Ottawa County Planning Commission

Understanding Hydraulic Fracturing
Educational Series

Session #1:
Hydraulic Fracturing – Panel Discussion
Hydraulic Fracturing Overview

Video on Hydraulic Fracturing Process

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VY34PQUiwOQ
Geology and Hydraulic Fracturing
Basic principals of oil and gas development:
1. Sediments deposited over a very long period of time contain organic materials that decay
2. Sediments buried under more sediment and trapped, compacted and left to decay...become rocks.
3. Rocks bend, fold, break and erode over time.
4. As the organic materials decay, they create gas (methane, etc.) which is lighter than water and air...these migrate upwards. (Oil formation is the same but requires extra heat and pressure.)
5. Most gases escape into the atmosphere some is trapped by rocks above.
Basic principals of oil and gas development:
...some is trapped by rocks above...RESERVOIR

Note: significant vertical exaggeration used here.
Reservoir:
A “reservoir” is actually solid rock that has microscopic pore spaces or fractures!

For comparison:
Gravel – 100,000 Darcy (273,000 ft/day)
Sand – 1 Darcy (2.73 ft/day)
Limestone – 0.000001 Darcy (1 µD)
Granite – 0.0000001 Darcy (0.01 µD)

Porosity ≠ permeability

Let’s see some MI reservoir rocks…

Example cherty dolomitic limestone

From GSA, Modified from Bureau of Economic Geology, The University of Texas. significant magnification used.
SO…How does it work?
How do we efficiently get oil and gas out of the reservoir
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How do we efficiently get oil and gas out of the reservoir?

1. Vertical & near-vertical drilling
   a) Smaller area of effect
   b) Requires closer spacing

2. Directional/horizontal drilling
   a) Larger area of effect, long horizontal portion
   b) Reduced surface expression, broad spacing
   c) Multiple wells on same drilling pad

3. Enhanced stimulation methods – Hydraulic Fracturing, acidization, steam, etc.
   a) Increases effectiveness of a single borehole through artificially increasing permeability
   b) Proper well construction, pad engineering, and waste disposal is essential
Stimulation Fluids and Flowback Water
So what is Hydraulic Fracturing?
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What is in Hydraulic Fracturing fluids:
- Water (80.5%)
- ‘Proppant’ (10-20%)
  - Sand, ceramic, coffee grinds, etc.
- “99.5%”
- Additives:
  - Acids
  - Lubricants
  - Surfactants (soap)
  - Antifreeze
  - Biocides
  - Light distillate VOCs & alcohol
  - Etc.

Water volumes:
- Function of well depth
- Antrim: 50,000 gallons
- ‘High volume’ >100,000 gallon
- Needs ARI evaluation if ‘high’
- Typ. up to 7 million gallons
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Flowback Water

So what can we expect to find in Hydraulic Fracturing Flowback water?
- Water
  (10-70% of what was injected plus some from within the rock)
- Brine
- Methane (and other natural gasses)
- VOCs/SVOCs
- Leftover additives (<1%wt)
- Rock debris/drilling mud
- Trace “NORM” (naturally-occurring radioactive material from source rocks shown to be at safe levels.)

Flowback water disposal in Michigan:
- Deep injection/disposal wells, typically in the same rock formations (Dundee/Traverse)
- Quantity carefully tracked and reported
- Chemically balanced to ensure life of disposal well and safety.
Flowback Water

Flowback process...

From “Hydraulic Fracturing in Michigan”
Questions:
Oil and Gas Industry in Michigan
Question #1

How many high-volume hydraulic fracturing wells are active in Michigan? How many permits are pending?
Michigan Oil and Gas Wells

High Volume Completions
21 Since 2008
14 Other Permits Issued
About 80 prior to 2008
Question #2

What are the prospects for an expansion of hydraulic fracturing in Michigan? What are the prospects for an expansion of hydraulic fracturing in Ottawa County via new wells and/or abandoned wells?
Major (current and historical) gas plays in the USA:
Response #2 - Jay
Response #2 - Jay

Antrim

A1 Carb

Utica
Questions:
State Regulations/
Health and Environmental Concerns
What is involved in the application process for an oil and gas well that utilizes hydraulic fracturing?

