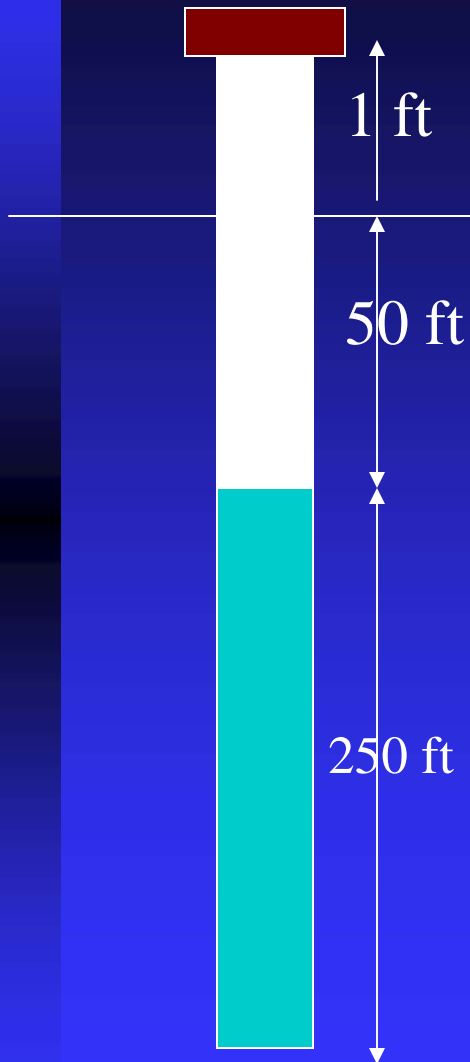
1. Take Notes and Record Observations
2. Label Each Container Name, Site ID, Date, Time, Parameters, Your Initials, Preservation
3. Prepare Chain-of-Custody
4. Record Field Water Quality Data

Methane Gas Level – Change over Time – Highest Methane Level

When

- barometric pressure is low and soils are saturated;
- when snow cover is just beginning to melt;
- the ground is frozen or ice covered; or
- under long-term pumping conditions for the well when the well is experiencing the lowest dynamic water level and greatest drawdown.