**State of Michigan**
Department of Environmental Quality
Geological and Land Management Division
P.O. Box 30256
Lansing, MI 48909-7756

**PERMIT TO**
☑ DRILL AND OPERATE  □ DEEPEN AND OPERATE

GRAINED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF Part 615 Supervisor of Wells, Act 451, PA 1984, as amended

Violation of and/or non-compliance with the provisions of this act or its rules, instructions or orders of the supervisor, or these permit conditions may result in penalties. This permit includes as requirements all the operations and methods proposed by the applicant in the application to drill, unless rejected or altered by the DEQ. This permit is also subject to the general and specific conditions identified on this page and/or attached to it. Initiation of any work under this permit confirms the permittee’s acceptance and agreement to comply with its terms and conditions.

**LOCATION AND FOOTAGE:**
- **SHL:** SW SW NW, SEC 6, 24N 6W, NORWICH TWP,issaugue co
  - 2430 FT FROM N AND 667 FT FROM W SECTION LINE
- **BHL:** NW NW SW, SEC 31, 25N 6W, GARFIELD TWP, KALKASKA CO
  - 2163 FT FROM S AND 660 FT FROM W SECTION LINE
  - 465 FT FROM N AND 660 FT FROM W DRILLING UNIT LINE

**CASING AND SEALING REQUIREMENTS**

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**SPECIFIC PERMIT CONDITIONS**

1. The well shall be drilled and operated in compliance with the Hydrogen Sulfide Rules (R 324 1101 to R 324 1129). NOTIFY LOCAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COORDINATOR OF WELL LOCATION, H2S POTENTIAL, and CONTINGENCY PLAN AVAILABILITY prior to moving rig.

2. If the on-site water supply is intended to produce a cumulative total of over 100,000 gallons of water per day when averaged over a consecutive 30-day period, the permittee shall:
   A. If there are one or more residential water supply wells within 1320 feet, install a monitor well between the water withdrawal well and the nearest residential water supply well. The permittee shall measure and record the water level in the monitor well daily during water withdrawal and weekly thereafter until the water level stabilizes. The permittee shall report the water level data weekly to the District Supervisor.
   B. Conduct tests in the monitoring well to confirm that there is no significant difference in water level between the well being monitored and the monitor well.
• Basic application package that has 10+ forms and includes:
  • Well engineering details, drilling plans, surveys, maps
  • Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)
  • Water Well Record (new rules 1-2013)
  • Soil erosion and sedimentation control plan
  • Bond
  • Check for application fee
  • (there are about 50 possible forms/reports depending on well)

• Submitted to the DEQ for careful review…”administratively complete”?

• More data collection during drilling
• Oversight
• Pressure tests
• Spill reports
How do Michigan siting well regulations differ from regulations in other states?
Tables Courtesy of the Graham Sustainability Institute Integrated Assessment Report Series, Volume 11
Hydraulic Fracturing in the State of Michigan
http://graham.umich.edu/knowledge/ia/hydraulic-fracturing
Policy/Law Technical Report
Question #4b

How do Michigan setback restrictions regulations differ from regulations in other states?
### TABLE 2: Setback Requirements for Well Location

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<td><strong>Residences</strong></td>
<td>500 feet</td>
<td>500 feet</td>
<td>300 feet; 450 feet in large cities and townships</td>
<td>100 feet in non-urbanized areas; 150 feet in urbanized areas</td>
<td>500 feet</td>
<td>200 feet</td>
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<td><strong>Other Structures/Areas</strong></td>
<td>1,000 feet from “high occupancy building;” 350 feet from “outside activity area”</td>
<td>500 feet from school, hospital, nursing home, place of worship</td>
<td>300 feet from structure used for public or private occupancy</td>
<td>100 feet from “public building” in non-urbanized areas</td>
<td>500 feet from building</td>
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<td><strong>Water supplies</strong></td>
<td>0–300 feet from designated public water supply stream segment</td>
<td>500 feet from water well or spring; 1,500 feet from public water supply intake</td>
<td>300 feet from freshwater well</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>500 feet from water well; 1,000 from water supply</td>
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<td><strong>Natural resources</strong></td>
<td>300 feet from gold medal stream, cutthroat trout habitat</td>
<td>300 feet from water body; 750 feet from nature preserve</td>
<td>300 feet from natural river; if state lease, 1,320 feet from lake or stream</td>
<td>50 feet from water body</td>
<td>300 feet from water body, wetland greater than 1 acre</td>
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How do Michigan well casings regulations differ from regulations in other states?
Typical Antrim Well
CASING STRINGS:

20" CONDUCTOR SET AT 97 FEET

13-3/8" SURFACE STRING SET AT 1,142 FEET. CEMENTED TO SURFACE

9-5/8" INTERMEDIATE STRING SET AT 5,023 FEET. CEMENTED TO 3,100 FEET.

7" LINER HUNG AT 4,740 FEET AND SET AT 9,101 FEET. CEMENTED TO 6,580 FEET

4.5" PRODUCTION STRING TO TOTAL DEPTH. CEMENTED TO 7,700 FEET.
How do Michigan hydraulic fracturing chemical disclosure regulations differ from regulations in other states?
## TABLE 4: Chemical Disclosure Requirements

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<td>Trade name, type, function, concentration; MSDS</td>
<td>Trade name, supplier, function</td>
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<td>Hazardous constituents by CAS number, maximum concentration in additive and fluid</td>
<td>Hazardous constituents by product, concentration in additive and CAS if in MSDS</td>
<td>All constituents by chemical name, CAS number, actual or maximum concentration in fluid</td>
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<td>By manufacturer under worker safety law</td>
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<td>Health care professional; state if necessary to respond to spill or release</td>
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Fracturing Fluid Disclosure Requirements

- Disclosure required (14 states)
- Disclosure required, with exclusions (1 state)
- Proposed disclosure requirement (3 states)
- No evidence of regulation found (13 states)
- Not in study

Top 5 states by number of natural gas wells (2011)

States with no natural gas wells (2011)

How do Michigan flowback water handling regulations differ from regulations in other states?
How do Michigan oil & gas well emissions regulations differ from regulations in other states?
Controlling Emissions In Michigan
How do Michigan flowback water disposal regulations differ from regulations in other states?
Flow-Back Disposal In Michigan

**Fluid Life Cycle**

**START**
- Temp.
- Water Supply
- Well Is Pumped
- And Water Stored On-site

**END**
- Disposal in Class II Disposal Well

- Flowback Fluid Stored In Frac Tanks

- Water Used To Hydraulically The Fracture Oil or Gas Well
How do Michigan hydraulic fracturing water usage regulations differ from regulations in other states?
The Water Withdrawal Assessment Tool
(http://www.miwwat.org)

Intended for use prior to installing a new or increased large quantity withdrawal for the purpose of determining the potential impact to nearby water resources.

With respect to any proposed hydraulic fracturing operation that will require a “large volume water withdrawal” (defined as a withdrawal of more than 100,000 gallons of water per day, on average, over a 30-day period), the permitting instructions require a comprehensive evaluation and review using an internet-based assessment tool, as well as site specific reviews by MDEQ personnel.
OOGM’s Water Withdrawal Analysis for High Volume Hydraulic Fracturing

Review and evaluation of the potential for Adverse Resource Impacts (ARI) related to large volume water withdrawals for hydraulic fracturing is a two phase process.

- Phase one is a preliminary screening process by the OOGM permitting and field staff during the permit application review.
- Phase two is done by the operator using specific parameters for the water withdrawal needed for completion.

Under no circumstances will water withdrawals that are determined to create an actual ARI be approved.
“Adverse Resource Impact”

MCL 324.32701(a)(vii)

- Decreasing the level of a lake or pond with a surface area of 5 acres or more through a direct withdrawal from a lake or pond in a manner that would impair or destroy the lake or pond or the uses made of the lake or pond, including....
Ground Water Wells
Common Law Limitations

Only applicable if the withdrawal would interfere with:

- Another groundwater well
- Riparian rights in a connected stream or lake
Ground Water Wells
Common Law Limitations

How do Michigan brine application regulations differ from regulations in other states?
Brine Application For Dust And Ice Control

Office of Oil, Gas, and Minerals approves source well

- R324.705 Rule 705(3)
- (a) Less than 500 ppm H2S per liter brine;
- (b) 20,000 mg per liter or more Calcium;
- (c) Less than 1,000 ppb Benzene, Ethylbenzene, Toluene, Xylene;
- (d) Only brines approved by supervisor.