Estimating Specific Capacity



Specific Capacity =
Gpm/ft of drawdown

gpm = 5 gpm

Static Water Level – 50 feet

Dynamic Level – 200 feet

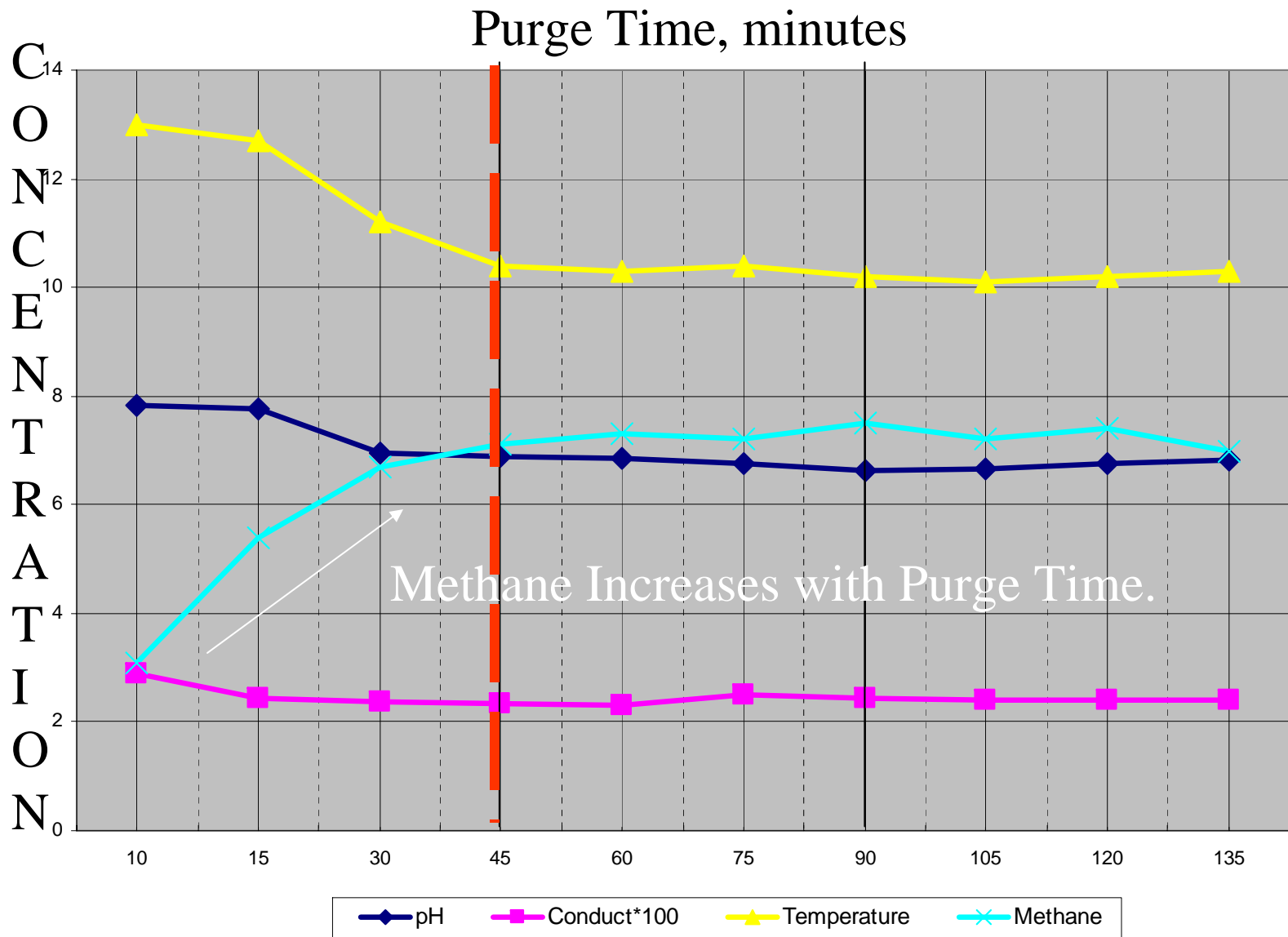
$Sc = (5 \text{ gpm} / (150 \text{ ft})) =$

$Sc = 0.03 \text{ gpm/ft drawdown}$

Less head pressure
More methane will
be released.