Water Resources Division permits the application of the brines.
Question #4j

How do Michigan silica dust regulations differ from regulations in other states?
Which agency reviews hydraulic fracturing permits submitted to the State?
Question #6

What opportunity does the public have to review and comment on State hydraulic fracturing permits?
Has the State denied any permit applications?
What is the State’s policy regarding disclosure of permit violations by oil and gas operators?
What permit violations have occurred in Michigan?
Movies such as *Gasland* and videos circulating on the Internet show residents in Pennsylvania near hydraulic fracturing sites lighting their tap water on fire. Is this really occurring in Pennsylvania? Is this a concern for Michigan?
Natural Stray Gas in Water Wells vs Man Caused

Has been reported in Michigan for a while (Article from 1965). Can occur when the aquifer is in connection with gas bearing shales or buried organics.
What are the possible water contamination risks for Michigan from hydraulic fracturing through the following mechanisms:

a. Hydraulic fracturing?
b. Directional drilling?
c. New subsurface fractures in the bedrock caused by hydraulic fracturing?
d. Existing natural fractures networks in the bedrock?
e. Flowback water?
Well sites are engineered to protect surface
Well casing is designed to seal the aquifers OUT
Disposal is regulated
Secondary containment measures in place
Routine monitoring of the groundwater (secondary containment monitoring)
NORM – Low concentrations, not at harmful levels, blocked by steel.

As in any industry, accidents can and do happen.

It is our obligation to work to prevent accidents and facilitate the cleanup of ones that do happen.
Have there been any reports of water contamination as a result of hydraulic fracturing and/or flowback disposal methods in Michigan? In other States?
Lower Peninsula of Michigan Subsurface, Wells >8500’
Response #12 - Adam

10,000 Feet Below Sea Level (over 2 miles below land surface)

Lake Huron 580 Feet Above Sea Level

Below this surface all water is saline or brine

Base of Fresh Water, Wells >8500’, Collingwood Shale
What is the failure rate of well casings for fracking wells over an extended period of time (20 to 30 years)? What is the expected life-cycle of cement casings? Are there regulations which require that well casings are replaced once their life-cycle expires?
How Long will Steel and Cement Last?
What short-term and long-term impacts to our water supply may occur as a result of the water usage necessary for hydraulic fracturing? For example, one hydraulic fracturing operation in Kalkaska County used 21.1 million gallons of water. What impacts have/would home-owners near to these water withdrawals experience?
High Volume (<100,000 gallons) Hydraulic Fracturing Well Completions

SoW Instruction 1-2011 (Effective June 22, 2011)

a) WWAT
b) Data and records (volume, number, aquifer, type (drift/bedrock), pump rate)
c) Supplemental map of well site showing:
   a. Proposed location (lat/lon)
   b. Locations of all recorded (and reasonably identifiable) fresh water wells within a quarter mile (1,320 feet) of proposed withdrawal
   c. Proposed freshwater pit location

d) Completion Instructions
   a. If within quarter mile of fresh water well, install an “Observation Well” and measure water level DAILY during pumping and WEEKLY thereafter, until stable.
   b. Freshwater pit should not create hazard, remain onsite after completion, and may need soil erosion protective measures and fencing
   c. During Hydraulic Fracturing process, the operator shall monitor/record injection pressure at the surface and the annulus pressure between the injection string and next string of casing (unless cemented to surface).

e) Submit data with Record of Well Completion:
   a. MSDS and volumes used
   b. Hydraulic Fracturing records
High-volume Hydraulic Fracturing is relatively rare, most uses present “negligible” or short-term changes

Increased scrutiny will tell us more, tracked water usage and disposal

Permitted or proposed withdrawal is not the same as actual

Cost/benefit: there are REAL and substantial costs to the production company for water use and disposal…if it gets to be too high, the costs may outweigh the benefits

We can use the history of Antrim Hydraulic Fracturing production as an analog to future drilling in Michigan

Michigan is NOT the same as other states
Large Volume Hydraulic Fracturing Water Usage


- **State Excelsior 1-25 HD1**
  - (Utica-Collingwood Shale Well, Kalkaska County, MI)
  - 8,461,635 gallons
  - 30 stages
  - 282,000 gallons per stage

- **Typical Antrim Shale Well**
  - 40,000 – 100,000 gallons
  - 3 – 4 stages
Response #14 - Amy

Michigan Oil & Gas Producers Education Foundation—Hydraulic Fracturing in Michigan

Michigan Water Use (Millions Gallons/Day)

The oil and natural gas exploration and production industry is a very small part of water use. Oil and gas production is part of the mining sector in the graph to the left. Mining, overall, including oil and gas production uses less than 1 percent of the water used statewide.