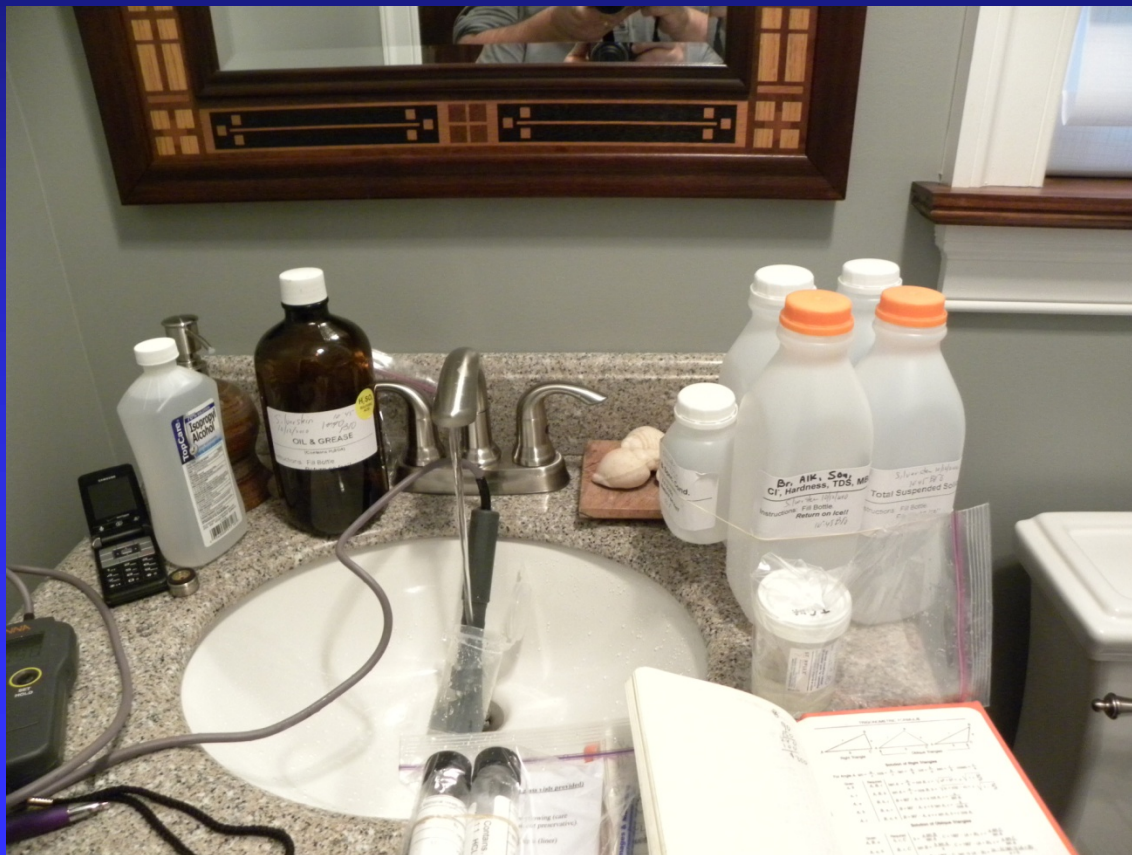
Methane



1 WBV = 45 minutes

What Parameters

■ Baseline Testing



Suggested Baseline- For Citizens from PADEP (11/2010)

- Alkalinity, Chloride, Conductivity, Hardness, Oil and Grease, pH, Sulfate, Total Dissolved Solids, Total Suspended Solids, Total Solids
- Barium, Calcium, Iron, Magnesium, Manganese, Potassium, Sodium, Strontium
- Ethane/Methane
- Total Coliform / E. coli

Other Recommendations at:

<http://www.wilkes.edu/water> (Fact Sheet - Recommended Baseline)

Baseline Testing – Oram's Recommendations for Citizens

- Where are you located?
- What is your surrounding land-use?
- Do you have any water quality problems-
such as discolored water, odors, or staining?
- Do you have a water treatment system?
- What is the source of your water?
 - ◆ Well, Spring, Cistern, etc

Same Baseline Parameters?



Quarry



Mixed Hazards



Saline Seep

Suggested Baseline- For Citizens

- Testing Package # 1 Recommendations

Total Coliform with e. coli confirmation, chloride, sodium, bromide, barium, pH, total dissolved solids, MBAS, iron, manganese, and methane/ethane.

- Testing Package # 2 Recommendations

Package # 1- plus T. Hardness, Magnesium, Selenium, Strontium, Conductivity, Calcium, Zinc, Alkalinity, Arsenic, Nitrate, Total Suspended Solids, Sulfate, Oil & Grease, and 21-VOCs/MTBE.

- Testing Package # 3 Recommendations

Package #1 and # 2 - plus Potassium, Sulfide, Ammonia, Acidity, Nickel, Gross, Alpha/Beta, Lead, and Uranium.

It may be advisable to add Glycols, Radon in water, and other organics and inorganics. Depending on surrounding land-use, use of geothermal wells, and past history.

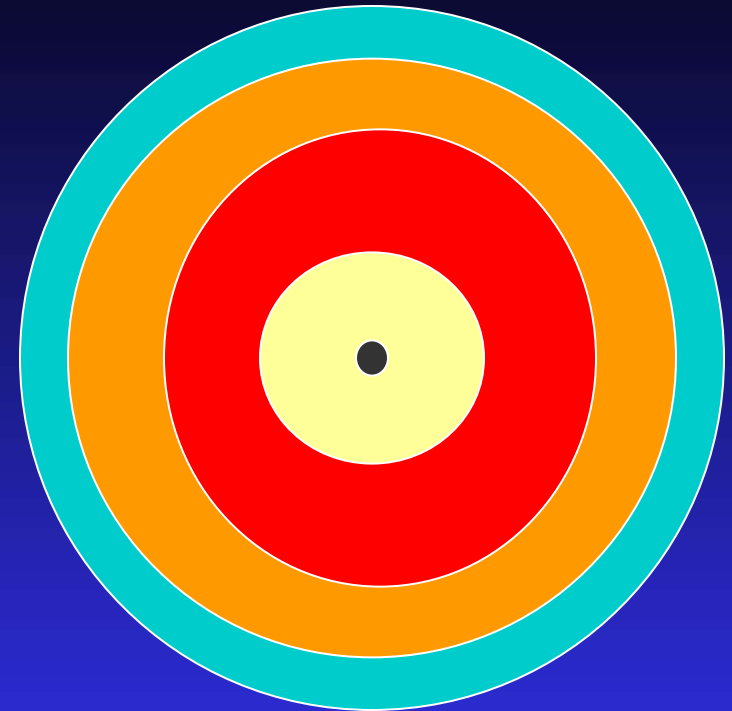
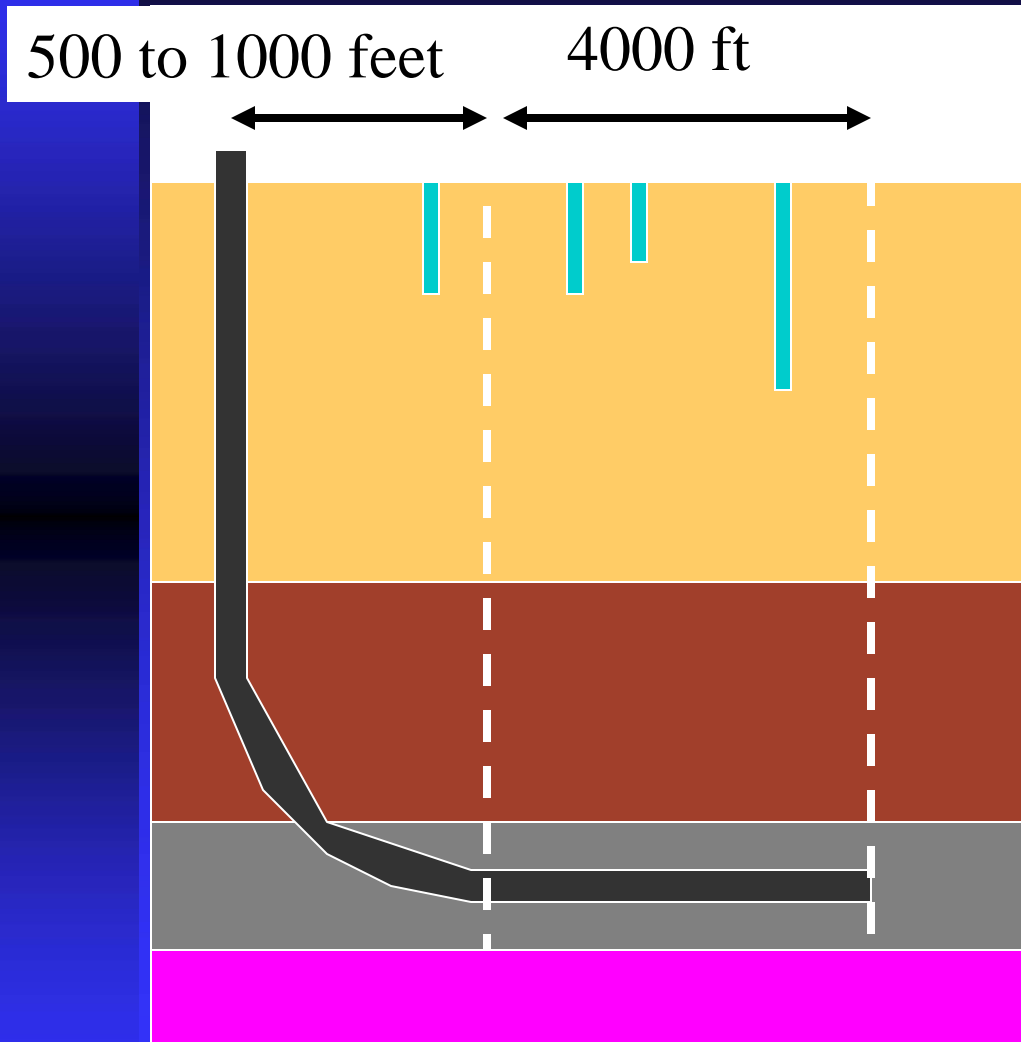
<http://www.bfenvironmental.com> or call 570-335-1947




Suggestions for Baseline Testing

- Bacterial Series
- General Water Quality (pH, alkalinity, hardness, turbidity)
- Secondary Drinking Water Standards
- Oil/Grease
- Volatile Organics and regulated SOCs (Maybe MTBE)
- Radionuclides (Alpha/Beta – Maybe Uranium),
- Gases – Methane/ Ethane/ Propane – Add Radon !
- Major Cations / Anions
 - ◆ Plus Bromide, Sulfide, Potassium, Sodium, Aluminum,
 - ◆ Selenium, Strontium, Arsenic, Lithium (?), Lead (?), Mercury (?), Silver (?)