Michigan’s water usage

At first glance the amount of water used in hydraulic fracturing, particularly in shale gas formations, may appear substantial, but it is small when compared to other water uses. Unlike other uses, water used to produce natural gas through hydraulic fracturing is a one-time use that promotes efficient energy production for the next 20 years. It’s an investment that pays off in the form of long-term, clean, reliable, and affordable energy.

Michigan uses more than 11 billion gallons of water each day with nearly 80 percent of this used for thermoelectric power generation (source: MDEQ, 2004 Water Withdrawals for Major Water Uses in Michigan).
If hydraulic fracturing occurred in Ottawa County, what would be the likely water source(s) for hydraulic fracturing? If groundwater is used from local sources, would it cause sodium chloride to be pulled out of Marshall bedrock and cause high sodium levels in wells over short and/or long-term?
Response #15 - Adam

OTTAWA COUNTY
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OTTAWA COUNTY

Lake Michigan
580 Ft Above Sea Level
Sea Level

2000 Ft below Sea Level

4000 Ft below Sea Level

6000 Ft below Sea Level

Producing Wells
Oil - Green
Gas - Red
Brine Disposal-Black

Land Surface
Marshall SS
Coldwater Shale
Traverse Limestone
Salina G
Niagaran
Cincinnatian
Trenton
Glenwood
PreCambrian Basement

Vertical Exaggeration X2

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Lake Michigan
580 Ft Above Sea Level
Sea Level

2000 Ft below Sea Level

4000 Ft below Sea Level

6000 Ft below Sea Level

Water Table
Surface & Water Wells
Red-Bedrock
Blue -Drift
What are the risks associated with using deep injection wells for disposal of flowback waste water?
Waste Disposal Well Disposal of Flowback Wastewater Associated Risks?
Well-established in Michigan

- Regulated and permitted Class II wells, EPA “Safe Drinking Water Act”
- 1,460 wells in Michigan, about half are for brine
- Disposal often near or co-located with production and can enhance production
- No open pits at injection site

Earthquakes? A.K.A: Induced seismicity…not likely and certainly not significant

- Stable, “wet” basin
- Fracturing not conducive to a good reservoir anyway
- Careful site selection
1300 Injection Wells In Michigan Operating Safely for Decades
Question #17

Is there any documented proof that hydraulic fracturing has caused an earthquake?
Induced Seismicity Potential
According to University of Memphis researchers, earthquakes in Arkansas have been linked to disposal of flowback water in deep injection wells. Is it possible earthquakes related to deep injection wells could occur in Michigan?
Response #18 - Adam
Questions:
Public Policy & Legal Cases
What is the status of the MDEQ’s proposed revisions to State oil and gas rules? What impact would these proposed revisions have if these rules are adopted? What is the status of State legislation (HB 4061, HB 4070, HB 4900, HB 4901, HB 4902, HB 4904, HB 4905) related to hydraulic fracturing? What impact would these proposed bills have if they became law?
DEQ Proposed Rules
Four Main Issues:

• Water withdrawals
• Baseline water sampling
• Monitoring and reporting
• Chemical additive disclosure
Response #19 - Adam

Water Withdrawal

• Codifies requirement for Water Withdrawal Assessment Tool
• Withdrawal not approved if adverse impact

Baseline Sampling

• Baseline water well samples within 1/4 mile
Monitoring and Reporting

- Install monitor well to check water levels
- Plan for preventing loss of water in supply wells
- Receive advance approval before each High Volume Hydraulic Fracturing
- Notify DEQ 48 hours in advance
- Measure and report pressures and volumes
Chemical Disclosure

• Disclose chemical information online at FracFocus.org
  ➢ Chemical name and concentration
  ➢ Chemical family and trade name for trade secret chemicals

Other Rule Issues

➢ Well location rules more flexible
➢ Terms clarified on forming of drilling tracts and designating well locations
Are there any legal cases in which hydraulic fracturing was used as a reason for a lawsuit? Are there any legal cases in which hydraulic fracturing has been found in court, or through a settlement, to have caused any of the following:

a. Human health problems?

b. Water contamination?

c. Environmental contamination?

d. Damage related to earthquakes?
21. What legal cases related to hydraulic fracturing are active in Michigan? What legal cases have occurred in the past?
Audience Questions
MISC SLIDE: Antrim Well Spacing, Family Cabin