Companies need to take a few extra steps – they are assumed responsible.

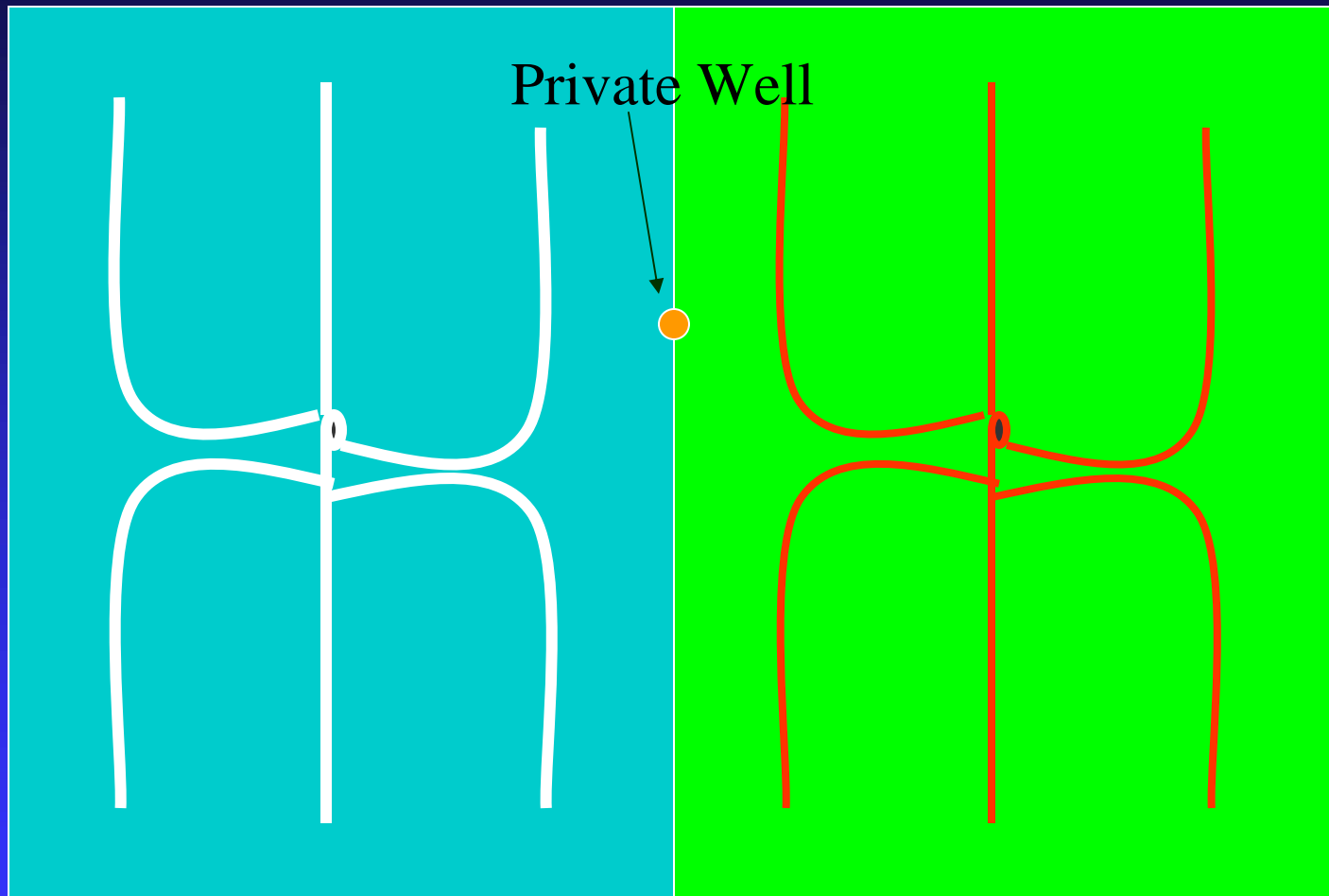
In general – I could see a radius from 3000 ft to 1 mile



-  Mud/ Methane Migration (up to 1000 ft)
-  Methane Pushes (2500 feet)
-  Area Above Lateral
-  1000 ft Buffer

This is More Opinion/ Judgment- not fact.

My Primary Concern with Respect to Radius
and Assumed Liabile is “Who is Responsible”



Company A

Company B

Maybe Baseline Testing Zone should match well capture zone.



Citizen Database at Wilkes University- Guidelines for Submission

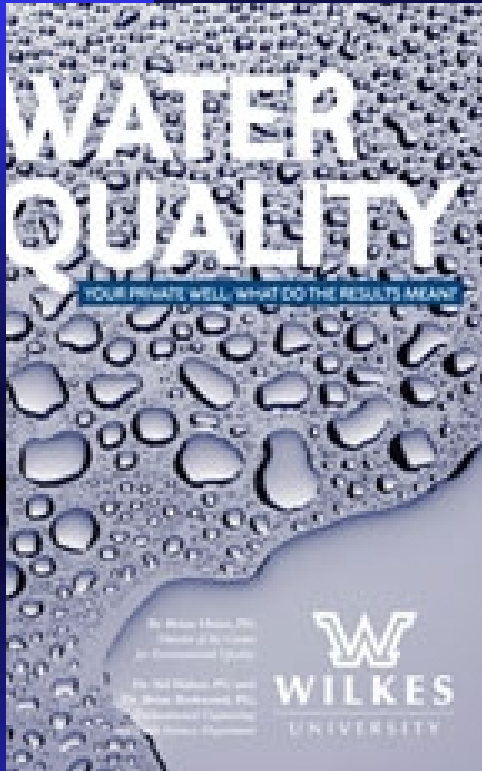
II. Guidelines for Data Submission

1. Third Party Samplers following chain-of-custody to certified laboratory.
2. Submit detailed reports from certified laboratory with a GPS position for the well.
3. The water sample must be collected ahead of any water treatment system.
4. other conditions – Learn More at the Wilkes University Website.

Learn More –
<http://www.wilkes.edu/water>

WATER QUALITY
D A T A B A S E
**CONSENT &
INFORMATION**

New Community Resource



Download a Free Copy (pdf) or
at <http://www.bfenvironmental.com>

Also:

1. BFE are Working on a Regional Citizen Water Quality Database.
2. BFE provide informational water testing and Facilitate certified baseline testing.

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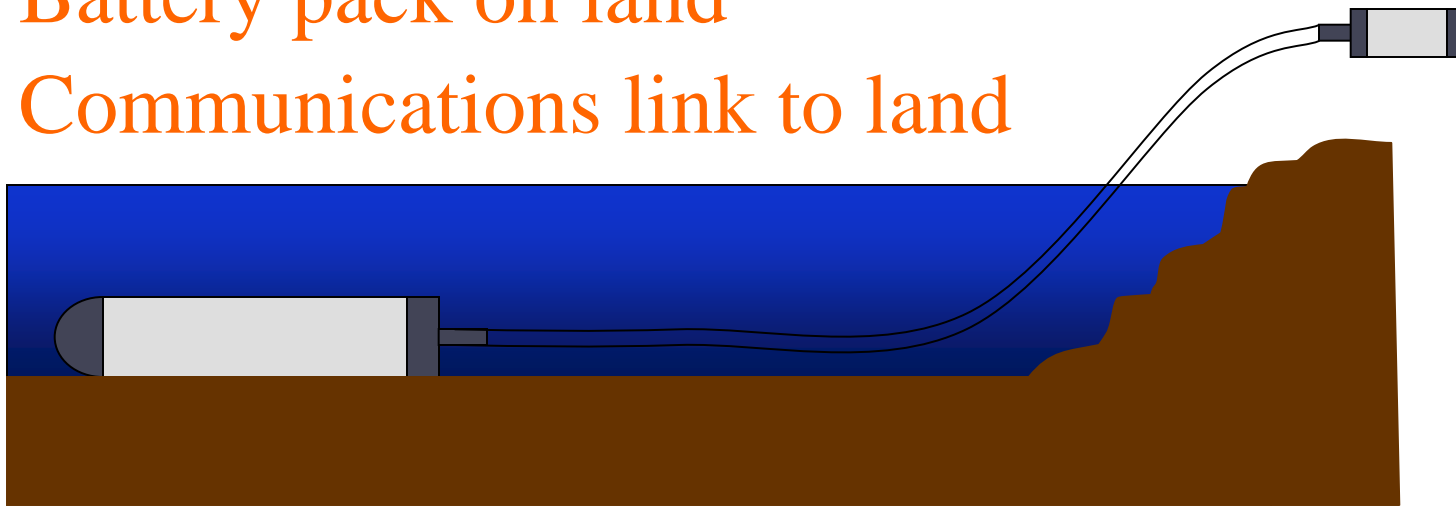
Add Your Data to the Citizen Database- Contact
Mr. Brian Oram at brian.oram@wilkes.edu or
bfenviro@ptd.net

What Citizens Can Do?

- Be active in Proposed Legislation.
- Participate and Release Data to the Citizens Groundwater/ Surfacewater Database
- Push for Local Zoning/ Subdivision Ordinances in Community.
- Private Well Construction and Siting Standards
- Getting Marcellus Shale related infrastructure added to deeds for parcels.
- Get a copy of the well permit for natural gas wells at a local office.
- Self Monitoring
 - ◆ Baseline Testing- Certified, Chain-of-Custody- call (570) 335-1947 – ask for Brian
 - ◆ Post Testing Using Informational Water Test Services – <http://www.water-testing-kits.com>
 - ◆ Self Monitoring – Easy to Use Monitoring Equipment and Citizen Monitoring Programs <http://www.bfenvironmental.com>

Sensor Deployment

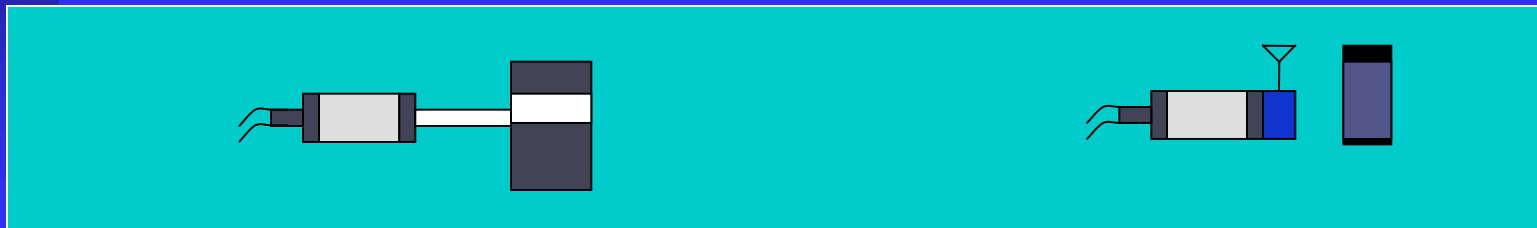
- Fully Submerged Sensor
- Breather tube for ambient air pressure
- Battery pack on land
- Communications link to land



More Citizen Science

Battery Pack and Communications

- Allows battery change without moving sensor
- Initial version has cable to download to microserver
- Add-on bluetooth wireless interface module
- Provides link to Smart Phone



<http://www.dragonflyscientific.com/>

Changes in the Regulations

- Require Lined Sites with Containment.
- Require Cement Bond Logging.
- Require Cementing to Surface for all strings and production casing.
- Require Monitoring Private Wells During Drilling Process – Field Screening Only
- Increase baseline testing zone to cover the anticipated capture zone for the well pad.
- More Cased Zones – Multiple Cement Casing
 - ◆ New Strings
 - ◆ Shallow Freshwater
 - ◆ Deeper Freshwater
 - ◆ Saline Zone Casing

Two Free Things that You Can Do To Make a Difference!

- We Need Your Help – Act Now

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NMG6RQ3>

- Add your baseline Data to the Citizens Database – Contact Mr. Brian Oram

- ◆ bfenviro@ptd.net

- ◆ <http://www.bfenviro.com>

- ◆ 570-335-1947

Recent Site Tour- Towanda, PA



I took both photos – First Time on the Drilling Platform

Certificate of Completion

Training Event

Getting The Waters Tested The Marcellus Shale Factor

10/17/2011

2 – hour PDH or 0.1 CEUS

Presented by

Mr. Brian Oram, PG

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More Online Training @

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Announcement – New Private Well Owner and Watershed
Survey for Marcellus Shale Region - Going to Offer
200 Free Radon in Water Tests.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NMG6RQ3>